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MINOR MENTION.

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Officer Dan Ryan, who was laid off some time ago, went on duty again last evening.

John Sullivan is confined at the city jail, and a charge of suspected insanity is registered against him.

The board of trade meets tomorrow evening in regular monthly session. Several matters of interest will be considered.

The school board has referred all bids for ventilating and heating the new building in the west end of the city to Mr. Waite.

Joe Brown was arrested last evening for creating a disturbance on the Manawa motor and refusing to pay his fare. He passed the night in the police station.

The game of ball at Manawa yesterday between the Models and the Neolas for the benefit of the Bradshaw sufferers resulted in a victory for the Neolas by a score af 9 to 7. There was a small attendance and Bradshaw will not get much out of it.

Messrs. Harl & McCabe have been retained to look after the interests of the independent school district of the city of Council Bluffs in the suit which has been brought against it by Architect S. E. Maxon, to recover $400 for plans and specifications submitted by him for a new school building, and which were rejected.

The concert at Fairmount park yesterday afternoon by Dalby's band proved a great attraction and there were thousands who visited the park during the day. Hundreds came from Omaha, and nearly all of them went to the park. The plan of having concerts there three times a week is a most excellent one, and it is one that will be greatly appreciated.

Motor travel was very heavy yesterday. Four extra trains were run on the main line and two extra cars on the park line, making twenty in all, which is more than has ever been operated at one time on the line before. Even these were crowded to their fullest capacity, and some were unable to secure transportation. It was evident that when it becomes generally known that there will be a band concert in the park every Sunday afternoon, even this increase in service will not begin to accommodate all who will desire to visit the park.

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The gasoline stove is more dangerous than the unloaded gun. Save life and property by using the C. B. Gas and Electric Light Co.'s gas stove.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Chief of Police Seavey and wife of Omaha were in the city yesterday.

Frank Pusey and wife came in yesterday afternoon from Denver and are visiting relatives here.

H. M. Wilson of Minneapolis, editor of the Furniture News and of the Missouri Valley Lumberman, is in the city, the guest of his old schoolmate, Prof. Stevens.

William Mack, who formerly traveled for the Keystone manufacturing company, but is now on the road in the interest of an eastern carriage firm, is visiting friends in the city.

Don Macrae returned home yesterday morning from Ann Arbor, Mich., where he is attending the medical department of the state university. He has just completed his second year, and passed his examinations very creditably. He is home for the summer vacation.

Lieutenant Charles Palmer sang a very pleasing baritone solo at the morning service in the Presbyterian church yesterday. His friends who have not heard him for some time were quite surprised at the rich tones of his voice, so changed from the clear tenor which he formerly sang.

Schmidt's gallery refurnished, and new instruments. For 30 days, $3.00 cabinets for $2.50. Elegant finish warranted. 220 Main

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Arrested for Forgery.

D. H. Wilson spent Sunday behind the bars. He is charged with forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses. It is alleged that Wilson filled out a check on the First National bank and signed it C. H. Wilson, while his correct name is D. H. Wilson. It is for this that the charge of forgery is preferred and the other charge is placed against him because he had no money in the bank when he passed the check and had not had any there. He will have a hearing before Judge McGee as soon as County Attorney Organ can attend to the case.

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The Boston store, Council Bluffs, is now showing the most complete line of black gloves and mitts ever shown anywhere. Their prices are always the lowest.

A New Evangelist.

"Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high."

Such was the text which Rev. Mr. Cullis read as the basis of his introductory sermon at the First Presbyterian church yesterday morning. Mr. Cullis has been actively associated with Moody with evangelistic work, both in this country and in England. He has worked more along the regular line of the pastoral relationship than that of roaming evangelism, but is nevertheless known widely as a successful evangelist or revivalist. He has come to Council Bluffs with the intention of holding special meetings here. He is accompanied by Mr. Sargent, who is his Sankey.

It was a large and expectant audience that greeted him yesterday evening. As he rose to address them the natural query, "what went ye out to see?" was answered. It was no reed shaken by the wind. Mr. Culliss is a man of fine physique and platform presence, in the prime of life, vigorous and evidently earnest. His theme was rather ponderous, and he endeavored to crowd into the limits of a brief sermon a large volume of theological teachings. He touched upon the pre-existence of Christ, his relationship to the Father, his divine personality, his mission on earth, the atonement for sin, the manifestation in Christ of God's love and justice, and the plan of salvation thus presented as the only one possible. The manner and style of the preacher was far different from the flippant emotional addresses characterizing so many so-called evangelists. It has become quite common to expect some sensational or eccentric features in evangelists. Those who watched for something of this sort in Mr. Culliss were disappointed. He had a carefully prepared sermon, evidently written. His language was elegant rather than forcible. He appeared as a scholarly thinker, reasoning closely yet not dryly.

Last evening he preached to another large audience, several churches uniting in the service at the Presbyterian church.

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SUNDAY NEWS IN THE BLUFFS.

Albert Smith Terribly Slashed by a Colored Man at Big Lake.

AN ELEGANT NEW CHURCH EDIFICE.

A Mounted Patrolman Thrown and Seriously Injured—A Wife Forgives the Husband Who Threatened to Kill Her—Pythian Memorial.

A large number of people were turned away from the Broadway Methodist church yesterday, unable to find seats, before the hour arrived for the commencement of the exercises for the observance of Children's day. The hour was 10:30, and when it arrived it was difficult to force a passage way through the hall and vestibule from the Sunday school room on the first floor, where the children met, to march to the church auditorium above. The church was handsomely decorated with cut and potted flowers and floral designs. On the right of the altar stood a large white cross ten feet high, across which was painted the motto, "By this Sign Conquer." This was profusely trimmed with flowers and foliage, and was afterwards made to bear the banners of the various divisions of the church and Sabbath school. The music was furnished by a full choir with organ, piano and cornet accompaniment. The opening hymn, "Hail to Children's day," was sung as the children marched into the church. This was followed by prayer and responsive scriptural reading by the superintendent and the school. The conductors of the exercises were Superintendent L. W. Tulleys and Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Arthur. Col. Tulleys, in his introductory statement, said the bible speaks of the church as the Lord's army, and so the children's day services this year had been planned to show a part of the Lord's hosts in this world. "The whole army includes all the Lord's soldiers, but we have only time today to review our own division of this army. This Methodist army is divided into various divisions, the pastoral division, the educational division, the recruiting division and various others." The pastor, Rev. D. C. Franklin, was introduced as the representative of the pastoral division. He read an essay filled with statistical information concerning the great Methodist army, in which he told the children that there were 6,331,000 Methodists of all kinds in the world, of whom 4,722,000 were in the United States. "Such an army as this must have commanders. The generals of the Methodist church are the bishops. Beginning with Dr. Coke, the Methodist church, since its organization in December, 1764, had forty-six bishops and missionary bishops, of whom sixteen are now living and laboring. They are our chief pastors and have general oversight of the whole church. As a body they are among the most influential ministers of Christ on the globe. Next come the presiding elders, the brigadiers of our Methodist army. They are sub-bishops, having care of the pastors and churches in their large districts. They also form the cabinet or advisors of the bishops. We have about 450 presiding elders. We have 15,000 pastors and 13,000 local preachers, or non-commissioned officers, who are in direct contact with the two and a half million laymen who constitute our Methodist army, the noblest division of the Christian army beneath the sun."

Next to the pulpit in power in the church stands the press, and Mr. L. G. Knotts was chosen to represent that division, which he did in a very interesting address filled with information about the great work of the Methodist book concern.

Miss Jennie Pile represented the great church societies, which constitute an important division in the great army.

Mrs. Arthur represented the recruiting division, and Miss Zella Niles the Epworth guards in appropriate addresses.

Emma Williams, a sweet little girl in fleecy white, was called upon to tell the people about the junior army of the church, and Master George Wheeler, a courageous little seven-year-old boy came forward and told in a strong voice that could have been heard in the street about the little crusaders, and informed the vast audience that more than eight hundred years ago a vast crusade of children was led from Europe to try to conquer Jerusalem from the Saracens, "but the present little crusaders fight not for the tomb of a dead Jesus, but for the glory of a living Jesus."

The educational division was represented by Arthur Wilson, Denny Lemen and Arthur Wade, three of the bright little children from the Christian home, who conducted a long dialogue in a manner that won the warmest applause from the audience.

Mr. Paulson spoke for the Methodist mutual aid society, the newest division of the great army.

The most touching part of the exercises was the tribute to the memory of the members of the school who had died since last children's day. It was a dialogue in rhyme by Mamie Mulholland and Minnie Pile, two dainty little maidens, who carried between them a long garland of flowers and foliage. When they concluded the huge cross had been decorated with the banners of the preceeding divisions, and this garland was skillfully entwined around it from the top to the base.

This closed the exercises, and after the collection, which amounted to a large sum, the children and the congregation united in singing a spirited closing hymn.

Bids will be received at St. Bernard's to the 18th of June for the excavating of grounds and basement for an extension of the hospital. Bids will be received by mother superior.

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A Horrible Carving Affray.

A hack was hurriedly driven into the city last evening shortly before 9 o'clock from Big lake, bringing in the terribly carved body of Albert Smith. The victim was taken to the residence of his brother, James Smith, on North First street between Broadway and Vine street, where he was boarding, and Drs. Cook and Thomas were summoned to attend him. That he was horribly cut was apparent before his clothing was removed, as his intestines were protruding through the gaping aperture that was to be partly seen through the rent in his clothes.

The razor with which the cutting was done had slashed through his coat, vest, shirt and waistband of his trousers and had laid open the flesh from a point just above the umbilicus around to the backbone. The cut was a terrible one and measured seventeen and a quarter inches in length. It had cut through into the abdominal cavity, allowing the intestines to protrude. The cut ranged back across the lower floating ribs, which were exposed, and around to within half an inch of the backbone.

The doctors set to work to ascertain how deep the wound was and whether or not the intestines had been cut, but were unable to make the examination until after the patient was chloroformed. He suffered greatly and lost a great deal of blood before he reached the city, his clothing being completely saturated. It was found that none of the internal organs were injured and that the intestines had not been cut open, although the razor had almost touched them.

The cut was sewed up, it requiring twenty-eight stitches to bring the gaping sides of the cut together.

Stories as to how and where the carving was done differ widely, and the identity of the carver is as yet unknown. It seems that Smith and Charles Moran went to Big lake yesterday forenoon fishing. In the afternoon there was a dance at a place there owned by Mrs. Pralor and run by a colored man named Green. The fishermen concluded to wind up their day's sport by visiting the place and looking at the dancers. It was while thus engaged that the trouble occurred. There were several white men present, and two of them got to fighting. Smith and another white man named James Williams, a carpenter, interfered to prevent a number of others from joining in the fracas. While thus engaged Williams states that a colored man whose name he does not know, but whom he has frequently seen in the vicinity of the Northwestern depot, rushed up behind Smith and hit him in the back of the head with a pair of brass knuckles. Smith turned around, and as he did so the colored man drew a razor. As soon as Smith saw the razor he started to run and the other man pursued him. That is the extent of Williams' knowledge in the case. It is stated by others that the colored man overtook Smith just as he was turning around the corner of the shanty and slashed him with the razor, making the wound above described. No one seemed to know who the man was, or at least refuse to disclose his identity. He is described as being rather short and heavy set, but this is the only description thus far obtained of him.

Smith was placed in a hack and brought to the city. It seems that the row must have been of considerable duration, as a hack load which was driving out to the lake met another load coming in and were advised not to go out, as there was a fight in progress. They then turned back to the city, after which the hack driver drove out to see what was going on and was hired to bring in the wounded man.

When he arrived there Smith was lying on the ground in the rear of the Pralor place. It is stated by Mrs. Pralor that the row occurred at the saloon run by Ole Wallgren, a Swede, about thirty feet above her place. She says that there were three rows in progress there during the day, but declares that everything about her place was as orderly as could be desired. Another report is that Smith ran into the Pralor place after he was cut, and that while there a colored woman known as Julie threw a brick at him and hit him on the head. Some of the colored folks who were there declare that the crrving was done by Bob Scott, a white man, but the statement is discredited.

Smith's injuries are not necessarily fatal, and it is believed that he will recover unless something more unfavorable than is expected develops. He exhibited great nerve after the cutting and bore the trip to the city bravely, holding the edges of the cut together. He is a single man, thirty-two years of age, and has been in the city but a short time. He recently disposed of a farm in Nebraska and has since then been living with his brother here.

The Manhattan sporting headq'rs, 418 B-way.

The New Methodist Church.

The directory of the Broadway Methodist church will hold an important meeting tomorrow evening. They will have submitted to them for examination four sets of plans for a new $35,000 church building to be erected upon the site of the present structure. The plans will be submitted by local architects and the design that is considered the best will be approved and bids will then be asked for at once, and within the next thirty days work will be commenced upon the finest and largest church edifice in the city.

The need of a new church has long been felt, not so much on account of the aged character of the present building as the growth of the congregation. The church has grown entirely too small for the number that attend it, and there is seldom a service held when chairs are not required to be placed in the aisles and then many are turned away at the door. Were the building large enough to hold them it is generally conceded that a congregation of at least 1,500 people would be addressed every Sunday night. This is owing to the central location of the building and the popular character of the church itself, which is broadly claiming that Methodism is the church of the masses. These facts have spurred the members to renewed activity, and now the work so long contemplated has practically been commenced.

The work of raising the funds and clearing away other obstacles has largely been done by the young people forming the Methodist Mutual Aid society, organized in the church for that purpose. They have been at work for the past year systematically and enthusiastically, and the new building will be their substantial monument.

The new church will seat comfortable 1,000 persons and will be the largest in the city. The site occupied by the present building will be too small for such a structure, and arrangements have been made for extending the lot by purchasing fifteen feet on the south and the same amount on the east. The new building will set back a few feet from the street corner and have grass plats between the pavements and the walls.

S. B Wadsworth & Co., 207 Pearl street, loan money for Lombard Investment company.

Officer Harrington Seriously Injured.

Mounted Patorlman Harrington was the victim of a serious accident yesterday morning. He is the only mounted officer on the day force, and his beat includes all of the territory in the western part of the city, including Lower Broadway. About 10:30 o'clock, while near the water works pumping station, his horse, which is a bucking broncho, became fractious and Harrington was violently thrown to the ground. He struck on the curbstone with such force that three ribs were broken and his collar bone fractured in two places. He was removed to his home and medical assistance summoned. His injuries were found to be very serious, as aside from the broken bones he was badly bruised, and it is feared that he may have sustained internal injuries. It is not thought, however, that they will prove fatal. He will be confined to his bed for some time.

Lillie camp No. 1, Royal Neighbors of America, will give a social at Woodmen's hall tomorrow evening. All Woodmen and their friends are cordially invited.

Forgave Her Brutal Husband.

Another instance of an abused wife's willingness to forgive a brutal husband was shown at the police station yesterday afternoon. Shortly before 2 o'clock a nice appearing little woman visited the station and said that her husband had threatened to kill her and she believed that he actually intended to do it. The officers could not arrest the fellow without a warrant, so Deputy Marshal Fowler looked up Justice Schurz and secured the necessary document. The woman gave her name as Mrs. John Wadleigh and said she lived at the corner of Eighth street and Avenue D. The deputy marshal started out to corral Mr. Wadleigh and it was but a very short time until that worthy was landed in the police station. Mrs. Wadleigh remained at the station until her bloodthirsty husband was brought in, as she was afraid to return home as long as he was there. The two had quite a long talk after Wadleigh was arrested and it was then that the first steps toward a reconciliation were made.

It seems that they arrived in the city Saturday. He says they came from Chicago and declares that it was from Indiana. They found a house for rent and in it was a lot of furniture, which was offered for sale cheap by a man whose wife had just skipped out and deserted him. They bought the furniture for $45 and moved in. Everything was lovely until yesterday morning, when trouble began. Mr. Wadleigh was not in a Sunday frame and proposed to end his wife's earthly existence then and there as above stated.

After getting her husband locked up Mrs. Wadleigh repented, and immediately set to work to get him out again. She appealed to Marshal Templeton to release him, but that official declared that it could not be done without an order from the judge. She then started out to look up the judge and the chief of police, but her efforts were not attended with success. The officers did not sympathize with her in her desire to have Wadleigh released, as he is a villainous-looking individual and he would have been arrested on his looks if he had been seen before any charge was preferred. Owing to the unwillingness of the principal witness to prosecute the case, it is hardly probable that Wadleigh will be punished for his Sunday diversion, unless Mrs. Wadleigh again changes her mind.

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The Pythian Memorial.

Yesterday afternoon the Knights of Pythias held their annual memorial services in respect to the memory of the members of the order who have passed beyond. The services were held at the hall and at Fairview cemetery. There was a large number of the members present representing Concordia lodge No. 52, St. Albans No. 17 and the Pythian sisterhood. The exercises in the hall were very impressive. The address was by P. C., E. J. Abbott, and was an interesting tribute to the dead. After the conclusion of the exercises in the hall the members marched in a body to the cemetery headed by Dalbey's band. The ladies of the Pythian sisterhood were conveyed to the cemetery in two carriages. A good many Pythians had gathered at the cemetery before the procession arrived.

The services there were very impressive, and when it was over ten mounds had been transformed into banks of sweet scented flowers, wrought in wreathes, anchors, stars and crowns.

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FORTY THOUSAND FOR A DINNER.

But It Was Well Got Up and the Price Was Not Grudged.

"I once paid $40,000 for a dinner for forty people," said General William T Clarke, now of Denver, formerly adjutant general of the Seventeenth army corps, commanded by General James B. McPherson. The remark was made to a listening group at the Southern hotel, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. General Clarke went on to explain about the high-priced meal. It was in Jackson, Miss., in the summer of 1863. The federal army had just taken possession of the town. A few days before that one of the federal cavalry commands had captured a confederate officer on his way to Texas to buy cattle for the confederacy, and with him they captured a big leather valise stuffed full of confederate money, some of it just as it came from the press with the sheets uncut. It counted up in all $40,000. General Clarke got hold of it and went to a man named Johnson, who kept the best hotel in Jackson. He told the landlord that he would give him $40,000 for a dinner for forty, and the landlord went to work to do his best, and really got up a fine dinner. All the principal generals of the army sat down to eat it. When the meal was finished General Clarke handed over the $40,000 to Mr. Johnson. "It made the old fellow rich, too," said General Clarke, "for he put every dollar of it into real eftate at very fair figures considering the character of the currency, and his heirs are pretty well off now on account of the rise in value of the past twenty-five years."

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HEAD AGAINST HEAD.

How a Vermont Colored Man Butted a Barrel.

Bellows Falls is where the dime museum freaks are developed, and the country store actors fitted for the stage and $30 a week. Recently a reporter passed a night at the Commercial house, and in company with handsome and witty Mr. Nims, the proprietor, went over to an adjoining stable to see a son of Africa test his head against the head of a flour barrel, says the Boston Globe.

Before the trial was made Mr. Nims took off the hoops from one end of the barrel and drove fifteen or twenty malleable nails through the chimes, far down into the edges of the head. After this he drove the hoops on securely and nailed them. Then the barrel was placed firmly on a box, raised about three feet from the floor; the further end was fastened against a horse stall, and all was ready.

The colored man had on a big knitted cap, and when he drew off some two rods away to make his run fire flashed from his eyes like sparks from an electric car. A sharp run, a skip, and a mad, headlong leap, and his cranium came up against the barrel with a crash. It was no use. He winked demurely, scratched his head dubiously, and retired for another run.

"Make my $5 bet a $10," said Nims, who had been betting against the athlete.

"Done," replied the reporter, and again the battering ram went forth to meet with repulse. The third time he came up he was evidently discouraged, though not disheartened. Failure again awaited him. During the lull which followed Nims went up to the barrel and began to pull bits of bark and slivers from the hammered barrel head.

"See here," he said in an undertone to the reporter, "I'll pay the $10 and call it off. That fellow has beaten those boards all to basket stuff, and he is bound to finish it the next whack. I've lost and will pay now."

"No, sah, you doan't," cried the colored man. "Hold on ter yer money, sah; I'se gwine to finish him now, suah." Saying this he backed clear across the stable, gave a snort and a jump, and went for that barrel like a common bull and target. The air looked blue as he sped along. The usual "dull, sickening thud" was the result. The negro lay on the straw, a rod away from the barrel, gasping for breath, and the barrel was intact. It was fully five minutes before he could speak. At last he said:

"I must giv' dat one moah trial befo' I go to Bosting to the dime museum to work." He scratched his head and walked away, and the reporter came to Boston alone.

S. B. Durfey, mate of steamer Arizona, had his foot badly jammed. Thomas' Electric Oil cured it. Nothing equal to it for a quick pain reliever.

Prayers for Rain.

When Mr. Max O'Rell was questing in Scotland for humor he was told of a Presbyterian minister who had just cut his hay, and, the weather not being very propitious for making it, he knelt near his open window and addressed to heaven the following prayer: "O Lord, send us wind for the hay; not a rantin,' tantin', tearin' wind, but a noughin', soughin,' winnin' wind." But Dean Ramsay was before Mr. Max O'Rell, and, as the story appeared in his "Reminiscences," due acknowledgment of the fact was given, says the Gentleman's Magazine. We should, however, submit that the dean was not first in the field, but that the circumstances may have crept out of the Talmud and been captured and carried to the Presbyterian fold, as we find the following in a learned translation: "Choni, the circling charmer, was asked to pray for rain. After his preparations and prayer drops began to fall. 'I have not asked for this,' said he, 'but for such abundance as to fill wells, ditches and caves.' A tempest of rain was the result. 'No,' said he, 'that is not what I ask, but rain of pleasantness, blessing and freewill.' The rain moderated, but continued to fall, till Israel had to leave Jerusalem for the Temple Mount on account of the swelling torrents. 'Pray now,' they cried, 'for its discontinuance.' 'Go and see,' said he whether the water has covered the Inquiry Stone.' The president of the Sanhedrim sent him the following message: 'Were it any other man than Choni I would decree his excommunication, but what can I do unto thee, whose presumption, like a son against his father, is met by the Eternal One with the fulfillment of thy desires.' "

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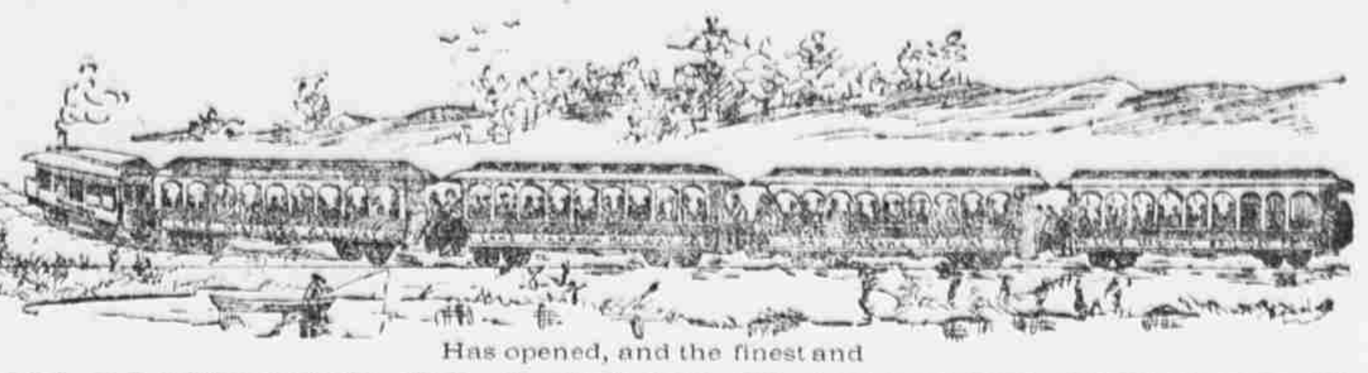

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EVIDENTLY THE WORK OF A DASTARD.

Francis Murphy Winds Up a Successful Engagement at Plattsmouth—State News of a More or Less Interesting Nature.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Early this morning the elegant residence of Hon. O. H. Ballou, situated about three miles west of town, caught fire and was burned to the ground. Mr. Ballou and his family were out of the city, having gone to St. Louis Saturday morning.

The cause is supposed to be of an incendiary nature. The evening before the coacher went through the house and everything was all right when he left it. No one slept there and it was some time before an alarm was given, and being out of the fire limits very little assistance could be rendered and before any one could reach the spot the house was reduced to ashes.

The house and its contents were valued at $30,000, with an insurance of about $15,000. This is the second time in the space of a few months that Mr. Ballou has suffered loss by fire. The exposition building, of which he was a heavy stockholder, burned in the early part of March. It is not known whether he will rebuild or not.

Mr. Francis Murphy closed his meetings here tonight, which were attended with great success, having had nearly one thousand signers to his pledge. He is delighted with the treatment he has received at the hands of our citizens and says he will certainly return and give another series of lectures before the November election.

Columbus Chatter.

COLUMBUS, Neb., June 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—With the advance of the season business is improving and a great many buildings are being erected in and around the city. The new masonic temple will be in course of construction in a few days on the corner of Olive and Thirteenth streets.

Business lots are changing hands rapidly. Arrangements are about completed for the purchase of the valuable property occupied by the Congregational church, opposite the Thurston hotel. Three large brick stores will be placed on the site and a $10,000 church will be built on the corner north of where the church now stands.

The exact location of the new opera house has not been determined, but in all probability it will be placed on the corner opposite the temple to the south. The State bank will erect a four-story building facing north on Thirteenth street. The First National bank will build shortly.

The wholesale house of Lehman & Streeter is working up a good business and as soon as buildings can be erected large enough to accommodate them they will start on the road a number of salesmen.

The city will be asked to tear down the old city hall before some of our citizens are buried beneath its ruins. It is an old landmark, but should be removed at once and a new one erected to correspond with the beautiful park in which it stands.

The prospects for abundant crops in Platte county were never better than at the present time. The farmers' alliance will come to the front this fall with a thousand votes. They are talking of nominating an independent ticket composed of alliance men.

Wilcox on the Boom.

WILCOX, Neb., June 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Wilcox is on the boom and her citizens have taken right hold this spring and are having the liveliest building boom since the first season the town started four years ago. Three two-story brick business houses with iron and plate glass fronts and a large hall in the second story are being built by Messrs. Wilcox, Barker and Bradford at a cost of about $15,000. The hall will be fitted up for an opera house. Three brick residences and several frame residences are now in course of construction. The First Congregational church is building a church edifice which will cost $3,000 or $4,000.

An addition just west of town called West Wilcox, platted by Wilcox & Dequine, has also joined the procession and is having a boom of its own and several residences are being built. More are contracted for and property has doubled twice in value during the last ninety days.

The townsite company here has sold at least $4,000 worth of lots in the last sixty days, and the village board passed a sidewalk ordinance requiring sidewalks on the principal streets, and about three thousand feet of new walks have been built. The Wilcox lumber company, a new institution, has recently opened a new lumber yard here. Crop prospects are not as good as usual owing to dry weather.

Affairs at Nelson.

NELSON, Neb., June 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A meeting of citizens was held Friday evening to discuss plans for additional school facilities. There was a decided difference of opinion in regard to the advisability of erecting one large building sufficient for all grades or the building of smaller schools in different parts of town, but the general sentiment favors the submitting of a proposition to vote bonds.

The corner stone of the court house was not laid on the 12th as announced. A dispute arose as to who should have charge of the ceremonies, but the whole matter was settled by the failure of the stone to arrive from the quarry. Arrangements have now been made to lay the corner stone on the 20th, representatives from the whole county to have the ceremonies in charge. Governor Thayer, Judge Morris and C. E. Adams of Superior will deliver addresses and five steers will be roasted in honor of the occasion.

Matters at Geneva.

GENEVA, Neb., June 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Colonel E. A. Coombs of the Third regiment, Knights of Pythias, was last night tendered a reception by his friends, after which there was a banquet and ball. A good crowd was in attendance.

The third special stock train of forty-two cars left here this morning with cattle for Chicago, over the B. & M., and in two weeks there will be another.

We had a heavy rain last night and consequently the farmers of Fillmore county are happy. Oats will be but half a crop, from the present outlook. The drouth at the beginning of the season is the cause of the shortage.

Sheridan County Crops.

RUSHVILLE, Neb., June 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Very encouraging reports as to the crop prospects come in from all parts of the county. Never before at this season of the year has small grain looked so well, and the acreage is at least double that of any previous year. Careful estimates based on assessors' returns and other reliable sources indicate that there are 150,000 acres of small grain alone in Sheridan county this season. The rainfall has not only been greater than heretofore, but better distributed in point of time to suit the needs of growing crops.

They Were Locked Up.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., June 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Deputy Sheriff McVey returned from Wood River last night with the four parties charged with assault with intent to kill upon the person of Charles Parke, who is lying in St. Joseph's hospital slightly improved but still in a very precarious condition.

They were consigned to jail to await the preliminary hearing, which will be held tomorrow morning.

William Andress, the circus proprietor, was arrested, but given his liberty under guard. The evidence is strong, and they will undoubtedly be bound over to the district court.

Election of Officers at Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., June 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following brethren were elected officers of the Springfield lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, for the ensuing year: John T. Sexson, worshipful master; J. B. Lichtemwalner, senior warden; T. D. Roberts, junior warden; E. P. Swain, treasurer; J. C. Miller, secretary.

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They Were All Ducks.

The many thefts of poultry and produce from farmers in the small North Atlantic seaport towns by the crew of the man-of-war Powhatan some years ago had at last caused the officers to take action toward punishing the offenders, says the New York Herald. The men were all notified that dire punishment would be inflicted upon them if they continued in their nefarious practice, and for a while a chicken could stroll along the beach with the utmost impunity while the vessel was in port. This did not last long, however, and one day while the ship was anchored in a small seaport some of the men asked to be allowed to go ashore. When the officer of the deck was importuned for permission he replied:

"Yes, you may, but if I hear of your robbing a hen roost I will put you in double irons for twenty days."

"Pat" Harvey, an Irishman, who acted as spokesman, promised that no hen roosts would be robbed, and the men left the ship.

Early next morning an irate farmer came on board and swore that the men had entered his barn and carried off several hundred pounds of poultry. All who went ashore were called up and the officer of the deck, who happened to be the same that let the men off, pounced upon Harvey.

"Didn't you," he cried, "promise not to rob a hen house if I let you go ashore?"

"Sure oi did sur," replied Harvey. "We didn't take a hen, sur; they're all ducks."

Harvey was right. There were eighteen ducks found when the mess chest was searched, but there was not a single chicken among them.

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