THE LOCAL HEADLIGHT.

It Flashes the Happenings of Omaha's Daily Life.

A MUG OF JOHN AND JERRY.

Lawyers Making Law—Arguments in the Robinson-Jones Suit—The High School Still Supreme —Silent Services, Etc,

Incandescent Lights.

Mr. Costers, special agent for the Edison electric light, is in the city, having been sent here by that company to confer with Messrs. J. J. Dickey and L. H. Korty in regard to the introduction of a system of incandescent lighting in Omaha. These gentlemen have for some time been considering the advisibility of introducing such a system here. Several months ago a company was actually formed for this purpose, but owing to a disagreement about the kind of lights to be used, fell to pieces. Mr. Korty, in conversation with a reporter yesterday said that he thought that there was a first-class opening here for a new electric light company, which could furnish good light at a moderate cost.

ROBINSON vs JONES.

The First Step in the Race for Valuable City Property.

The argument in the demurrer in the case of Robirson vs Jones, was closed on last Saturday night, C. A. Baldwin appearing for Mr. Jones and Mr. Doane for Robinson. The former presented an elaborate brief well supplied with authorties calculated to show that Robinson's petition did not constitute a ground for action, because the statute of limitation narrowed the period of time in which suit could be brought, to one of four years after the knowledge of the alleged fraud. He further held that his authorities on this point, no matter how much they might differ upon immaterial points never went beyond ten years as the time in which action should have been commenced and then it was necessary to show that due business diligence should be exercised in ascertaining the commission of the alleged fraud.

In behalf of Mr. Robinson Judge Doane made a lengthy argument, setting forth the difficulty of ascertaining the condition in which Jones was complying with the trust imposed. The distance was great, and for many years the intervening country could not be traversed except by a dangerous journey of many months. Besides it was not Robinson's right to suspect his trustee. But having found out that the trust had been betrayed he took the first steps to ascertain to what extent the fraud had been carried. And in so doing he had acted within the law.

The court heard the arguments and asked the attorneys for briefs. Mr. Baldwin handed his up, and Mr. Doane was given ten days in which to file his brief.

LAWYERS AND THE LAW.

They Meet to Draft a Bill to Improve Legal Methods.

A meeting of the bar committee to draft a bill to give two more judges to this county was held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Owing to the occupation of some of the members an adjournment was taken until 2 o'clock.

Mr. C. A. Baldwin said he was in favor of attorneys, ten days before the time of trying their cause, to set the day for trial and serving a notice upon opposing attorneys of the date selected. He also favored confining the county court to probate business. At present he says Judge McCulloch has enough probate business to keep him constantly employed independently of the civil work which he is called upon to do.

Judge Neville was seen by a reporter and one species of reform which he favored was the equal division of the cases on the docket among the judges. If there are to be three judges, each of them ought to take a third of the suits, and be held accountable for the clearing of the same in an expeditious manner. This is the system that obtains in St. Louis, Chicago and other places, and the judges take pride in the record they make in the despatch with which they finish their work.

The committee met yesterday afternoon and after some discussion adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

A CONFIDENCE GAME.

A Frenchman Makes Serious Charges Against a Block Watchman.

A Frenchman, whose wife keeps a "cigar store" of doubtful repute on the corner of Eleventh and Capitol avenue, appeared in police court yesterday morning and poured a tale of woe into the ear of Marshal Cummings. He made serious charges against block watchman Jerry Murphy which, if they can be proven true, are sufficient to get that worthy into trouble. The Frenchman said that on last Saturday night he was arrested by Murphy for being drunk. He did not know the block watchman, but supposed that he was a policeman, and went along with him without making any resistance. At the corner of Twelfth and Douglas Murphy, he said, stopped and let out a mysterious hunt to the effect that the thing might be squared. He said that as he was a policeman he could not accept any money, but if the prisoner would give $5 to a friend of his (a man who happened to be standing near) he (the Frenchman) would be released. The Frenchman, concluding that this was the best way of getting out of the scrape, turned over the amount as requested and was released.

Marshal Cummings, as soon as he heard this story, set out to find Murphy. He was unsuccessful. However, the matter will be fully investigated. It is probable that a complaint will be filed in police court against Murphy for obtaining money under false pretenses

SEVEN STORIES.

Mr. W. T. Booth Will Build Such a Building on Farnam Street.

The purchase of the Millard property on the corner of Farnam and Seventeenth streets has been one of the biggest booms which Farnam street has experienced this year. Its purchase, too, by such a man as W. T. Booth, of New York, is regarded as an additional evidence that the transaction will insure to the appreciation and improvement of this now wonderful street. The transfer was effected through Mr. C. T. Taylor, a friend of Mr. Booth, who was engaged upon the negotiations for a couple of weeks. That gentleman assured a BEE reporter yesterday morning that Mr. Booth intended to construct a massive seven story, fire-proof structure, to be used solely for offices. The work will commence early in the spring and be prosecuted so that before the close of next year, the building will be ready for occupancy. Mr. Taylor says that the purchase of the lot in question means the bringing of other eastern capital here, plenty of which is behind the Bootes, the father of whom is president of the Third National bank of that city. This capital will be invested in lots, buildings and industries which will be of incalculable advantage to the city. As a consequence of this purchase the rumor that the house will be in opera-

value of property on Farnam street has been greatly enhanced from one end to the other of the street, even that of the lot itself upon which Mr. Taylor feels that Mr. Booth has made $15,000, because the same piece of land cannot now be bought for $100,000.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Sport on the Ice.

The surface of "Cutoff lake" presented an animated appearance Sunday. All day long it was covered with skaters—of both sexes and all ages—all of whom were bent on having the most possible enjoyment out of the exhilarating sport. The ice was not in the best of condition, for though it was comparatively smooth, it was covered with a coating of snow. Most of those who went to the lake put on their skates at the waterworks and skated down through the narrow channel which opens into the lake.

There were other frozen sheets of water in and about the city that are well patronized by the skaters. The South Omaha lake especially is fast becoming a popular resort.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Silent Services.

About one month ago a society was formed by the mutes of this city for religious and social purposes. The trustees of the St. Mary avenue Congregational church gave them the free use of the parlors in which to hold their services. Sunday afternoon witnessed a large gathering of the silent worshippers to listen to Professor J. A. McClure, of the Deaf Mute institute, who delivered a sermon in graceful signs. His audience watched his movements closely, their eyes doing service instead of their ears. The service lasted about an hour and was closed by prayer. The services are maintained by contributions from the members, and the funds raised are used to defray the expenses of the lecturers. Most of the teachers, both of the Nebraska and Iowa institutions for the deaf and dumb have kindly vounteered their services as lecturers. There are about thirty mutes resident in Omaha, all of whom are self-supporting.

Russell Smith is president of the society, and G. E. Fischer, janitor of St. Mary's avenue Congregational church, is secretary.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Police Alarm.

E. B. Chandler, of Chicago, is in the city conferring with the members of the council with a view to inducing that body to introduce the method employed in Chicago known as the police telephone and signal. The system has already been described in these columns, comprehending stations scattered throughout the city, with electrical attachments, by means of which policemen and the patrol wagon may be summoned almost instantaneously in any section of the city. Mr. Chandler claims that the system increases the efficiency of the department by which it is used 100 per cent. Thus, a force of forty would be able to do the work of eighty men. Twenty boxes will cost $4,000. It is quite likely that the system will be adopted.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Charity in Pounds.

Sunday afternoon Mr. S. S. Auch-Moedy, superintendent of the Sunday school of the Seward street Methodist Episcopal church, did a very happy thing for the deserving poor. He was made the recipient of 400 pound packages, each of which had been brought, at his request, by the members of his Sunday school classes. These packages contained provisions of the most practical order, such as canned fruits, sugar, rice, coffee, fish, bread, tea, and a host of other articles, which, at this time of the year, will be particularly appreciated in the homes of poor people. The donations were made for this purpose and at the request of Mr. AuchMoedy, and a committee has been appointed to distribute the goods.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Handling Holiday Mail.

Superintendent Evers and some of his letter carriers were yesterday morning enlarging the mail tables in the postoffice by means of rough pine boards, to accommodate the usual holiday presents and mail which is now beginning to come through the office. The quantity will continue to grow day by day as Christmas approaches, and it will continue to arrive until New Years. To accommodate the matter, Miss Breerton will be added temporarily to the force.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

The Tenth Street Hotel.

The design of the new $200,000 hotel, to be erected next spring on the corner of Tenth and Farnam streets, may now be seen in Orchard's show window. It shows a substantial, beautiful and imposing structure, affecting in some degree the Palmer house in Chicago. It is a building which adds wonderfully to the value of property in the vicinity in which it is to be built, as indeed it will also to the city. It bears the imprint of Mendelssohn.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Knights and Ladies.

Primrose lodge 179 of the order of Knights and Ladies of Honor held an election last Saturday evening, with the following result: Theo. Olesen, protector; Mary A. Fretwell, vice protector; E. K. Long, past protector; Thos. Emerson, chaplain; Aletta H. de la Cornillere, guide; Jos. B. West, treasurer; James B. Bruner, secretary; Miriam West, guardian; Chas. L. Fretscher, sentinel; Geo. B. Hamilton, Anna K. Bruner, and E. K. Long, trustees.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

A $150,000 Pile.

The first seven-story building to be erected in Omaha will be that of A. Cahn, at the corner of Fourteenth and Farnam streets. The plans of this structure are now ready, and work upon the building will be commenced in the spring. The material will be granite, brick, stone and terra-cotta, and the cost will be about $150,000. The design is in Mendelssohn's best style, and will make the building one of the prettiest in the city.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

McShane Wanted $75,000.

During the absence of John A. McShane in Washington, negotiations for the sale of his lot on the corner of Sixteenth and Farnam streets were carried on and the lot was finally sold conditionally for $60,000, to a party who proposed to cover it with a seven story building. This morning Mr. McShane refused to ratify the sale, asking as the lowest figure for it $75,000, an increase of $25,000 over what he paid for it two months ago.

Police Court.

Judge Stanberg yesterday morning disposed of an unimportant lot of vagrants and drunks. Frank Boyd, the young boy who stole two overcoats from a house on Tenth street, was held for further examination. He will probably be sent to the reform school.

a relative.

F. W. GRAY, Pres.

SUBSTITUTES NO MORE.

The Semi-Occasional "Subs" at the Postoffice Left Out.

The three substitute letter carriers of the postoffice, Messrs. Noonan, Monroe and Clark, have been discharged by an order from Washington. The arrival of the same was unexpected, and the reason for its issue was unknown. To ascertain the meaning Mr. Coutant has written to his superiors in the postal department at the capital. These substitutes have been employed by the office to take the place of regular carriers when they fall sick or are compelled to absent themselves from duty. They get paid at the handsome rate of $1 per year and receive the wages of the men in whose place they work. Their discharge leaves the postmaster without means of filling a place when one of the carriers is unable to do his work. It is thought, by some people, however, that the discharge has been occasioned by the raising of this office to one to be run hereafter under civil service rules. If this be the reason, it means hereafter that all carriers, before being appointed will be compelled to undergo the examination prescribed for them by the civil service rules.

IT WILL GO BEYOND.

The New Building and the High School Will Not Conflict.

The announcement in the BEE that a school is to be erected on the lot now occupied by the high school attracted pretty considerable attention, many fearing that the building would be placed on the same line, and face east, with the high school building, thus destroying the imposing appearance of that structure. Mr. Long, of the school board, however, told a BEE reporter that there was no ground for alarm. The new building will be erected in the rear of the high school and face Twenty-second street. It will therefore be entirely obscured on the east. It will be heated by the same means which are now used to warm the high school. Mr. Long suggested that it would be advisable to erect the building on the corner of Dodge and Twenty-second streets, so that, when another school is required in that vicinity, which will be the case before many years, the latter could be placed at the opposite corner of Davenport and Twenty-second streets, thus giving the place, with the high school, a collegiate and symmetrical appearance. But the board desired to let the high school monopolize the site.

A Baptist University.

The Baptists of Nebraska have been for some months past preparing to found a university of learning in this state. On the 30th of November last they organized an educational association which they are about to incorporate. At that meeting several propositions were made by different cities in the state, one of the largest being for $50,000, another almost as large, with the promise to duplicate every dollar raised by the donomination toward endowment to the amount of $100,000. No action was taken by the board of trustees because it was thought more money ought to be secured and the board desired time to consider the question of location. Some are in favor of locating in some large city, while some favor a point near the center of the state. The Methodists having located their university at Lincoln, it would seem that Omaha ought to be doing something toward education, and if we can make the Baptists as favorable a proposition as Lincoln did to the Methodists it is thought we might secure the location of the university here.

ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

Sunday Closing.

For the past two Sundays all of the saloons of the city have had their front doors closed, in respect to the wishes of the mayor. The man who on that day has felt the need of imbibing has been compelled to slip around to the back door and make the entrance in that way. To the uninitiated most of the saloons had the appearance of being closed, but those who "had the tip" knew exactly how to find their way in. The consequence was that the number of those who patronize saloons has been but little diminished.

A saloon man, in speaking of the order of things, said this morning: "This closing of the front doors on Sunday has had but little or no effect on my business. Those who want to drink on Sunday are bound to have it anyway, and it makes little difference to them, whether they go in through the front door or through the back door. I suppose my experience has been that of other saloon men of the city."

$5,000.

Furniture of the Commercial House, Grand Island, Neb., to be sold at force sale before January 1st, 1887, consisting of Beds, Bedding, Chamber Suits, Stoves, 1 Large Wrought Iron Range, with Steam Table, etc., Dining Room and Office Furniture, etc. Goods will be sold to suit purchasers in any quantity. Terms o sale will be made liberal. For information, call on or address J. G. RAINE, Grand Island.

A Crowded Lobby.

The lobby of the postoffice was crowded yesterday morning in all its departments, so much so that it was readily apparent that the place is entirely too small for the number of people who are compelled to go there during the mail delivery hours.

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He Looked Around.

John McShane returned home yesterday morning from a trip to the east, extending over a couple of weeks. Part of this time he spent in Washington making the acquaintance of congressmen, some of whom next year will be his associates. He also made a study of the workings of the house for future use and interest.

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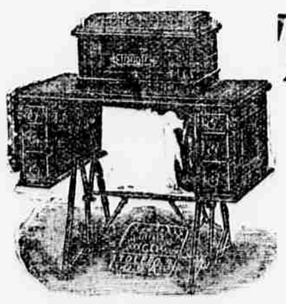

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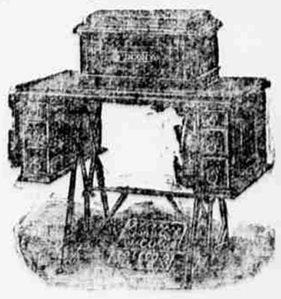

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