PICKED UP ABOUT THE CITY.

A Variety of Local News From the Courts, Police and Other Sources.

GATHERED IN HOTEL ROTUNDAS.

Interesting Subjects Discussed by Travelers—Mud in the County Building—In Memory of Longfellow—Minor Mentions.

Garnisheed for $4,000.

An attachment suit was begun in the district court yesterday by Martin Cannon against J. H. Johnston and Mrs. H. A. Northrup to compel the payment of $4,000, the amount of a claim by the plaintiff against the defendants. The petition states that Johnston and Mrs. Northrup entered into a contract with the plaintiff in 1885 to lease a farm of 1,000 acres, situated about nine miles north of Omaha, for five years, at a rent of $5,000, payable yearly. It also further alleges that the defendants had manifested their intention of giving up the lease, regardless of the contract, and leaving the place without paying any more rent. Believing this to be the case, the plaintiff asked for judgment in the sum of $4,000, the amount yet due by contract for the coming four years' rent.

Attachment and garnishment papers were accordingly issued by the court to prevent the defendants from removing their property until the case had been decided. The garnishment papers were served yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Coburn on the Merchants' National bank, where the defendants had a deposit of a large amount.

An Indicted Gambler.

Mention was made in the BEE yesterday of the case of Otto Richter, the Paxton boarder who was arrested for trying to beat his hotel bill. From letters found on his person it appears that Richter is a fugitive from Denver, where he has recently been indicted for gambling. Marshal Cummings has telegraphed to the authorities of that city for information, and in the meantime Richter is held awaiting advices.

When interviewed by a reporter for the BEE Richter at first positively denied that he has been indicted, but at last "owned up."

"Yes," he said, "I understand that I am wanted in Denver; I suppose it must be for gambling. I won $300 or $400 from some sucker and I suppose he squealed before the grand jury. But I have got friends out there and I'll come through all right, just depend on it."

Bismarck Acquitted.

The case of Matthew New vs William Allstadt, familiarly known as "Bismarck," came up before Judge Berka for trial Tuesday afternoon after having been continued no less than a dozen times. New charged Allstadt with appropriating to his own use some seven hundred dollars which he held as bailee. It was proven on the hearing that Allstadt had used the funds in the legitimate capacity of partner in business with New. Under these circumstances the court had nothing left to do but to discharge Allstadt and dismiss the case at the plaintiff's cost.

Mathias New filed a complaint in the county court yesterday charging William Allstadt with fraud in partnership affairs. Mr. New claims that Allstadt appropriated $776 of the firms money to his own use.

Robbed in a Dive.

May Brown, James Pearman and Charles Jenks were arrested yesterday as accomplices in a robbery, of which a young man named C. H. McCandlish was the victim Tuesday night.

McCandlish, it seems, visited a dive on Fourteenth and Jackson streets, in company with Pearman, Jenks and a third individual named William Collins. While in the house the latter managed in some way to get his hand into McCandlish's trouser's pocket, and abstracted therefrom an $88 roll of money. The girl, May Brown, to whom the victim was paying his attentions at the time, is supposed to know something about the robbery. Collins is still at large, though the police are close on his trail.

A Tough Man Arrested.

George Whiting, a notorious "bottoms" tough, was discovered by Councilman Thrane yesterday in the act of carrying away a bundle of clothes from the Commercial hotel, at Ninth and Leavenworth streets. Whiting had sneaked nto several rooms in the house and gathered quite a bundle of wearing apparel, which he was in the act of carrying away when discovered by the proprietor, Mr. Thrane. He dropped the bundle and ran, but not before he was recognized. Mr. Thrane accordingly swore out a warrant for his arrest, which was served last night by Officer Burdish, and Whiting was landed in the central police station.

Arrested for Insulting a Girl.

One of the domestics employed at the Canfield house yesterday afternoon appeared before Judge Stenberg in police court and swore out a complaint against Charles C. Ross, the steward of the hotel, for disturbance of the peace. The girl claimed that Ross had grossly insulted her, using language which conveyed an entirely wrong impression as to her character. A warrant was accordingly issued for Ross, and Officer Whalen arrested him last night at the Canfield and took him to the central police station where he was locked up. Friends, however, secured his release on bail for appearance this morning for trial.

Police Court Docket.

Fenton Thompson, an aged gentleman who had just come into possession of a small fortune of $15,000, concluded to celebrate by becoming gloriously drunk. He landed up in jail, and yesterday morning was brought into the police court. After hearing the case Judge Stenberg released him.

Edward Shy, May Smith and Anna Jackson were fined $5 and costs for intoxication.

E. K. Williams and John Grow, charged with being suspicious characters, were discharged.

Didn't Deliver Them.

Some months ago Michael Huse, a Polish Jew, coming to this country, was entrusted by an old lady living in Poland with the charge of taking some presents to her son, Michael Ripple, resident in Omaha. He faithfully agreed to see that they were delivered as soon as possible. It appears that he failed to do so, however, but appropriated some of the presents to his own use and sold others. Yesterday Ripple appeared before Judge Stenberg and swore out a warrant for Huse's arrest.

Huse was arrested last night and locked up at central police station to answer to the charge.

A Foreign Will.

Judge McCulloch, of the county court, yesterday probated the will of Jos. Robins an old resident of Omaha, who died in Texas in December last. The will was drawn up in the borough of Penryn, County of Cornwall, England, a year or so since when Mr. Robins was visiting his relatives there. By the terms of the document all the property is left to his wife and daughter.

TALKS WITH TRAVELLERS.

Short Interviews Gathered in the Hotel Rotundas.

C. H. Gould, Miles City, Montana (representing Keenan & Hancock, live stock commission dealers, Chicago:) "Yes, I have been down to visit the South Omaha stock yards and am very favorably impressed with what I saw. There is no doubt but what Omaha is bound to become a large and important live stock market. The large cattle owners in the northwestern territories are very favorably inclined towards the Omaha market and they would much prefer a market nearer to their feeding grounds than Chicago. Last season about eighty thousand fat cattle left Montana, the bulk going over the Northern Pacific to Chicago. The present season, if favorable, it is estimated that 150,000 will leave the territory. Out of this number I anticipate that a good many feeders will be shipped to Omaha, as this market acquired quite a reputation last season, among shippers, for the sale of this class of cattle. Prices on feeders here, I am told, ranged fully up to Chicago and some of the time even above, which makes quite a difference when the extra transportation is taken into consideration. The Northwestern extension will no doubt draw some stock from the Northern Pacific this season and even more next season".

Geo. P. Cass, Lincoln, Neb.: "I have just returned from a pretty extensive trip through the South Platte country. Money, I find, is at present very scarce among the farmers and business people generally in that country. The farmers have been able on account of the bad roads to haul but very little of their corn to market, and what they have sold has brought low prices. Hogs, too, have been selling at way-down figures. The prospect for good crops this year, so far as I have observed, are excellent."

C. H. Cornell, Valentine, Neb.—[Mr Cornell is a bank and real estate owner and is county treasurer at Valentine.] "No, sir, you must not think that the towns of northwestnrn Nebraska, which have been built up by the railroad, fall back when the terminus which stops with them for a season is pushed ahead. Valentine to-day has a population of four hundred and is a well-established community. We have there the trade of the Rosebud agency and the stockmen of the range country about. The traffic with the Indians, you will understand, amounts to something, when I tell you that last year they freighted out of Valentine to their reservation two and a half million pounds of material, supplies, etc. We intend to have a waterworks system in a short while, by tapping the Minnekelusa which runs within a mile of the town. It will cost us some seven odd thousand dollars, but we will realize upon it immediately by the reduction it will make in our insurance. Whereas we now pay five and six per cent.; the introduction of water works and fire protection will bring it down at once to two and three per cent. Valentine obtains a liberal amount of business from the military at Fort Niobrara, only four miles out. We boast of having there the best and finest post in the department. New barracks have been built and various improvements made during the winter. We expect to get a large share of the immigration which will set in for the northwest country with the beginning of warm weather."

Longfellow Memorial.

The Chautauqua Circle will meet with the Misses Carrie and Mellie Stevens, 2506 Davenport street, Friday evening, February 26, at 7:30, and the following programme will be rendered:

PART I.

Song—"The Bridge" ..... Miss Carrie Stevens, Miss Mellie Stevens, H. Kennedy, Will Stevens.

1—Story of the Poet's Life. ..... Miss E. E. Poppleton.

2—Story of the old Longfellow house, with its associations—"The Old Clock on the Stairs" ..... Miss Minnie Wood.

3—Story of the Friendships of Longfellow's Life—"Agassiz." "Hawthorne" ..... Mrs. N. H. Lemon.

4—Stories from the Poems ..... "Hiawatha," Miss Mamie Fitch; "Miles Standish," Miss Florence Harvey; "Evangeline," H. F. Bundy.

5—The Poet's Love of Nature—"Snow Flakes" and other Selections ..... Miss Retta Read.

6—The Poet's Appreciation of the Dignity of Labor and Simple Life—"The Village Blacksmith" ..... G. A. Joplin.

PART II.

Song—"Rainy Day" ..... Miss Carrie Stevens, Miss Mellie Stevens, H. Kennedy, Will Stevens.

7—The Poet's Love of Country—"The Building of the Ship" ..... O. P. Seward.

8—The Poet's Sympathy With Childhood and Youth—"The Children's Hour," "Maidenhood" ..... Miss Ida Remington.

9—The Poet's Deeply Religious Tone—"God's Acre," "Resignation" ..... Mrs. Morreil.

10—The Poet's Courtesy and Gentleness of Heart—Dedication to the "Seaside and Fireside" ..... C. F. Harrison.

11—The Rest and Consolation of Poetry—"The Day is Done" ..... Miss E. E. Poppleton.

A Filthy Court House.

The condition of the county building for several days past has been most obnoxious to persons who believe that "cleanliness is next to godliness." The floors of the corridors and various offices have been covered with mud and filth, and the place has presented the appearance more of a pig-pen than a temple of justice. This dirty condition, however, is not due to the negligence or carelessness of the janitor, but to the frightful condition of the walks and steps leading to the building. The commissioners have made no arrangements whatever for the cleaning of the mud and water from the steps, and as no walk or boards cover the ground in front of the court house every person entering the building carries with him a vast amount of dirt which adheres to his feet. The commissioners should immediately take some action to remedy this evil which has been frequently brought to their notice.

The Twenty-Fourth Night.

It might seem to some that the people would become so tired out that they would stop going to the temperance meetings at the W. C. T. U. Buckingham hall, but it is not so. Last night the usual audience appeared to greet Mr. C. Holt, who has been at Springfield for the past week, and is now on his way to other fields of labor in the state. He reports success in that place, having organized a large Reform club, with some of the leading men of the town as officers. The meeting last night was taken up with short talks by Messrs. Holt and Critchfield, and "the boys." It was the formers' last night here, both going to other places to-day. A number of new names were added to the club list, among them being a party of five from North Sixteenth street, who propose to organize a Red Ribbon club there with reading room in connection. The meetings will continue at Buckingham hall as usual.

An event that is looked forward to with a great deal of interest by musical people here is the concert that is to be given by the First Congregational church choir, assisted by the Lotus Glee club, at the Tabernacle, Monday evening, March 1. A large number of tickets have been sold and all indications point to an overflowing house.

FOR UNION PACIFIC RELIEF.

General Manager Callaway Gives His Opinion of Senator Van Wyck's Measure.

CUT RATES AND COUNTY POOR

How Douglas County's Commissioners Take Advantage of the Railroad War—A Boom for the Northwest—Notes.

Callaway on Van Wyck's Bill.

As will be seen by our telegraphic advices Senator Van Wyck has introduced a bill authorizing the use of the proceeds of the sinking fund created by the Thurman act in the construction of branch railroads and telegraph lines. The plan is to convert into money the securities now on deposit in the treasury as a sinking fund to pay the maturity indebtedness of the Union Pacific and Kansas Pacific railroad companies, same to construct branch railroad and telegraph lines to connect with the line of said companies. A representative of the BEE called upon General Manager Callaway, of the Union Pacific, and asked him what effect the passage of this bill would have upon the company's finances, and whether it would enable it to proceed with the construction of branch lines which have been mapped out, but for which there is at present no money.

"As I understand the bill," said Mr. Callaway, "I should say it will be the means of supplying us with construction funds for much-needed branch lines. We have plans for large developments in Nebraska and Wyoming, and it is simply a question of raising money whether we carry them out. Our people will probably build from 500 to 1,000 miles of road just as quickly as they can get the money. Senator Van Wyck's bill would help matters. Under its provisions the government would give us our funds and take our securities in exchange for it. We have no means of getting money without the passage of such a bill, which, by the way, is in accord with the ideas of Charles Francis Adams. There is only one other feasible plan, and that is for congress to repeal the act which prevents the Union Pacific from pledging its credit for any purpose. If that were changed we could by guaranteeing the bonds of branch lines, through the agency of the parent line, raise money at a very low rate of interest, the Union Pacific being firstclass security, while the bonds of the branch line, are practically worthless for the purposes of raising money. If neither of those such bills is passed, the position of the Union Pacific becomes precarious, as every year the nature of the lien of the government is being jeopardized by the extensions of rival lines into Union Pacific territory, and the consequent depletion of its treasury, making it a difficult question whether the Union Pacific will be able to continue to make suitable provisions for the payment of the government lien. I believe Senator Van Wyck's bill will solve the problem. The government has about $10,000,000 of our money, which is practically lying idle. If we had it we would be able to go right ahead. This money would build about 700 miles of road, and would take care of construction that is needed immediately. Of course some other provision would have to be made for the future interest of the company either by allowing it to pledge its credit or by putting its surplus earnings in branch lines, instead of paying over this large sum annually to practically lie idle, without drawing interest, in the government vaults at Washington. If we could pledge the credit of the road we could get all the money we want. The only thing that is holding us back from building extensions in Nebraska and Wyoming is a lack of ready money."

SHIPPING PAUPERS,

The County Commissioners Take Advantage of the Cut Rates.

Frank Mack, a destitute invalid, was for two years an inmate of St. Joseph's hospital where he was treated for his maladies at the expense of the county. A short time ago, at his own request, the county commissioners furnished him with transportation to Columbus where he expected to receive aid from friends. At Columbus, however, he was compelled to seek relief from the county, and he was sent to Grand Island. At the latter place he was shipped by the authorities to Lincoln, and from there he was sent by county officials back to Omaha. He arrived here yesterday and again made application to the commissioners for relief. After consultation the board agreed that it would be best for Mack's health to spend the balance of the winter in California, and so arrangements will be made to send him there this morning. During the present rate war the fare to the coast is only $20, and as the commissioners secure half fare for paupers the total cost of transportation to the county will be only $10. This the commissioners concluded was the cheapest way for the county, and, as one of them remarked, "Mack can never get money enough to come back to Omaha, and no one will pay his way back when the railroad war is over."

The Rush to the Northwest.

The Sioux City and Pacific will realize big, beyond doubt, upon the investment in its northwest extension. The general offices and local agents of the roads are flooded with communications inquiring into the character of the country, the time required to complete the road, etc. Every person that has been in that region which covers portions of Nebraska, Dakota and Wyoming and upon returning gets interviewed in the press is at once beset with inquiries. The Sioux City & Pacific, more properly the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley will push on this season, landing its main line at Ft. Fetterman by winter and pushing its Black Hills branch, which has already reached Buffalo Gap, D. T., up as far at least as Rapid City, if not fairly into Deadwood.

The rush is commencing. Eighty passengers with intentions and chattels to locate went out on the Sioux City train from Council Bluffs yesterday, and hundreds and thousands more will pour into that country in a perfect living stream as soon as the season is advanced beyond the probability of further blizzards.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

C. W. Kouns, assistant division superintendent of the Union Pacific, returned from a trip over the road yesterday.

Harry Vinton, Mr. Callaway's private secretary, arrived from the east yesterday.

Last of the Apollo Parties.

The last party of the series given by the Apollo Social club this season occurred last night, and was a very delightful affair, as have been the preceding ones. There were about twenty-five couples in attendance who merrily carried out a well-arranged programme of twenty numbers.

The series given by the club was composed of six parties, one every two weeks, and the organization is to be congratulated on the success which has attended them during the entire season. The executive committee who has had charge of the series was composed of the following gentlemen: C. H. T. Reipen, W. J. Ward, J. A. Booth, George J. Sternsdorff, T. E. Jones, A. J. Eaton, B. F. Fry, W. Sketchley, F. H. Koesters, H. J. Fueller, L. K. Mooney, O. P. Burnett.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Stray Leaves Gathered from the Reporters' Note Books.

The gentle February breeze swept Woodland lawn with fairy touches on each blade of grass and flowering shrub and heading cabbage. The declining sun loaned its golden smile to the spreading vista of landscape gardening, distant forest and adjacent barn. The great manor house of Woodland lifted its shingled roof and polished lightning rods above the gooseberry brambles which skirted the proud premises this way and that way in every direction. It was a glorious evening; all nature seemed in rapt repose save when some tuneful tom-tit in a quince tree hard by lifted an intermittent note of song, or a razor-back shote, fretting its graceful spine against the pump, testified its lazy pleasure with drowsy grunts. Geraldine Johnson, heiress of the Johnsons of Woodland, a family whose antique pedigree ran with accurate ramifications back into the heroic houses of feudal times, in a fashion that would knock out the stock of the best inbred Hambletonian you ever saw trot a mile in twenty minutes,—as usual the matter of Geraldine's genealogy has brought confusion and the sentence will have to be started again. Well, Geraldine Johnson lay with her lovely shape ensconced in a hammock between two gum trees on the lawn. She had dropped her novel and prone upon her back with her angelic face upturned, her eyes dreamily taking in the cloudless condition of the azure sky, one limb hanging with unutterable grace over one side of the hammock, and the other limb suspended over the other side of the hammock in the same exquisite fashion, her pink polonais thrown into careless folds and rumples, Geraldine was just the picture to charm a demi-god or kill a dog.

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Such refined repose was never seen in human attitudes before. The trees quivered, the tom-tit shut off its lay, the scratching pig breathed an amorous sigh and all nature paid homage at once to Geraldine's loveliness.

"Oh, that I had the wings of an eagle to take majestic flight into the blue immeasurable heights of space," lisped Geraldine softly to herself, "Oh, that with cleaving wing I could clear the crystal leagues of the summer sky and bathe my pinions for but one inspiring moment in the super-atmospheric ether. Oh, that I could vault beyond the trammels of this groveling sphere and taste the nectar—"

"'Diny, 'Diny," and her father's resonant voice came commandingly from the front porch, "stir your bones now and get the fly-brush. The hands is all in from the field and supper's ready. Hustle about, now, 'cause we all want to get ready an' go down to the show at Omaha to-night. Be swift, 'Diny."

With a weary, oh, so weary, look in her beautiful eyes Geraldine obeyed, and through the meal swayed with listless energies the fringed and feathered fly brush, and just because that night she was silent during the three-mile drive to town and the jog of equal distance back again, and because she sat through the whole roaring minstrel show as quietly as a sphynx, her father thought "'Diny is gettin' grumpy like; somethin' must be the matter with her stummick." Little did he think of the high aspirations surging in her brain, or he would have mortgaged his eighty acres and sent her to Vassar, or perhaps might have clubbed her with a bean-pole and made her stop attacking her feeble brain with the current literature criminally devised for the perversion of the natural thoughts and instincts of the young womanhood of America.

"Did you ever see a greater piece of presumption than the calling of the cold bite offered at the charity ball, a banquet and spread," said a society gentleman yesterday. "It was a ridiculous farce and I never spent a dollar more grudgingly in my life than when I gave up my money to go into that gallery. Just because old Shears brought over two or three of his scullery boys and a half dozen waiters, he thinks that the feeble fare he set out ought to be dubbed a grand collation and a dollar cheerfully paid to sit at the board. Say, did you go into that gallery before 10 o'clock and get a good look at the tables? I did, and I don't know where he managed to dig up the furniture—the tables were stuck around promiscuously, the napery was crumpled and perhaps soiled the service was scant and not the faintest stab at ornamentation was to be seen. do not wonder that large numbers went over to the restaurant across the way for refreshments,—it was certainly more cheerful there. Then the fare was altogether indifferent, but I started in prejudiced with a faint heart and perhaps didn't appreciate it. At any rate I can never see old Shears standing about the eating tables without uncomfortable recollections of the yarns he tells arising in my mind to throttle my appetite. The ladies last year gave a worthy and liberal feast and it is to be hoped that they will assume the task in the future, if the same catering establishment is offered as an alternative."

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The reporter into whose ear this complaint was poured listened impassively and took the tale with grains of allowance each way, and yet, to think of it, as far as he knew the gentleman was right, and the banquet menu may have been something like the following instead of as printed in the account of the ball:

Oysters, Raw, Rank.
Lobster Salad—a la deodorizer.
Dessicated Ham Bone.
Limburger—a la Jockey Club.
Antique Eggs. Fried Mush.
Potatoes—a la Murphy.
Peeled Onions, truffled.
Peanuts, cracked.
Chestnuts, gagged.
Ice Water. Cracked Ice.
Cake, prize for the walk.
Chickory. Tea-Kettle Tea.

Now the menu probably differed from the above for better or worse, but the genuine thing cost $1, and this is thrown in without price above what you pay, gentle reader, for the entire paper.

City Engineer Rosewater showed a reporter the other day a pass issued by the Union Pacific in 1865, and believed to be the oldest Union Pacific pass now in existence. It was given to Mr. Rosewater on the account of the engineering department, with which he was at that time connected. The little musty, time-stained piece of pasteboard bears the signature of Superintendent Durant, the brother of General Manager Thomas H. Durant.

Officer Joseph Rowles, strolling leisurely up Farnam street about 7 o'clock last night, had his attention attracted to Polack's clothing store, by the sight of a young man who stood with nose flattened against the glass door, lustly calling for help. Officer Rowles' first thought was that the fellow was a sneak thief who had, in some way managed to break into the store, but was unable to get out again. The young man, however, set at rest all suspicions of this character, when he dolefully informed the officer that he had gone into the store to buy a pair of trousers, and while he was trying them on in the rear of the store the clerk, whose mind was doubtless on some other subject than pants, had locked up the store and left him in the darkness. Officer Rowles dispatched a messenger after the forgetful clerk, bidding the captive to be of good cheer, for release was near at hand. In a few moments the clerk came puffing and panting around the corner, and after about an hour's confinement the unfortunate was released.

Speaking of big hotel schemes, such as the Omaha public has been doing, in connection with the Goos purchase by Mr. Paxton, it might be well to let it leak out that a rumor is afloat that certain eastern capitalists are negotiating to purchase the Lowe property, on the corner of Sixteenth and Harney, whereon to erect a magnificent six story hotel, 264 feet front by 132 feet in depth.

MR. CONNELL'S OPINION.

His Ideas on a Standard of Wages and Contract Labor.

The following is the text of City Attorney Connell's opinion on the power of the city to fix a standard of wages and the price to be paid by contractors for labor, read at the last council meeting:

To the Committee on Public Property and Improvements—Gentlemen: The question you ask me as to the power of the city to fix a standard of wages and determine the price to be paid for labor by contractors, calls for my legal opinion, which I feel bound to give, according to my best understanding, without reference to my own personal wishes, and without reference to political consideration.

There can be no objection to the city fixing the price to be paid to laborers in its employ and by so doing, establish as far as possible, the standard of wages. I do not think however, that the city has any power or authority to fix and determine the wages to be paid by contractors. So far as contractors engaged in other than city work are concerned, the city would have no power to determine the wages to be paid by such contractors than it would have to regulate the price of dry goods or groceries.

As for contractors engaged in the city work the charter requires the acceptance of the bids of these who are the lowest, and in my opinion, the city can no more determine the wages such contractors pay, than it can determine the price of the material to be used. Personally I am in favor of unskilled labor receiving, during the coming season, at least $1.75 per day, and I would not ask men to work for me or for the city for less than that, but I do not see as the obligation to pay such wages can be forced upon contractors, and in view of the fact that the cost of proposed street improvements must be wholly or partially realized by the levy of special taxes, I do not think it would be safe to insert in specifications or contracts a clause as to the amount of wages contractors would be required to pay. W. J. CONNELL, City Attorney.

A. U. Hancock, attorney, Papillion, Neb.

The Funeral of M. A. McNamara

The funeral of the late M. A. McNamara occurred yesterday morning begining at the residence at 9:30 and moving to St. Philomena's cathedral, where the solemn services for the dead were pronounced. High mass was given and Father McCarthy preached the funeral sermon from the text, "In the midst of life we are in death." The reverend gentleman's words were full of beautiful thought and consolation for the bereaved ones. The choir rendered some appropriate selections, Miss Arnold singing, with touching fervor, "Rest, Spirit, Rest." From the cathedral the funeral cortege moved directly to the cemetery of the Holy Sepulchre, where the remains were consigned to the grave. The Emmet Monument association and the Catholic Knights of America, of both of which the deceased had been a member, were in the funeral procession, followed by an unusually long line of carriages. M. A. McNamara went out of this life widely and sincerely mourned and the evidences of grief and regret manifested at his burial were not confined to his family alone.

Brevities.

Sherm D. Canfield, clerk at Superintendent Smith's office, is confined to the house by illness.

Justice Berka performed the ceremony yesterday of uniting Samuel Olsen, a Dane, and Christina Sjarbak, German.

The Metropolitan club gave a very pleasant dancing party at their hall, Fourteenth and Dodge streets, last evening.

Mrs. George Canfield and S. S. Canfield, of Stanton, returned to the city yesterday, having visited friends in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Rebert, the county physician, assisted by Drs. Wilcox and Lee, amputated the foot of a permanently crippled woman at the poor farm yesterday.

St. John's guild will hold a festival on Thursday evening at Bruner's store, corner of Saunders and Hamilton streets, to which all interested and their friends are invited.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Austeen W. Reed, aged 31, and Gertrude A. Holt, aged 33, and James Hollowback, aged 28, and Lenka Matik, aged 24, all of Omaha.

"Above the Clouds."

The dramatic company of St. Philomena's temperance society produced a drama in two acts, with the elevated title, "Above the Clouds," at the Parish hall Ninth and Howard streets last evening The members had been carefully trained by an experienced teacher, and the costuming and scenic accessories were first-class and appropriate. The cast was as follows:

Philip Ringold, Crazy Phil ..... L. H. Baer
Alfred Thrope, a City Nabob ..... Ed Burke
Amos Gaylord, a Country Gentleman ..... P. L. Sourd
Howard Gaylord, His Son ..... Charles Taggart
Titus Turtle, a Gourmand ..... John McGinn
Curtis Chipman, "Chips" in the Rough ..... P. P. O'Brien
Nat Naylor, Thorpe's Protege ..... L. A. Linahan
Grace Ingalls, a Young Artist ..... Miss Delia Heelan
Hester Thorne, Gaylord's Housekeeper ..... Miss Jennie McVann
Susy Gaylord, Gaylord's Daughter ..... Miss Nora Flannery
Lucretia Gerrich, "So Romantic," ..... Miss Edith Stuht

Wanted to exchange for stock of Hardware and General Merchandise, 560 acres of fine Thayer county (Neb.) land; five lots in Genoa (Neb.); good store building (best corner); good dwelling (best location) in Essex (Iowa); also eighty acres one-half mile from town of Essex (Iowa), seeded in blue grass. For further particulars, address John Linderholm, Central City, Nebraska.

Nebraska Druggists.

The committee of arrangements for the next meeting of the Nebraska State Pharmaceutical association was in session yesterday at the office of the H. T. Clarke Drug Co., and decided upon holding the next annual meeting to be held in this city May 11-13 in the Exposition building. This meeting is promised to be the largest and most interesting the association has ever held. A large number of manufacturers will make displays of goods and a number of interesting reports and papers will be read on leading subjects in which pharmacists are deeply interested. A state pharmacy law will also be among the subjects discussed. Arrangements will be made by the local committee to handsomely entertain visiting members, and reduced rates have been obtained from the leading hotels and railways for members wishing to attend.

Captain Gustavus Valois, Ninth cavalry, has been ordered to appear in person before the army retiring board to convene in this city March 3.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE COMEDY OF ERRORS.

It is said that it cost $20,000 to raise the curtain on Messrs. Robson and Crane's first performance of The Comedy of Errors this season. The large audience which was packed into the opera house last night is prepared to believe a report of vast expenditures for such a play. Few out of the assemblage in the theater last evening had not seen the great comedians in this best of all the great master's light-spirited efforts; few had not seen the spectacles of the modern stage, but certainly none had ever sat in witness of such scenic splendor, such gorgeous finish of stage business and character acting of so great artistic merit, all combined. Robson and Crane are perhaps too modest in the promises which they allow in their advertising, for their splendid enterprise of this season is worthy of the proudest boast. It seems that selection of every individual of the entire forty in the cast had been levied upon the higher ranks of the profession, for in all the whole number there is not one but that is an actor. The comedians themselves appeared in their best humor and bearing, while the large support discharged, all, their allotted functions with unqualified skill and ability. The confusion of identities upon which the play is founded is well illustrated, and yet the illusion is intentionally not so complete as to drive the spectator to perplexity where the jest would be lost in harrowing speculation. It required some perception, however, to quickly distinguish the Dromios—the Ephesian and the Syracusan—the one from the other, a feat of which the other actors were very properly incapable. The continual confusion in apt blunders and ridiculous mistakes which ran rapidly through the play kept the house in constant laughter except when the magnificent setting of each new scene drew out the rapturous applause of the audience. So grand and realistic is the scenic work that it can scarcely be described, and allowing that it is beyond anything ever seen in this theater before, the public, those of whom were not there last evening, are advised to seize upon the last opportunity afforded to-night.

JOE EMMETT TO-MORROW NIGHT.

Joe Emmett, the great German dialect comedian, appears at the opera house to-morrow night in "Fritz in Ireland."

Personal Paragraphs.

James Cleary, of Grand Island, is at the Paxton.

J. W. Mabury, of West Point, is stopping at the Millard.

W. H. Farnsworth and wife, of Blair, are registered at the Millard.

J. K. Pollock and C. C. Parmele, of Plattsmouth, are in the city.

Hon. John A. MacMurphy, editor of the Schuyler Sun, is at the Paxton.

C. P. R. Williams and wife, of Grand Island, are guests at the Paxton.

H. Birdsall and B. M. Ford, of Nebraska City, are in the city, stopping at the Paxton.

Mrs. Elijah Stoddard and Mrs. N. O. Adams have just returned after a visit of four months in Massachusetts.

Geo. P. Clark, of Bradstreet's local agency, has returned from a two weeks' business trip in northern Nebraska.

William M. Spence, of Hornellsville, N. Y., arrived in Omaha last evening with the intention of making this city his home.

A Big Deal.

William A. Paxton is now negotiating with Mr. Tuller of Cheyenne county, for 6,000 head of cattle, the herd being one of the finest in the state. The transaction will undoubtedly be completed this morning, and will be the largest cattle deal which has occurred in this state for a long time.

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Jim Maguire, a hard character, was arrested by Officer Mostyn last evening on suspicion of having stolen a beer faucet which was found in his possession.

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