

LINCOLN'S NEW CHARTER

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COMMITTEE'S REPORT READY

Items of Interest From the State House—County and Police Court Notes—A New Time Card—News From the Capital.

FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU. The new charter for the city of Lincoln that the committee has been at work upon for some time is reported as completed and ready for submission. Yesterday it was in the hands of the printer to be set in type ready for use. This charter is much more in the line of public enterprise and advancement than anything Lincoln has hitherto enjoyed, but it is like all such instruments, subject in many ways to censure. The charter, in some of the vital points, dodges. The question of revenue is handled in an indefinite way in many particulars, and there is nothing in the new instrument to show that the city desires to have the corporations pay city taxes or anything of the kind. The question of paving is also left much too indefinite, no provision being made as to what paving will be required of the street railways. It seems to be dodged for future discussion. The question of the amount of the levy and the manner of making a pot of all departments is criticised with some good reasons apparently. A member of the city government in criticizing this plan in the charter said that estimates ought to be made each year for each department in the city and then the different departments ought to confine themselves to their individual elements. As the charter is drawn a levy of fourteen mills is made in a sort of general pot, wherein all departments are mixed together. Again the fourteen mills is apt to prove inadequate for the work required. Omaha levies twenty-three mills for the same amount of work and Lincoln has as much work to do and improvements necessary as Omaha. However, there are liable to be many changes in the business before it becomes a law and the public ought to be consulted in the matter much more than they have been in a charter that may be understood when enacted. The treasurer under the charter collects all taxes and becomes the depository of the funds, a board of public works of three members is provided for, the mayor is given absolute power in removals and the office of sewer inspector is created. Under the new charter the city will be divided into wards and this creates four new aldermen, candidates should go into training at once.

AT THE STATE HOUSE. The senate chamber is now receiving its finishing touches. The room will be resound with eloquence and the claims for appropriations. A visible feature of the surroundings that are enclosed at the rear of the chamber is the room devoted to the lobby in the new building. It is equal nearly to the amount of space set apart for the senators themselves; then when the struggle commences on the bills, legislation will be a good deal keener than can be kept the lobby from overrunning the senate floor itself. The few in number that the senate comprises renders any struggle for precedence more important, for all seats are good, most of the desks have been labelled and placed in position ready for their occupants.

CHIEF OF POLICE. North Platte, was in the city yesterday and at the auditor's office, where he drew \$169.80 as his fee for bringing to the state penitentiary William Mansfield and John Clark two prisoners sentenced to the state penitentiary of the district court in Lincoln county.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC LANDS AND BUILDINGS, who have been making a tour of the state on other duties, are in Lincoln, are at home again, arriving in the city last night. They report their trip satisfactory.

THE BOARD OF SUPPLIES are to have a meeting, the next meeting under the present administration. The officials are making in this final settlements.

DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE Winterstein is at his home at Geneva, this week, and a number of the new employees in the secretary's office are assisting in the work.

IN COUNTY COURT yesterday Judge Carter made a case in habeas corpus in which Messrs. Woodard and Phillip act as attorneys for Charles Lewis, attempted to extricate that party from the county jail, and County Attorney Stewart on behalf of the state objected to the proceedings. At the last term of the district court Judge Pound sentenced Lewis to thirty days in jail for petit larceny and for contempt of prosecution. The costs amounted to \$27, and the habeas corpus was brought to release Lewis from paying for his imprisonment. Judge Parker held that the man must remain in jail.

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THE HOME ENTERTAINMENT of the Naalad Queen will entertain Lincoln citizens and Lincoln visitors at the opera house for several evenings, the entertainment opening on New Year's night. Elaborate preparations have been made by the organizers and the stage has been constructed especially for the production.

THE MISSOURI FACILITY is taking the initiative in meeting the Ashland cut-off, B. & M. fast train by announcing a reduction in rates between Omaha and Lincoln fixing their rate at \$1.65. It is also understood that they will give a special round-trip rate that is way below former prices.

THE WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION have been greatly improving their pleasant rooms and have done much good since their opening in the building erected for worthy poor and in deeds of charity. Their latest plan is to open a medical dispensary at their rooms for the benefit of the needy.

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C. D. CLAPP, of Elmwood, was in Lincoln yesterday, and was exhibiting a piece of coal the size of a chestnut to acquaintances in the city. Mr. Clapp reports that they have a sink in the bed of the river and are in the vicinity of the vein that measures seventeen inches in thickness.

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A YANKEE JUDGE IN EGYPT. ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 14.—[Correspondence of the Bee.]—After a brief vacation spent in his native haunts, in New England, Judge J. B. Kinsman, the representative of the United States on the "International Tribunal" here in Alexandria, has just returned to his post in this city. The new court house has meanwhile been completed, at a total cost of half a million dollars, and will be occupied this winter. The building is of white stone, and boasts a spacious stair-case and an ambitious cupola; but the court rooms themselves, and their connecting chambers, are likely to prove too cramped for comfort.

This singular tribunal, unique in its type, has already proved a striking success in adjusting cases arising in lower Egypt between the numerous classes of foreigners who find themselves at loggerheads either with one another or with the natives. Such squabbles, whether commercial or civil, were formerly the vexatious business of the consuls of the various powers; until at length, about ten years ago, the khedive conceived the happy thought of an international tribunal to which each of the interested nations should appoint a judge, the court to administer justice according to the Code Napoleon. The judges are now nineteen in number. The chief justice is chosen annually by a majority vote of his colleagues; and the title passes from one gray head to another in a polite and friendly way, an honor which has not yet fallen to the United States, for Judge Kinsman has thus far declined to be a candidate. The court, in its various branches, does so brisk a business that it not only pays its own expenses, but yields a surplus to the state. Moreover, it accomplishes this clever piece of statecraft without "spoiling the Egyptians."

General George M. O'Brien is lying dangerously ill at his residence, 610 South Eighteenth street. He has been prostrated for several days, and at several times has been, it was thought, beyond recovery. Yesterday morning a change toward improvement was noticed. He is attended by Drs. Leisenring and Neville. At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon the general had suffered a relapse and it was thought the chances were unfavorable to his recovery.

Hartigan's Mishap. An unfortunate accident happened last evening to M. W. Hartigan, the well-known horse-racer, 1200 Cass street. He broke his leg by falling on the side walk. He lay for some time unconscious and was finally carried home in the patrol wagon. It is feared, because of the length of time which elapsed before the limb could be attended to by a surgeon, that it will have to be amputated.

At 3:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the county commissioners voted for the hospital plans as follows: For Mendelssohn, Corlies; for Cochran, Timme; and for Meyers, O'Keefe.

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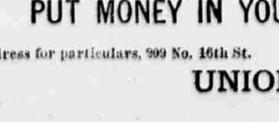
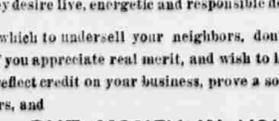
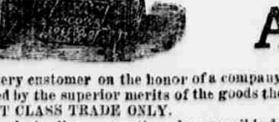
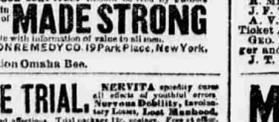
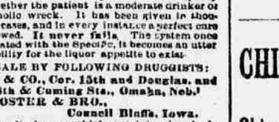
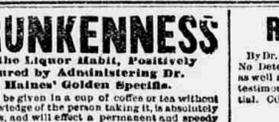
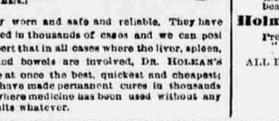
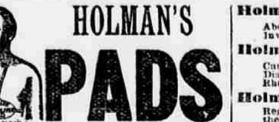
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