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MINOR MENTION.

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Council Bluffs Lumber Co., coal.

The tramp brigade yesterday consisted of just thirteen. It was an unlucky number but no casualties occurred during the afternoon.

The air yesterday contained the first suggestion that has been given to humanity in this section of the country that winter is near at hand.

"We will tell you one thing that may interest the public," said City Marshal Tompkins yesterday morning when asked the inevitable reporter question. "I am going to enforce the snow ordinance this winter. If we have any snow at all, the city will require the property owners to clean the snow from the sidewalks in front of their premises as soon as the storm that deposited it there had ceased, and I am going to do my best to induce all classes of citizens to comply with it." Hence, for only a few of the business men to protest, the city will be required to keep their walks clean, but I think the ordinance should be generally enforced. When the snow storms come and people neglect to shovel or sweep the drifts from their walks, I will notify them what to do. If they will not comply with us, the tramp brigade will winter at this business, and charge up the expense to the property owners. I think this will be a little bit better than arrest and prosecution under the ordinance, and will result in getting the walks cleaned more quickly.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

E. R. Fonda and wife are back from an extended eastern trip, having been absent about two months.

They has returned from the east, where with E. R. Fonda, he attended the grand lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Henry Melrose and Miss Minnie Belle Van Horn, both of Omaha, were married Sunday at the residence of Isaac Green, on Eighth street, in Council Bluffs. Rev. A. Overton officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dalton have returned from Portsmouth, La., where they have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Baker. Mr. Baker and Mr. Dalton enjoyed themselves exchanging war reminiscences, both being old soldiers.

Captain Jacob Schmidt, of Buffalo's police force, took a leave of his Bluff yesterday under the guidance of his old friend, George Rudis. Captain Schmidt's mission west is to secure a man who is under arrest in Omaha, and who is wanted in Buffalo for embezzlement.

Joseph Hatch, the young negro who was charged with stealing from Mr. Elmer, the little old man who runs a store on the corner of Broadway and Sixteenth streets, was discharged yesterday morning. The prosecution failed to establish clearly the fact that the coat was stolen.

E. J. Elzard, passenger on the Northwestern bound for St. Louis, created a stir among the railroad men and was taken to the central station by the patrol wagon. A charge of disturbing the peace and intoxication was placed against him. He had \$125 on his person, but he went into the sewer with the remainder of the drunk.

S. Hoover, who has charge of the Chautauqua branch, lost his fine carriage which was due to his son's predilection for carrying a revolver. The boy had led the animal from the stable to a watering trough, and while the animal was drinking, he attempted to put an old fashioned pistol from his pocket. The horse reared right up and struck the boy in the side. A wound was inflicted from which the horse died in a few hours.

The famous drummer boy case, which was set for trial in Judge Schur's court yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, was continued until Monday at 10 o'clock, an hour on account of the defendants. W. A. Askwith represents the prosecution and A. T. Flickinger the defense. Among the witnesses who have been summoned to testify to the alleged fact that John J. Keane's drum is a nuisance, were Hon. George F. Wright, Miss Jessie MacComand and Sol Foster.

The Pottawattomie County Fruit Growers and Gardeners' association will hold their annual meeting Saturday afternoon at the court house at 2 o'clock, December 6. There will be election of officers and other important business. At the meeting there will be an exhibition of fruits, vegetables and grains, to which everybody is cordially invited. The exhibit is free and the doors will be open to the general public at 1 o'clock and during the entire afternoon and evening. At 2 o'clock there will be a lecture in the parlor room above on "The Sugar Beet Industry." Also good music and an original poem by Rev. G. W. Crofts. The entire programme is free and is intended to awaken increased interest in the fruit and vegetable products of the county.

C. A. Beebe & Co. are going out of the retail trade and will close out their fine line of ladies' writing and office desks, book cases, chiffoniers, parlor tables, parlor and chamber suits, folding beds, plain and fancy rockers, cabinets, mirrors, etc., etc. for less than cost.

Money to loan at straight 5 per cent per annum. E. S. Barnett, agent.

Buy your coal and wood of C. B. Fuel Co., 80 Broadway. Telephone 136.

John Maher Discharged.

The case of John Maher, who was charged by young Smith and Reed of robbing for paper, was called in Justice Schur's court yesterday, and after the submission of a little important testimony on the part of the defense, Maher was discharged.

The discharge was obtained upon evidence of the two prosecuting witnesses. Before the trial, the prosecuting attorney ordered them to go to the bank and present the check that had been given them by Maher purporting to come from Frank H. Reed. They did so immediately after the bank was closed in the morning, and were somewhat surprised when the cashier without a word handed them the \$10 for which the check called. This statement they were compelled to admit in court, and the prosecution at once fell to the ground and the trial was promptly adjourned.

The other cases against the two boys were dismissed, as it could not be shown that they had any weapons on their persons and none were found when they were arrested and searched at the city jail.

Chinese goods, Japanese novelties at No. 380 Upper Broadway. Odd Christmas gifts. Jim Long.

Scott House. Best \$1.00 per day house in the city.

Railroad Men's Meeting.

An interesting railroad men's meeting was held yesterday in the Young Men's Christian association. Nearly double the number of railroad men of the previous Sabbath were present. Rev. J. T. Mackay gave a good talk to railroad men. Much interest is manifested in this work for railroad men. Meetings will be held next Sunday at 2 p.m. in the association rooms. A good man will be secured to address the meeting. All railroad men in.

A Christmas Puzzle.

What shall we buy for the holidays? If this puzzle you come in and see our holiday store. We have diamonds; gold and silver watches and chains; gold and silver jewelry, rings, bracelets, necklaces, lockets; gold-headed canes; solid silver and plated ware; too many novelties to name; you must see them to appreciate them; they are so artistic and beautiful; visitors welcome to see our display. C. B. Jacquinson & Co., No. 7 Main st.

J. C. Bixby, steam heating, sanitary engineer, 946 Life building, Omaha; 232 Marlin block, Council Bluffs.

The Manhattan sporting headquarters, 418 Broadway.

THE NEWS IN THE BLUFFS.

James McKinley Killed by a Fall from the Baldwin Building.

SEEKING A CHANCE TO INVEST MILLIONS.

The City Council Enjoys a Fight for Charters by Two Rival Railway Companies—Johnny Maher Discharged.

A fatal accident occurred on the new Baldwin building at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. At that hour the masons engaged on the walls were ascending the ladders to commence the afternoon's work, and one of their number, James McKinley, started to go with them. He had not yet got to the top of the ladder when he was advised not to do so by his fellow workmen. The building had only reached the second story, and it was only a fourteen foot ladder the unfortunate man attempted to climb. He persisted in going to work, and had got a little half way up the ladder when he lost his hold and fell backward, striking squarely on his head on the floor below. Several of his comrades saw him fall, and instantly ran to him. He was limp and unconscious when they reached him and picked him up. Blood soon commenced to trickle from ears and nostrils.

He was hastily carried into Camp's drug store adjoining, and Drs. Macrae and Seyberts summoned. They reached him in a few moments but he had ceased to breath before they got there. An examination showed that death had resulted from a dislocation of the neck and a fracture of the spinal column near the brain.

Underneath McKinley & Porter were summoned and the dead man was conveyed to the home of his family on the corner of Broadway and 16th streets.

McKinley has been in the employ of Wickham Bros. for the past six years, and is a good deal of an expert and true rail employee. He was fifty years of age, and leaves a wife and family of six or seven children.

The cause of death was so apparent that the coroner did not deem it necessary to hold an inquest.

A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

WE HAVE ONE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT BUSINESS FOR US.

The chief interest centered in the franchises to be asked for and the large audience paid attention to the reading of the bills and the proposed conditions and rates with a good deal of interest. A petition was presented by Frank Cook containing about two hundred names of prominent citizens asking the council that they appreciated the efforts of the Twin City street railway company, thereby insuring improved service and reduced rates, and that they felt confident that the Twin City company would do all its power to enhance the value of property in this city. The petitioners were the principal men who had been purchasing large properties for the past four years, and they therefore asked the council to grant the charter asked for. But the consideration of the charter went on until routine business was completed.

A petition was presented by A. C. Graham and others asking for the construction of a levee with "street filling" consisting of three-inch planks with earth embankment. The levee is asked for the protection of property in the northeastern portion of the city, and is to be constructed at the embankment of the Northwestern railroad at the southeast corner of Lake View park and to continue south along the river bank in connection with the United States bank in connection with the river bank, and to work along with that line.

Major Miller filed her application of the street railway ordinance recently granted for the construction of a motor line to Myster Springs.

The grading estimate of T. O'Hearn for work done on David street was submitted to the committee of finance committee.

Approved and the general estimates ordered to be assessed against the property. A similar report was made on the estimate of C. R. Mitchell.

The assessment of a lot on Lower Broadway, belonging to Mrs. E. J. Shuhert was reduced one-half for the year 1890 owing to criminal error of assessor.

The petition presented earlier in the evening asking for the construction of a levee north of the city was granted and the clerk instructed to advertise for bids to be received two weeks hence. The proposed levee will be 6,400 feet long and wide enough for a good roadway.

Several seven and grading contracts were approved.

The matter of chief importance, that of the street car franchise, was then brought up by a communication from the Twin City company reflecting the failure of the other character and submitting the new one. The mayor presented the petition of citizens asking for the immediate granting of the charter and the bill was referred to the committee of finance. The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and was sustained by the council. Mr. Paul and Mr. Mercer were present and consented to the action by their silence. The bill was introduced and read the first time, introduced and read. The twentieth rule was suspended and the ordinance was advanced to the second reading. A motion was made to refer the matter to committee of the whole, but before any action could be taken Mr. Paul moved to refer the bill to the committee of the whole. The committee of the whole voted to take immediate action. Mr. Potter, president of the East Omaha Land company, was also present. Mr. Woods stated that Mr. Potter had just informed him that the subscription books of the company had been paid off and that \$89,000 of the stock was taken in two hours.

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