

THEIR SCHEME FELL THROUGH

The Council Combine Decide Not to Impeach the Mayor.

WON'T GO BEFORE THE COURT.

After Looking Up the Charges on the Subject They Decide to Call the Project a "Fake"—Originated at Manure's.

They Were Only Joking.

Since The Bee's exposure yesterday morning the council combine have abandoned the idea of impeaching Mayor Broach. Broach is of the opinion that the council has no power to do so and Manville now says the whole affair is a joke.

City Attorney Webster was found busy with a case in Judge Deane's court, and was enabled to snatch but a moment to devote to The Bee.

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President Bechel was not this morning on the street and again asked what he knew of the proposed impeachment. His reply was an emphatic "nothing."

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"I know nothing about them and care nothing about them. How that is, I don't know. Mr. Manville, happening along, was again interrogated. He first gave vent to a very audible smile, and then said:

"This is a great joke; there is really nothing in it. The origin of the whole matter had place in Manville's office. There was a rumor in there, and some one—remember who it was—said: 'There'll be a circus at the next meeting of the police board; they are going to impeach the mayor. We all enjoyed this very much, and that the way it started. How that is, I don't know. Mr. Manville, happening along, was again interrogated. He first gave vent to a very audible smile, and then said:

"I don't think there is a thing; it's a 'fake,' as you newspaper fellows put it. 'Morning, Broach, how about your impeachment, this evening?'"

"That's preposterous—the whole business. Can you impeach me?"

"Hardly." "Well, you stand about as good a chance as the council does. The whole affair has grown out of the office of Manville, the Rothacker outfit. They are trying to annoy me all they can, but I am pleased to say their success in this line has been limited."

"But, is there really anything in all this talk?" "I neither know nor care. They can go ahead as quickly as they get ready. I am ready for them."

"Well, do you think any action will be taken by the council this evening—are there any charges to be preferred?" "All I know is that I was told, a short time ago, that a delegation of the gang had gone to the district court to get a writ. I saw how to proceed, but, but, it hasn't perturbed me one second."

"It looks to me as if you are a free man, Mr. Mayor," said Manville. "I am, if there really had been something in this matter after all, and that certain members of the council and their beavers would have been made familiar with the provisions of the city charter for such emergencies, and are endeavoring to crawl out of a very narrow hole."

"I was about to remark something similar to that myself—it has that sort of a smell." "Chief Galligan, of the fire department, was seen while on duty, and he was talking to some friends from Chicago."

"I suppose you are aware, chief," said Broach, "that you have been charged with having been instrumental in having the firemen turn out to assist him in the Fourth ward in lowering Bechel. How is that?"

"It is a—be, sir, the whole business. I was notified that one of my men was at the Fourth ward well, and I went to see my man there, and he told me that he was off on a leave of absence per the mayor's order, which was all right and proper. I never went out on an errand, and I never saw the mayor and myself. He is my superior and I esteem him as such and stand ready at all times to obey his orders."

A Rowdy Ray. Billy Ray appeared before Judge Berk yesterday with his left eye wreathed in mourning and sat on the bench carefully covered with court paper. When the charge against him was read, alleging that he had been drunk and had insulted ladies, he looked surprised and admitted he had been intoxicated, but that was all he knew about it. Dr. Ricketts appeared against him and testified that he was called home from a neighbor's house at 10 o'clock on the evening of the 23rd of the month, and found Ray in the arms of his wife. He found that Ray had entered the house, and had insulted Mrs. Ricketts and refused to leave. The doctor then ornamented the fellow's face as above described, and as he was leaving with the aid of his boot, Ray next fell into the hands of the officers, and was tumbled into the patrol wagon. The judge gave the next week at his own expense. The court adjourned until Friday next at 9 o'clock in the evening.

Bishop Newman and Omaha. The following extracts from a letter from Bishop Newman to George P. Bemis, of this city, contains some interesting truths: "The whole church in Omaha is in a state of confusion. Upon its completion depends the coming of the general conference. If we fail in the first we will in the second. At present there is much confusion in our ranks. Let us keep it up. Our next new church must be a mile beyond—'The Church of the Holy Spirit.' All hearts are full of joy over the election and business fees of the year. My official duties will detain me south until March, when I shall be glad to be again in Omaha and with Mrs. Newman. Bishop Foster was captured by you while on your recent sojourn in Boston."

Disappearances. There were two other Omaha men lost in Iowa this week. There were Ed Quinn, a Sixth street merchant, and John Kano. These men started out to visit the home of John Lloyd, a former employe of the first party mentioned. They never reached the home of their friend, but were found this morning trying to dredge for oysters in Lake Manawa, whose bivouac was in such a state. The young men were brought home to-day.

Prison Birds. Sheriff Culbert went to Lincoln yesterday with the following prisoners for the penitentiary: William Kidney, grand larceny, one year; John Stewart, horse-stealing, one year; James Ryan, forgery, one year; Henry McCormick, forgery, one year; Robert Ferguson, forgery, one year; Frank Wilson, burglary, six years.

Liquor on Election Day. The following saloonkeepers and bartenders were arrested yesterday on the charge of selling liquor on election day: C. S. Hughes, Tom Callan, J. H. Wehrle, Lester Mathias, Jack Wood, Herman Tabow, Miss Leahy and George Hogan.

Mr. Bright's Condition. London, Dec. 6.—Mr. Bright's condition is worse to-night.

THE COUNCIL.

A Routine Session Followed by an Early Adjournment. At 8 o'clock President Bechel called the council to order; the following members responded to their names: Bechel, Counsman, Ford, Hascall, Kasper, Lee, Lowry, Manville, Snyder and Bechel. The lobby was crowded and an unusual interest was manifested in the proceedings of the city legislators by the press of the city, indicated by the presence of representatives from both morning and evening newspapers. Whoever was present expecting a "scene" must have been gloriously disappointed. There was lots of business transacted, but most of it was of a routine character and possessing little of public interest. At an early stage of the proceedings, the Comptroller Hascall moved that the newly elected members of the council who were present in the lobby be invited to seats inside the bar. This motion was carried by acclamation. Mr. Alexander's wine room ordinance was referred to, but discussion upon it was deferred until next evening, owing to the absence of its originator.

President Bechel announced that in conformity with the provisions of the city charter the council would meet next Monday night to canvass the vote cast last Tuesday at the city election.

The estimate of F. W. Gray on sidewalks, amounting to \$1,544.88, was confirmed.

The estimate of C. E. Fanning & Co. for the construction of the extension of the street branch of the water main sewer for the sum of \$2,000, was approved.

J. B. Smith's estimate for paving on Twenty-fourth street, amounting to \$2,116.95, was approved.

Reynolds Bros. & Co.'s estimate of \$15,816.59 for paving Capitol avenue from Sixteenth to Twenty-second streets was approved.

Several small estimates were submitted by the board of public works and were approved by the council.

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The city attorney recommended that the valuation of the property of Thomas J. Penell be reduced from \$500 to \$100. Placed on file.

Attorney Webster recommended that the board of public works, in all cases where the work is done by a contractor, the contractor company has expressed, personally investigate the particular pavements, and if it be not found in good repair the company may be made to repair the same.

Superintendent Duncan reported that during the month of November the following work was done: 47 permits for new buildings were issued; 47 permits for new buildings were issued; 47 permits for new buildings were issued.

Building Inspector Whitlock reported 120 building permits issued during November, and fees amounting to \$347 received for the same.

The claim of Mrs. Mary Silkworth, praying for \$250 damages, was referred to committee on claims.

It was resolved that the council sit on the 13th and 14th of December as a board of equalization at the city clerk's office from 9 o'clock to 4 p. m.

Upon motion of Mr. Snyder it was decided to erect and equip a suitable brick building for the purpose of a fire company. The building to be built on the lot owned by Dr. S. A. Mercer. The work to be commenced as soon as funds are available.

Kasper moved that the city council judge against the city for the recovery of \$8,583.77. Referred.

Ordinances read a third time and adopted: Regulating hydrants on Dodge street; curbing streets in the Fourth ward; prohibiting the use of oil and other combustibles and explosives; changing grade of 10th and 11th streets; changing grade of 10th and 11th streets; grading alley south of Burt on Cummer street.

The council adjourned till Monday night at 7:30 p. m.

THOSE SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

The committee appointed by the board of education to investigate charges made against the members of the board by the Bee, and which appeared in this paper, on November 4 last, met for the first time last night in the board rooms. Mr. McConnell acted as chairman, and Mr. Rees and Alfred Millard comprised the other members of the committee. Mr. R. Clancy, a reporter for The Bee, substantiated by affidavit all that was published, and gave evidence that which showed that he had been informed by persons who should know, that certain money had been spent on and given to members of the board by a number of persons, including Dr. S. A. Mercer, Mich. in order that their school desks and other school furniture should be bought by the board. The names of the donors were given by Mr. J. B. Haynes, sr., who was also examined and gave reasons why he suspected crookedness on the part of certain members of the board. Mr. Millard, the committee member against whom the charges have been made principally, by no means denied the charges, but by any other enrollment from any one in order that they might be influenced in giving their choice to any particular kind of school furniture. The committee adjourned until Friday next at 9 o'clock in the evening.

A Handsome Paper Knife. The Kellogg Newspaper company, having offices at 365 Dearborn street, Chicago, has sent to this office what is very correctly described as an Antique Ivory paper cutter. "A thing of beauty and a joy forever" is the best description of the very useful instrument referred to. It is made of the finest ivory, and is a masterpiece of workmanship and securing the most convenient article for its purpose that was possible. The cutter is made of the finest ivory, and is a masterpiece of workmanship and securing the most convenient article for its purpose that was possible. The cutter is made of the finest ivory, and is a masterpiece of workmanship and securing the most convenient article for its purpose that was possible.

A Kansas City Forger. Charles H. McGowan, who was arrested at Kansas City on the charge of forging a draft for \$250 on the Equitable Trust company of New York, was arrested at the Paxton hotel last night by Sergeant Sigwart and locked up in the city jail.

The Landtag Elections. Berlin, Dec. 6.—The election for members of the Landtag by the Sixth electoral district resulted in the election of the Hon. Henry Rath, minister of the interior, who received 822 votes, against 138 cast for Schneider, liberal. The industrial bill was debated in the reichstag to-day.

Licenses to Wed. The following marriage licenses were issued by Judge Shields yesterday: Gust Sladeg, Omaha, \$100; Landon Silveste, Omaha, \$100; Pemmie Perkins, Omaha, \$100.

Brevities. Charles Morrison, a negro, was arrested yesterday afternoon for accepting a bribe for his vote.

Two helpers at the Union Pacific shops had a misunderstanding Wednesday, and decided to settle the difficulty after work hours. They adjourned to a saloon, and there was a case of Ireland vs. Germany, in which Ireland was on top when the spectators called time and separated the combatants.

THE HIGHBINDER.

Respectable Chinaman Co-operate with the Police in Finding the Highbinder. PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—No further violence has resulted between the opposing factions of Chinese highbinders since the open and murderous battle fought last Sunday. Since the fight four victims have died, and one other is expected to die. One will recover. Eight Chinese have been arrested, and are now in custody. None of the highbinders accused of murder by the coroner's jury have been arrested yet. The police were unable to find them, even after the most diligent search. It is very doubtful if any of those now in custody can be convicted, so confused and contradictory is the testimony. A meeting has been held by a large number of the prominent Chinese merchants of the city, which was attended by the mayor and chief of police, at which it was unanimously agreed to break up all highbinder societies now in Portland. The Chinese merchants have organized among themselves a law and order society, and are ready to co-operate with the police authorities. A resolute determination is expressed to stamp out all black-belted Chinese highbinder societies. News posted up all through Chinatown ordering all the highbinder societies to disband within five days, and threatening the consequences if they are not obeyed. It is through these vigorous measures will break up and destroy the highbinder societies, and a constant menace to public peace and order.

A Schooner's Terrible Experience. BOSTON, Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—This morning the schooner James A. Garfield, Captain Harte, arrived from Navassa with the crew of the schooner Albert H. Cross, which was abandoned November 30 in a sinking condition and wrecked. The schooner, with a crew of five men and a cook, left Charleston November 15 for Portland, Me. On the 15th the wind blew a gale from the northeast and split the foremast. On the 23rd the heavy waves swept away her boats, and to add to the terrible situation the vessel sprang a leak. The men were lashed to the pumps, and for five days battled with the sea. On the 28th the men were covered with salt water sores, and every movement of their bodies gave them pain. The schooner was settling rapidly and the men were fast growing weary. On November 30 the captain saw that the schooner could float but a few hours longer. Shortly before noon the schooner Garfield was in sight and answered their signals, and at length, although the sea was very rough, succeeded in transferring the shipwrecked crew, who were in a wretched condition.

A Desperate Fugitive. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—An effort was made last night to arrest Harry Hagan, a notorious farmer, three miles above Jeffersonville, Ind., on a warrant sworn out by his divorced wife. He took refuge on a flat boat in the river, where he had a barricade well stocked with arms and ammunition, and defied Deputy Sheriff Linek and Howell. A fight ensued, during which a shot gun and firing through loopholes in his barricade, and the men and their revolvers from a drift pile on the bank. At night they went into the woods on the bank for consultation. Hagan got out of the ashore and surprised them with a shot into a clump of bushes where they were building a fire. They took refuge behind the trees and the fight continued till dawn of the morning, when an armistice was agreed upon. The officers returned to Jeffersonville in a party of four, and Hagan was taken to the arrest. They had not succeeded at last accounts.

Jay Gould's Latest Gobble. CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—It is rumored on the board of trade that Jay Gould has secured a controlling interest in the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad.

On inquiry at the headquarters of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad company, concerning the rumor that Gould had gained control of the company's stock, the secretary of the company stated that nothing whatever was known of the matter to the Atchison people here, and that there was no foundation for the rumor.

Incipient Riot at Kearney. KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—An incipient riot occurred here at the Midway hotel during the supper hour. It appears that an advertising agent from Pueblo had obtained permission to spread his banner in the corridor of the Midway. Owing to the presence of a large number of persons, the room was crowded, and a feeling was created, and finally the owner of the building tore the banner away. The chief of police was called in and quiet was finally restored, but the end is not yet.

Invested at Plattsmouth. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The corner of Sixth and Main streets, owned by Mr. Fred Stadelman for many years, and known as the Stadelman house, was sold yesterday for \$1,000. The location is a fine one, and the building is a first-class business stand, and Mr. Riley has already signified his intention of erecting a first-class hotel there which is to cost about \$25,000.

One Jump From a Train. ONEIDA, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The dead body of J. L. Butts, a well-to-do farmer of Valley county, living ten miles northwest of Ord, was found by the side of the B. & M. track early this morning. Butts was attending the circuit court at Ord and started for home by the evening train. The train stopped at Ord, and he left his home and it is supposed the deceased got off too soon and fell on his head, and was killed. The coroner has just started for the scene of the accident.

Court in Nuckolls County. NELOSON, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The district court which adjourned to this time in September, began its sittings yesterday with Judge G. H. Hamer, of Kearney, on the bench. Judge W. K. Morris presided in the absence of Judge Hamer. One hundred and fifty cases are on the docket. The only one tried so far is a case of malpractice charged upon Dr. Cassell in a contract with the city. One of the witnesses in the jury disagreed, but yesterday evening a verdict of acquittal was given immediately.

Killed by Jumping Off a Train. BERWELL, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Leonard Butts, a prominent farmer and postmaster at Ida, was instantly killed about four miles east of here last night by jumping off a moving freight train. His death was not known until early this morning. The coroner is holding an inquest.

Teachers' Association. COLUMBIAS, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The North Nebraska Teachers' association will meet in this city on the 27th and 28th. A lecture is expected by Bishop Newman on the evening of the 28th.

Waterworks Contract Let. COLUMBIAS, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—At a meeting of the city council this evening the contract for the extension of the water works was let to the Bullen Bridge company, of Kansas City, for \$100,000. The work will be begun at once and pushed to completion.

A New Bank at Ord. ORD, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Ord has just received an addition to the moneyed concerns of the town. The Exchange bank (Andrew Bostead) opened its doors for business this morning. It makes three banks engaged in business here, the other two being national banks.

Nebraska Royal Arch Masons. BEAVERHEAD, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The grand chapter of Nebraska,

COLLISION AT VALPARAISO.

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Killed By Jumping Off a Moving Train—An Advertising Agent Nearly Caused a Riot at Kearney—Other State News.

Collision at Valparaiso. VALPARAISO, Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Joseph H. Inland freight train, with engine No. 31, and Johnson engine, coming in from the west this morning about 4 o'clock ran into a lot of cars standing on the main track, by the side of the coal chute, literally pulverizing the engine, turning it end for end and upside down, and wrecking it beyond repair. The train was torn up for several rods, and a switch track was also badly torn up. The first car behind the engine was loaded with cattle and the next with hogs, none of which were injured, but several cars back of these were badly smashed. The engineer was slightly injured in jumping, but the rest of the train-crew were unhurt. The engine and the train broke in two coming down the hill and the head section was trying to keep clear of the rear part.

Holt County's Attractions. ATKINSON, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Correspondence of The Bee.)—We are having in this county some nice warm weather. The business houses here have their doors thrown open, and it seems very much like the weather we got during the month of September. The soil is in condition so that farmers are able at this time to do their fall plowing, something unknown for several years before. Quite a number of citizens have been seen on the Pacific slope to spend the winter. But it would seem very hard to find a climate more pleasant than it is here at the present time. Quite a number of eastern people are coming in, looking over their lands, and making arrangements for putting in their crops in the spring. We are able at this time to offer special inducements to persons desiring to purchase land in Holt county. An excellent water power, and the people of Atkinson are anxious to secure good manufacturing industries of all kinds. Special inducements will be offered to parties wishing to so invest.

Fire in a Court House. PONTIAC, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—At 3 o'clock this morning the sheriff of Dixon county, who rooms in the building, discovered fire in the upper story of the court house, and the whole interior of the court room was in flames. The alarm was promptly sounded, and though the city fire department was called in, it was not until an hour's hard work by about two hundred men saw the fire under control. The loss is estimated at from \$500 to \$1,200. A few papers of small importance were destroyed. The fire was caused by a defective gas pipe in the upper story of the building. The county had been carrying \$5,000, but the dues were not always paid up. The cause of the fire is under investigation, and it is thought that a lighted match had been dropped in the dry sawdust.

Hebron Items. HEBRON, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—A school building is being erected here, and will be finished early in the spring. Money has been raised and a company organized for the building of a creamery here in the spring. This is a much needed improvement, and will be a great benefit to the farming community.

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Coal-Oil Johnny's Successor. CHICAGO TRIBUNE: The Oil Creek falls between Titusville and Oil City, Penn., is situated the famous farm that proved to be such a mine of wealth to John Stead or "Coal-Oil Johnny," as he was better known. The wonderful wells on this farm that spouted their streams of wealth into the lap of this giddy youth ceased to flow many years ago, and the farm was long considered as valueless for oil purposes. With the later improved methods of producing oil this old farm is being reclaimed and is once more figuring among the valuable oil farms of the region. It is now owned by W. W. Wait, who was a street urchin at Rousseville, a town a mile from the farm, when "Coal-Oil Johnny" was at the zenith of his wild career. As a boy at Rousseville young Wait frequently blacked John Stead's boots or held him team while the youthful oil prince went in to get a drink, and received for the service anywhere from \$5 to \$50, whichever happened to suit the whim of the spendthrift. He, however, there was no end to his suddenly acquired riches. It was not many years till "Coal-Oil Johnny" was a laborer working for a dollar a day. Now his wonderful farm is again coming into the oil belt. There have been about a dozen new wells drilled on the farm, and under the improved methods of getting oil from the ground, every one of them is profitable. It is tallings of the once prolific oil rock, but the daily production of the wells make it certain that the old farm will make young Mr. Wait a rich man. He has been operating the property about a year and values it at \$50,000. He has a production of 1,000 barrels a month.

The best hard coal. Neb. Fuel Co., 211 South 13th st.

Royal Arch Masons.

will meet in annual convocation at Hebron, at 4 p. m., Wednesday, December 13, 1888. The grand council of Nebraska, Royal and Select Masters, will hold a grand camp at the same place, on Tuesday evening, g. December 11, 1888.

Insufficient Evidence. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—John McCormack, charged with a criminal assault upon his ten-year-old step-daughter, had a hearing this morning and was discharged because the evidence produced was not sufficient to bind him over.

A SIX DAYS' CHASE. Horses Against Bicyclists at the Colosseum Next Week.

The Colosseum will be the scene of a stirring attraction, in the shape of a six days' bicycle-horse race, commencing Monday evening. Marva Beardsley, who holds the record of the fastest long distance rider in the world, will compete with Tom Zeck, the famous champion bicyclist, and John S. Prince, the local celebrity.

The Lindsay-Dempsey Contest. The Lindsay-Dempsey fight, which takes place at South Omaha this evening, is causing much speculation among the short bar. Lindsay has trained down until he is as fine as a fiddle, and that he will surprise some people who are predicting an easy victory for Dempsey. There isn't a shadow of a doubt. Jimmy Lindsay has shown himself to be a born fighter, and the way he polished off Mr. Cranston a few months since should have been sufficient to have convinced the Omaha sports that his claims to being a pugilist are based on the best possible grounds. He is game as a cat, a quick fencer, a rushing fighter, and a glib and powerful talker, and if Dempsey succeeds in working him he may well be proud of the achievement. The contest will be the final event of the evening's card, Manager Fallon intending to hold it back in order that Omaha business men who wish to witness the sport can get over on the 10 o'clock dummy.

A Live-Bird Shoot. H. B. Kennedy and John Field, of the Omaha Gun club, shot a live bird match on the club grounds yesterday afternoon. The provisions of the shoot was twenty-five birds each, thirty yards rise, modified English rules, for \$25 a side. The afternoon was fine and the shooting first-class, Kennedy winning by the following score: Kennedy—1111 1111 1111 1111 1111—24 Field—1011 1111 1111 1111 1111—23

Kiritan and Mitchell. Manager Patsy Fallon has about completed arrangements for the appearance of the Kiritan-Mitchell combination at the Grand opera house, this city, Wednesday, December 28. The combination embraces much prominent fistic ability outside the two stars, and their performance is spoken of as an exceptionally good one.

Steamship Arrivals. At Bremen—The Maine, from Baltimore. At Glasgow—The Scandinavian, from Boston. At New York—The State of Nebraska, from Glasgow. At Rotterdam—The Vendam, from New York. At Queenstown—The Wyoming, from New York. At Boston—The Hibernian, from Glasgow. At Hamburg—The steamer Suevia, from New York.

To Escape Business Troubles. CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—A special from Princeton, Ind., says that Henry Ebers, proprietor of the Princeton Mineral Water factory, suddenly left home a week ago and was not afterwards heard from until yesterday, when a letter was received by himself saying that he had been in New York City, and was in the city of New York.

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Coal-Oil Johnny's Successor. CHICAGO TRIBUNE: The Oil Creek falls between Titusville and Oil City, Penn., is situated the famous farm that proved to be such a mine of wealth to John Stead or "Coal-Oil Johnny," as he was better known. The wonderful wells on this farm that spouted their streams of wealth into the lap of this giddy youth ceased to flow many years ago, and the farm was long considered as valueless for oil purposes. With the later improved methods of producing oil this old farm is being reclaimed and is once more figuring among the valuable oil farms of the region. It is now owned by W. W. Wait, who was a street urchin at Rousseville, a town a mile from the farm, when "Coal-Oil Johnny" was at the zenith of his wild career. As a boy at Rousseville young Wait frequently blacked John Stead's boots or held him team while the youthful oil prince went in to get a drink, and received for the service anywhere from \$5 to \$50, whichever happened to suit the whim of the spendthrift. He, however, there was no end to his suddenly acquired riches. It was not many years till "Coal-Oil Johnny" was a laborer working for a dollar a day. Now his wonderful farm is again coming into the oil belt. There have been about a dozen new wells drilled on the farm, and under the improved methods of getting oil from the ground, every one of them is profitable. It is tallings of the once prolific oil rock, but the daily production of the wells make it certain that the old farm will make young Mr. Wait a rich man. He has been operating the property about a year and values it at \$50,000. He has a production of 1,000 barrels a month.

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The Story of Roger Ellis Mears.

Chicago Tribune: "Roger, you look pale and worried. Won't you tell me what is the trouble?"

The young husband passed his hand across his forehead in a bewildered manner. Then recovering himself, he said: "Cassimere, I—why should I distress her? She will learn of it soon enough." And he relapsed into his former melancholy.

"Roger," exclaimed his wife, "I do you suppose I am utterly ignorant of the cause of your suffering? Do you think I have been blind to the struggle that is going on in your mind?"

A deep groan burst from his lips. "It is useless to try to conceal it from you any longer, Cassimere," he uttered hoarsely, as he grasped her hands with a feverish, convulsive clutch, "I feel that I can no longer believe everything that the doctor says."

Roger Ellis Mears was a struggling young printer employed in the office of the Denominational Watchman. From his childhood he had been a wayward, contrary, restless spirit. He had contracted all the diseases of youth several months in advance of any other boy in the neighborhood, and was a frequent visitor to the hospital. His father, a poor man, had been so long in the hospital that he had been obliged to take his first shave. For years he had scoffed at what he called the "pious" and "religious" doctors, and had made a habit of reading the Bible consisted of the books of nature, Volney, Hume, Huxley, Tyndall, Voltaire and kindred authors, and he sometimes read Don Quixote.

It was evident to the watchful eyes of his anxious wife that matters were approaching a crisis with Roger Ellis Mears. He prowled among back alleys and had a hungry look on his face. He took no notice of his mother's appearance. He let his beard grow.