

## THE DAILY BEE.

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#### MINOR MENTION.

N. Y. Plumbing Co.  
 Reiter, tailor. Fall goods cheap.  
 See Chapman's pictures for Christmas.  
 J. J. Stewart has removed his law office from over the Savings bank to room 8 in Everett block.  
 The Daily Bee played here yesterday afternoon to a small audience and in the evening to a good house. The "show" is a good one and deserves good patronage.

The Royal Arcanum will hold the last of the second series of parties given at their parlors this season. These parties have been very enjoyable affairs, and it is hoped that they will be continued for the kind care and interest manifested during the recent illness of Sister Vincent.

Justice Barnett was called upon yesterday to join four loving hearts. The first couple were from Omaha and the certificate bears the names of C. H. Galt and William Schultz. The second couple were united at 5:30—Adrian Winkler and Lulu C. Hamilton, both of this city.

Chris Durr's gray team, which was stolen from his stable the other night, was found Friday at Plum Hollow, where it had traded it for a pair of mules. The horses were brought to this city and restored to their rightful owner. The former owner of the mules is now in the city and is able to furnish an accurate description of the thief, and it is probable that he will soon be in custody.

The annual topographical masquerade ball, held last evening at the Masonic temple, was in every particular a success. Before the doors were opened about two hundred and fifty tickets had been sold, and nearly this number were in use. Many of them were elegant and some very comical. The management deserves credit for conducting a successful issue of this entertainment.

A very fine crayon portrait of S. P. MacConnell now adorns the walls of the club parlor. It is one of Gorman's best, and has been elegantly framed by Chapman. Mr. MacConnell, as president of the club has done much toward making this association a great success, and no more fitting or welcome picture could be placed on the walls of the room.

W. J. Seales has returned from Lexington, Ky., where he went to attend the great annual sale of thoroughbreds. He bought two from the Fairfax stables of New York, and brought them home with him. He has them at his stables in the driving park. They are a bay two-year-old, that has already shown great speed in the races of the past season, and Little Martin, a bay gelding. They will prove hard to beat in next year's races.

Bargains in heavy pant goods and overcoatings. Made up in the best style and very cheap at A. Reiter's 310 Broadway.

Insure with Wadsworth, Etnyre & Co.

Opera glasses at Mrs. E. Burhorn's.

Christmas presents, Burhorn's, 17 Main.

You don't have to buy Shoes to get a Dilemma at Adams' Free.

An acceptable present at any time—a Domestic sewing machine. Office 105 Main st.

Curtains For Christmas. Council Bluffs Carpet Co.

Personal Paragraphs.

Archibald, of Deussen, spends Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Evans, of Chicago, are spending the holidays here.

Manager Harry Kirklin leaves to-morrow for a two weeks' visit in New York City.

Mr. Joseph Swan and wife arrived in the city last evening and are visiting C. J. Swan for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Lindsey, of Omaha, are to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Swan, of Sixth avenue.

A. M. Johnston, the real estate broker, is in Lincoln, Neb., where his mother lies dangerously ill. His return is not expected for some days.

William Hutchinson, foreman of the Chicago & Northwestern round-house, left last evening with his family, for a holiday visit to friends in Chicago.

Will Lehman, the rushing representative of Estey & Camp, Chicago, spent a few hours in the city yesterday, after which he left for his home in Des Moines.

Justice Barnett and wife left last evening for Weeping Water, Neb., where a family reunion will take place and all the members will eat turkey together.

M. F. Sayre, S. D. Wadsworth and H. T. Hamilton, traveling salesmen for J. W. Long, Wells & Co., are at home to eat Christmas turkey with their families.

Miss Mattie and Nellie Thurber, of Creston, are spending the holidays with Mrs. J. B. Atkins. They are daughters of the late conductor Thurber, and have many friends here who will gladly improve the opportunity of greeting them.

Rev. Dr. Cooley, pastor of the Baptist church, is given special Christmas enjoyment by a family reunion. His son and daughter have arrived from Chicago, and the pastor, Dr. Cooley, the daughter, is teacher in the Chicago high school. The son, Albert N. Cooley, is in the employ of the Pennsylvania Central railway company.

If you have packages you wish to send to Omaha or commissions you want attended to, leave orders at 105 Main street, Domestic office, before 1:30 o'clock. Prompt attention.

Gold pens and pencils at E. Burhorn's.

30 bars of Peisian soap, \$1.00, at Troxell Bros.

Christmas Barred.

Several of the boozers of the Bluffs started in to celebrate a Merry Christmas a little ahead of time, and landed before Judge Ayresworth yesterday morning. J. W. Long, T. Delany and J. White were each fined \$7.50, and the cases of H. Lempe and W. B. Ingalls were continued, and they will spend Christmas in jail. The bill of fare for the Christmas dinner of the city has been handed in, and it is understood that turkey and goose will not appear. The inmates took their brandy sauce before being locked up.

One thousand head of one, two and three-year-old steers for sale. Will give credit to reliable parties. Enquire of A. J. Greenmayer, 623 Myer st. telephone 121.

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

No. 120 7th St., Council Bluffs, Ia.  
 Mr. Charles Baeten, late of the College of Music, Cincinnati, has the honor to announce to his friends and the public that he will be ready to receive pupils at the above institute upon the 1st of January next. He will teach the violin, voice, piano accompaniment, ensemble playing, harmony and composition. Ladies coming from a distance can be accommodated with board at the house with the comforts of a home. For terms apply at the above address. References: L. W. Tuilley, Officer & Pusey, George Chapman, of Kimball & Champ, Robinson Bros., C. H. Judson, V. Badolet, Lyon & Healey, Omaha, Mrs. Dr. Brown, Fort Omaha.

## CHRISTMAS IN THE BLUFFS.

It Is Made Both a Holy Day and a Holiday.

### A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT OCCURS.

Several Buried Beneath a Falling Bluff—One Man Killed, Another Badly Injured—Wish Bones For Sunday Breaking.

#### Another Fatal Bank Slide.

Yesterday morning about 10:30 o'clock, one of the dirt banks in the Bluffs was the scene of another terrible accident, by which one man lost his life and another sustained painful injuries. The place where the accident occurred was at the head of Eleventh avenue, at a bank operated by John C. Lee, the Union Pacific railroad contractor, who is now engaged in grading the grounds for the new freight depot on Tenth avenue. The bank at this place is about twenty feet high, and according to the testimony of witnesses at the inquest, was overhanging from two to six feet at the top, just before the fall. A blast had been exploded but a few feet away, about fifteen minutes previously, and the concussion undoubtedly loosened the frozen mass.

The foreman of the bank was standing out in front, and noticed the immense weight as it started to fall. He instantly shouted, "Look out, men," and they rushed to avoid being buried alive. When they escaped looked around, the dirt had fallen, and two of their number had disappeared.

Work was immediately commenced to extricate the unfortunate men, and John Thornton was soon taken out alive, but badly bruised and with one arm broken. He was taken to a house near at hand, and thence to St. Bernard's hospital. But a short distance from where Thornton was found lay the dead body of Daniel Kelley. The patrol wagon was summoned, and the body taken to the undertakers' rooms of Morgan, Keller & Co., where an inquest was held. A jury composed of J. L. Thompson, James Mullen and R. S. McIntosh, decided that "the said Daniel Kelley was killed by the fall of a mass of earth and rock, which fell from a bank owned by John C. Lee."

The body of the dead man was terribly bruised, and several bones broken. He was a stranger in the city, and had been employed but two days at the bank. It is said that he was recently employed as a section man at Avoca, and a telegram was sent to the section boss there, to get some information as to his home.

This man has been changed to Exira, and no word has yet been received from him. A Haz report visited the wounded man at his hospital, yesterday afternoon, and found him resting quite comfortably. He said that he first went to work at the bank, and then, when he heard the warning, he tried to get out, but was not quick enough. Kelley was just behind him. In answer to the reporter's queries, the section boss, he said, "I felt that there was hope as long as there was life. I was struck in the back, and knocked around the wheel. I used all my strength, and raised up a little, and a little space so I could breathe. The dirt kept sitting in around me, and it was awful tough work. After they got my head uncovered, I was all right, but it was some time before they got me out. It seemed a terrible long while before I could get any air. I think that my last breath was taken when they got me out. Kelley's head was about a foot from mine. They tell me the poor fellow is dead. He told me he was a Belfast man. We were talking of our aces this morning. I am thirty-seven and he was twenty-seven. When I went to work there, I said that it was a dangerous looking place. When they tried to get me out, there was a big lump lying across my back, that they had to move with a lever. My home is in St. Louis, but I have been working on the railroad. I don't like my experience in the Bluffs, and as soon as I get out of this scrape, I shall pull my freight out of your city."

The doctor found Thornton's arm broken in three places, his shoulder, elbow, and at the shoulder. He is getting along well, and will soon be able to travel. The remains of Kelly are being held at the undertakers. If no word is received from relatives or friends, they will be buried at the expense of the company.

This is not the first accident of this kind that has happened at the dirt banks in this city, and it will not be the last, unless something is done by the authorities, to prevent contractors from leaving banks in such dangerous condition. Without a moment's warning tons of dirt fell like an avalanche. At the scene of yesterday's catastrophe a wagon was smashed to pieces, and the heavy iron tires being bent and twisted all out of shape. The contractors think they are careful, and doubtless feed very badly when an accident happens, but that is small comfort to the friends of the victim. Men working constantly in danger get used to it, and eventually trust the treacherous bank a little too far, and then comes the inevitable fall, inquest and funeral. History is repeating itself with alarming frequency in this respect, and it is for a radical change. There is a small army of men constantly employed at the dirt banks, and the risk that is daily run by them is simply frightful. It seems almost incredible that men should be so careless, and that a competent man could be employed by the city, at the contractors' expense, to inspect the condition of the banks, and see that the tops are kept broken far enough back to obviate this constantly menacing danger.

**Holiday Rates.**  
 The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway will sell excursion tickets to all stations at one fare for the round trip, on Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, and Jan. 1st and 2nd, 1888, good to return on or before Jan. 3rd.

For best quality coal and wood, call on Gleason, 26 Pearl street.

Largest assortment Warm Shoes at Adams.

E. H. Sheefe loans money on chattel security of any desirable property. Put on consulting rooms. All business strictly confidential. Office 500 Broadway, corner Main street, up-stairs.

**Among the Churches.**

The observance of the city rightfully give special importance to this great holiday and holy day. There has been much taste shown in decorating the churches and in preparing for special services and entertainments.

Presbyterian Church—Sermons by the pastor appropriate to the day. Strangers and others cordially invited. A special service has been formed for Christmas services to-day. The quartette is composed of the well known Messrs. Messer and Mrs. Ward, Messrs. Tregno and Judson.

**PROGRAMME.**

"And There Were Shepherds,"—Quartet.  
 "Christmas Song,"—Tenor and Quartet.  
 "Noel,"—Duet.  
 "To the Deity,"—Millard.  
 "O Trusting Heart,"—Soprano.  
 "Christmas Song,"—Hach.

Methodist Episcopal Church—Preaching by the pastor, W. H. W. Rees. Theme at 10:30 "The Angelic Chorus." At 7:30, "The Great Paradox, or Riches from Poverty." Sunday school at 12 m. Seats free. Strangers cordially invited.

Constitutional church of this city to-day. This morning the pastor will preach a sermon on the advent of Christ and the choir will render choice and appropriate anthems. In the evening there will be a Christmas choral service by the choir, an address by the pastor and recitations by Miss May Oberholster and Mrs. Prof. McDermaid. All who desire to attend are most heartily welcome.

The new building of the Overton mission, corner of Fourth avenue and Seventeenth street, will be opened to-day. There will be appropriate Christmas services. Preaching at 10:30 and 7:30. Sunday school at 9 o'clock. It is peculiarly fitting that this place of worship should be thrown open to the public for the first time on the great anniversary of Him who was so broad and liberal in His teaching. The building is owned by Captain Overton, and is in his sole control. He throws it open, however, for the sake of all denominations to worship therein. In that section of the city there are many of various beliefs, to whom this place will prove a convenience and a help. Captain Overton purposes inviting all the clergymen of the city, protestant and Catholic alike, to hold services there, to address the people. There is to be a complete breaking down of all denominational preferences so far as the control of the building, and the dedicating of services is concerned. The new building will comfortably seat 350 persons. When it is put into use, some of the finishing touches put upon it, the building will be dedicated for the people, and not for any one church, but for all.

The Christmas entertainment of the Congregational Sunday school was held yesterday afternoon in the church parlors, from 4 to 8 o'clock. It is needless to say the attendance was large. The entertainment consisted of carols and other appropriate music, and a series of comic shadow pictures, which made much merriment. Then Santa Claus appeared and distributed his favors with more impartiality than often occurs. The souvenirs were varied, but of about the same character. There were little wooden barrels, little pails and barrels, filled with candy, each child receiving one, with the holiday salutation of the school. There were three Christmas trees, one of which was especially novel. Beneath its branches was a vivid picturing of the birth of Christ, a miniature showing very ingeniously arranged, by Mr. Blank. For several years he has provided a similar entertainment for his own home, and those who had seen this prevailed on him to provide one for the school. The standing for a week or so, and thus give an opportunity for all to see it, for it is well worth seeing.

The pastor of the First Baptist church will preach a Christmas sermon on "The Wonderful Child," at 10:30 a. m. At 7:30 p. m. the second sermon, "The Signs of the Times." Seats free. All invited.

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 2. Address by the superintendent.  
 3. Prayer.  
 4. Christmas song with banners.  
 5. Recitation—Kittie Compton.  
 6. Song—Infant class.  
 7. Dialogue—Grandma and grandpa.  
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The church will be beautifully decorated for the occasion, and a place of the usual tree. An admission fee of 10 cents will be charged. All who attend will be expected to contribute a number of how little value, as a donation to the poor.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms the regular service will occur this afternoon at 4 o'clock. All are invited, especially young men who are spending the Sabbath in the city.

The Methodist Sunday school had its Christmas anniversary on Friday night, at which time a fine musical and dramatic programme was rendered to a well filled house.

The Episcopal Sunday school held no special service to-day, the object of this Christmas time, when peace and happiness hover over all the earth and rivers of joy flow into the borders thereof, the long-suffering and merciful God gives up his life to his dearest enemy.

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**The Shadows of the Tree.**

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**The O. E. S.**

The recently elected officers of Harmony Chapter No. 35, O. E. S., for the year 1888, are: W. M., Mrs. Huntington; W. P., Mr. G. H. Jackson; A. M., Mrs. M. Duquette; Secretary, Miss Emma Potter; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Miller; conductor, Mrs. G. H. Jackson; assistant conductor, Mrs. John Keller.

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

Fine mixed candies, 11c per lb., Troxell Bros.

**Texas Postal Facilities.**

Texas Sittings: "Mornin', stranger," saluted a grizzled-bearded Arkansaw man dressed in a red shirt, pantaloons held in place by a trunk strap, and leaning on a double-barrelled shotgun. His particular mission locating black-walnut timber, and his office, headquarters, and business agency were in the saddle.

"Good mornin' to you," answered the timber speculator. "Is game plenty?"

"Well, not so very; som'at scattered. What's the news?"

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"I am talking about the Chicago anarchists."

"Anna who?"

"Anarchists, man—Anarchists! Don't you people ever read the newspapers?"

"Ouet in a while we does. But you see, stranger, our post-office facilities are limited, mighty unsertin an' cruddy-like. You have no idee what a monkey-an'-parrot time we has on hit gittin' our mail. Hit don't cum in a darn sight o'fener than hit ought to."

"What is the difficulty?"

"An' when she does cum, ole Pulvis, the postmaster, has the chills so he shakes all ther stamps off her letters, an' we has ter ruseel an' sell a coon skin or a hunk of venison for small change ter pay the postage."

"Is that the only reason you don't get your mail regularly?"

"No, stranger, hits this way," explained the Arkansaw Nimrod, spitting a red shaft of tobacco juice into the good eye of a mangy hound, which immediately rolled in agony at his feet. "Ole man Trabb's son got the government contract, an' he sub-let it to Tommy McGory, an' Tommy he sub-let her to Wyncoop's father-in-law, and Wyncoop's father-in-law sub-let her to Powell's uncle, an' Powell's uncle sub-let her to Braxton's mother, an' she couldn't ride, an' so she sub-let her to Braxton's mother, and she couldn't ride, an' so she sub-let her to Job Pressler, and Job Pressler lost her in a game of seven-up to Lishie Potter's cousin, and Lishie's cousin sub-let her to Rat Hackett, an' Rat—"

"Yes, but what is the trouble now with the mails?"

"Well, to cum to ther pint, Skinny Wilkins he puttendin' to carry her, but he's ole, an' his hoss is lame an' sweened, an' has ther glanders, an' ther folks

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