

THE DAILY BEE
COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA.
OFFICE, NO. 12 PEARL STREET.

MINOR MENTION.
N. Y. Plumbing Co.
Newly repaired at Reiter's.

The Carrage case was not called, as the defendant has gone to Schuyler for a few days.

Articles of incorporation were yesterday filed for the Asbury Methodist church, of Wright township.

Permit to wed was yesterday given to Ed P. McIntyre, of Harrison county, and Alice Simpson, of this county.

The Presbyterian social will be held at Mrs. Dr. Pinney's, 212 Pearl street, this evening. All are invited.

The ladies are cordially invited to attend the spring display of millinery at H. Friedman's Friday and Saturday.

The damage caused to the telegraph and telephone lines by the sleet storm has been repaired, and the lines are all working as usual.

Miss Laura Brennan has taken charge of the pattern room of H. Friedman's millinery establishment, where she will be pleased to serve her friends and patrons.

There will be an Easter festival at the Congregational church Saturday evening. Supper will be served for 25 cents. Novelties will be sold.

J. H. Hopkins, of Wheeler's Grove, and Miss Cora M. Nace, of Des Moines, were yesterday married by Justice Briggs.

The wife of a carpenter, who was accompanied by her mother, who gave her consent.

Ex-City Engineer Thomas Tostevin has opened an office in room 5, No. 501 Broadway, corner of Main.

On account of the season being so early Mr. H. Friedman has decided not to give a formal spring opening, but has arranged for an elegant display of fine French pattern bonnets and novelties, far superior to any heretofore shown in this city.

The motion for a new trial in the Richardson-Scott case was argued at 4 o'clock in the court, but Judge Thornell is to come here during vacation and hear the argument.

The motion is made on behalf of the plaintiff, who is dissatisfied with the amount of damages awarded by the jury.

In the police court yesterday morning John Croly was found guilty of an assault on the person of Mrs. Calhoun.

The prosecuting witness was not as badly bruised as at first appeared, and it seems that the greatest damage was done to his feelings.

The attention of the chief of police is called to the gang of loafers which daily congregates in front of the First National bank, especially after banking hours, and takes complete possession of the bank steps and sidewalk, rendering that corner almost impassable to pedestrians unless they step off into the mud.

The pipes for the completion of the water-works mains, ordered by the city council, arrived yesterday. These mains will extend from Broadway to the main line, and connect the entire length of Benton, Harrison and North Seventh streets.

Mr. Reed, of the Manawa motor line, is so sure of an early completion of the road that he is preparing certain details requisite to the accomplishment of his patrons.

He is having a handsome carry-all made which will ply between the office and the various depots. The office will be located at the Manhattan, the west side of which will be set apart and fixed up for his use.

Money at low rates on first-class farm security. Burbanck, Hulley & Co., 102 Main street.

For all female diseases consult Dr. Moser & Van Ness, opera house block, 4th and 5th, Council Bluffs. Correspondence solicited.

Nobbiest styles in spring overcoats at John Beno & Co's.

A full line of crockery and glassware at Lund Bros., No. 23 Main street.

Union Abstract company, 286 Main street.

Personal Paragraphs.
O. L. French, recorder of Harrison county, was in the city yesterday.

M. V. Gannon, Esq., of Omaha, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

Miss Love, of Chicago, has taken charge of H. Friedman's millinery department. She has excellent taste and is thoroughly conversant in the millinery line.

W. H. Copson, city editor of the Nonpareil, is laid up for repairs, made necessary by a combined attack of bilious fever and the "ager." J. W. Richards is doing duty as a substitute.

E. H. Sheafe loans money on chattel security of every description. Private consulting rooms. All business strictly confidential. Office 500 Broadway, corner Main street, up-stairs.

Travelers! Stop at the Bechtel.

Piles cured with certainty. Drs. Moser & Van Ness, Council Bluffs, Ia.

Western Iowa College.
The growth of our city and a largely increased attendance demand an increase of facilities, and an extension of the course of study at this institution.

Prof. G. D. Ostrom, a teacher of large experience, has purchased a half interest in the college and will hereafter be identified with it. He will have charge of a classical department, through which students may be fitted to enter our higher eastern colleges. Our normal and commercial departments will be in excellent condition. A large number of students are expected next term, which begins Monday, April 2.

Building Improvement.
Dr. McCrae has opened the bids for the building of his eight houses, but finding the figures a little higher than he expected, he concluded to revise the specifications somewhat, reducing the expense, and then get new bids. He has not given up his purpose, but will doubtless soon have the work started.

THE CITY COUNCIL HELPING.
It Orders the Rock Island to Remove Obstructing Tracks.
A VERY CROOKED HALL.

An Alderman Gets the Job of Painting Hose Carts—Tobacco Chewers at the Court House—Political Talk.

The Motor Must Get There.
The common council met yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, as a committee of the whole to act in reference to the Lake Manawa motor line matter.

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den's elsewhere. A short time ago it was determined to re-paint hose carts Nos. 1 and 3, and they were taken to a vacant building near the Upper Broadway fire house for the convenience of the painters, and duly received the first coat of paint.

Now it seems that one of the members of the fire committee of the city council is Mr. Waterman, and this same Mr. Waterman is the owner of a carriage manufactory on North Main street, and runs a paint shop in connection with it.

Yesterday morning a hose cart was received to take the hose carts to Mr. Waterman's establishment and leave them there to be painted. Mr. Waterman, who is also a member of the fire committee, when asked the reason for the change, said that Mr. Waterman informed him that there were no good painters in the city, and that the work was accordingly given to him. It seems rather strange that the painting done by members of the department should so suddenly become inferior when it has thus far passed without complaint, and No. 4 hose cart has been allowed to run for the last year just as painted by them. The fire lads were, "but" over what they consider little less than an insult to them, and it is probable that the taxpayers will wax indignant if the hose cart called upon to foot this extremely unnecessary bill.

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maximum grade being 24 feet. The creek crosses the river at twenty-four degrees (that is, an angle of twenty-four degrees in every 100 feet). When the basin is reached, (through which the road runs a mile), there are lighter grades and harder curves, there being a total of ninety-seven degrees. The grades of 21 feet are on the twenty-four degree curves, the grades of 24 feet being on the tangents.

The road crosses and recrosses the creek many times, crossing numerous trestles and bridges. On one of these bridges there is a curvature of 18 degrees on a fifty-foot span. At the high bridge, a fine piece of work, the track is seventy-five feet above the bed of the creek, and a quarter of a mile above it is "Devil's Gate," a narrow gorge, where the road is cut through the rock, and is only seven feet above the creek. This gorge was a difficult passage, two bridges being required in a space of 150 feet.

A queer-looking locomotive, a powerful machine that carries its water on its back, is kept on this road, making daily trips. In the summer a passenger locomotive and train will run to Loma Prieta, and beyond that the queer locomotive will run to the end of the road and bring down the timber to be cut at Loma Prieta. So steep is the grade that very slow progress is made and in coming down the brakes have to be set very hard. It is a charming ride from beginning to end. All the lumber is but at Loma Prieta, where there is a little town and a big mill. The mill has a large circular saw, with an over-saw, and they cut boards six feet wide and a couple of feet thick.

Between the upper end of the road and the base of the mountain of Loma Prieta is a ridge, and at the base of this ridge several creeks—the Los Gatos, at an elevation of 2,500 feet above the sea; the Corralitos, at an elevation of 2,000 feet, and the Corralitos east, the Aptos south and the Soquel southeast. The end of the track is four miles from the base of the mountain, and a new line has sprung up there, called Monte Vista. It is a wonderful sight—this getting out of logs and firewood. Who has seen a greased skid road up a mountain and oxen dragging down logs? Who has seen mules loading up a mountain with logs, and steep trails? Who has seen a giant redwood, six to ten feet in diameter, felled by the axemen and come crashing down with thundering noise? It is a grand sight and one worth seeing, and there is fishing and hunting there, too.

A HORRIBLE DESERT SCENE.
Floating Arms and Legs and Black-Robed Priests in the Blue Ether.

"Whoop up the romping spooks out east of Bartow," said John Carson, an Atlantic & Pacific railroad man, to a San Francisco Examiner reporter yesterday. "I saw you had something in my mind, and I have been running the hundred-mile division out east of Bartow. The spooks used to loom up about every other day. Now we see them nearly all the time. They are the ghostliest lot of phantoms now in the world. They appear in all sorts of shapes. At first they were a tolerably respectable lot of ghosts, clad in white, with faces and hands that looked very much like apertures as shown in pictures, only they were white, and disappeared, floating horizontally and in every other position in the air, and always stand about a quarter of a mile away from us. Now you can get within an eighth of a mile of them, and they are triggered out like Indians, with feathers in their hair and sometimes with a streak of red around their bodies.

"The scientists say that the increase in the phenomenon is owing to the atmospheric changes of the past few years. Whether it is or not, I know they would have a very hard time convincing the people of it who travel over our line. A woman last year, who was from Illinois, fainted dead away when she saw a ghost, and she was lying on an imaginary lake. Lakes and green trees appear without number now on the Colorado desert. Fringing these lakes with a circle of green, and with the strange characters floating about on them, the scene is a most ghastly one. You can never get nearer than an eighth of a mile to these lakes.

"There rose up in front of the engine last Saturday, however," said Mr. Carson, "the strangest conglomeration of figures that I presume you have never beheld. Ever see the picture of Dante's Inferno as illustrated by Dore? It was something like that, the wildest, awfullest sight, an admixture of floating arms, legs and pieces of shrouds. Three or four white-robed women, many of whom were black men, and a solemn-visaged priest in white robes floated in the blue ether with the mass. Sol Anderson, our engineer, was the most scared man you ever saw. He put on every pound of steam he had, and we were tearing over the desert like mad. Well, Fargo's agent, I thought, would have died. Lucky for us that the awful mirage hovered by the engine and tender, else we should have had a howling lunatic asylum aboard the train. I am sure you suppose I could have convinced them that these things were not genuine. Not much. Fact is, I had all I could do to hold myself level. Every time I looked at them I said: 'My God! those things are real! They can't be anything so silly as you represented as that and not genuine!' Well, they hovered there for twenty minutes, and then disappeared like a flash. Beyond were nothing but our green-fringed lakes.

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has wheeled 10,000 miles, toured through eleven states and two provinces of Canada, a distance of 5,800 miles. He has explored 3,541 miles of new roadway, and has tabulated the same in the L. A. W. Road Book of Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey. He also holds the three and four day touring records of America. In a running high jump competition he has never received a handicap. He has competed sixty-six times, and has been defeated from the start but five times. He has broken four board floor records. He has twice broken the intercollegiate record and three times the American record. He has broken the American amateur record ten times and the English amateur record once. He has also broken the Canadian amateur record once, the world's amateur record twice and the world record once. He to-day holds the championships of America, Canada, England, Ireland and the intercollegiate championship.

The decrease of salmon in the Columbia river is causing fishermen to change their base of operations to Alaska.

SPECIAL NOTICES.
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SPECIAL advertisements, such as Lost, Found, To Loan, For Sale, To Rent, Wants, Boarding, etc., will be inserted in this column at the low rate of TEN CENTS PER LINE for the first insertion and FIVE CENTS PER LINE for each subsequent insertion. Leave advertisements at our office, No. 405 Broadway, near Broadway, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

WANTED—At once, four girls for general housework, 30 Broadway.

TO TRADE—A clean stock of clothing, hats, boots and shoes, for Council Bluffs or Omaha property, or for land in this vicinity. Address B. B. Bee, office, Council Bluffs.

WANTED—Good girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. Oberholzer, 628 Third st.

WANTED—A good shoemaker with kit of tools and \$100 capital; good opening at Lake View. Will furnish sleep room in my general store rent free. For further particulars address J. P. Therkelsen, Lake View, Sac. Co., Ia., or call on Joseph Therkelsen, 111 Upper Broadway, Council Bluffs.

FOR SALE—Very cheap for cash or would exchange for Council Bluffs or Omaha property, a retail stock of boots and shoes valued at \$400. Call at store No. 529 S. 13th st., Omaha, or address L. T. Martin, same place and number.

WANTED—A good waiter. Louis & Metz, 625 and 627, Council Bluffs.

FURNITURE—Bought, sold and exchanged; also storage and commission in good, light, airy, fire-proof building. Inquire at store No. 10 North 13th st., B. Martin, Omaha, Neb.

UPHOLSTERING and Furniture repairing done neatly and promptly; work guaranteed. Household goods and furniture bought and sold. L. M. Lewis, No. 10 North 13th st., Omaha.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, 40 acres near stock yards, South Omaha, Neb. Johnson & Christian, Room 35, Chamber of Commerce, Omaha.

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