WHO WERE THE STRANGERS?

Two Suspicious Men Seen With Ruhle on the Night of the Tragedy.

A PROBABLY IMPORTANT CLUE.

A Picnic at South Omaha—A Wedding To-day—Another Confidence Victim—Police and Court Local—Odds and Ends.

The Ruhle Mystery.

The prevailing topic of conversation yesterday was the Ruhle murder case. The affair is almost as much of a mystery as ever, and whatever is mysterious is sure to excite the public interest. Many who never knew or heard of the murdered man are as deeply concerned in ths case as the most intimate friends of the victim of this shocking tragedy. All sorts of theories are advanced to account for the affair, but the one most generally held is that Ruhle was killed by some person or persons intent on robbery. The theory of suicide, is for reasons stated in Wednesday's BEE, pretty thoroughly scouted.

The gist of the evidence given at the coroner's inquest Wednesday afternoon has already been given. This morning one further witness was examined—Fred. Zipps, who was shaking dice with Ruhle on Monday night just before he started for the depot to go to Lincoln. Mr. Zipps testified that he met Ruhle in Kearney's saloon on Tenth street, and had a few moments conversation with him. Ruhle said nothing about leaving Omaha. Did not display a big roll of money.

After Mr. Zipps' testimony was concluded, the jury adjourned until afternoon. The body has been lying in the cooling rooms at Drexel & Maul's, and was to-day, as yesterday, visited by hundreds of curious persons. In preparing the corpse for burial, Coroner Drexel found an oreoide watch and some 30 cents in change. Which goes to show that the robbers, if such the murderers were, did not make a "clean sweep" in going through Ruhle's pockets. Near the place where the murder was committed Mr. Drexel also found a white paper collar, torn and somewhat soiled, which may possibly have belonged to Ruhle's assailants. It has been lately worn, and looks as though it had been torn from the neck in a violent struggle.

AN IMPORTANT CLUE.

The first really important clue, which may eventually lead to the detection of the murderer, was brought to light this afternoon. It was the fact that on Tuesday night, just a few hours before the murder, Ruhle had been seen at the B. & M. depot preparing to leave on the outbound 7 o'clock train in company with two strangers. The person who saw Ruhle under these circumstances was John Day, a truckman in the employ of the American Express company at the B. & M. depot. He states that at some time between 6 and 7 o'clock that evening he met Ruhle at the depot and shook hands with him. He was in company with two strangers, one of them a tall, thick set fellow, with a heavy moustache, wearing a slouch hat; the other a small, light complexioned man, about whose appearance there was nothing particularly striking to attract Mr. Day's attention. The three left, boarded the 6:25 express together, and that was the last Mr. Day saw of them, The gentleman states that he noticed that the appearance of the two men—especially the larger—was villainous, and he thought at the time that harm would come to Ruhle from association with these two men. Mr. Day's description of these two men is not very detailed but he states that if he saw them again he could easily recognize them. He is positive that the man he shook hands with was Ruhle, and he has known him for two years, having boarded at the same restaurant with him for a long time.

The theory now entertained is that Ruhle went out on the train with these two men whom Mr. Day describes, and that the three on one pretext or another got off at a station near Omaha, and that at some time between 10 and 11 o'clock at night Ruhle was attacked by his companions, who were intent at robbery and who did not scruple at murder in carrying out their designs. At any rate, this is a most important clue, and one which the authorities will undoubtedly work up as rapidly as possible.

Yesterday Mr. Fred Wirth the proprieto of the City hotel made a further statement concerning the dead man. He says that on Monday morning Ruhle was in his place quarreling and he (Wirth) shoved him out doors at the same time telling him never to return. Mr. Wirth never saw him alive after that. The proprietors of the City hotel stated that Ruhle was a quarrelsome fellow, and was continually getting into trouble. He did not board at the City hotel for two years, as has been stated, but at different times off and on, alternating between that hostelry, the United States hotel, California house, and Eagle house.

Ruhle was daily expecting an inheritance from the old country, and just a short time before the murder, stated to a friend that as soon as the money came he would go into some business here in partnership with his brother.

THE MAN DRESSED IN BLUE.

Coroner Drexel continued the examination of the witnesses in the inquest over Ruhle yesterday afternoon.

Fred Lederman was the first witness. He saw Ruhle on Monday night in a saloon on the corner of Harney and Eleventh streets, and drank three glasses of beer with him. They then went to the City hotel, where Ruhle became engaged in conversation with a tall man who woro a blue suit. The man said he had no money to pay for a bed, and Ruhle told the clerk to give the man a bed and he would pay for it.

H. Manweihler was examined and gave further evidence connecting the "man dressed in blue" with the tragedy. On Monday Ruhle came into the witness' real estate office accompanied by the man in blue and had some conversation concerning the purchase of some real estate. Ruhle said he was going out into Murray's addition to look at some property. He tapped his pocket book and said he had the money with which the purchase was to be made. Ruhle's companion was a large man who wore a blue suit of clothes, a heavy hat, large mustache and a goatee. He said he had come from Iowa, was out of employment and would like a job of work at anything.

RUHLE'S COMPANION IN BLUE

next appears at the City hotel where he registered on Monday night as "Frank Noerelia, Kiron, Iowa." William Kersten, one of the clerks at the hotel, testified that Ruhle had been in the hotel with Noerelia on Monday or Tuesday night and had told the clerk to give the stranger a bed on his account.

The witness did not remember whether Noerelia stopped at the hotel or not. M. Carstorgin, another clerk, testified that Ruhle and Noerelia were in the hotel together on Monday night and he thought, also, on Tuesday. Noerelia had registered, but went away with Ruhle and did not return, and has not since made his appearance at the hotel.

The testimony of the three men, Mr. Manweiler and the two clerks, at the City Hotel, is conclusive upon the identification of Ruhle's companion on Monday and Tuesday, and his description tallies with that of the larger of the two men who were seen with Ruhle by Mr. Day, at the depot on Tuesday evening.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Stray Leaves From the Reporter's Note Book.

From time to time the local papers have been called upon to chronicle the egregious blunders made by some of the fresh and unsophisticated members of the Omaha police force. Some very curious moves, indeed, are occasionally made by the bluecoated guardians of the peace in the discharge of what they suppose to be their duties. The latest thing of this kind was the arrest, the other day, of a well known druggist on upper Douglas street. This gentleman was at the depot awaiting the arrival of a train, on which he expected a friend, when a policeman came up and, without saying a word, took him by the arm and commenced to lead him down Tenth street. "What do you want with me?" asked the druggist, astonished at the bold move on the part of the policeman. "Niver yez moind," returned the copper, "Oi wants yez for a suspicious char-ack-ter." "But I am not a suspicious character," expostulated the man of pestle and mortar; "I am a druggist, and my store is on the corner of — and —."

"Whist, now, away wid yez," returned the policeman scornfully, "Yez can't fool me. Oi know yez. Haven't Oi got yer picter in me pocket this blessed minit? Oyknow yez by the wart on yer nose—iou're wanted for murdher in Chicago," and without wasting any more breath on the prisoner, the officer commenced to haul him vigorously jailwards. He was met on the way up by an acquaintance who explained to him the blunder he was making. The cold sweat broke out on the policeman's brow as he released the prisoner with the humblest of apologies The druggist, very naturally, was highly indignant at the treatment he had received, but to avoid publicity, made up his mind not to prosecute the policeman.

"I have in mind a practical demonstration of the usefulness of the Morse code for long-distance signaling," said an old telegraph operator to a New York Herald reporter. "It was a number of years ago, when the Missouri river was on a great 'bender.' The water rose so high that the Union Pacific Railroad company had to stop running trains over the big bridge between Omaha and Council Bluffs. Great crowds lined both banks of the 'Big Muddy' to see the bridge carried away. Finally a portion of it went down with a crash which rings in my ears to this day. It carried every telegraph line with it, and hundreds of sounders in various parts of the country struck work simultaneously. Communication between the two cities was thus entirely cut off, and the Western Union operators in Chicago notified their chiefs that they 'had lost Omaha on every wire.' No boat could live in such a rapid stream, especially as big cakes of ice were constantly rushing down. The railroad people were completely 'rattled,' for they had never been called upon to face such a contingency before.

"Mr. J. J. Dickey, of Omaha, superintenednt of telegraph for the Union Pacific, was the man who solved the problem. He grasped the situation at a glance, and jumping on a switch engine road to the company's roundhouse. There he tested the whistles of all the engines that were fired up, and selecting the one with the loudest tone, ordered the engineer to run down as close to the water's edge as possible. The crowd wondered what on earth that crazy fellow could be doing as he sat in the cab pulling the whistle.

"In about a minute after he commenced an operator on the opposite side cried out: 'Why, he's calling C. B.' This is the telegraphic call for Council Bluffs. He told the Council Bluffs yardmaster and other officials, that a locomotive was rushed down to the shore at lightning speed. The operator jumped into the cab, and then commenced the most remarkable series of toots that a locomotive ever gave forth. It is doubtful if such signaling had ever been witnessed before. Necessary orders were exchanged between the officials, and thousands of dollars were thereby saved to the company. The communication by long and short whistles was continued until the whistle on Mr. Dickey's engine gave out,-when he retired and was relieved by anr other engine and operator. All othe, whistles were ordered to be kept silenced

"The excitement of the people on both sides of the river was tremendous. As soon as pressing railroad matters had been attended to, lists of the saved and drowned were exchanged, and many a heart was thereby lightened or relieved of suspense. In this humane work the whistles were kept going all night for several days thereafter. I don't know who the operator was who first recognized the signals, but I think it was Bogardus. At any rate Dickey always had a warm side for 'Bogy.'"

"You never knew that Jay Gould used to be in the theatrical business, did you?" was the query addressed to a BEE scribe at the Millard the other evening. The speaker was Mr. James Morrisey, Rhea's manager, who is one of the best posted theatrical men in the country. "You didn't. eh? Well, he was," continued Mr. Morrisey. "Jay Gould and Jim Fisk Jr. owned and managed the Grand Opera house in New York about fourteen years ago. I was their treasurer at the time and found both of them bad losers, but they were game and I always found funds ready to meet any shortage in the box office receipts. These millionaires were fascinated with the business, as all are who engage in it. Young George Gould now owns the same house. Gould & Fish deserve the credit of being the first to introduce the ballet into opera in America. Before their time opera had been produced in this country without the ballet, but Gould and Fisk imported some of the finest dancers that could be found in Paris and Berlin. They also brought over Aimee in the time of the Franco-Prussian war when she had to leave Paris in a balloon in order to reach the coast. They put her in at the head of a picked company of eighty people, and with them opera bouffe was really made popular in America. Augustin Daly has wrought mo e changes on the American stage than any other man. About the time of which I speak he was the dramatic critic of the New York Times, but he gave this up to become a manager. He gathered about him and made the fame of such people as Agnes Ethel, the original Frou-Frou of America, Clara Morris, Fannie Davenport, Sara Jewett, Linda Dietz, Nina Varian and Ada Dyas, all of whom had been unknown before and owe their present fame to Daly's judicious and painstaking drill and management. All except Miss Dya are thoroughly American and exponents of Daly's school of society plays brought out by his genius. There can be no doubas to Mr. Daly having genius for manages ment and he stands to-day almost without a peer. Others have followed after who have had talent and have imitated him with the most abundant success but they are not originators as he was. Among this class last mentioned may be found Mr. A. M. Palmer, at one time librarian of the Mercantile library, who knew nothing of the drama beyond what he had been able to gather from his books but backed by Sheridan Shook he took the management of the Union Square theatre and gathered about him a good stock company, taking some of Daly's best people and has since achieved remarkable success. But it is to Daly that we owe the present high tone of the society drama, and to him alone. At this time of which I have been talking there were such singers as Christine Nilsson, Parepa Rosa, Pauline Lucca, Clara Louise Kellogg, and others, singing in grand opera. After the Opera Bouffe came the comic opera of Gilbert and Sullivan, which is really but the extravagances of Offenbach shorn of all objectionable features. To Mr J. C. Duff, the youngest one of the best informed American operatic managers, we are indebted for the introduction of their perfect form, of these operas in America. Pinafore was given by him in the Standard theatre for over 300 consecutive nights, and the Mikado has just completed under his management a season of what the most competent New York critics style the most perfect performance ever given in the metropolis. I see he has just arrived in London, where he will secure the successor to the Mikado, which is not yet finished, and has not been even named, and whatever else there may be in the way of good music for Americans. Speaking of music, you know the Germans are a nation of instrumentalists, and it is only occasionally a good voice is produced there, nothing like so often as they are in France and Italy. But they do excel with their instruments, and by them the violin is worshipped as the music par excellence. Now, Theodore Thomas is an exponent of this school, and it has not been long since he would not condescend to conduct even for the greatest singers. But I see he has now come down from the elevated pedestal upon which the hero-worshipping women of New York placed him, and is conducting for the American Opera company. This is the first American company that has ever been subsidized upon the European plan, Mrs. Thurber, of New York having generously guaranteed its success. Fortunately the company was a success from the first and she has never been called on to ratify that pledge. Much of the strength of this company may be found in the fact that it is made up of strong people none of whom are stars."

A SUBURBAN ELYSIUM.

Now Open to All Who Wish to Enjoy the Sweets of Rural Pleasures.

It will be a revelation to thousands of people in this city to learn that one of the most beautiful picnic grounds in this part of the country is situated about three miles from the center of the city. As yet it is little more than what nature made. There is a lake about 300 feet in length, hemmed in on three sides by bluffs, wooded from margin to summit, and about 150 feet in height. At intervals, these are indented with spacious recesses or groves, which lead to sinuous depths of leafy retirement. Here and there around the lake the bluffs project in sharply defined points almost toward a common center, giving a rustic irregularity to the outline of the water and diversity to the beauty of the scene. The lake, like a bed of emerald, glistening in the sunshine, reposes at the base, and though it is seventy-five and sometimes one hundred feet from the beholder on the upland, looks as clear and transparent as if distilled of crystal. It has no outlet now save that afforded by the South Omaha Land Syndicate's pumps, but its inlets and supply ducts are are as numerous as the hills themselves. These appear on the rough hewn sides whence silvery streams come from their homes within or bubble in increasing circles and with marvellous purity from beneath the soil. This minature sea is supplied with boats, a ride in which affords a delight almost entrancing. Everywhere, nature in vernal richness and decoration surrounds the scene. From no two points is the prospect the same. It varies from the contracted view up the ascent of the opposing bluffs to a vista terminating miles of fluttering foliage, radiant with flowers and dreamy, sensuous and embowered retreats.

This property belongs to the South Omaha Land syndicate. It is to be used exclusively for picnic purposes. The use of it is free to all, and nothing but a permit is required, and this may be obtained from either Frank Murphy or Mr. Gould at the grounds. It is from this lake that the tank which supplies South Omaha is replenished. The grounds are situated half a mile east of South Omaha park. They may be reached in a twenty minutes' drive along the road to that place.

Wednesday afternoon a very pleasant party formally dedicated the grounds. It consisted of elderly heads of families, the beautiful and vivacious young ladies of Brownell hall, and half a dozen little Tottlekins, who enjoyed the day as well as the older people. The young ladies and the press were driven to the grounds by Joe Withrow and his men in his elegant carriage and new and beautiful picnic vans.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Iler, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gallager, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Nash, Dr. and Mrs. Coffman, Col. and Mrs. Eddy, Dr. and Mrs. Lee, C. J. Daubach, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf, F. J. Ramge, M. E. Upton, Mr and Mrs. C. K. Coutant, Clemmie Chase, George Squires, Gen. and Mrs. Cowin, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Morse, Mrs. Charles Balbach, Mrs. Jensen, Mrs. Gen. Crook, Mrs. Barbeau, Mrs. F. B. Knight, Mrs. Sharp, Mrs. Paxton, Miss Sharp, Miss Mattie Sharp, Mrs. A. B. Davenport, Mrs. Swobe, Mrs. S. H. Windson, Miss Lyman, Miss Gilbert, Miss Wall, Miss Segers, Mrs. Gillispie, Miss Hattie Drew; also the following from Brownell: Misses Mamie Royce, Emma Johnson, Josie Richards, Jessie Sturtevant, Jessie Clark, Flo Donovan, Meta McBride, Cornelia Thomas, Cara Huse, Edda Wiggenhorn, Maria Field, Florence Ayers, Addie Chambers, Edith Underwood, Fritzay Barnard, Lena Wallace, Ethel Davenport, Stella North, Mamie Hamilton, Belle and Blanche Buckworth.

SPECHT'S MEN.

They Tell Another Side of the Lock-Out Story.

A delegation of C. Specht's men called at the BEE office yesterday to say that they had given him notice of their intended demand for nine hours' work and ten hours' pay, and that he had agreed to grant both if Ruemping & Bolte agreed to do likewise. When he came home he found them living up to what they understood to be the agreement, and immediately shut down his works, notwithstanding that Ruemping & Bolte have since been working the reduced time and paying the old prices.

In this connection are appended the following communications, which explain themselves:

ad Specht

To the Editor: In an article headed "Specht's Expectation to Hold out Against His Striking Nine Hours Men," we notice the names of Ruemping and Bolte used as one of the parties that Mr. Specht claims to have inquired of in regard to the nine hours' system. In reference to this, I will say that Mr. Specht has no authority for such a statement as there was no consultation between us and Mr. Specht in regard to the matter. Our understanding as reported to us by the committee that waited on Mr. Specht was that Mr. Specht was strongly in favor of the nine hours' system and that he would adopt it as soon as Ruemping & Bolte would. We agreed to the said terms with said committee. The next information we had was that Mr. Specht had ordered his men to only work nine hours from the 17th of May on, to which we have agreed with our men and have worked so since

RUEMPING & BOLTE.

Per F. RUEMPING.

THEY ARE WILLING.

To the Editor: Our attention has been called to an article in last evening's BEE regarding tinners working nine hours per day. At present, we have contracts to finish that were figured on the ten hour basis and, until those are finished, we will object to the nine hour system. But after that, we shall not kick against letting our men work nine hours per day with ten hours pay, providing that all other firms that work tinners in Omaha agree to the same thing. J. H. SULLIVAN & Co.

There will be a meeting of the Tinners' union at the city hall to-night. By order of the President. Leo. Hart.

MOLINE AT OMAHA.

The New House of these Works To Be Built Here Immediately.

The matter of the location of the Moline Plow works has now been definitely and for all time decided. It was done yesterday and hereafter the enterprise will be carried on in this city. The piece of property which they most preferred is situated on the B. & M. track, east of Ninth, and in the immediate vicinity of a number of other implement houses which are there erected. The lot is 132x132 feet, and upon it will be erected a six-story warehouse. Here the product of the Moline Plow works, in all details, together with a line of other manufactures, will be handled. Besides this, the Millburn wagon company's house will also adjoin that of the Moline people. The transfer was made out to-day. Mr. Allen, representing the Moline, who arrived this morning, telegraphed home the result of the successful negotiations, ond to-morrow the final formalities will be perfected.

The plans for a new building will be drawn as soon as architects can be got to design them, and when the same are accepted, which will be immediately, the work of erecting the building will be commenced and it is expected will be finished before the close of the summer.

Just as soon as the property owners in the immediate vicinity learned that the site now selected was being looked for, they raised their prices, and the greatest skill and patience was required to overcome the effect of the move. Sometime ago, the Moline people, however, deposited with Mr. C. E. Mayne the amount of money they thought the lot was worth. With only Moline appraisements in their minds, it may be taken for granted that the amount deposited was very small. Mr Mayne, however, offered to supply the difference between it and the price, and after buying the lot at the owners' figure, has contributed the greater part of the remainder, while some of it he received from interested parties by subscriptions.

Rail Notes.

Assistant General Superintendant Dickinson of the Union Pacific is in the city and spent most of yesterday in conferring with the officials at the headquarters. In answering the questions of a reporter yesterday Mr. Dickinson said that the number of brakemen discharged on account of the recent strike was about 125, most of whom had already left that country. The company has decided under no circumstances to take any of them back.

"There is nothing new about the freight depot scheme," said General Manager Callaway yesterday. "We are still waiting to get possession of the lots on which Mr. Wakefield has the lease, in order to get to work at once. Mr. Wakefield, I understand, is trying to find another location, and when he succeeds we shall commence operations."

General Superintendent Miller of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road, accompanied by H. A. Earling, assistant general superintendet and R.B.Campbell assistant superintendent of the same road, came into town in their special car Wednesday afternoon. They were met at the depot by Mr. Callaway and invited up to the city, while their car was taken back to the Bluffs. All three gentlemen, with representative citizens of this city, were shown around town yesterday and astonishment was pretty generally depicted on the countenances of the visitors over the wonderful progress made by the city and the appearance it presented of activity and enterprise. The object of Mr. Callaway's conference with them was to show them the advantages that would accrue to the St. Paul road by coming into the proposed union depot. The visitors were most favorably impressed with the scheme.

Superintendent Smith had intended going to Leavenworth last night, but was detained by a conference with Grand Master Wilkenson, of the Brotherhood of Brakmen, and Mars Nobb, member of the executive council of the same organization. The matter under discussion was the reinstatement of some of the brakemen, who had been discharged because of the western strike. At last accounts they had not decided what course would be taken by the road.

The overland train on the Union Pacific last night was one of the heaviest of the season.

Edw. Dickenson and wife, the former assistant general superintendent of the Union Pacific at Denver, came in last night from Denver in his special car 025.

J. H. Manchester, claim agent, and Clem Hackney, master mechanic of the Union Pacific respectively, came in from Denver last night with Assistant Superintendent Dickinson of the same road.

Slomnn's dime museum is in full blast near the BEE office.

The Old Game.

Report was made at police headquarters yesterddy of a confidence game of which Fred Westphal, a Minnesota granger, was the victim. Westphal it seems came to Omaha early Wednesday on his way to Idaho where he expects to locate. He fell in with two men, both of whom said they were going to the same territory. One of them told Westphal that he could give him work without delay, as soon as they arrived in Idaho. In a very short time the trio were firm friends. Late in the afternoon, one of the confidence men asked Westphal to lend him $50 to pay the freight charges on some goods which he had down at the depot. The Minnesota man, determined to be obliging, gave up his half a hundred without a murmur. The two confidence men left him shortly thereafter, to go to the depot as they said, and arrange for the transportation of the goods. Of course they never returned and Westphal to-day resumed his journey west a sadder but wiser man—just $50 out of pocket from his little deal with Omaha confidence sharps.

Murphy, Creighton & Co. are putting in their curbing on Jones street.

A New Enterprise.

Mr. P. L. Edholm, who for the past ten years has had charge of the manufacturing departments of A. B. Huberman and Edholm & Erickson, is about to go into business for himself. He has taken quarters at 118 South Fifteenth street, and here in a few days he will open out a fine, well-assorted fresh stock of jewelry, watches, clocks, etc. He will, furthermore, be ready to do all sorts of repairing in first-class style, as only a thorough workman can. Mr Edholm needs no introduction to the local public. He has been in Omaha for many years, and is one of the best known workmen in the jewelry business in this city, and has always enjoyed a good reputation for square, open dealing. Mr. Edholm will be pleased to see his friends in his new quarters, and he will doubtless get his full sharge of public patronage.

Rabbi Benson's Lecture.

At the synagogue this evening Dr. Benson will deliver a lecture upon the subject of "Life's Allurements and their Consequent Rewards." The divine services at the synagogue will commence at 7:30.

The following is the musical programme:

"Hear, Father, Hear our Prayer"
—Quartette .... Mendelssohn Choir.
Spirit song—Soprano solo .... Hayden Miss Moses.
Sabbath Morning—Duet { Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy
Mrs. Day, Mr. Wilkins.
"Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"—
Alto solo and quartette .... Leach Mrs. Day and Choir.

Miss Rothchild, organist. Mr. Ad. Meyer, director of choir.

A Day's Fishing.

Conductor Butcher of the C. B. & Q., who resides at Creston and a friend named Charles Ritter, yesterday got off their train and made up their mind they would spend a pleasant day at Florence Lake. They equipped themselves with the most available tackle and other requirements of the angler and proceeded to the place where they were to display their fine skill. They were seen at noon, and both were intently watching their first bite. Three hours later they were still watching, and when the time came to go to their train, they concluded to leave their lines in the water. They had not been made to pull up a snag which luxuriated in the bottom of the pool.

Suing Saloonmen.

Mrs. Mary A. Huber has commenced suit for damages in the district court against Peters & Hammond and Morin & Quinn, saloon keepers, and their sureties. She alleges that prior to November, 1885, her husband, Wm. B. Huber, was engaged in the tinners business at the corner of Sixteenth and Izard streets, and was doing a profitable business, his daily profits being from $10 to $15 per day. In the month of November her husband took to drink and became an habitual drunkard, confining his patronage to the saloons of the defendants He lost all of his business and robbed his family of their means of support. Wherefore she asks damage from the defendants in the sum of $5,000 for each saloon firm.

Police Court.

George Nash, an unfortunate youth who stole a pair of pants from the Misfit parlors Wednesday was tried in police court this morning, found guilty and sentenced to ten days in the county jail. Several other unimportant cases of vagrants and drunks were disposed of. Mrs. Henry Homan, who had been arrested for throwing three buckets of water on one of her boarders, C. H. Clanson, was released after a severe reprimand from the judge.

Opelt's Hotel, Lincoln, Neb., opened March 15th, first class in every respect.

Rushing Licenses.

During the past week the clerks of the internal revenue office have been busy, using also a force of special assistants, in attending to the applications for licences to sell cigars and liquors which poured in from all parts of Nebraska and Dakota. No less than 12,000 such permits were granted. These have all been forwarded as applied for, and now the clerks are again enjoying routine ease and recreation.

Whenyou come to Lincoln, stop at the Commercial Hotel, if you want home comforts. C. W. KITCHEN, Proprietor.

Broke Their Bond.

An action has been commenced in the district court against William Mullhall, Mrs. Mulhall, Agnes, Mary, and Frank Mulhall and their surety, F. W. Gray, to recover judgment on a bond given by them in September, 1885, to keep the peace and which, it is alleged, they have broken by an assault upon the members of the family of Mr. F. T. Shiverock. The bonds were $100 in each case.

Personal Paragraphs.

Church Howe is in the city.

A. H. Baker, of Grand Island, is in town.

Gen. Jno. S. Mason, U. S. A., is at the Paxton.

E. K. Valentine, of West Point, is at the Millard.

Hon. D. C. Heward, the Kearney banker, is in the city.

Homer D. Cope, of Chicago, the elocutionist, is in the city.

Mrs. A. J. and Miss Elizabeth Poppleton, went east yesterday.

Mr. Frederick Baxter, a member of the Philadelphia Truss company, is in the city.

Hon. Chas. Miller, Franklin, Pa., was in town yesterday and registered at the Paxton.

Mr. Danielson, proprietor of the Danielson House, Chadron, Neb., was in the city yesterday.

Gabe Runkles, one of the BEE's force of compositors, returned to-day from a trip through the south.

J. D. Riley, J. F. Riley and Mrs. Gaylord, a party of Lincoln people, are registered at the Paxton.

Hon. John Henderson, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., an ex-senator from Linn county, is at the Metropolitan.

Charles Conner, one of the affable representatives of the Detroit Stove Works, is a guest at the Paxton.

Miss Madeline Gibbs, who has been visiting Miss Naile in North Twenty-first street, has returned to her home in Wisconsin.

Mrs. O. H. Dorrance arrived yesterday from California. She was met out quite a distance by her husband, who accompanied her to town.

Mr. Conrad Yougerman, a wealthy citizen of Des Moines, Ia., is in the city. Mr. Youngerman contemplates making real estate investments in Omaha.

George Wright, a young banker of Des Moines, Ia., and a son of ex-Senator Wright, was in the city yesterday en-route to Sioux City, Ia., to attend the Moore-Allison wedding. Mr. Wright is an old newspaper man, having done effective as the city editor of the Des Moines Register for several years.

Mrs. General Estabrook, of this city, and Miss Susie Springer, of Chicago, arrived here yesterday. Mrs. Estabrook has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clowry, in Chicago, since January last. Miss Springer is well known here, and her presence will be welcomed by many friends.

Mrs. W. H. Remington will hereafter reside in Omaha, and will be welcomed back by a host of friends who have missed her since her sojourn in Des Moines. Mr. W. H. Remington still remains connected with the Newspaper Union of that city, while he will also be associated with one of the Omaha dailies.

Brevities.

Mrs. Cullison who came to Omaha on Monday to look for her husband, who deserted her a few days ago, was sent to her home in Dunlap, Iowa, yesterday.

Joseph S. Burch, of Sarpy county, aged 61, and Mrs. Nellie Spotswood, of Woodbine, Iowa, aged 31, were united in marriage by Judge McCulloch yesterday afternoon.

Josephine Ellis has commenced suit for a divorce from her husband, James Ellis, to whom she was married in 1879. Cruelty and desertion are alleged as the causes for the action.

John Sundvall, the Swede who was so nearly asphyxiated Wednesdaybyblowing out the gas in his room at the Metropolitan hotel, is reviving. He will undoubtedly get well.

Examinations for admission to the freshman class of Vassar college will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 31, June 1 and 2, at 1560 Sherman avenue, Omaha.

The Law and Order league has filed a complaint in police court against Pat Douglas for selling liquors to minors. The league proposes to push the prosecution against him to the bitter end.

The ladies of West Walnut Hill M. E. society will give a 10c social at the residence of Prof. Reid on Friday evening, May 21. All the friends are invited to have a good time in behalf of a good cause.

Clark, the saloonman who was arrested for fast driving by Agent James, of the Law and Order league, has plead not guilty and demanded a jury trial, which will be given before Judge Stenberg this morning.

The trainmen on the Burlington, which arrived by way of Plattsmouth yesterday claimed to have experienced a sense of loss this morning when Milne, the ex-preacher, and his company got off the train to "storm" the inhabitants.

The following is the weather forecast for the week ending Wednesday, May 26: Opens with a generally heated term—fine, warm and windy—favorable weather—local thunder storms and electrical activity—a cooler change, with wind and showers in localities. ("Queen's birthday" promises generally fine weather in eastern Canada.)

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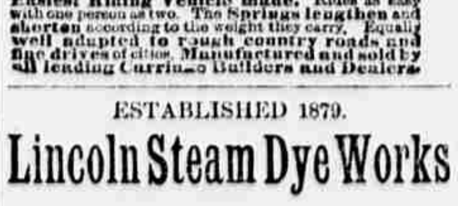

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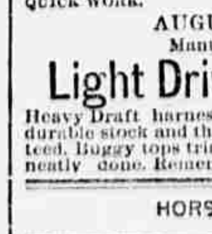

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