

THE OMAHA DAILY BEE FOR EASTER

COMMENCING MONDAY, APRIL 15th.

CARPETS

Next week, commencing Monday, we will discount all prices advertised. We are bound to double the sales in our carpet department. Did you ever hear before of

Ingrain Carpets

At 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c Yard.

A nice carpet at 25c and 35c. Our 50c Ingrain beat them all. If you have made up your mind to buy a Brussels Carpet, look at ours at 50c and 65c; and a beautiful body Brussels at 98c. The best Marquette Carpets, \$1.75 yard. Remember, quick sales and small profits is our motto. We lay and make old and new carpets.

Lace

Curtains

Last week was the greatest sale we ever had, and we find that we have about 150 pairs of odd curtains, some we have only 1 pair, some there are 3 pairs, and we are going to clean them out. Come in and take them away at half price. Poles free.

Ladies' Jerseys

98c.



20 pieces Bleached Table Damask, 68 inches wide. This is the best value ever offered at this price.

150 PIECES NEW STYLE SATEENS Just received—on sale Monday 15c Yard. Monday morning we open some Windsor Novelties At 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c Yard, in Blue and Fancy Colors that are Simply Grand. CHEESE CLOTH 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c YD.

Scotch Zephyr Gingham, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c Yard.

Our buyer closed 1,000 pieces, the entire lot of Gingham, expecting that we would sell them at 7c. The quantity being so large, we have decided to close out 500 pieces, one-half of the lot, and give our customers a great benefit. They come in solid colors, brocades and stripes. Use a yard for a beautiful Chilly Dress.

Children's Hose, 10c.

Just arrived to-day, Children's Grey Mixed Ribbed Hose, full regular made. Your choice Monday of all sizes, 10c pair, not one-quarter price.

Gent's Handkerchiefs, 5c.

100 dozen gent's fancy striped bordered handkerchiefs, Monday, only 5c each, really worth 25c, and sold by some dealers for 25c.

JUST ARRIVED.

A Whole Car Load of

TINWARE.

For Sale in the Basement Monday. We open up a very large line of garden tools, consisting of Rakes, Hoes and Floral Sets.

- A good Steel Hoe for 19c.
- A good Garden Rake for 25c.
- Boy's combination Garden and Floral Sets, Children's Hoes, etc., at half usual prices.
- Plush Whip Brooms, 15c.
- Best Clothes Rack made 59c.
- Knife and Fork Boxes 10c.
- Clothes Baskets, 49c
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- Nice Chamber Sets, 2.75
- 6 Plain Goblets, 40c
- 6 Plain Goblets, 30c
- 6 Egg Goblets, 42c
- Child's cane High Chair, worth \$5 for, 1.98
- Fine decorated Parlor Lamps, 98c
- Library Hanging Lamps, 1.98
- One lot Cuspidors, 25c
- Another lot Cuspidors, 30c
- 1,000 mixed Candles, pound, 10c
- Toilet Paper, per roll, 5c
- Set of fancy English white granite Cups and 6 Saucers, 45c
- Six large Dinner Plates, 45c
- Wash Bowl with Pitcher, 75c
- Don't compare these goods with American
- 1,000 box fancy Toilet Soap, 4 cakes in a box, reg price 25c box, 12c
- Large size Dust Pans, 10c
- 6-inch hard wood Hat Rack, 8c
- Large size Folding Table, 98c
- Good Scrubbing Brush, 5c
- A Bread Board for, 25c
- Medicine Chest, 70c
- A Hercules Duster, 10c
- Any amount of Hamsters for, 5
- Elegant plush Tables for, 2.19
- Bamboo Fancy Stands, 1.00
- Bamboo Ensembles, 1.19
- Decorated Paper Pillars, 25
- Bird Cages, 1.98
- Flour Sifters, 10c
- Large Feather Dusters, 25c
- Children's Red Chairs, 48c
- Combination Dinner Pails, 25c
- Coffee Pots, 25c
- Tea Table Collar, in cream and tan, at this sale, \$2 each, worth \$3.50.
- Rocking Tea Pots, 85c

Ladies' Wraps \$15.

Ladies' Silk Wraps made of Faulle Francaise Silk, trimmed with chantilla silk lace; no jet trimmings, silk net sleeves. The newest thing out for fine trade.

Price \$15, worth \$25. Mail Orders Filled.

Fancy Sash Ribbon 48c Yard. This ribbon is 9 inches wide and usually retails at \$1.25 yard. Colors are pink, light blue, cardinal and cream.

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vest (Like Cut) 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c Monday Only at this Price.



Mail Orders Filled.

Ladies' Newmarkets \$15.

Ladies' spring Newmarkets made of an all wool French front cloth, fancy puff vest front, puff back, belt, sleeve, satin faced. It is one of the latest and noblest garments out and is retailed by others as high as \$25, our price \$15.

Mail Orders Filled.



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Infants' Cloaks, \$4.98

Infants' Long Cashmere Cloaks, made of all wool Cashmere, in cream, tan, blue and navy, with fine embroidery, \$4.98; worth \$8.

Mail Orders Filled.

Beaded Wraps, \$3.98

Ladies' Beaded Wraps with solid net sleeve, beaded all over, would be cheap at \$8, our price \$3.98.

Mail Orders Filled.

Bleached Damask, 39c.

Bleached Damask, 48c.

Bleached Damask, 88c.

KNOTTED Fringed Towels, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

INFANTS' Long Cloaks \$2.

On Monday we place on sale another lot of infants' all wool cashmere long cloaks, silk cut, with collar, in cream and tan. At this sale, \$2 each, worth \$3.50.

Bennison Brothers Easter Week.

LINCOLN NEWS AND NOTES.

Joseph Burns Institutes Another Suit on His Water Contract.

HE NOW PROMISES AN EXPOSE.

How the Matter was to Be Engaged Through the City Council—A Depot Site Sold.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMAHA BEE, 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, APRIL 13.

June 11 last, Joseph Burns commenced suit against the city of Lincoln, in the district court, to recover the sum of \$2,000 which he alleges was due him on his contract with the city to furnish an additional supply of water at the old well in the southeast part of town. The contract was entered into July 18, 1887, and its conditions required Burns to furnish an additional supply of 2,000,000 gallons of good water in the twenty-four hours, the work to be done on or before December 1, 1887. Burns' petition recites that the work was done to the letter of the contract, and that the sum of \$2,000 was then due him in over and above the \$7,000 that had been paid him in installments during the progress of the work together with interest from March 21, 1888. The contract was entered into between the petitioner and the city, and was signed by J. J. Butler, Austin Humphrey and M. B. Cheney. The question upon which the controversy hinges is this: Were the conditions of the contract actually carried out? The city in answer alleges non-performance and makes a counter claim for damages therefor. The suit was set for trial in November, 1888, and again in January last, but each time was carried over for some good and sufficient reason.

Now comes the interesting part of the story. When Mr. Burns went to work on his contract he advertised for bids on material. Among the bidders were H. B. Dean and W. J. Cooper, both dealers in pumps and water supply materials, and both, also, members of the city council. Burns bid somewhat the lowest, and the contract for furnishing the material was awarded to him. When his bid came in, however, it was found to be several hundred dollars in excess of which the contract price called for. The explanation vouchsafed by Dean was that he had been instrumental in securing the contract for Burns; that the job had been a fat one, and that it was no more than right that the principal contractor should share the profits with the sub-contractors. It is not known whether or not Dean's claim was paid in full. But the inference is strong that it was not. This is especially true in view of the fact that the council meeting held before this, Horton, Dean's partner in the pump business, approved the terms and said that he would give Dean 10 per cent of the claim he would have no trouble in getting sufficient money from the city to pay it. The foregoing is Mr. Burns' story of the case that leads him to seek redress in the courts.

Interesting times are ahead. Mr. Burns says he has abundance of proof in hand to show that there is much that is "rotten in Denmark." He attributes his defeat in the

THIRD WARD TO THE FACT THAT THE BOSSES FOUND HE KNOW TOO MUCH, AND HE HAD TO GO DOWN.

A Depot Site Sold.

The state board decided twenty acres of the saline lands to the Omaha & Republican Valley railroad company for "depot, turnout and sidetracks." These lands lie a little south and east of the Burlington depot, near and including a portion of what has been considered the Union Pacific's site. The company paid the state \$1.14 for the land. It may be well to state that this land formed a part of the lands that the saline land bill intended to put on the market at the maximum price of \$20 per acre. But, let it be remembered, it failed to connect.

Railroad Assessment.

The state board of equalization will meet in State Auditor Boston's office on the 15th instant to equalize railroad assessments.

City News and Notes.

The City Water company of Kearney filed amended articles to-day increasing capital stock to \$300,000.

E. P. Roggen and wife returned from their visit to Hot Springs, Dak., last evening. Steve King was released yesterday after having served a year's sentence in the state pen for illegal voting. Instead of seeking the shades of obscurity he proceeded to bowl up, and in mere 10 minutes last night was drunker than a lord. Despite kicks and snarls and bites, however, he was taken by a member of the police force and sent to the city jail. His reform is very doubtful.

A new school house will be erected in the southeast part of the city. The plans and specifications are now at work on the plans and specifications. It is intended that the building shall be one of the most attractive in the city.

Dr. J. T. Duryea, of Omaha, will lecture before the Women's Christian association next Thursday evening at the Congregational church. This will be the first of a series of lectures to Lincoln, and it is hoped that a large audience will greet him.

Colonel T. J. Majors, of Peru, was in Lincoln to-day. He is the first of a series of speakers who will be in the city during the week. He will speak at the city hall to-day, and will be in the city until the proper time to get in again.

BREVITIES.

The announcement in a local paper that a site had been purchased in Nebraska City for an Episcopal church, has been declared unfounded by Bishop Worthington.

MISS BIECHLER'S GUN.

It is Wanted By Quite a Number of People.

Judge Baldwin has in his possession the revolver with which Libbie Biechler shot Harry King, and claims it as a memento of the great tragedy and trial given him by her for careful preservation. Surrounding the manner in which Judge Baldwin secured this now curious, and by some coveted weapon, is quite an interesting little story. County Attorney Mahoney says he delivered it to the judge in compliance with Miss Biechler's written request as made in a note sent to him just before she took her departure from Omaha. Immediately after the close of the trial it was in the possession of Bernard Gordon, but when the owner stipulated that her friend, advisor and confidant, should fall heir to the property, Mr. Gordon released his hold. In the meantime Chief of Police Scavay put in a request to effect that his title to the gun ante-dated all others, and he thought Mr. Mahoney should turn it over to him. Mr. Scavay himself is a lawyer, and Judge Groff says the weapon undoubtedly belonged to Miss Biechler and she had a right to do with it whatever she pleased. Since Chief of Police Scavay's editor of the Post-Dispatch, ran away with John Norton's wife.

Since Lotta arrived in Omaha a dapper looking young man with red face, large nose, small mouth and invisible moustache, has nightly frequented the box office, and lobby of Boyd's opera house looking after her interests and taking charge of the receipts.

It is the identical Lotta. John Dunn, is the name on a card handed by him to the writer. "Are you the Dunn who figured so prominently in the St. Louis sensation last fall, when Henry Moon, managing editor of the Post-Dispatch, ran away with John Norton's wife?"

"What has become of the parties to that affair?"

The last I heard of Mrs. Norton she was living in a small room in Chicago. She has an elegant position on the New York World. He is living in great style. I was to-day furnished a suite of rooms at an expense of \$2,000, and a flying high."

At the time of the elopement Mr. Dunn was managing the Olympia theater in St. Louis. He is now Lotta's treasurer.

About 9,000 living between here and Blair are in arms against the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad company because of the manner in which its trains are run. They complain bitterly, and want to know whether something can't be done to remedy matters.

A gentleman living near Blair said yesterday that he had been greatly surprised at the management of this road. "Six months ago or so I continued for the train were for just right, for the accommodation of everybody and I know that the business was good. We could get into Omaha at 9 o'clock a. m., and be in Blair at 10 o'clock. Now the train arrive and depart at 1 o'clock. Therefore, anyone coming here to do business, or to visit, must stay overnight at an expense of \$3, or suffer the agonies of riding on a freight that goes out in the evening and will get them home about midnight."

THE PLUMBERS' TROUBLE.

Details in an Interview With a Union Official.

UTILITY OF THE APPRENTICE.

How the Barbers are Endeavoring to Extend Their Union—Reduction of Hours at the Union Pacific Shops, Etc.

The Journeymen Plumbers Indignant. A set of resolutions was adopted by the Master Plumbers' association this week and yesterday were posted in the leading shops of the city. These resolutions stated in substance that the master plumbers, feeling that they had been unnecessarily interfered with in conducting their business by the union men, while they were willing to pay good wages and believed the union beneficial in some respects, could not countenance this interference, and that therefore they would thereafter cease to recognize the union.

This was in reality brought on by the strike in Milton Free's shop, the master plumbers having agreed to stand together and in the event that the men did not return to work in Free's shop, would order a general lockout.

One of the officers of the union was seen last night, speaking of the situation, he said: "Mr. Free has employed only one journeyman during the past six months, and that man has made little more than half time, but instead he employed jobbers, or apprentices, or to mechanics' work and charged his customers mechanical prices."

"The committee that met with the master plumbers a month or so ago endeavored to do things that would have been no conflict, but failed to do so, Free being one of the chief opposers of the attempt to make an agreement."

"It is customary in any city amongst reputable firms to pay by the hour, and in Omaha Mr. Free is the only one to do so, and, while he pretended to live up to main rules, he broke them in that respect. Free is now advertising in the east and south for men, but what they are can be told best after the public has tried them in that respect. Free was formerly a member of our association and helped to frame the rules he now opposes, and was always one of the warmest advocates of their enforcement. For the past year, anyway, the master plumbers have not lived up to their agreement to employ none but union men, but have hired whoever came along, leaving it to us to make union men of them. We do not care to dictate to them; they can hire whom they please, but in the event that they employ non-union men they can fill our places with such."

THE LAMENTED GENERAL.

The remains of General Hatch, who died Thursday at Fort Robinson, will arrive in Omaha this afternoon at 4 o'clock under military escort. They were shipped from that fort yesterday afternoon. As yet it has not been determined whether the body will be taken to Fort Omaha or whether the remains will be kept at Drexel & Mau's undertaking establishment. General Hatch was to have been buried in Omaha, but as there are no military burying grounds here the remains will either be sent to Fort Madison, or to Washington for interment. The body will go east at 8:30 o'clock to-morrow morning, and will be escorted by the Ninth cavalry of Fort Robinson.

THE BOOMERS.

The Oklahoma people held a meeting last night and listened to reports from the transportation committee. The Rock Island offered a rate from Omaha to Kingfisher of \$15.70, to Post Creek \$14.75, to Fort Reno \$17.10.

The boomers have split. One faction recently elected General Hatch, who died Thursday at Fort Robinson, will arrive in Omaha this afternoon at 4 o'clock under military escort. They were shipped from that fort yesterday afternoon. As yet it has not been determined whether the body will be taken to Fort Omaha or whether the remains will be kept at Drexel & Mau's undertaking establishment. General Hatch was to have been buried in Omaha, but as there are no military burying grounds here the remains will either be sent to Fort Madison, or to Washington for interment. The body will go east at 8:30 o'clock to-morrow morning, and will be escorted by the Ninth cavalry of Fort Robinson.

AN INSANE GIRL.

Annie Hoagland, the young woman who had John Williams arrested, not long ago, for betraying her, has gone crazy, and is now confined in the county jail. She will be taken before the county board for the insane for examination. The unfortunate girl left Omaha about two weeks ago, and went to Kearney where she was found wandering through the streets, totally beside herself. The sheriff found out that this was her home and brought her back.

THE OMAHA TROUBLE.

The city treasurer Naively remarks that he is on the eve of a great flush of business.

SPORT AT THE COLISEUM.

An Interesting Programme—Reading's Wonderful Riding—Events to Come.

A fair sized crowd assembled at the Coliseum last evening to witness the ten mile race between Ned Reading, the soldier, and Signor Mottis. The race was a handicap, Reading giving Mottis eleven laps in ten miles, for \$50 a side. The evening's entertainment opened with a one mile wheel chase between Masters Will Search and Will Burroughs, Search winning in 3:32.

Following this came a one mile race for amateurs, but two in three, for a handsome medal. The starters were George Board, Lew Fletcher, William Tagger and William Fletcher. Fletcher took the first heat in 3:02; the second in 3:05; the third in 3:08; and Board, and the third and race was won by Board in 3:03. Board took a header in the first heat, but escaped with a few bumps and contusions.

The next event was a three mile straight-way by the representatives of the Omaha Wheel club, Arthur Holten, Francisco and Urian, for a handsome gold medal, offered by the Coliseum association. Mottis was the winner. Time—9:37.

John S. Prince and Jack Kinneman, the man with the iron jaw, rode a dead heat in a two mile handicap, Kinneman being allowed two laps. Time—6:13.

At the close of the premier event of the evening, in the race between the redoubtable soldier and Signor Mottis. This was read as follows: Reading doing some miles in 15:27 and the entire ten miles in the extraordinary time of 81:12.

Can't Gull the Workmen.

OMAHA, APRIL 13.—To the Editor of THE BEE: I notice that your friend Hitchcock has made himself very busy for the last two weeks about the delay in the location of the postoffice. He pretends you are chiefly to blame because there is not more work for laboring men in the city. I notice that every time he prints one of his interviews with Rosewater he ends it up by begging us to stop THE BEE to punish you for keeping the workmen out in the cold. This is awfully thin gruel to feed workmen who are doing as well as the same article that you have mortgaged yourself for \$300,000 to put up THE BEE building, which I happen to know has kept over one hundred mechanics employed all winter, and will keep them at work for several months yet. For my part, I don't consider a man who brings \$300,000 worth of work to Omaha and puts it into a building, in addition to his money, an enemy of labor, but I consider him an enemy of the city.

The man who brings \$300,000 worth of work to Omaha! And what has become of all the great prospects which he has been blowing about so much? I am tired of his brag as a workman's friend, when he has been trying to squeeze a whole day's work out of his own men on Sunday Fizzle without having them for over time. In my opinion, it is all bosh about this postoffice talk, gotten up by Hitchcock to raise the wind and give himself some air.

If Hitchcock would build something out in the city and pay his own workmen what they are entitled to, he might be able to work up some patronage. But so long as he is trying to pull himself up by pulling a man down, he is not a workman's friend. He could for labor, we take no stock in him. J. L.

Honored Old Age.

Mr. R. D. Pierronnet, of this city, celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday Friday last by climbing two flights of stairs and calling upon THE BEE editorial force. Mr. Pierronnet has been a resident of this city for twelve years. He has never been sick an hour in his life, and confidently expects to live to be 100 years old. He voted for William Henry Harrison in 1840 for president, and boasts that he never voted a democratic ticket. His son, Thomas Pierronnet, now resides at Weeping, and at one time was deputy sheriff of this county.

The old gentleman is hale and hearty, and takes pride in the fact that he can walk ten or twelve miles a day without great fatigue. He is in some respects a remarkable man, and during a long residence here he has formed many warm and lasting friendships. He enjoys the confidence and respect of an unusually large circle of acquaintances.

Funeral of a Pressman.

The funeral of Charles Lemarsh, a pressman, will take place from Healy & Healy's undertaking establishment, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, under the auspices of the Pressmen, Electrotypers' and Engravers' union, of which he was a member. The pall-bearers will be A. H. Clinton, Ed. Harsh, Matt Heiner, James Keen, F. M. Young and William Quinlan. The printing will be interred in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.