

THE DAILY BEE

Tuesday Morning, March 24.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Augustus D. Stiles and Miss. Ida M. Laine. Miss Genevieve Ingersoll left yesterday for New York to fill her dramatic engagement. In the Second ward feeling ran so high at one time that friends of gentlemen had to interfere to stop unpleasantness. If the defeated parties in the Second ward were to try to get into the convention to-day, there would be music. There came near being a runaway and smash-up corner of Thirteenth and Harney streets yesterday evening about 6 o'clock. Yesterday was considerable dust flying about in the air and pedestrianism was rendered excessively disagreeable. With the single exception of the primaries and the wind, yesterday was the dustiest day that has been passed for a long time in Omaha. "If we can't get our man in, we can vote for the other nominee, that's what we can do," said a second ward man in the presence of the Bee reporter last night. Pupils and teachers in the public schools are preparing for the term examination (for promotion) which takes place the latter part of this week. Henry Homan, one of Omaha's most expert mechanics and a dear lover of such sports, will go to-morrow or next day for a general duck hunt. The skater, Clark, who fractured his leg at the rink two weeks ago, is out on crutches and will resume work shortly at the U. P. headquarters. Phil Dorr, who has worked in the U. P. shops, had his hand hurt yesterday, pretty badly by the falling of a box of iron. Prompt attention was given the wound by a surgeon. The man William Kennehan, whose leg was amputated at the St. Joseph hospital some ten days or more ago, is getting along nicely and will go to his home in Council Bluffs in a few days. "Never get a scratch old fellow, never get a single scratch here we are; official figures too, and you bet your life I will hold on to this box," was the exhorting given the Bee reporter by a delegate-elect from the harmonious third ward. Yesterday afternoon the cases of the state vs. S. G. Stevenson, for malicious assault on Mrs. Mary J. Scholler, and a civil suit against the same defendant, were continued to Thursday, 26th proximo, at 2 p. m. The republican aspirants for office were busy last night talking in whispers and low tones to their "right bowers," preparatory for the scuffle to-day. Appearances late last night, or rather this morning, were that there would not be much dissection in to-day's convention. Eugene Sullivan, the old man seventy years of age from whose neck and head the large carbuncle was cut, is now well enough to go to his home at the residence of his son, policeman Sullivan. He is as spry as you please. L. P. Bodwell while out riding yesterday broke his leg, about six miles south of the city, his horse running away while he was trying to hitch it. Mr. B. is joint representative of the Western Trunk Line association and brother-in-law of E. P. Vining. A gentleman residing in Florence, about six miles from this city, came into town yesterday and had an operation performed whereby a piece of steel was taken from his eye, where it had been imbedded for six years. Dr. Oscar Hoffman performed it. Mrs. Doctor Morgan's many friends will learn with regret that she has been seriously sick for several days past, and anticipates a visit to her family friends in St. Charles, Missouri, at an early day, with the hope that a change of air will benefit her. The John M. Thurston Horse company are in mourning. Yesterday afternoon their old, true and tried friend "Ratus," a horse who had been with their cart for years, died. It is said he will be buried with appropriate honors, and the boys wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days. That is all they could do for a U. S. senator. It was noticed yesterday that Coroner John Drexel had donned a two-story-and-a-half-with-a-basement collar. The members of the Coffin club assert that "our John" is going to run for city clerk, and Charley Goodrich is as cruel as to add that as one bluebird don't make spring, so one collar won't make a Jewett. Meanwhile John says nothing and looks solemn. Coroner Drexel has received a letter from Mrs. Eliza A. Smith, of Duncan's Mills, Ill., asking about the death in this city of a man by the name of J. R. Smith, some two or three years ago. She states that she has been informed that he left an estate amounting to \$2,000, and offers Mr. D. "one-third interest" to look up the matter. Nothing yet has been discovered which throws any light upon the subject. Mr. C. S. Goodrich received a telegram yesterday from Manager T. P. Sullivan, of Kansas City, asking him to report the progress in the matter of raising subscriptions for the new hall entrance at Dayton, Ohio, had applied for admission into the Western League. Mr. G. has been compelled to make answer that nothing whatever had been done, and it is now certain that Omaha's last chance of entry into the league is gone. All the rubbish and debris in the new court house yard and premises were removed on Saturday by Contractor Coats. The contract for grading the grounds will soon be given by the commissioners of Douglas county, and shoveling parties will at once be set to work on the high and dangerous bank that now overhangs the sidewalk there. This is well, for at present it is liable momentarily to tumble into the street burying whomever might be passing as it fell. Freight Shipments. To Mr. Kelly, one of the numerous clerks in the U. P. freight building, a Bee reporter is indebted for the following figures of freight shipments and receipts on March 22d: Carloads received from the west, corn 70; hogs 8; merchandise 30; coal 21; oranges 2; bullion 4; barley 4; horses 1; eggs 2; cats 3. Through cars shipped west 82. Carloads shipped from the east, steel 2; barbed wire 3; charcoal 6; lead 8; cattle 8; corn 20; merchandise 8. The skin of that delicate nature upon which the most improvement can be made and by the use of FRENCH MEDICATED COMPLEXION POWDER, all roughness, sallowness and irritation can be overcome, leaving the skin delicately white, soft and smooth. This preparation has a world wide reputation, so no fear need be entertained of the result. Sold by all druggists.

OMAHA'S SCHOOLS.

Some New and Interesting Facts About Them.

The Scholars and Teachers--The School Funds. A Bee reporter called upon Superintendent H. M. James Saturday and gleaned some information which will probably prove good reading for parents and friends of education. Omaha has fourteen public schools, including the High school; each school district. On February 1st, 1885, there were five thousand seven hundred pupils enrolled, with an average daily attendance of four thousand two hundred and sixty-seven. On February 1st, 1884, the scholars enrolled were five hundred less than those of the past month of March. The number of teachers employed, exclusive of the superintendent, Mr. James, and of two extra teachers of night schools, is one hundred and thirteen. In this estimate, which is correct, it should be remembered that the different sectarian and public schools are not included, which would probably increase the number of school children of Omaha to about nine thousand. The school buildings are carefully constructed, and those lately erected are supplied with all modern conveniences, and special care was taken to insure proper light and ventilation. They are fairly supplied with apparatus; particularly in the high school. All are well filled up with blackboards for demonstrations and drawing. THE COURSE OF STUDY consists of the ordinary English branches of a good common-school education, special care being taken to teach those branches useful in practical life. In the high school they teach the higher English branches and Latin and Greek, but no modern or romance language. The superintendent thinks this should be remedied, particularly as regards German, because so large an element of this section's population is German that a knowledge of that language is absolutely essential in the affairs of every day life. Examinations are oral and written. The oral are daily conducted by the teachers at each recitation. At the end of each term the superintendent prepares for the teachers a series of questions in writing, which they write on the blackboards and these the pupils answer or attempt to answer in writing. Another class of recitations are "Teachers' Meetings," which are held once or twice in each month. At these teachers gather; sometimes the superintendent joins with them. School hours are from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. For pupils of first and second years one-half of an hour less comprises the school day. Two recesses each day. THE SCHOOL FUNDS. The money realized from the liquor tax keeps the school funds sufficient to maintain these expensive institutions and to employ good teachers at fine salaries. Omaha teachers are not notably good pay for their services, and persons from surrounding states are always ready and anxious to get a position in Omaha schools. During the fiscal year which ended March 1884, the receipts of the board of education were \$109,942.08. This gave a balance on hand, March 1st, 1884, of \$4,794.93. From Mr. James the reporter learned that special attention is given to drawing, penmanship and music. Numbers of skillfully carved articles, embracing everything from a medallion head to boxes of tools, bunches of grapes, chains, birds and jumping-jacks, all of which show more than ordinary artistic skill and ingenuity were seen. In matters of penmanship the old practice of permitting teachers to serve, no matter how badly they wrote, has been abandoned, and good handwriting is now a sine qua non for success in securing a certificate. Superintendent James spoke with earnestness upon the subject of tardiness--the greatest source of annoyance the teacher has to encounter. He declared that it is due, he thinks, to the fact that parents and guardians do not stop to estimate the evils that flow from it, not only to the tardy pupil, but the rest of the class, and to the teacher. He is very desirous that parents would join with him in curing this most troublesome evil. Another question that is presented is that of corporal punishment. Mr. James took out his book and showed the Bee representative that in 1882, during the first two months of the term, there were 215 cases of corporal punishment. Mr. James is opposed to it as a general thing. He then went on to show that during the last seven months only seven cases had been reported, which shows that practically it is nearly abolished. Mr. James relies much more on the aid of parental influence than the work of the rod to make a boy or girl, who is inclined to be of ugly behavior, a good boy or girl. It was learned when the reporter asked as to the qualifications of teachers in Omaha schools generally, that the employees are better in this respect than formerly. This is attributable only to the fine salaries paid which command the best order of talent, but to the further fact that the search for teachers is not confined to natives or residents of Omaha, although to some extent effort has been made to secure entirely the services of Omaha people. Mr. James thinks the best way to secure good children at school and to enforce good discipline is to secure the aid of parents; to have parents back up the teacher in his effort to have discipline in the school. The superintendent has the power, and often exercises it, to suspend a pupil. This is found to work well, because it impresses the child and the parent alike much more than a "spanking," which is soon forgotten. The teachers now employed in Omaha's public schools come from the various sections of the union, as is evidenced by the fact that there are among them former students of Dartmouth, Geneva, Oberlin, a Virginia seminary, Cornell, Vassar, Oswego and even away out yonder at Lawrence in Wisconsin. "You are welcome, sir; urge upon the people to put good men on the board of education," said Mr. James, as the Bee reporter thanked him for his courtesy and left. Do not be deceived; ask for and take only B. H. Douglas & Sons' Capicum Cough Drops for Coughs, Colds and Sore Throats. D. S. and Trade Mark on every drop. The Stadt Theatre. Sunday night's performance at the Stadt theatre introduced the Martens trio to a very large and select audience, and at once enabled them to establish them-

selves as conspicuous favorites in the community. The trios were rendered with a charm of perfection which was refreshing. The cat duet was a masterly absurdity, and the polygot duets, a delightful and harmonious blending of a sweet and cultivated soprano with a rich contralto voice, completely captured the audience. Both Emma, Marie and Mr. Martens are artists in their line, and every number on the programme was enjoyed by all.

PUBLIC SCANDAL.

An Interesting and Pointed Sermon by Rev. Father O'Connor. The ball given by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, St. Patrick's evening was text of several sermons in the Catholic churches of this city Sunday. The fact that dancing was expressly forbidden in this vicariate during Lent, and public balls at all times, and the violation of that rule of the church by a prominent society, brought large audiences to the several Catholic churches in anticipation of a vigorous denunciation of the act. At the Cathedral Rev. Fr. O'Connor denounced the dance in strong language, and the great scandal given the church and the minister. "Before speaking on the subject of scandal," said the reverend father, "I wish to call your attention to what scandal is. St. Thomas says scandal is any word or act which is likely to lead another into sin. Such an act is not complete until it is evident outside of the mind. St. Thomas illustrates this by saying, 'supposing a line of rectitude; all on one side are doing what they ought to do, those on the other are transgressing the law, and inducing by their acts people to cross the line; this is scandal. Our Lord said in connection with scandal, and in reference to little ones who are being drawn away by people it were better that such a one had a millstone tied about his neck and that he were cast into the depths of the sea.' When men sought Christ to put him to death he said, 'I'm the one, let those go free.' This included even him who betrayed him, and when he was crucified, he said, 'Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.' He said of those who had done wrong, 'what must we think of saying, 'Wee to him who shall scandalize one of these little ones.' Scandal is that which may bring others into sin. It interferes with the direction of God. He has directed us as to keep men inside the bounds of rectitude, and whoever acts so as to lead men beyond those bounds disobeys God's order. There is a mortal sin. There are men who are not satisfied with destroying their own souls, but wish to destroy those of others. These give the worst sort of scandal. If a man be a believer in God's church and yet take souls away from it, it would be better for God to take him and plunge him into perpetual misery than for him to go on in sin. Other people scandalize not by act, but by allusion, and making others but with sin until they commit it. Often these thus drawn into sin do not know it is sin. The devil has difficulty to find a proper agent but if he finds a man, woman or society that acts for him as well as his agent could do, he leaves them alone and troubles himself no further. You may commit any sort of sin, it is sin, and you are across the line. Dancing serves no good purpose. It is condemned by the church. Although St. Patrick's festival is not one of obligation, the people observe it religiously in honor of God and in honor of the patron saint of Ireland. Balls are permitted at no time during Lent. Last Sunday two gentlemen came as a committee from the northern part of the city and asked if anything had been said in this church that morning against an entertainment that was to be given on St. Patrick's night by the A. O. H. I said that I had never heard the society mentioned in the church and that it was left to the people of this congregation whether they remained in private parties or participate in the dance. If anyone in this place did not know what he was doing, it would be well to investigate if they are in their right mind. They had dancing, contrary to the directions of the church; in opposition to the pastors of the church, who have a right to direct them, and these men who led others into it do not care if they do so. With full knowledge they brought them into sin. They are giving scandal; are doing the devil's work and bringing people into sin. You will not escape punishment of God because not yet chastised. Wee to him who leads the man off the straight path, draws innocent people away to wander in the desert. Some of you have been the cause of the ruin of your neighbor. This is scandal; indeed, those who have done so had better make reparation for the horrible insult offered to God. You have numbers of sins to repent of in this time of Lent--to go down in sackcloth and ashes and ask God to forgive and spare you. While the church has prayed these men have insulted the saint and the name of God's saint. It is horrible to see the picture of the saint and the people dancing around it. When the Jews thus acted, the entire nation were made wanderers on earth as a punishment. Why should not we be fearful of like punishment when our nation go in and thus insult God? Let men are not exactly wanderers here and there, but these men and women who believe in the church of God, yet take souls from the church by scandal, it would be better that they be plunged into misery. You who are good Catholics try to escape from these dangerous men. Above all, never make St. Patrick's feast a pretext for offending God. If you do wrong no matter what the consequences are. If you crucify God you will be punished. You who are the sons of God must atone for the offence. SARATOGA NOTES. SARATOGA, March 24, 1885. Quite a number of the Saratoga people attended the song service at the Third Congregational church Sunday evening. A very pleasant service was held consisting of selections from the Gospel Hymns and a short address from the pastor. Mr. Rosenbury and family, formerly of this place, have gone to Colfax county to live. We are pleased to note that Mr. Hensman and family of Omaha, have come to Saratoga to reside. As Mrs. Merdith and her daughter were on their way to their new home in Saratoga their buggy upset and they were thrown over an embankment over five feet high. Fortunately no one was injured, but the escape was a narrow one. The Saratoga literary society will give their closing entertainment at Saturday evening. A drama has been prepared and also an elegant musical program. A small admission fee will be charged.

TEST YOUR BAKING POWDER TO-DAY.

DR. PRICE'S BAKING POWDER. DOES NOT CONTAIN AMMONIA. THE TEST OF THE OVEN. PRICE BAKING POWDER CO., CHICAGO. DR. PRICE'S SPECIAL FLAVORING EXTRACTS. DR. PRICE'S LUPULIN YEAST GEMS. FOR SALE BY GROCERS. CHICAGO. ST. LOUIS.

County Commissioners. Saturday, March 21, 1885. Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Commissioners O'Keefe, and Timme. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved. The petition to sell liquors at Millard Arif for the term of three months from February 15th, 1885, to May 15th, 1885. The petition to sell liquors at Elkhorn was granted Henry Goodhart for the term of three months from February 28th, 1885, to June 1st, 1885. The following accounts were allowed: GENERAL FUND. W. B. Graves, chopping wood at poor farm, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 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