

THE DAILY BEE. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

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MINOR MENTION.

Water rents are now due. Better, the tailor, for fall goods.

Fall and winter clothing to order. Sorensen & Landstrom, 304 Main street.

The colored folks are to give a dance in Plater's hall to-morrow evening.

The fire alarm just before noon yesterday was caused by two crossed wires.

Get your hats early and come prepared to carry away the prize at the hat carnival to-night.

The "K. C." evening train now leaves the local depot at 7:35 p. m., and the Chicago train at 8:30 p. m.

The little child of C. D. Walters, who, seated at the table yesterday, pulled over a teapot and was scalded quite seriously.

City warrants were being bought up yesterday at seventy-five cents although a few were sold for eighty cents on the dollar.

The display at the exposition is worth double the price of admission. Come early and secure seats for the entertainment. Refreshments at all hours.

J. L. Cahoon, of this city, special agent for Iowa, of the Dwellling House insurance company of Boston, has been also appointed a general agent of Nebraska.

The Hollywood company last night invited the children of the home of the friendless to attend their entertainment free. The Hollywoods remain this afternoon and evening.

Next Monday evening ex-Governor Foxhall is to speak in Masonic hall, under the auspices of the republican committee. Hon. M. D. O'Connell will also address the meeting.

The city may not be making many street improvements, but when as at the last meeting of the council a monthly fund of about \$300 is presented, the people wonder where it is all going.

The case of White vs. the C. B. & Q. is still taking up the time in the federal court. The court will not adjourn before the last of next week, and will then meet in St. Louis, where the liquor cases will be tried.

Powder is being used in blasting off sections of the bluffs, it being considered cheaper and quicker way of getting loose dirt than by shovel and pick, but the council looks askance at the powder bills, when the city is called on to pay a certain price per cord, whether the dirt is blown off or picked off.

Two hard looking fellows were before the police court yesterday on a charge of being drunk and peddling without a license. They had a lot of cheap jewelry in their possession which they were trying to dispose of. As they had no money to pay their fines they were locked up.

A fellow named Irvin was yesterday fined for being ugly drunk. He tried to beg off on the plea that while at work in a mine some years ago a lot of dirt fell on his head, and ever since that injury one glass of beer would set him crazy, and made him wild. The excuse would not work, and he went back to his cell.

By some oversight the bills of labor done under the direction of Supervisor Jones, were not put at the last meeting of the council, and consequently the workmen have to wait for their pay. Carelessness on somebody's part has greatly inconvenienced the laborers, who are certainly worthy of their hire.

The police force is making great preparations for the grand ball to be given in the Temple hall on the 23d, and it is supposed making it the most enjoyable affair of the kind this season. Field's orchestra will furnish the music, and every detail of the arrangements is being so carefully looked after that the ball cannot but be a great success.

One of the aldermen sagely remarks that the \$30 collected from fines last month in the superior court does not go very far toward paying a \$700 police bill, and that in meeting the bills of a judge at \$2,000 a year, a clerk, and marshal and witness fees. The cash receipts of this justice will be not extravagant.

The temporary appointment by the council of Charles Sanderson as chief of the police department, until a regular chief can be elected, and advised by his superior, is a good idea, and it is reported that the latter was yesterday boasting that he would be elected, and advised by his superior, but some of his best friends said the thing he can do is to quietly submit to the inevitable.

The city authorities do not seem over-pleased by the experiment of sending to Chicago to get a fancy priced engineer to make sewer pipes for the city. The city has already paid \$1,000 for the plans, and they do not seem to be what is wanted.

The engineer from Chicago wants the city to pay him a claimed balance due him, and the city by its council has decided to invite him to come here, and make the plans more satisfactory, the city to pay him his actual expenses, and at that time the balance claimed will be talked over, and adjusted if possible.

A strange revelation was made at the council meeting Monday night. The bonds of several police were presented, and this led to the inquiry as to how the bonds happened to be just handed in, the men giving the bonds having been serving for some time on the force. It leaked out that the bond business has been neglected, and how many more men there are serving as policemen without giving any bonds the mayor only knows. It is certainly a loose way of conducting a police force, and if such carelessness was shown in any other department of the city government, except that over which the mayor claims supreme jurisdiction, it would have called forth the vilest abuse from him. While he is spending his time finding fault with the city engineer, the city attorney, and the auditor, the mayor should be putting in a little time in finding out how many of his policemen have given bonds.

Prize for Farmers. A premium for corn from this year's crop. For particulars call on or address J. Y. Fuller, buyer and shipper of wheat, corn and oats, No. 39 Pearl street, Council Bluffs.

Substantial abstracts of title and real estate loans J. W. & E. L. Squire, 102 Pearl street.

Komys on draught and by the dozen. Finest cream soda with fruit syrups at Leslie & Morrill's Central Pharmacy, Sixteenth and Dodge.

If you wish to make legitimate from ten to fifty dollars per day write to Julia & Smith, No. 21 Fourth street, Council Bluffs.

The Hat Carnival. The following is the programme for the entertainment at the exposition to-night.

Music—Bavarian band. Illustrated reading—"The Hat"—Miss Carrie Stevens. Minstrel—Wedding March—Bavarian band. Hat Carnival and Hat Parade. Hat Carnival and Hat Parade. Hat Carnival and Hat Parade.

At 10 o'clock the judges, Mrs. L. C. Hines, Mrs. B. S. Smith, Mr. Fred Hill and Mrs. Phil Arnold are in charge. Mrs. Charles Par-

VAUGHAN'S VAIN-GLORY.

The Mayor's Presumptuous Levy on the City Exchange—A Nasty Bill.

THE FIRE CHIEF APPOINTMENT.

The City's Finances—The Presbyterian Women's Exposition—Cost of Street Filling—Local News.

The Mayor's Grub.

When the mayor was justice of the peace he managed to swell his fee bills to a goodly size, and on every occasion when he gets a nibble at the public orb he takes a big mouthful, and sometimes bites off more than he can chew, though never less. He has lately been trying to get the city to allow him a lot of old fees which he charged up in full tax cases when acting as justice. Failing in this, he presents another claim for \$385 for office rent, attendance upon office postage, etc., largely "etc." In this amount was \$190 for office rent, but as the city provides in its building an office for the mayor, the council has lately decided that the mayor can occupy that without expense, or at least can hardly expect the city to pay the rent of a building which he claims to own, and which he uses for a private office of his own.

If his business venture is, as appears, a losing one, he can hardly expect the city to foot the bills and to draw from the city treasury pay for throwing mud at respectable citizens. The council has lopped off this \$120 claim.

The other part of the claim was for \$165 for postage, "attendance on office," fuel, etc. While not stated in the bill, the \$3 is supposed to be for postage, fuel, etc., and the \$162 for "office attendance." Just what the office attendance means is a mystery. He has several office boys, large size, looking like men, and acting like children, and perhaps this is for pay for them, but they are not working mostly on his snout will, and doing but little or nothing for the city, it seems that they should be paid out of the proceeds of the mayor's gigantic business, but as the bill was audited by Alderman Mylander, and as the mayor's salary is not very large for the right kind of a mayor, the council did not want to establish too small a precedent, and so favored the mayor by allowing him to take \$165 from the city treasury. This will doubtless cover the expenses of the mayor's peculiar office, as the office is so conveniently located that the city clerk can be drawn on direct for copies, ink, pencils and stationery needful for the mayor's business.

The City Purse.

The financial condition of the city is shown in detail by the following quarterly report of the city treasurer:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Police fund, \$89,27; Loan, \$681,39; Oil sewerage, \$7,73; Park, 1,25; Library, 15,42; District No. 1, 2,304.14; Council Bluffs water works, 102,27.

Total, \$27,405.37

OVERDUE.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. General fund, \$72,95; Intersection paving, 4,574.92; District No. 1, 7,500.00; District No. 2, 97.12; Intersection sewer, 298.44.

Total, \$18,154.79

Balance cash on hand, \$14,250.58

Sights at the Exposition.

The second annual exposition of the Presbyterian Women's Exchange has fairly opened, and will be continued for a week or more at the skating rink. The exterior of the building has been decorated with streamers and presents an attractive appearance, so that even the stranger who chances that way cannot miss the place. The interior is indeed like a small but genuine exposition, and while other exhibitions may have a larger number of exhibitors, yet few can equal the taste shown and the variety of attractions. The Women's Exchange was organized for the purpose of helping build and furnish the new church, and the ladies have not ceased their labors during the past year, but have done nobly in various ways, and make this a crowning effort to secure the necessary means for furnishing the church with pews and other needfuls. This organization is officered by Mrs. George T. Phelps, president; Mrs. J. A. Miller, vice president; Mrs. D. F. Fisher, secretary, and Mrs. W. O. Wirt, treasurer.

The exposition is certainly worthy of being visited by every man, woman and child in the city, and many from outside, and especially from Omaha, are expected to attend. A number of the merchants have made very fine displays, creditable to the city as well as to themselves. The Chicago Tea company, under the management of J. J. McIntyre, has a very pleasing oriental sort of a display of their goods. The Boston Tea company has arranged about \$2,500 of groceries and other goods in the line, and a finer arrangement has never been seen here. Mr. Merrills has for twelve years arranged exhibits for the St. Louis exposition, and he has brought to bear all his experience and taste, and the showing is certainly one meriting attention. J. A. Gorman, the photographer, has a very attractive booth filled with art from his gallery, photographs and crayons mainly. Eisenman, Rodda & Co do credit to themselves and to their people's store by a rich showing, especially of cloaks and winter garments. Mrs. M. Pfeiffer has a very fine display of millinery goods. Metcalf Bros., without doubt, have the richest showing of any. It consists largely of furs, from almost every clime under the sun, and in endless variety. Their booth is made of furs, sides and ceiling, and carried also with furs. They have furnished furs enough for the trimming of the booth occupied by J. M. Phillips, the boot and shoe man, who makes a very pleasing display of his goods. The Council Bluffs Carpet company has fitted up an elegant booth, and the showings of window draperies, rugs, curtains, etc., is very rich and tasty. A dog guards the goods with apparent ease, and proves a surprisingly true representation of the canine species.

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