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MINOR MENTION.

N. Y. P. Co.

Gleason coal.

Council Bluffs Lumber Co., coal.

Boston store, the leaders in dry goods.

Carbon Coal Co., wholesale and retail. 10 Pearl.

Ben Ware, charged with counterfeiting, has been released.

Kane township was not represented at the Neola convention.

Millinery opening at Friedman's Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The waterworks office will be open this evening until 9 o'clock.

Justice Barnett will hear the larceny case against Turner Tinnell next Monday.

Since the new cement floor has been placed in the calaboose, the cells are easily drained.

The Bartell-Witt damage case continues to occupy the attention of the district court.

Secretary of State Jackson will address the republicans of this locality on the 16th.

The Prouty case will probably be aired at the school board meeting next Tuesday evening.

Residents of Avenue A continue to clamor for relief from the deep gulches in that thoroughfare.

Great preparations are being made for the Schutzen-Verein ball at Masonic temple on the 10th.

Monday and Tuesday evenings there will be displayed the latest style of millinery at Friedman's.

Diphtheria is spreading, according to the city officials. Numerous notices to clean up are being served.

A new water pressure guage has been placed in the police station; in connection with the fire pressure apparatus.

There will be a meeting of the P. E. O. society this afternoon at half past 2 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Horace Everett.

A gentleman in position to notice the numerous newcomers to the city, claims there will be 3,500 votes polled in Kane township next month.

Next week will be a lively one in the district court. The criminal docket will be taken up. Three murder trials are booked for a hearing.

Mrs. Mitchell has selected the finest and latest styles in pattern hats and bonnets, which will be exhibited Monday and Tuesday evenings at Friedman's opening.

Diphtheria cards were ordered displayed yesterday by the board of health at the residence of George Hadley, No. 384 Lincoln avenue, and L. D. Gibson, No. 396 on the same street.

The adjourned annual meeting of the fruit growers and gardeners will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the court house. Every one interested should be present. Officers are to be elected, etc. Important.

The paving of streets with brick in the Fourth ward, under Contractor Miller, is progressing rapidly. The work done appears substantial and when completed the new streets will be by far the best drives in the city.

The work of filling in the rear of the lots on Washington avenue, where piling has been placed, to prevent further encroachment by the creek, is progressing rapidly. The lots are being extended some thirty feet.

J. H. Pace has secured a building permit for a $6,000 two-story frame residence, 49x70, on lot 11, block 17, Bayliss' first addition; the Fifth avenue Methodists have taken out a permit for a $4,000 church, and the Stentsville Methodists will erect a $700 chapel.

A pleasant birthday party was given last evening by the friends of Uncle John Hammer and his grand daughter, Miss Maud Schicketanz. Uncle John completed his sixty-seventh year and Maud her eighth. The little girl received a handsome pony and Uncle John the congratulations of a host of friends.

A letter just received by the Coursing club from Thomas McDermott, of Ottawa, Ill., announces that he will be here in a few days with nine red foxes and half a dozen more hounds for the club. It is the intention of the club to give an exhibition chase at the fair grounds, free to everybody, to make amends for the wretched hippodrome of last summer, and give the public a proper idea of the sport.

It has developed that the horse stolen from E. E. Mayne and recovered at the veterinary stables of Dr. S. Stewart was evidently taken as a piece of mischief. A saddle belonging to Mr. Tinley was taken at the same time. The horse was driven to the western part of the city, where the buggy and harness were left, and the temporary owner then saddled the nag and rode back to the center of the city, where he turned the animal loose. All of the property has been recovered.

C. B. Music Co., 538 Broadway.

Finest market in city—J. M. Scanlan's.

J. G. Tipton, real estate, 527 Broadway.

C. B. steam dye works, 1013 Broadway.

Steam and hot water heating, first-class plumbing. Work done in both cities. John Gilbert, corner Pearl street and Willow avenue, Council Bluffs.

Dr. Murphy, optician, room 216 Merriam blk.

Winter & Monroe, sign painters, 416 B'wy.

Let Rassmussen beautify your house in best style and cheap. 12 West Maine.

E. H. Sheafe & Co. give special attention to the collection of rents and care of property in the city and vicinity. Charges moderate. Office Broadway and Main streets.

Tube paints 7½c at Chapman's art store.

Get Fountains 5c cigar, next Eiseman block.

What's In a Name?

"I wish the papers would quit trying to run me out of town," remarked Mr. S. H. Foster, of the Council Bluffs Paint, Glass and Oil company yesterday afternoon to THE BEE. "Several days ago you stated that Sol Foster had just returned from the south and was preparing to remove to Arkansas. The other papers copied it, and some of them, evidently thinking to be a little more explicit, announced that it was S. H. Foster or Sol H. Foster, and between the whole batch of you I am kept pretty busy answering questions. Every little while somebody steps up and shakes hands with a 'Sorry to see you go, Sol;' When are you going to leave?' 'What decided you to leave,' or 'Where are you going to move to?'

"It is getting tiresome, especially as I haven't entertained any idea of leaving the Bluffs. Now then if you will just break it lightly to the mourning thousands that I am still with 'em, and don't propose to be run out of town just yet, I will be truly grateful. I have known for some time that I had a double here, as far as name is concerned, but I have never seen him. Such a report as this makes it unpleasant for a business man, as many would undoubtedly withdraw their patronage if they know that he was preparing to close out and leave the city. Sorry to trouble you, but it seems to me that as the papers have gotten me into this mess they ought to help me out of it."

Fine dressed chickens. G. Mottaz, Tel. 173.

New Pacific House, best hotel in the city. $1.50 per day. Meals 35c.

Dempsey & Butler candy factory, 105 Main street.

Bixby has removed to Merriam block.

Desirable dwellings for rent at moderate prices. E. H. Sheafe & Co., rental agents, Broadway and Main streets, up stairs.

City Hall vs Free Bridge.

The mayor has not yet issued his proclamation, as authorized by the council at its last meeting, to call an election for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the city the question of voting bonds in the sum of $165,000 or less for securing a site and erecting a new city hall, but it is understood that the matter will come up at the regular November election on the 5th of next month. This will avoid the expense attendant on a special election, and at the same time will bring the question before the people about as soon as it could be if such an election was called. All of the aldermen, with the exception of Alderman Everett, are avowedly in favor of erecting the proposed new building as soon as possible, and the gentleman named, while of the opinion that a new city hall is not as yet the city's most pressing need, does not express any determined opposition to the move. The only objection thus far voiced to the city hall project is that it might delay the erection of a new bridge, which is generally regarded as of far more importance to the city at the present time than a new city building. Of course, there are lengthy and exhaustive arguments both pro and con, but it is yet too early for any actual work to have been done in the matter either way.

As nearly as can be ascertained, the only objection to the building of a new city hall will come from those who profess to believe that it is a move gotten up for the purpose of defeating the free bridge project. Whether or not this is really the plan is a matter of conjecture. The city undoubtedly needs both, but it is argued that both can not be secured at the present time. If it is demonstrated that the city can not have both, there will be a contest to see which it shall be, with the chances, as at present indicated, strongly in favor of the free bridge.

It has been asserted that certain parties heavily interested in the present bridge and electric motor are at the bottom of the move to boom the erection of a city hall, for the reason, as above stated, that it would in all probability retard the building of a free bridge, which would throw open a most inviting avenue for a competing line. Hon. George F. Wright, secretary of the bridge and motor comdany, was seen regarding the matter, and stated that, as far as he was concerned, he should oppose the building of a city hall, as he did not believe that it was needed as badly as other things.

The advocates of the city hall argue that its erection would not in the least interfere with the prospects of the desired free bridge, and that, as the Bluffs must have the co-operation of Omaha in the latter case, this matter is not yet ripe, and that, even if it was, there would be no delay or interference caused by voting the necessary bonds for the city hall.

On the other hand, it is urged that the erection of the city hall would not benefit the city to any great extent, so far as increasing the population or wealth is concerned, while a free bridge would do both. Also that the city hall would swallow up a lot of the public funds without benefitting the people, while the bridge would save nickels, dimes and dollars for every citizen. These arguments are advanced on the theory that if the hall is built the bridge can not be secured. The fight is hardly on as yet, but there is every indication that before the question is finally submitted at the polls there will be a great deal of hard work done.

John W. Camp has purchased M. Keatings drug store, 505 Broadway, and is stocking it up with a complete line of seasonable goods. Mr. Camp has earned a reputation in this city as being a most careful and competent prescription clerk, and he will take first place in this respect in the city. His new store will also be headquarters for the fine trade in all other respects.

Money loaned at L. B. Craft's & Co.'s loan office on furniture, pianos, horses, wagons, personal property of all kinds, and all other articles of value, without removal. All business strictly confidential.

Kelley & Younkerman sell groceries. Chase and Sanborn coffees a specialty.

Another County Ticket.

About fifty or sixty, farmers chiefly, met at Neola Thursday, under the name of the labor convention. Most of the manipulators were members of the Farmers' alliance, but the constitution of that body forbids the political use of its power or name.

The convention passed resolutions scoring both the old parties for failing to recognize sufficiently the industrial and agricultural classes, which was pronounced a sufficient justification for nominating a full and independent county ticket.

Resolutions were passed in favor of the government controlling railway and telegraph lines, and that all money should be issued direct by the government; also in favor of abolishing the electoral college and electing the president and vice president by direct vote of the people; also favoring the reduction of interest from 10 per cent to 8 per cent; also for reducing the salary of county officials to an equality with the earnings of laborers and farmers.

On this platform the following county ticket was nominated.

Legislators—H. S. Watkins, of Neola; H. S. Alexander, of Hardin.
Auditor—Roland Ward, of Keg Creek.
Treasurer—C. B. Bardsley, of Neola.
Sheriff—A. B. Perkins, of Keg Creek.
Superintendent of Schools—Miss Etta McMahon, of Council Bluffs.
Coroner—Dr. J. M. Wyland, of Minden.
Surveyor—L. P. Judson, os Council Bluffs.

The Council Bluffs Carpet Co still keeps far ahead of all competitors in the west in the essential points of large stock, good goods and low prices. They are the only exclusive carpet house in western Iowa, and have the most perfect facilities for handling their immense trade, which covers western Iowa and eastern Nebraska. People within fifty miles can save railway fare in the purchase of a single bill of goods. They buy for cash and sell to the consumer at wholesale prices.

The Motor on Fifth Avenue.

The electric motor company has surveyors at work along the proposed line of the transfer extension, from Pearl street down Fifth avenue and Pacific avenue, to the Union Pacific transfer. It was the intention of the company to run this line down Sixth avenue instead of Fifth, but the plan is changed. The reason is not officially stated, but it is understood to be that the line, as now planned, will give the public better service, and divide the city more evenly, especially as it is now intended to run another line down Ninth avenue, past the union depot grounds, thence around to the main line. However, it is hardly probable that the Ninth avenue line will be built before spring, although the company will get at it as soon as possible. The other line, down Fifth avenue, will be built this fall, and work will be commenced at once, provided the property owners do not raise such objections as will prevent it. It is understood that the company takes the same position in this instance that they did regarding the Pierce street line; that is, that if they are required to pay for the paving they will not occupy the street.

Several pronounced kicks have already developed, and it is certain that there will be quite a little jangle before the line is built, even if it is built at all. There is nothing that can prevent the building of the line, if the company desires to build it, as they have a right of way over every street and avenue in the city, so that the paving question is really the only question in controversy. Although the company has this right of way, they can not, according to law, occupy the streets without paying for the paving between the rails and for a foot outside, unless exempted by the property owners.

The company maintains that such a law is not equitable, as an electric line does not wear out the paving as does an ordinary street car line, yet they do not maintain that they can evade it. Their position is that the property owners can not afford to let them build upon other streets, as the building of the line would greatly increase the value of abutting property. For this reason they anticipate no decided objection. They are bound to build a line to the transfer, and the question is not where, but how the line will go.

As now planned, the route is down Fifth and Pacific avenues to the transfer, thence across the as yet unsettled portion of the bottoms, to the main line on avenue A, near the east end of the Iowa approach to the bridge. A move has been on foot for some time to secure a line across this part of the city, and a bonus of $10,000 has been raised by real estate men and property owners to induce the company to build the line. This line, however, would not permanently remain a part of the Fifth avenue line, as it would become a part of the Ninth avenue line, thus making a direct line to Omaha from the union depot and transfer, doing away with the necessity of bringing all passengers by a round about way on Pearl street and Broadway to get over the river. It is intended to have electric cars running to the transfer before winter sets in, and if possible all the portions of the city now reached by the street cars will be visited by the electric motor, and the bobtail cars discontinued by the 1st of January, 1890.

Dressed chickens, fresh fish, oysters, etc., always at Fearon's, 535 Broadway.

Broken Marriage Vows.

Another case of marital infelicity came to light last evening when W. Vanatta applied at police headquarters for a warrant for the arrest of his wife on the charge of adultery. The paper was served by Deputy Marshal White, and the woman taken to the station. Little could be learned of the case until about 9 o'clock in the evening, when Vanatta appeared at the station in charge of Officer Kemp, who had arrested him at the instigation of the angry and thoroughly indignant woman. When the pair met in the station there was a scene, and in a very few minutes the spectators were acquainted with nearly all of the disgusting details of the case. After indulging in mutual recriminations for a while, Vanatta told the reporter the entire history of the case. Space forbids its reproduction, but the principal points are as follows:

Both had previously wedded, and the result proved marriage a failure. Nothing daunted, they tried it again, and became all in all to each other nineteen years ago. Vanatta is a cripple, having lost a leg and hand during the war, for which he receives a pension of $36 a month. Four children were born to them, and there was no serious trouble until about three weeks ago. At that time a "Q" switchman, named Harry McAllister, became a too frequent visitor at the Vanatta household on Second avenue, between Twelfth and Thirteenth street, and since then the head of the family alleges that he has seen said visitor in bed with his wife, on no less than seven different occasions. His little girl, aged fourteen years, first called his attention to the matter, but he would not believe it until compelled to. Wednesday night he stood outside, and through a broken pane of glass heard the guilty couple plan to deliberately rob him.

He states that Congressman Reed is working to secure back pension money for him, and have his allowance raised to $36 a month, and promised him that he would receive about $3,600 within a couple of weeks. The woman informed her paramour of this and said that she would get it all, as she had done in the past, and would then deposit enough in the bank to "keep the —— —— —— —— quiet for awhile," and they would elope with the remainder.

A married daughter of sixteen years, whose husband deserted her a few months ago after nine weeks of wedded life, is also a discordant element, and unites with her mother in giving the father a sound thrashing whenever the occasion seems to warrant it.

So matters have gone from bad to worse, and Vanatta could stand it no longer and caused her arrest. The woman denies it all and says he is addicted to the use of opium and morphine, and does not know what he is about. When he offered to procure her release and take her home if she would promise to live with him and behave as she should, she refused to promise and said she would remain there and stand trial. She also insisted that she would prefer charges against him, but refused to say what they were, and said she would wait until morning. She took him into a corner and tried to settle on other terms, but was unsuccessful. Vanatta spent the night at the station, being afraid to go home, as his married though husbandless daughter said she would raise a crowd and have him lynched.

He insists that he loves the woman and fairly worships the ground she walks on, and has for nineteen years, yet she scoffs and jeers at him, and evidently loathes the sight of him. He alleges that she openly boasts of her preference for McAllister, and curses and abuses him as a helpless cripple. It is a rather unusual case, possessing some very queer complications, and with its low and disgusting features are coupled many of a very pitiful nature.

Always on Time.

If you wish to purchase a good and reliable watch 25 per cent less than club rates, and on easy terms, then call at once and make your own selection at C. B. Jacquemin & Co., 27 Main street.

The latest styles in pattern hats and bonnets will be displayed Monday and Tuesday evenings at Friedman's millinery opening.

Sale of the Electric Light Plant.

It is quietly whispered that the Sperry Electric Light company, of Chicago, which has been negotiating for the past ten days for lots in the southern part of the city on which to locate their plant for lighting the city, according to the contract awarded them by the council a few weeks ago, has just completed a different and far more important deal, which is nothing less than the purchase of the entire plant of the Council Bluffs Electric Light and Power company, of which Mr. Thomas Officer is president and principal owner. Mr. Gregory, the representative of the Sperry company, has just returned to Chicago, and it is known that he has been in close conference with Mr. Officer for the past four days with reference to this matter.

The entire plant was carefully inspected by Mr. Gregory, and Mr. Officer was requested to put a price upon it. He announced that the price of the plant was about $80,000, which is about the amount that the general public regarded as the cost. Mr. Gregory replied that his company could duplicate it for $60,000, being a manufacturing company in the electrical machinery business. It is not known what price Mr. Officer placed upon the property, but it is believed that Mr. Gregory has gone to Chicago to consult with his company regarding the matter of purchase, inasmuch as no lots were purchased on which to locate a plant, although bids were to have been opened on the 1st inst.

If the report of the sale should prove correct, it would create no surprise, as Mr. Officer stated, after the contract was let to the Sperry company, that he could not hope to compete with them in furnishing arc lights, as their contract price was so low that he could make no money at it, and if they attempted to cut prices it would result in driving him out of the market, as he would not run at a loss, which he would have to do to follow their prices, as they could furnish light at much less than he could as they manufactured their own machinery and could equip a plant for much less money. This being the case, it is very probable that he would be glad to sell at a fair figure. As it is, the policy of the Sperry company to replace Thomson-Houston machines with their own whenever possible, it is hardly probable that the deal will fall through.

Dwelling for sale on easy payments. Also building lots at lowest market prices. Call and examine our list. E. H. Sheafe & Co.

"The Famous" cash bargain house, 200 B'y

The Trio of Sneak Thieves.

At 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while no one was in the store but Mrs. Maurath, three young men entered the store of J. J. Maurath & Co., No. 529 Broadway, and while two of them engaged the attention of the lady, the third party quietly picked up a box containing a pair of shoes valued at $2 and walked off. Mrs. Maurath noticed his disappearance, and on going to the door saw him disappear around Pearl street with the box under his arm. At this juncture the other two dashed out of the door, but Mrs. Maurath pointed them out to a policeman, who immediately gave chase and soon overhauled them. The prisoners were taken to the police station and locked up on the charge of larceny from a building.

Western Lumber and Supply Co., 13th and 14th streets and 2d and 3d avenues, carry the largest stock of lumber, piling pole, ties, lime, cement and building material in the west. E. W. Raymond, manager.

Attend the W. I. Bus. college, Council Bluffs.

Swanson Music Co., 335 Broadway.

What Mr. Bryant Says.

Mr. R. T. Bryant, who was indicted by the grand jury for obtaining money under false pretenses, is an old resident of the Bluffs, and has held several public positions, the last of which was a three years term on the school board. Mr. Bryant states he has been grossly misrepresented, and will be able to make a clean showing when the case comes to trial. Other than this he had no statement to make. His indictment continues to be a theme of much conversation, and surprise at this charge is expressed on all hands.

Morehouse & Co., m'f'g blank books, bank and commercial work.

The Coal Question—Reply.

The advertisement of several retail dealers under the form of a communication, as it appears in THE BEE of yesterday, is not based upon the truth, and the parties signing the same are well aware of it, as the following reasons from their own standpoint will testify:

First—We have had applications from four of them individually, to be taken in out of the cold. In other words, if they sold coal at our prices, would we allow them the cartage, each party pledging himself to keep strictly mum so far as his neighbor was concerned.

Second—We have offers from the same parties based on the following, viz.:

A—Under what conditions would we retire from the retail business, they guaranteeing us a certain tonnage for the seasons of 1889-90-91, and finding a market for our coals:

B—Under what conditions would we remain in the retail business, they guaranteeing a certain tonnage as before, but we agreeing to maintain prices.

From the foregoing facts I think the generous public will agree with me. Any further remarks unnecessary. H. A. Cox, Council Bluffs, Ia., Brown building. A. T. Thatcher, Chicago, Ill.

Ledgers

Made for your special use by Morehouse & Co.

Fire at Manawa.

Fire broke out in the attic of Hotel Manawa yesterday morning, and that handsome and popular hostelry had another narrow escape from destruction. Col Reed, and Mr. MacConnell had just left the hotel and come up town, but as there were many people around the hotel there were plenty of fire fighters, and the flames were subdued before serious damage had been done.

Personal Paragraphs.

F. S. Pusey, of Denver, is in the city.

Miss Susie Griffin left yesterday for Glenwood, where she will attend school.

Misses Maud and Mamie Oliver are visiting Mrs. R. E. Mulcahey, of Sioux City.

Dr. S. P. Miller, of Tacoma, W. T., is visiting J. R. Rice and Dr. L. E. Roe, of this city.

Twelve pounds granulated sugar for $1.00 All other goods equally low at Fearon's, 531 Broadway.

L. W. Gumphrey, city marshal of Avoca, was in the Bluffs looking after certain matters of business.

F. J. Brezee, taxidermist at the Lincoln State university, is in the city delivering work contracted for during his residence here and will remain here over Sunday.

The many friends of County Supervisor Waite will be gratified to learn that he is once more able to attend to public business, having nearly recovered from his recent illness.

S. G. Moorhouse, of Santa Monica, Cal., a former resident of Racktord township and still the owner of a fine farm near Loveland, is here on a short visit with his brother-in-law, Mr. Hugh Goss.

C. C. Shephard, of Columbus, O., brother of H. L. Shepard, of this city, will arrive here on the 9th to visit his brotner and prospect for a business location. He is one of the patent right lawyers of Columbus.

Mrs. Senator Fair, of Nevada, will pass through this city, via the Burlington, October 6 in a special Pullman car, fully manned and equipped and set aside especially for her use from the Pacific coast to New York city.

Misses Minnie Monroe, Louise Herman, Dollie Henkle, Maggie Gibbons, Kittie Duane and Maude Young, all pupils of the St. Francis academy, of this city, visited Miss May Wilson, of Sioux City, on Wednesday.

D. T. Jarret, deputy sheriff of Wayne county, Iowa, was in the city yesterday, but left for home last evening. His mission was to arrest a certain party. This he accomplished, finding his man just as the latter was taking the train for Omaha. Mr. Jarret is a nephew of Mr. Davis, the father of Jimmie Davis.

For Blank Books write Morehouse & Co. Council Bluffs, Ia.

JAVA'S ANGLING APES.

An Old Traveler's Story of the Monkey and His Crab Dinner.

"Monkeys abound in the island of Java," said an old eastern traveler to a New York Sun reporter, "for shooting them is looked upon as the worst kind of vandalism, and they do very little damage, rarely injuring the crops on the farms, and living chiefly on wild fruits. There is, however, a species of large ape there that is not wholly vegetarian. He is about the size of a small chimpanzee, and when full grown, his dark face is encircled with a bushy white beard and whiskers, giving it a very whimsical expression, ludicrously like that of a little old man. He is not at all wild, and he seems to have some idea of practical joking, which leads him occasionally to descend to the lower boughs of a high tree in the evening and hold out his paw in apparent friendliness to any one who happens to be near. A person who is not familiar with the queer brute's tricks is apt to suppose that the monkey desires to shake hands, and goes under the tree for the purpose of meeting the amicable advance half way. He is fortunate if he escapes a slap on the face. At all events the paw is withdrawn before the human fingers touch it, and the ape, sitting a few feet above the range of a man's spring, scratches his ribs and gibbers insultingly. The long tail is sometimes lowered instead of the hand, and then the chances of the creature dealing a malicious stroke are greatly increased, for the caudle appendage is extremely lithe and flexible, and is of as much service to its owner as a fifth limb.

"It is a noticeable thing about these tails that they are nearly always badly scarred at the extremity, and frequently bear wounds quite fresh and still bleeding. The monkeys use their tails as fishing lines and with them catch the crabs that infest the coast of the island. These crabs are about the size of the hard-shell crustacea of the same species that are offered for sale in our own markets, and the apes are their only enemies, for nobody else on the island cares to eat them. They live in holes several yards above high water mark, and when they emerge to look for food they look cautiously around to see whether an ape is near. If they see one or suspect his presence they go back, and they are so quick in their movements that the monkey has no chance of catching them. But the animal has perfect passion for crab meat, and his appetite must be gratified at any personal sacrifice.

"Going to a hole into which he has seen a crab retreat, he inserts his tail as far as it will extend, which is generally to the end of the cavity. Any person concealed in the vicinity and watching him at such a moment sees the funniest spectacle imaginable. The fisher sits perfectly still, with his mouth wide open, an expression of anxious expectancy on his face, and anticipatory tears gathering in his eyes. He never has long to wait, for Java's crab is very much like the snapping turtle in its disposition. In a few minutes the monkey's mouth closes with a snap, the teeth are clenched tightly, the eyes shut and the water that has risen in them tickles down the hairy cheeks. The contortions of the countenance speak of torture heroically endured; for the animal has a bite, and he is waiting for the paey to take a fast hold. Then the tail, with the doomed crab clinging to its tip, is jerked swiftly from the hole, whirled around for a couple of seconds to give it impetus, and brought down on the ground with a crash that breaks the crab's shell as though it were a badly guarded head at Donnybrook Fair. The ape's meal is served. He picks out the meat with his claws, only interrupting his enjoyment of the repast now and then to moan in self-commiseration and moisten his wounded tail with his tongue."

ALL ON THE SAME ERRAND.

Kentucky Runaways, Seeking Secret Weddings, Surprise Each Other.

Three couples from Hardin county, all of whom knew each other, but none of whom knew of any other proposed elopement but their own, crossed to Jeffersonville yesterday afternoon and returned last night, all catching the same train, says the Louisville Courier-Journal.

About 2 o'clock J. S. Cralle and Miss Eliza McDonald arrived and crossed the classic Ohio. They were accompanied by Rev. Thomas Robertson, of the Methodist faith, the pastor of the girl's parents, who performed the ceremony at the Falls City hotel. They spent the afternoon in viewing Jeffersonville.

The ink had scarcely dried on the marriage register before Van Carico and Miss Annie E. Bivens approached Deputy County Clerk McCormick and asked for the legal documents necessary to a marriage ceremony.

"Where are you from?" asked the genial deputy.

"We are from Hardin county," responded the blushing bride, while the tall groom smiled extensively and blandly.

"Do you know these people?" said the deputy, showing them the names of the first parties. They did. The lady lived but four miles from the home of the groom, and they wondered if the same cause led to the former elopement. Having secured the license the prospective bride hustled her prospective better half into a steer car, whence they alighted in front of Justice Keigwin's office, and he performed the ceremony in his parlors.

Mr. and Mrs. Carico returned to this city and looked at the show windows on Fourth avenue, and while all this was being accomplished George M. Chenault and Miss Alice Van Meter eloped and were married by the humous Justice Keigwin. Mr. Chenault found that he and Miss Van Meter knew all four of the former parties, and was very much excited for fear his visit should be found out upon his return home.

The three newly-made pairs and the minister met in the waiting room of the Louisville & Nashville depot, and it was arranged that they should tell "pa an' ma" that they had all been to this city to see the matinee at Harris', with the preacher as a chaperone.

County Clerk Stealey, of Jeffersonville, had, up to last night, issued 559 marriage licensed since the first of the year, 507 of which were to eloping couples. New Albany is way behind in the contest for Gretna Green honors, but by way of inducement to eloping couples, the officials in that town are thinking seriously of giving Waterbury watches to each matrimonial applicant.

The Disappearance of Deserts.

What were supposed to be deserts are rapidly vanishing before the advance of civilization. There was a time when the United States had only one of no small size, when it was considered that all the land west of the Missouri river was a barren waste. The farmers of Kansas, Nebraska and Dakota have disposed of much of the great American desert, says Iron. Once upon a time large portions of the interior of Africa were believed to be arid and uncultivable. Now we learn that they are fruitful and well populated. The interior of Australia has been held up as an awful example of a howling wilderness, destitute of water and of animal or vegetable life. That illusion is now being rapidly dispelled. Recent explorers report that inner Austraiia is no Saharan waste, and that, though uninhabited, it can support a large population. There are grassy plains, large lakes, and also traces of gold and precious stones. A north and south railway is now being made through the centre of Australia, and doubtless with its completion the last trace of the desert will vanish. The iron horse is a wonderful dispeller of illusions of that kind. The truth is, that there are vast regions in America, Asia and Australia which are barren from the standpoint of primitive and ignorant agriculture, but which, when taken in hand by the educated farmer of the present day, with his implements, develop into fertile fields and pastures.

An Object Sesson.

Time: Scene—Bedroom in the Du Barry mansion—2 a. m.

Mrs. Du B. (in an injured tone)—"There is no reason why you should come home at this hour and in this condition. It's scandalous!"

Mr. Du B.—"Noth'n sort, m'dear. Ten 'clock I came home 'n you said I was tight, 'n I jes' wen' 'tout'n got tight—'t show yer—diffunce!"

Skins on Fire

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I was sick in the fall of 1888 with a burning and itching so bad that in three weeks I was covered with a rash, and could not sleep nights or work days. Some doctors thought it might be salt rheum (eczema), and said they had never seen anything like it before. I received no help from any of them, or from any medicine that I could get hold of until I tried your CUTICURA REMEDIES. After three weeks' use I was able to work and kept getting better, until I am now entirely cured. I recommend them to all suffering with skin diseases. C. E. OSMER, Taftsville, Vt.

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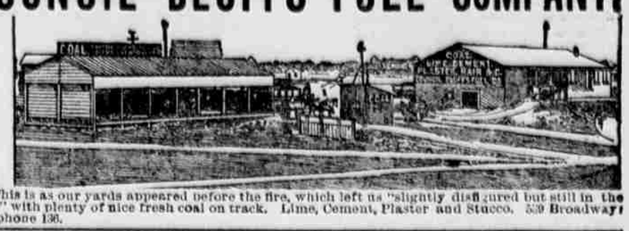

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