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Searching the Ruins.

Kearney, Neb., March 25.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—All day yesterday workmen were clearing the pile of ruins of the Midway hotel. Some gold watches were found and other trinkets belonging to the ill-fated guests. No startling discoveries were made, as the heat was too great to make a thorough search for the bodies of those supposed to have perished in the flames. The following persons are missing, and if any one knows of their whereabouts let them write to Coroner Humphreys: E. H. Easton, J. H. Harris, G. N. Blackwell, George E. Dowington, S. T. Webber, G. N. Deigo, and others were all commercial men. A dead man was discovered this morning in Gilchrist & Co's lumber yard opposite the Midway. He was William D. Shreve, a carpenter of this city. While the fire was in progress yesterday, he was seen coming out of the station with a bundle of papers. He was found crushed beneath a pile of lumber, which had been blown over him. From indications he had been vomiting and had been in a drunken stupor. He had been in a drunken stupor beside the pile of lumber. Harry Deming, property man of the Western dramatic company, who was killed by jumping from the fourth story of the burning hotel yesterday, was buried here this morning. The funeral was held at the Episcopal church. Rev. Dr. Oliver officiating. Tonight a benefit was played by the company and every cent of the proceeds of the play will be given to the high school children, citizens and the company will be forwarded for the relief of the boy's widow and child.

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The Citizens' Caucus at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 25.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The citizens' caucus for the purpose of nominating a full city ticket for the coming year took place this evening and was called to order by the secretary, Myron Van Fleet. On motion of W. H. Lanning, Mr. A. L. Clark, president of the First National bank, was made chairman and nominated for mayor ten minutes later. The following were nominated: Mayor, A. L. Clark; city treasurer, Myron Van Fleet; city clerk, Harry Haverly for city clerk by acclamation. For members of the school board W. H. Lanning and J. A. Fleming were nominated. For councilmen—First ward, Jacob Heifer; second ward, C. C. Rittenhouse; third ward, J. A. Fleming; fourth ward, J. A. Fleming. The caucus was the most enthusiastic ever held in Hastings, and the ticket is regarded as a remarkably strong one. It is believed that the caucus will place a ticket in the field.

A Triple Blaze at Fremont.

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