## THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: WEDNESDAY. SEPTEMBER 28, 1887.



# THE DAILY BEE. THE NEWS IN THE BLUFFS. COUNCIL BLUFFS The Notorious "Major" Wants Damages OFFICE, NO. 12, PEARL STREET.

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MINOR MENTION.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Reiter, tailor. Fall goods cheap. James Hoon took out a building per-mit yesterday for a one story frame. Cost \$800.

Ladies, see combined writing desk and sewing machine. Domestic office, 105 Main street.

The lawyers are all attending United States court, leaving the district court to take care of itself.

The North Main Street Baptist church, colored, is being lathed and plastered for next Sunday's services.

'Squire Biggs is preparing to move his office to a first floor on Main street to es-cape climbing the stairs.

E. Pratt has moved into his new residence on Third avenue between Six-teenth and Seventeenth streets.

The finance committee instructed Audi-tor Kinnehan to pay Weightman & Miller \$4,000 yesterday for sewer intersections.

A flag staff was yesterday "stood up" on top of the government building. It is not much taller than it is broad, and looks as if it might stand alone.

The bids for the new flagstone flooring in the city jail have been opened. Will-iam O'Connor, of this city, bid \$225, while Drexel & Foll, of Omaha, bid \$215.

Judge Deemer opened court yesterday morning in the superior court room. He quickly disposed of the cases that were ready and adjourned until this morning at 10 o'clock.

The canning company has discharged about three hundred hands, the busy part of the season being over. Some work is still being done, requiring about one hundred employes.

An invitation, signed by a large num-ber of citizens of this city, was sometime since sent to President Cleveland to visit Council Bluffs during his western trip, but as yet no reply seems to have been received from him.

The residence of J. G. Tipton, on Fourth avenue, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, was entered yesterday afternoon, by a sneak thief, who secured Mrs. Tipton's pocket-book, containing three or four dollars. There is no clue to the rascal.

The lecture at the Methodist church by Mrs. Cushman last evening, was very interesting and well attended. The cus-toms of the people were well set forth, as was the work of the mission. At the close of the lecture a collection was taken up for missionary work.

James Moore was arrested last even-O'Brien and Marshal Guanella for the larceny of two revolvers and a razor from the hardware store of H. T. Fields on Main street. Moore showed fight and tried to use the razor but without suc-CCSS.

The engine that was demolished at the electric light station was replaced by an-other one Sunday and Monday, and the lights were working again Monday evening. A great amount of work had to be done in a short time, and Mr. Carruthers is entitled to considerable credit for his energy in making such speedy repairs.

List your property with Cooper & Judson, No. 120 Main st.

Money to loan. Cooper & Judson.

One thousand head of one, two and three-year-old steers for sale. Will give credit to reliable parties. Enquire of A. J. Greenamayer, 628 Mynster st., tele-

For False Imprisonment.

POLICE STILL FIND SINNERS. The Club to Be Not Only For Pleasure

But Business-The Lost Grading Resolution-Uncle Sam's House.

A Social Board of Trade. There is some talk of forming a new board of trade, or at least a reorganization of that body. By previous experience it has been shown that a board of trade in Council Bluffs, as well as other cities, amounts to very little. In this city there has been little work done by the board compared with what a body of that kind could have done had it had the enthusiasm necessary to back it. The club has been organized by the busi-ness men of this city, and besides being on a good financial basis it is composed of the very best business material in the city. Its rooms are conveniently and

Watches, clocks, jewelry, etc., the best in the city. C. Voss, jeweler, No. 415 Brondway. Repairs a specialty.

Uncle Sam's House. The bids for finishing up the interior

of the very best business material in the city. Its rooms are conveniently and luxuriously arranged for the reception of visitors to this city, and there seem few if any objections to letting the club do the work supposed to be attended to by a board of trade. The club rooms are as elegantly furnished as those of any city in the west, and although, perhaps, not as spacious as the rooms of the Omaha club, they are as elegant in their appointments. The merchants and professional men meet here, and knowing it to be to their inof the new government building were given in yesterday's telegraph columns of the BEE. It appears that the Council Bluffs bidders were several thousand dollars above others, and the contract therefore will doubtless go away from home. The bids include the away from home. The bids include the whole interior finishing, plastering, lathing, hardware, marble work, iron work, carpentering, etc. The con-tractor, whoever he may be, cannot begin work until the plumbing is done. Strang & Co, of Omaha, have the con-tract for this, and the work is to be com-plated sizer from Sentember 5, the here, and knowing it to be to their in-terest, they can constitute themselves a board of trade and use their influence in the proper direction. It is in their rooms and through their hospitality that the pleted sixty days from September 5, the date of the contract. The steam heating is to be completed by the 30th of Novem-ber, a Cincinnati firm having that con-tract. After that the work for which these last published bids were made will begin. It appears that the day of final weak spot in a manufacturer's heart can be reached, and many a manufacturer can, when properly approached, be secured for Council Bluffs. Manufactur-ing 18 what the city needs and there seems no good reason why it cannot be entry upon the actual occupany of the

building is yet some ways off. It has proved almost impossible at times to get even a quorum of the old board of trade to attend a meeting. Not Dr. J. T. Van Ness, physician and sur-geon, office room 3, Opera House block, will attend professional calls day or night. Residence corner Eighth avenue a night will pass without there being a goodly number of representative business men, who can be easily gathered at and Fiftcenth street.

Notwithstanding the outward weather

of last evening Masonic temple was fairly

filled with those who are laboring for the

### the club rooms, to consult on any matters Chantauqua Assembly. of public moment, and take the initial

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Business in Judge Aylesworth's court

establishment of a Chautauqua assembly yesterday morning was about as usual. here. President L. W. Tulleys presided Joseph Mahoney, a homesick Minneapoaud stirring addresses were delivered by lis youngster of seventeen, charged with Rev. D. H. Cooley, Rev. Dr. Phelps, Rev. vagrancy, was discharged, as he said he T. J. Mackay, Mr. L. W. Ross and others. would immediately start for home and The advantages to be secured were ably profit by the good advice given him. and fully presented. Letters were read Frank Motter, alias "Spot," a hackshowing the success that has already atdriver, was taxed \$21.30 for assault and tended similar institutions elsewhere. Questions were freely asked and anbattery. The victim of his surgical skill swerd enlightening those who were not by personal experience familiar with Chautauqua work. Altogether the meetwas William Jefferies, whose scalp he laid open, the instrument used being a wagon wrench. When informed of the amount of his fine he expressed a desire ing was rather informal than otherwise, out great impetus was given the work on to have Jefferies arrested on the same hand, and its details, leading to a final charge and his wish was gratified. James Owens, a farmer of Oak township, Mills consummation of this earnestly wished for result, will be the more ardently prosecuted. Music was interpersed by a quartette constituted of Miss Fanny Wescounty, was charged with being drunk. He told a story of the unfortunate affliction that caused the extreme unsteadi-ness of his legs and the pain in his head, but admitted that he had been in a cott, Messrs. Paul Tulleys and Frank and Perry Badollet. saloon for an hour just previous to his ar-rest. His honor said he had no wish to The Federal Court.

rest. His honor said he had no wish to fine a man for sickness, and discharged him with the advice to keep away from even the smell of whisky hereafter, as the odor seemed to make his ailmet worse. James Adams came up smiling, and in answer to the judge's query, said he had slept very well indeed. He was regis-tered as the "umberell man" the previ-ous night, but now gave his proper name and said he was a tinner from Syracuse, N. Y. He admitted that he was very drunk when arrested, and had money to pay a fine. When invited to contribute The United States district court for the southern district of Iowa convened here yesterday morning and will be in session the greater part of the week. The grand jury was called and then dismissed until 10 this morning. The petit jury was dismissed until 1:30 p. m. Judge Shiras opened court but Judge Love presides at this term. Three new members were admitted to the United States bar: George H. Stillman, of this city, Burg Brown, of Adams county, and M. M. Beck, of Avoca. After the calling of the

There were many who said I shot Hughes down in cold blood, and some believe it now, but they did not swear to it positively enough to convict me, and I never admitted that I killed him at all. I have always held myself to be innocent, and no judicial has and I was guilty. The county has had to spend about \$10,000 in trying Dr. Cross, but one trial was all 1 had, and that a cheap sort of affair, so far as the county was concerned. Under all these circumstances I think I am justly entitled to as much damages as the doctor. There than the doctor. He has a better pro-fors than the doctor. He has a better pro-former than the doctor was all of the more than too much free advertisment. I think that the state of lows would give me half of what I think the doctor expects \$500.000 l would be satisfied. I could then start a savings bank, and after a while could gather up a stake in the usual method. If you could see me in my present deplorable condition, and realize take pity on me, and urge the grand state of lowa to pension me liberally. Please get up this through. Yours Confidentially, MAJOR WILLIAMS. not till then, can we hold universal suf-frage responsible for failure of government.

Are you weak and weary, overworked and tired? Hood's Sarsaparilla is just the medicine to purify your blood and give you strength.

Singular Coincidences.

Philadelphia Herald: One of the many pleasant incidents during the centennial celebration last week due to the open hearted hospitality shown by citizens to visitors occurred on Friday, and is worthy

of note. Charles Hanger, of Cheyenne, came Charles Hanger, of Cheyenne, came east to take part in the exercises, bring-ing with him two nieces from Davenport, Ia. They started out on Friday to view the parade, the first object being to obtain good positions without being compelled to stand in the crowd. On passing the southwest corner of Thirteenth and Chestnut streets, Mr. Hanger observed some workmen creeting seats in the show window of the store of Thackara Sons &

Co. He offered to bear the expense of their construction for the use of three seats. Charles Thackara, of the firm,

was summoned, and learning where the visitors were from generously offered them seats and gave them every attention possible.

One of the young ladies happened to address Mr. Hanger as "Uncle Charlie" while Mr. Thackara was present. The fact of them bearing the same Christian name was commented upon as a rather singular coincidence, particularly as they had been born on the same day. "Are you a married man?" inquired Mr. Thackara of his new-found friend. "I am," was the reply. I was married on the 27th day of May, 1872." "That's singular. That's the day on which I was married. My wife's name is Ida."

a Ida." "So is mine." almost shouted the west-

"Have you any children?" erner. "Yes, I have one son." "So have 1. What's your boy's name?"

"Well, this is the most singular thing I ever heard of. That's my boy's name, too." The comparison ended here, however,

for Master Hanger was born nine days before Master Thackara. The singular circumstance of the two

men bearing the same christian name; being born and married on the same days; both marrying ladies bearing the same name, and each having but one son, and these sons bearing the same name, was the principal subject of con-versation in a group of friends who occu-pied the windows in Thackara's store for the remainder of the day, and the acci-dental acquaintance of the gentlemen will no doubt ripen into a friendship which will continue through the remain-

der of their lives.

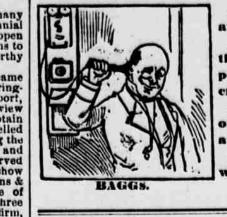
Complexion Powder is an absolute necessity of the refined toilet in this cli-mate. Pozzoni's combines every element of beauty and purity.

## An Eccentric Englishman.

GALVESTON, Tex., Sept. 22.—A young Englishman arrived in the city to-night and registered at a hotel as Carter G. Gordon, from Savannah, Ga. Shortly after he created quite a sensation by walking up and down the principal streets clad in knee breeches, a peaked straw hat, and a huge cape overcoat, although the weather was sultry. His eccentric conduct soon attracted attention, particularly as he was lavish with

money, slapping down \$100 bills for trif-ling articles and declining to accept any change. It appears that he arrived from England a few months ago, burdened with more money than he knew what to do with, and to gratify a singular freak made a bee-line for Texas. Hearing that the town of Ballinger was a good place at which to invest capital in lands he quickly went there and caused considerable astonishment by not only buying lands, but by buying almost every-thing in the city. He purchased a train of wagons, purchased all the guns and rifles and pistols in the town, hired a





### Personal Paragraphs.

Mrs. W. H. May is visiting relatives at Galena, Ill.

Miss Emma Rapp is visiting relatives in Silver City.

Judge Trimble, of Keokuk, is stopping at the Bechtele.

Judge O. P. Shiras is making his head-

quarters at the Ogden. Mrs. L. C. Brackett Is sojourning in

the country this week. M. I. and M. H. Sears have gone on a

two weeks' hunt in Nebraska.

T. O. Carlisle, postmaster of Missour Valley, was in the city yesterday.

Ed. Drake came in off the road yesterday to spend the balance of the week at

Mathias Snell, of Rock Island, the contractor of the new Catholic church, is at the Creston house.

justify themselves in doing so on the ground of economy, wanting to save the Bob Huntington now goes out on the road regularly for his house, M. Du-quette & Co., to look after the fall trade. city from the expense of the inter-sections. On the other hand it is claimed, with a good showing of sense, that the resolution would have E. W. Sheldon, of New York, and Theodore Shelden, of Chicago, attorneys for the Wabash railway, are at the secured a large amount of improvement with little outlay from the city's funds. The real effect of the resolution is to Ogden.

Silver City had a goodly representation at the Kiel house yesterday—G. W. Greenwood, J. J. Taylor and son, and J. A. Frazier,

George N. Hubbard, of Jaresville, Wis., representing O. D. Rowe, the leaf tobacco dealer, is in the city interviewing his customers.

The senior member of C. B. Jacquemin & Co. is visiting in the city. He is sta-tuoned at Helena, Montana, in charge of s branch house of the firm.

The many Council Bluffs friends of Mr. and Mrs. Vosswinkle, of Fairbury, Neb., will be glad to learn that their home has been happified by the arrival of a little daughter.

The Creston house has its share of Uncle Sam's jurymen, among them be-ing, C. H. Hall, of Villizca: T. N. Gilmore, of Brooks; J. B. Blackburn, of Prescott; J. W. Perry, of Greenfield, C. L. Burnett and J. S. Cook, of Red Oak; F. C. Rush, of Mt, Ayr; J. M. Shaffer, of Glenwood. J. T. Hurley, master of lodge No. 33, in this city, of the Switchman's Mutual Ald association of North America, also a member of the grand lodge with head-quarters in Chicago, is attending the con-vention of the association in Indianapolis and the papers of that city are an-nouncing Mr. Hurley as one of the big guns of the convention. Jack will see that Council Bluffs gets all the free ad-vertising he can get for it before his re-turn home as he is away up in the order.

Visit the new jeweler, C. Voss, No. 415 Broadway, if you wish anything in his line. He has a fine assortment of the best goods.

## J. W. and E. L. Squire lend money.

CO. A, ATTENTION.

All members of Co. A are required to be at hall for drill and business meeting at 7:30, sharp.

By order, C. M. HIGHSMITH.

### A Change of Agent.

still keeps his whereabouts a secret but writes a very touching letter in regard to his situation: To My Council Bluffs Friends (that is, if I have any): I happened to come across a paper by which I learn that Dr. Cross is mov-ing to get the state of Iowa to give him dam-aces on account of his having been impris-oned and sentenced to be hung, and after-wards declared not guilty. I am glad to learn that there is fair prospect of his being given his claim. He ought to get at least \$500,000. I wouldn't want to go through such an experience as that for half that amount, and the doctor is twice as good a man as I am. He suffered more than I did. He was tried twice, if I remember right, and one time was found guilty and came very near having to stretch, but he got a new trial and was acquitted. While I would not have one cent cut off his allow-ance, yet I feel that my allowance should be as much as his, for while he suffered more, yet he did not suffer as unjustly as I did. I was locked up in the county jall for a long time, was tried as a murderer, but without even going on the stand myself. I was ac-quitted. No jury has ever said I was guilty. Dr. Cross admitted that he killed Dr. Mo-Kune, but proved that he dil it in self-de-fense. I never admitted that I killed Hughes, A Change of Agent. J. M. Oursier, who was displaced as freight agent of the Union Pacific in Omsha a month ago, has secured the position of agent at the Broadway dummy, vice L. E. Roberts, who, it is understood, will probably be sent out a short distance on the Union Pacific, there to act as agent. The Broadway depot agency is worth \$1,200 a year.

The elegant furniture for the Business Men's club was furnished by C. A. Beebe & Co.

drink when arrested, and had money to pay a fine. When invited to contribute \$8.10 to help the cause along he wanted his fine remitted, and promised to leave forthwith for Fremont, Neb., where he has work, but the incredulous judge was afraid he could not withstand the en-treaties of friends in Omaha, and would not have it so.

The Lost Grading.

nen who voted against the resolution

The real effect of the resolution is to compel railroad companies to fill in their yards and tracks ond raise them to grade. Mayor Groneweg is of the opin-ion that the resolution should have been declared carried, as there were three votes for it and only two against it, which, under the rules, as he construes them or main the measurem. The first

which, under the rules, as he construes them, carried the resolution. The fire system was accepted by a resolution passed by such a vote exactly. If one was void the other was. There is a dif-ference, under the rules, between im-provements petitioned for by the prop-erty-owners and those ordered by the council of their own accord.

The Major Wants a Pension.

The statement has been going the

rounds of the Iowa press that Dr. Cross

was trying to get the state of Iowa to grant him money enough to recompense

him in part, at least, for the damages he

had sustained by being arrested and tried

for the murder of Dr. McCune. Most of

those papers which have commented on

the claim have criticized it very sharply,

but this does not seem to have dampened

the ardor of "Major" Williams, the con-

fidence man who was arrested and tried

for killing Hughes in the old Union Ave-

nue hotel. He has kept very shady since

he was acquitted and allowed no time to be wasted in putting a safe distance be-tween himself and Council Bluffs. He still keeps his whereabouts a secret but

writes a very touching letter in regard to

council of their own accord.

The resolution at the last meeting of

He Preferred Walking. The patrol wagon yesterday answered the council, calling for the grading of the call from box No. 46. Jake Shoup Sixth, Seventh and Eighth streets, was caused it. He had got drunk again. But declared lost. The vote stood three to two, Aldermen Wells, Metcalf and Lacy when he saw the patrol wagon he sobered up and informed the police that he would walk to jail. "I won't ride in that wagon," he said. "I shall not pay for it, if I do. Remember I am willing to walk voting for the resolution, and Aldermen Keller and Danforth voting against it. The vote was declared by Alderman Wells, who was presiding, as lost on the and will refuse to pay for the ride." He evidently knew that the ride to jail would ground that it required two-thirds of the cost him 50 cents extra. council to vote in its favor. The alder-

The bar fixtures and furniture of the the St. Louis house will be sold at sheriffs sale, Monday, Oct. 2, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Death of Mrs. Ingoldsby. Mrs. Mary Ingoldsby died at 8:30 o'clock Monday night at her late residence, No. 222 South Sixth street. She was a native of Scotland, of the town of Forrest, and came to this town when fifteen years of age. She was in her sixtyeighth year, and was a devoted christian. She leaves a family of eight children. The funeral will take place from St. Fran-cis Xavier church at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. Friends are invited to the funeral without further notice.

The Government of Citles. Scribner for October: If popular gov-ernment and universal suffrage are to have any real meaning, the people must be placed in a position to know what is going on; whereas all our present arrangements, whether by the secrecy of committee rooms, or by that of executive officials, who never appear before the public at all, are such that the people never know anything of that with respect to which they are yet expected to judge aud to decide. In the New England town meeting, the selectmen appear once or twice a year before the whole assembly of the inhabitants, and are cross examined or the inhabitants, and are cross-examined by individuals. The test is so severe, and the judgment follows so swiftly at the elections, that corrup-tion and even political intrigue are almost unknown. When a town becomes too large for such a meeting, the change is made to a city government the charge is made to a city government with one or two representative councils. In theory these councils should do the work of the town meeting—that is, watch the course of administration, enforce responsibility, and keep the people in-formed. In practice they get possession of a large part of the administration, break up and destroy responsibility, and effectually conceal both their own doings and those of the executive. The offset and safeguard in entrusting extensize and safeguard in entrusting extensize powers to a mayor is in providing a tribunal before which he and his agents may promptly, easily and continuously be held to public account. If a body of one or two hundred men from all parts of New York were to assemble, say once a month, being debarred by law from any interference with administration, having no power to dictate any action or to yote no power to dictate any action or to vote any appropriation except upon proposal

number of men to serve him, and then organizee a force to hunt Indians and buffalo.

locket, the court adjourned until 2 p. m. The Indian hunting scheme fell through, Prominent attorneys are present from however, and the eccentric young Eng-lishman took a trip to San Francisco and all parts of the state, among the number being Judge Hubbard, of Cedar Rapids; District Attorney McPherson, of Red Oak, W. T. Rankin, of Keokuk, and Senator Clark, of Clarinda. soon left that city for Georgia. He was evercome with a desire to see Texas again, however, and he explained his action tonight by saying that he was par-ticularly impressed with Galveston, and the third of the second with Galveston, and thought he'd buy out several wealthy syndicates. Whatever truth there may be in his story, he certainly seems to be overstocked with money. Occasionally he would be surrounded by curious groups on the street corners, and before leaving them he would present two or

three in the crowd with a roll of bills. He said to the Globe-Democrat corres-pondent that his next objective point was St. Louis, where he intended to be during the Grand Army encampment, and where he intended spending bushels o fmoney.

How the Chinese Scare the Devil.

San Francisco Examiner: The begin-ning of the annual Chinese festival known as "Ghee Koung Tung" took place at the joss house of the Ghee Kong Tung society, in Spofford alley. The alley was ablaze with candles and sandal paper which emitted malodorous tume

tumes. At the entrance of the joss house were two giant figures made of paper, repre-senting great potentates of a former period. Inside, candles and punks were burning amid decorations of most bril-liant colored papers, giving it a most de-cidedly oriental appearance. On a plat-form in front of each of their special idols were all the fruits of the season— candles, cakes and other chuese luxurcandles, cakes and other chinese luxuries. Sandal wood was burning on every

Promptly at 12 o'clock midnight, a procession formed in front or the joss house, headed by several pagans bearing burning wood on a wire screen, with which they lit the prepared parceis com-posed of punks and greasy paper, which were placed in front of each door on the line of march. After this came the lantern-carriers, followed by the prominent members of the society, who were dressed in long gowns and a peculiar shaped turban hats on their heids; About a dozen Chinese children were in the wake of the procession, also in holiday attire. The latter are known as the Ghee Koung Fung Cheng Tsing or the societies' altar boys. After marching around Dupont, Washington and Clay streets, and the alleys abounding in that neighborhood, they re-entered the joss house and the

feasting began. The festival lasts four days, and each day from two to three hundred China-men are fed gratis. The festival is an ancient one, and is held at every city where Chinamen who belong to the so-

where Chinamen who belong to the so-ciety abound. The Ghee Koung Tung festival is a feast in honor of the great dead. The burning of the papers, candles and punks is, it is said, to keep the evil spirit away from the living as well as the dead. This religious society is the richest as well as the most powerful amongst the Chinese. From \$5,000 to \$10,000 are spent every year in this city in the idolatrous festiv-ity. This fund consists of contributious from members of the society.

