

## THE DAILY BEE.

## COUNCIL BLUFFS.

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The Bee in the Bluffs.

For five years now the Bee has maintained an office in Council Bluffs. Starting in with twenty-seven subscribers and one solitary Council Bluffs advertisement, the business has so rapidly grown as to indicate plainly that the people of Council Bluffs appreciate merit and enterprise in the newspaper line as well as in others. The Bee first modestly confined itself to a small office room on the second floor of Everett's block, on Broadway, nearly opposite its more pretentious neighbor and old settler, the Nonpareil. Its advent here was not welcomed by all with that heartiness which would cause a new settler to feel really at home, but foolish prejudices soon began to vanish.

The people soon began to realize the advantages of having the news and merits of their growing city heralded over a large western territory, where even the Nonpareil did not get a hearing. They began to realize that the Bee was a real newspaper, and its merits began to be practically recognized by a rapid increase in its circulation and advertising. A change for larger quarters became necessary, and additional facilities for transacting the business. The offices, No. 7 Pearl street, were then taken and fitted up attractively and conveniently. The Bee added a job department and other improvements and facilities, and the business so grew that it was too crowded, and a year ago the Bee moved into its spacious quarters at No. 12 Pearl street.

The new quarters have been conceded to be the most attractive and convenient newspaper and job offices in the city. Not satisfied with the details of arrangements, the Bee has completely remodeled and refitted its busy hive. The walls and ceilings have been decorated by George R. Beard, the prince of artists in this line, and many compliments are heard from visitors, for the taste shown and the rare harmony of colors. New furniture has been added to the office, new carpets, railings, etc., making as convenient, commodious and handsome an office as could be desired. The job department has added many facilities and made many improvements. The fact is demonstrated that a "print-shop" does not need to be unkempt and filthy. Business in this department has so grown that the water-motor is kept humming, the presses moving, and the employes given plenty of opportunity to put in "over-time." The policy has been to keep adding month by month new fonts of type, and improving the quality of the work, as well as increasing the quantity. The latest and best in the line of fine commercial printing is always aimed at and rarely missed.

The office is also now prepared to receive orders for all sorts of bookbinding, and for blank books made to order. In fact, the Bee establishment in Council Bluffs is complete in every respect.

As for the Bee itself, its popularity in Council Bluffs is evidenced by the fact that the circulation in this city has reached a daily average of about 1,100, and it is conceded to have a larger circulation than any other paper, and larger in fact than several other papers combined. In Western Iowa, also, it has become the best read and most widely circulated paper of any which enters this territory.

With all these evidences of rapid growth and the bright future which is surely before it, the Bee family may well rejoice as it stops at another anniversary of its arrival in this city, looks backward, then ahead, and presses on to further work and greater success.

We have a few water coolers which we will sell very cheap to close them out. Cooper &amp; McGee.

Heisler don't handle any snide cigars.

Bard has an immense stock of wals paper and room mouldings which must be turned in cash, so down go the price at Bard's.

To Sub-Contractors.

Straight scraper work to let on the Cheyenne &amp; Northern railroad. Apply to J. J. Brown &amp; Co., Council Bluffs, or at Cheyenne, Wyo.

A Manifold Forger.

Last January Rhodes Harris was sentenced in Shelby county for forgery, his term being fixed at two years in the penitentiary. Another like charge had been pending here, and Deputy Sheriff Haines, of Boone township, went to Fort Madison after him and brought him to this city to appear before the district court yesterday. Harris was here charged with having forged the name of his employer, Mr. Matlock, to a check for \$10, which he got cashed at a store in Neola. He pleaded guilty and urged in extenuation of the offense that he was on a spree, and that Matlock was owing him some money, and he thought he could fix it all right afterwards. He was taken back to the county jail to wait until this morning, when he will be brought up for sentence. He will then return to Fort Madison to serve out his double sentence.

Harris was formerly in the saloon business at Neola. He was considered straight until one day he concluded to see how much he could get out of the town. He went about borrowing from all his acquaintances on various pretexts, until he had got about \$400. He sold out his saloon and then skipped. Among the victims whom he had caught was County Clerk Shee, who when he came into court dressed in his prison clothes. Shee was mortified and did not reward him of his \$15 loan. Officer O'Brien, of the Council Bluffs present force, was also a victim. Afterwards Harris went to work on a farm, and then began a system of petty forgeries, which have culminated in this double term in the penitentiary.

After a thorough investigation we are convinced that the "Quick Meal" is the best gasoline stove made, and shall make it our leading stove this season. Cooper &amp; McGee.

The "Quick Meal" is a quick seller, come and get one before they are gone; Cooper &amp; McGee.

Let us go to Charlie Heisler's and get a good cigar. No. 402 Broadway.

## THE UNION PACIFIC'S SIDE.

Denial of Many Causes of Complaint, But Weakens Under Fire.

A CONVICT RE-SENTENCED.

A Variety of News Gatherings in and About Council Bluffs—Personal Notes and Many Minor Mentions.

The Union Pacific's Side.

The Union Pacific investigation continued yesterday. The predictions are various as to what it will amount to at the close. Some say it is too late. Council Bluffs should have commenced it long ago, that now the stock yards are gone and gone for ever, that only a few evils can be remedied, but that the great day of help is past. Another speaks up and says: "Why the investigation has already begun to have effect. It has caused the Union Pacific to look with favor upon the location of a depot on Broadway and Twelfth avenue to accommodate the heavy shippers. It has caused the company to put on two extra ferry trains and one dummy train already. It has caused the company to conclude to run its Grand Island train through to Council Bluffs, and start it from Council Bluffs, instead of stopping it and starting it from Omaha, as was intended. It has caused the company already to conclude to bill 'flat,' and do away with rebate, a change which was declared impossible by the company when this investigation started. I tell you it is already resulting in some good to Council Bluffs, and that's more to follow."

Another shrewd man has been interested in the investigation, remarked to the Bee man: "When President Adams was here he was in too great a hurry to hear us. He had to leave and he would not wait to hear even the reading of our bill of complaints. He waved us aside with his hand, and told us to go before the railway commissioners. He had no idea such fact would be brought out at the very last. When the directors of the road read the testimony in detail, they will wonder why Mr. Adams so carelessly brushed the complainants away as if they were trouble some flies. I believe that the directors will see that the company cannot afford to allow Council Bluffs to be thus treated."

"We have taken hold of this thing in dead earnest, and remain another, and we never let up until these causes of complaint are remedied."

Such seems the feeling of many of the heaviest shippers and most prominent citizens. There is little doubt but that the Union Pacific expected to have the complaints disposed of very briefly. It has been a surprise to them to find the evidence pouring in from so many different sources, and instead of finishing in a single evening, it will take several days of trial to be remedied. It seems that some of the officials themselves have not before had those causes of complaint pressed to their attention. Some of them thus express themselves, and some help is to be expected from them.

Yesterday the case was opened up on the Union Pacific side.

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