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THE NEWS IN THE BLUFFS.
A Serious Hitch Discovered in the Count of Second Ward Ballots.
THE CITY'S DOCUMENTS INSECURELY KEPT
Demands for New Vaults—A \$10,000 Hog—Light and Water for Avoca—Death of Will N. Clayton.

stock, and the trial was set for yesterday. It was compromised by the firm paying a certain amount, and McKernan thought that they would be kindly treated and taught in a painstaking way. They would then be introduced to Mrs. McDermid, and would be charged to show that the younger children are under her special care; as she has in a high degree the power to win their affection and competency to give instruction. The principal brings to his work a mature experience, having taught in the Ontario institution in the city of Bellevue for six years and a graduate of the Ontario provincial institution, and having taught four years there and two years in Council Bluffs.

THE WHALEMAN ABROAD.
A Good Illustration of His Spirit of Adventure.
A better illustration of their (the whalemen's) proud spirit cannot be given than the encounter in Halifax between Greene, the mate of a Nantucket vessel, and the duke of Clarence, admiral of the British fleet, after William IV. says a writer of the Century. The dispute arose over the duke's attentions to a girl, and reached its climax in the Nantucket mate seizing the future king of England and hurling him downstairs. An eye-witness of the affair was wont in after years to add a decorative detail, that the click of the duke's sword-hilt was heard on every stair. Greene at once went aboard his own ship and refused to obey a summons from the admiral who, it afterwards transpired, had intended to make the plucky Nantucket man an officer in the English army.

TRAITS OF DE BLOWITZ.
The Famous Correspondent Lives in an Oriental Style.
The late Laurence Oliphant was accustomed to remark that of all the sins that burdened his conscience and weighed on his most eccentric mind, the most grievous in his own eyes was that of having "invented" M. de Blowitz, says the New York Tribune. The latter was drifting about in Paris after the Franco-German war, when he happened to catch the eye of Mr. Oliphant, at that time French correspondent of the London Times, and who was forever on the lookout for queer characters. Although it was—and for the matter of that, still is—beyond the power of M. de Blowitz to either write or even speak English, yet he succeeded in getting himself appointed first as assistant and then as successor to Mr. Oliphant.

WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD.
Prices of false teeth have gone up recently, but the rise was caused by the scarcity of platinum, of which metal the little pins are made with which to fasten each tooth to the plate, says the New York Star. All the platinum of commerce comes from Russia, and the supply is hardly sufficient for the demand at present. The consumption of platinum has greatly increased since the electric lighting companies began its use. Did you ever believe that the fine, hard wire loop in each incandescent light? That wire is made of platinum, which is one of the very hardest of metals. The price of platinum has gone up to about \$20 an ounce, which is considerable higher than 22 carat gold. Thus it comes about that platinum is actually "worth its weight in gold," and more too. This may now with propriety be classed among "the precious metals." It is found in Oregon and several other parts of the United States, but not in commercial quantities.

Philosophers on Newspapers.
We have lately learned, through the reminiscences of his disciples, how two of the most eminent thinkers of our time—Schopenhauer and Emerson—regarded the modern newspaper, says the New York Ledger. Schopenhauer, it is now well remembered, was fond of reading the London Times; it was, therefore, the highest type of the daily newspaper he had in his mind. He found much more in it, however, to blame than to praise. He used to call the newspaper the second hand of the watch of history; adding that not only it of less noble origin than the watch, but that the watchmaker goes right. He points out what, indeed, can hardly be disputed, that in editorial articles, which play the part of chorus to the drama of contemporary events, exaggeration is as common as in the most vulgar of the street. In Schopenhauer's opinion the resultant excess of emphasis made newspapers a source of contagion to style in literature. He also thought that the system of anonymity bred a disingenuous spirit which affects the form no less than the matter of newspaper utterances.

MINOR MENTION.
K. Y. P. Co.
Council Bluffs Lumber Co., coal.
It's about time to gather in the benches from the city parks.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS YESTERDAY began the official count of the recent election. They had not proceeded far before they started a squabbling. The returns from the Second ward of this city seem mixed. The registry books and poll books did not agree. It seems that the clerks in filling out the books found it necessary to add some extra sheets, there not being enough bound in the books. So with the tally sheets. Some of those loose sheets were placed in the ballot box instead of being returned with the books, and others of those loose sheets evidently got mixed together. An effort was made yesterday to get some satisfactory straightening of the returns, but it seemed such a puzzle that it was decided to sleep over it and determine today whether a recount would be necessary or not.

SALE! SALE!
The Boston Store, COUNCIL BLUFFS.
Opens a great clearing sale to make room for holiday goods. Commences tomorrow, Monday morning, with a sale of the stock of \$10,000, has already begun the work of putting in the plant, and expects to have it completed by the first of the new year. The city has also arranged for waterworks. Bonds to the amount of \$10,000 have been voted for the waterworks. The city is to own the mains, the reservoir, etc., while the power, the engine, and machinery will be owned by a private company. The principal brings to his work a mature experience, having taught in the Ontario institution in the city of Bellevue for six years and a graduate of the Ontario provincial institution, and having taught four years there and two years in Council Bluffs.

WESTERN ART ASSOCIATION.
Opening of the Third Annual Exhibition.
The third annual exhibition of the Western Art Association was thrown open to the public last evening, the large room on the first floor of the New York Life building having been converted into an immense salon by the members of the hanging committee of the association, Messrs. Stanbury, Catlin and Rothery.

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