

THE DAILY BEE  
Tuesday Morning, March 3.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Wild geese are flying northward in large numbers.  
—Thos. A. Golden and Herbert Dyer will give a private Easter ball at Masonic hall, April 6, 1885.  
—Sheriff Eichenberg, of Cass county, was in the city yesterday for the self-same purpose of hunting down some hog thieves.  
—In the police court yesterday morning John Tesor swore out a complaint against James Blojek, charging him with stealing a box of cigars.  
—Experienced river men say that the river will break up within the next week or ten days, if Jack Frost continues to exhibit the white feather, as at present.  
—In Judge Weiss' court yesterday Maggie Walsh secured judgment by default against P. A. Gavin, and secured her trunk, which that gentleman, as her guardian, was holding.  
—Work on the thirteenth street iron bridge of the B. & M. stock yards extension has been resumed. The structure will be completed in about ten days or two weeks. Work on the Summit bridge is delayed in waiting for the iron material from Buffalo, N. Y.  
—Yesterday afternoon William Diggins and Helen Elizabeth Higgins were married in Judge Selden's court. In the county court Judge McCulloch tied the nuptial knot which binds the hearts of Geo. W. Low and Lillie B. Hendricks, a young couple from Calhoun.  
—Mr. R. H. Davy has on exhibition at the place of the florist Edging, on Sherman avenue, a large single leaf stalk umbrella plant, "Amorphopholus Rivieri," in full bloom. This specimen of botanical growth is attracting considerable attention and is really a novelty.  
—Constable Edgerton levied yesterday upon the property of Charles Westergard, recently indicted for grand larceny, for a civil judgment gained against him in Judge Selden's court by Mrs. Lucinda Jones, for the value of a mule.  
—A runaway occurred on South Thirteenth street yesterday morning. Just before reaching the railway crossing the horse saw a train approaching and concluding that the train had the right of way the sensible animal suddenly laid down rather than take the consequences of a collision.  
—Postmaster Contant was busied yesterday in making up the account of stamps sold during the past month. From this it appears that \$2,545.09 worth of stamps and stamped letters and postal cards were sold. Of this amount, \$96,752 2-cent stamps, 19,588 1-cent and 89,033 postal cards were disposed.  
—In Judge Anderson's court yesterday, Friedman gained a judgment in a replevin suit against Rogers & Son. It seems that some time last fall Rogers & Son in endeavoring to secure themselves against the Goldman's failure, seized what they supposed to be Goldman's goods, but what afterwards turned out to belong to Friedman.  
—The local Turner society has been fortunate enough to secure the services of Prof. Kummaro, of Fond du Lac, Wis., who will assume professional charge of the gymnastic work of the organization. Prof. Kummaro comes with an unlimited fund of experience, and this charge of the society's work will be replete with points of benefit to the members.  
—The resolution offered at the citizens' mass meeting, requesting Governor Dawes to sign the charter amendment bill, was adopted by an overwhelming vote. The voice of A. J. Hanscom against the resolution, although loud and strong, seemed strange and lonesome—so much so, that Mr. Hanscom, in evident disgust, immediately left the meeting.  
—Superintendent Brunner returned Sunday from Waterloo where he has been attending the Douglas County Teachers' convention which held session there Saturday. The meeting was largely attended, some thirty or forty birch wielders being on hand. The exercises, of an interesting and instructive nature, followed the programme already published in these columns.  
—The fine weather of yesterday was appreciated by the long suffering people, and the streets were thronged with people who enjoyed the first touch of spring. It was generally remarked that March came in like a lamb, and of course it is predicted that it will go out like a lion. The prediction that winter will yet linger in the lap of spring was also heard by our weather reporter no less than one hundred times.  
—Connors, who claimed to have been robbed of several hundred dollars last week, is, it is now thought by the police, a fraud. His wife, to whom he has been married but three weeks, came to Marshal Cummings Saturday and said he had got possession of a little sum of money which she had been carefully saving, amounting in all to \$300, and had, she believed, sent it to a first wife of his in the old country. She is confident that Connors' claim of having been swindled is a clever ruse to escape the punishment for the crime.  
—The funeral of Edward Kreisman, who died yesterday of consumption, is to be held today at 10 o'clock, in the undertaking rooms of McCarthy & Burke. Mr. Kreisman was a member of Post G. A. Carter, G. A. R., and widely and favorably known in the city. He had been ailing for some months past with consumption, and has been slowly sinking. His death, though not expected, is received among his friends with unfeigned regret. The burial service will be formally attended by his comrades of the local post.  
—The janitor of the German American school on Harney street reports that he narrowly missed losing his horse Sunday night. Awakened by the barking of the watch dog, his two sons arose about 12 o'clock, and found two robbers about to confiscate a valuable horse. The would be thieves fled and managed to make good their escape. The horse was recovered a short distance down the road. The omnipotence of the police is respectfully invited to manifest itself in this particular section of the city, which has been suffering considerably of late from the depredations of the midnight marauder.  
—Justice Anderson yesterday issued a warrant, upon the complaint of Miss Adolphina Erickson, an orphan Swedish girl, for the arrest of John Pollock, also a Swede, upon the charge of bastardy. Constable George Burr returned the warrant with the accused last night about 8:30, and soon after the young lady appeared. Pollock pleaded guilty, and after a protracted conversation in their native tongue, the court committed the accused to the custody of the officer with instructions to put him in jail unless he procured security before 10 o'clock. The case will be tried at 3 p. m., when it is expected the parties will fight the wrong as far as it can be righted by marriage and security to care for and maintain the offspring when born. Miss Erickson and the defendant are both young and rather comely, and the scene in the courtroom was a sad one.

SENATOR M'SHANE.  
His Actions Regarding the Charter Amendments.

Severely Reprimanded by a Disinterested Spectator Who Attended the Meeting Saturday Night.  
At the citizens meeting Saturday night the writer was a spectator, perhaps a disinterested as any property owner present. He has been in attendance at many public meetings in this city during the past year. He ventures the following opinion upon the merits of some of the matters discussed at that meeting, together with some reflections growing out of his experience with public discussions in Omaha.  
The object for which the meeting was called was discussion of the city charter amendments. The bill embodying those having passed both houses after the call had been published, no influence could be exerted by the assembly for or against any of its provisions. Mr. Connell was therefore justifiable in explaining the character of the amendments agreed upon and incorporated in the legislative bill. He proceeded with this in a courteous, clear and able manner, until interrupted, when he politely gave way for a few moments to Mr. McShane, on request. Toward the close of his speech an old personal enemy interrupted him with language by no means genteel, and so drew from the city attorney some strictures upon the opponents of the new charter which, under the circumstances, might have been omitted. As it will appear further on in this communication, we seldom have a mass meeting in which these personal feuds are not permitted to intrude.  
Senator McShane followed the city attorney in response to a motion requesting him to state what action he had taken on the city charter question and succeeded admirably in showing that his opposition lacked sincerity or was capricious. He went over the entire ground and had not one kind or complimentary word to say of any fellow member of the Douglas county delegation in the legislature or of any citizen of the city who was in attendance there in the special interest of the amended charter. He showed conclusively that he had failed to be present when the amendments were discussed by the delegation and had never said one word to the lower house members for or against the bill as presented until it had passed the lower house and was ready to be presented to the senate for its action and that within three days of adjournment as was then supposed. It is not strange, therefore, that the remainder of the delegation were amazed and disgusted with the senatorial conduct of Douglas. He appears to have felt that his experience and position were such that the younger members of the lower house should have come to him and asked him whether or not the bill accorded with his views. In the less complimentary language of Mr. James Creighton, he was afflicted with an enlarged sense of his senatorial dignity. It would have been very easy for McShane to have had all his amendments, or the major part of them at least, inserted in the bill before it left the house, had he consented to unbend long enough to confer with the house delegation. He preferred, however, to making a sensation by waiting until the last moment and then perceptibly and with an air of superior virtue declining to accept the amendments as they stood. Not only did he propose changes in the new sections, but insisted upon additional changes from the language of the old charter.  
The amendments proposed to the charter bill by Mr. McShane were all more or less meritorious. The lower house delegation and citizens were willing to admit his propositions possessed a degree of merit in themselves. The impetuous manner of the senator and the suddenness of his attack upon the bill were the occasion of offense. Mr. McShane is said to have had access to the charter bill as early as February 10th, when it was first printed. He could have seen it earlier if he had been sincerely interested to get to the bones records of Mr. Brunner, who introduced the bill. Standing out in cold indifference until the evening of Wednesday, when it seemed probable the legislature would adjourn Saturday following, he then struck what appeared to be a fatal blow at the important instrument. It is no wonder that the Douglas county members of the lower house were enraged, especially after wrestling with the subject all night, accomplishing nothing. Vainly they tried to get the senator to make them a proposition for an amicable settlement of their differences. They separated at 5 a. m., thoroughly worn out, annoyed and angry. It is not strange, therefore, that in the heat of the moment they should agree upon action not altogether wise or even foolish. Amendments universally demanded by the people, must go with those in controversy if the bill should fall to pass. This firmness is not unworthy excuse for the hasty resolution of the house delegation not to concur in any amendments made in the senate. If the legislature had adjourned as was anticipated at the time this action was taken, amendments, however slight, would have endangered the bill if they would not have prevented its passage entirely. Hence the resolution not to concur, forcing Mr. McShane either to see the bill safely through the upper house or shoulder the responsibility of its defeat instead of being able to shift that responsibility from his own individual shoulders to those of the entire delegation.  
The resolution of approval and thanks tendered Mr. McShane, carrying with it, by implication, a censure of the remainder of the delegation was as unfair as it was unequalled. At the time the resolution was voted upon, no person had addressed the people upon the subject of Mr. McShane's actions, saving himself. He consumed three quarters of an hour in explaining his position and action. Upon the conclusion of his speech, discussion ended, the audience declining absolutely to hear the other side. Mr. Creighton attempted to speak, but allowed his personal ill-will toward the senator to manifest itself so plainly as to neutralize the effect of his statements. It would have been only fair and right to wait the return of our delegation, and to have heard them in self defense before agreeing to the resolution. There are several gentlemen on the delegation who know as much as our senior senator, and at least three who can tell

what they know in better English and with more effectiveness.  
The writer has noticed that whenever any matter of public interest is brought before citizens of Omaha for discussion in a mass meeting that a host of cranks and their enemies attend and consume the time of the audience in airing the dirty linen of each other. Even our courteous and able city engineer was goaded into a reference to the records of certain citizens before he had concluded his very temperate and convincing address. At one meeting of the board of trade before the charter bill was prepared, while proposed amendments were being discussed, almost the entire evening was consumed by an interchange of compliments (j) between certain prominent citizens. It will be remembered, away back in the days of waterworks excitement, how acrimonious and personal were many of the speeches in the continuance of which some always lies in wait for Connell, and the doughty lawyer is equally belligerent. Barker has an antipathy against several of his old neighbors, and Creighton jumps up while with rage whenever Barker or McShane trample on his corpulent toes. There are other citizens equally irritable. These are only examples.  
Another class of persons who take part in these discussions are governed by selfish interests either by reason of property or of cloutage. It is entirely right that property owners should be heard, but it is not fair to other citizens for the owner of a few feet front on Sixteenth street to antagonize the wishes of every other taxpayer on the street, or to insist that the whole city shall discommode itself because a specified number of feet would effect the value of his particular lot. We have had public harangues in opposition to proposed improvements based upon no better or broader grounds. The lawyers are frequently heard at these meetings in the sole interest of clients who are aggrieved or are pursuing some dog-in-the-manger policy. Many citizens will remember how one of our able attorneys argued an injunction suit at the last charter amendment meeting at great length, consuming valuable time and provoking a controversy that kept the audience in a wrangle of hours. The worst of it was that every man present, except one of the attorney's clients, was bored, and felt that the long speech was not at all to the point. It is to be hoped that the address when delivered in court will be more effective, for after hearing the able argument the people present rejected the resolution favored by the speaker.  
Finally, by reason of these private feuds, official animosities, conflicting personal interests and the lack of courtesy growing out of them public meetings in this city very frequently result in nothing but additional ill-feelings between old enemies, and the creation of new enemies. The cranks and their enemies begin to fight on the first motion proposed and continue their wrangle until all but parties personally or officially interested have retired in disgust. The real sense of what was a respectable meeting in point of numbers at the outset is not obtained, because the persons who could best decide between two opposing factions have withdrawn from the room where the meeting may be held. Unless some of these quarrelsome old citizens die or retire from public life, we can just about as well give up holding public meetings to discuss the welfare of the city.  
TAXPAYER.

THE SCHOOL BOARD.  
The Regular Session Last Night--  
Routine Business.  
Opening Bids for the New School Houses and Shutting Out the Reporters.  
Last night the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education was held, President Long in the chair, Secretary Conoyer at the desk and the others present.  
After the reading and approval of the minutes of the last regular and the special meetings, came the call for RESOLUTIONS AND PETITIONS.  
City Treasurer Buck submitted a report of the status of the school districts as follows: Balance to credit of schools, \$47,383.45; sinking fund, \$9,618.07; bonds on deposit, \$72,500.00. Report filed and the petition of Miss Frances E. Sheldon, praying that her salary be not reduced was laid over. A communication from Miss Anna R. Traeland informed the board that after school hours her schoolroom has been entered and several articles of value abstracted. Accompanying this communication was a list of articles stated by other teachers to have been stolen from their schoolrooms. The secretary was on motion authorized to remunerate Miss Sheldon for her loss. Under the call for REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, the finance committee reported adversely on the recommendation of the city that the board hire a special officer to collect fines and enforce the license law. This report was adopted on the ground that the board had authority to expend money for such purpose.  
The committee on claims recommended the payment of a number of accounts including the salaries of teachers and janitors for the past month. Adopted. Same committee reported that the books of Treasurer Buck had been examined and were correct. Filed.  
Committee on teachers and text books reported that a communication from Mrs. Ostrom, complaining of discrimination against her son, did not call for action by the board. Adopted.  
Building committee reported that no allowance be made for extra work on the Hartman school house. Adopted.  
Under the call for resolutions, Mr. Conoyer moved that the secretary be authorized to have the school census taken. Adopted.  
Conoyer moved that the Rattan Heating company be allowed \$700 on account. Adopted.  
Copeland moved that the superintendent of repairs be instructed to close the gymnasium. This motion caused considerable debate, during which, upon request of the board, Superintendent James stated that accidents at the gymnasium were attributable to the use of a certain apparatus there, and if this is taken away (as he learned has been done) all risks of injury will be reduced to a minimum. Mr. Hall opposed the closing of the gymnasium, and submitted a communication from Principal Lewis, on behalf of the high school, praying that its pupils be allowed the gymnasium.  
Copeland's motion to close it was referred, with power to act.  
Superintendent James was called on to state how the fire alarm drill progresses, and declared that recently the alarm was sounded and the building cleared in four minutes; also, that by practice it could be done in three minutes, perhaps less.  
At this point Copeland moved to reconsider the vote by which his motion to close was referred, which motion was lost by a vote of 6 to 3. Afterwards Copeland moved that the closing be referred to committee on building with power to act. He accepted an amendment that the chairman be added to the committee. Carried.  
By Parker—Resolved, That the night schools, in north and east side, be closed at once.  
After discussion Copeland suggested that his motion be amended by striking out "at once." Finally Conoyer's substitute that the superintendent of schools be authorized to close schools when he sees fit and necessary, was carried.  
By Copeland—Resolved, That Miss Morley be hereafter employed only in the grading class at a salary of \$25.00.  
Parker explained that she had a contract for a salary of \$50, and opposed the motion. After several amendments had been offered, Points offered as a substitute for all that the superintendent be authorized to excuse any pupil in the High School from the class in elocution, who might apply. Carried.  
Under special order of business Conoyer stated that he had received the bids for constructing the school houses on Farnam and Cass-lar streets, and that some had been received only at a late hour.  
On motion of Points the board decided to examine all these bids.  
Parker moved to examine the bids with closed doors.  
This motion caused considerable discussion and was finally adopted by a vote of 4 to 3—Points, Specht and Liveray voting "No," as the reporter understood them.  
Upon the announcement that the doors would be closed Conoyer said that he insisted that the members of the board should be held to keep secret the nature of the bids.  
At this juncture the reporters and spectators were sent out and the doors closed.

RAILROAD NEWS.  
The Transcontinental—A Shaky Building—Matters Personal and General.  
Yesterday morning Mr. Miller, of the B. & M., returned from Chicago, where he has been in attendance upon the meeting of the executive committee of the Transcontinental association. Messrs. Kimball and Shelby, of the Union Pacific, arrived last night.  
A SHAKY BUILDING.  
The Union Pacific people have opened their eyes to the fact that the headquarters building is beginning to settle on the east side, and that the structure is in an unsafe condition generally. Accordingly the east wing has been torn up, and the foundation is being strengthened by a system of stringers, bolsters and supporting pillars. This sinking process has been going on slowly, but perceptibly, and the tower being taken down in a timely way. The possibility of the east side giving away with a crash is rather unpleasant to contemplate, and the results of such a catastrophe it would be difficult to estimate. Meantime the passenger and ticket departments are not doing much business, but are waiting for the "dust to settle."  
PERSONAL AND GENERAL.  
T. W. Blackburn went to Lincoln last night.  
Col. Johnson, of the Cairo Short Line, at St. Louis, was in the city yesterday and left last night for Lincoln.  
Yesterday was pay day at the headquarters and the rejoicing throughout the building was of a solid and substantial sort.  
Mr. Shelby has issued a circular announcing that owing to the extreme difficulty in procuring freight cars, the shipping of corn in transit will be temporarily forbidden.  
The new rules, code of signals and general time schedule for this division of the Union Pacific is nearly ready, and will be issued March 11.  
The committee of grievance, representing the western engineers of the Union Pacific, is still in the city, in daily consultation with Superintendent Smith.  
Public speakers and singers find B. H. Douglass & Sons' Capicum Cough Drops a sure remedy for horsecoughs.  
EIGHT DAIRY MARKET.  
CHICAGO, March 2.—The Inter Ocean's Eight, Illinois, special says that butter and cheese are active. Regular sales, 17,000 pounds of butter at 33c, and 100 boxes of hard skin cheese at 45c. Private sales 63,000 pounds of butter and 4,000 boxes of cheese.  
Seal of North Carolina Smoking tobacco is the best.  
General Grant's Condition.  
NEW YORK, March 2.—General Grant is feeling quite well this morning. The bright weather of today seems to be a stimulant. He is still working upon his memoirs.  
Beauty, that transitory flower, can only be had by using Pozzoni's medicated complexion powder.  
Blaine's Sister Dying.  
BALTIMORE, March 2.—Ex-Secretary Blaine was called to the bedside of his only sister, residing here, who is dying.

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