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MINOR MENTIONS.

N. Y. P. Co. Council Bluffs Lumber Co. road.

Judge Carson held court for a short time yesterday morning for the purpose of listening to motions.

The first ball of the Calanthe assembly, Pythian sisterhood, takes place in the Masonic temple hall this evening.

Dan Carizig has withdrawn from the bond of Charles Young, charged with robbery, and Young has in consequence been locked up.

Subscription to periodicals at wholesale prices. Drop me a card and I will call on you. F. J. Hoagland, No. 1009 Sixth avenue.

The ladies have arranged to hold open house for the ladies of the city on Saturday afternoon and evening, beginning at 5 o'clock.

The board of county supervisors meets next Monday. The bonds of the new officers will then be presented, and the officers will take their places.

Foelisch, the saloonkeeper, is retaliating by claiming that the police are persecuting him and claiming that he has not been having crooks about his place.

John M. Wickersham of Nebraska and Miss Lydia Lieb of Council Bluffs were married yesterday at 10 o'clock at the residence of the bride's brother, 127 South First street, last evening.

Conductor William Kinman of dining car "A" of the Milwaukee, will receive his friends aboard the car at the transfer this evening between 5 and 6:40 and will entertain them royally.

Colonel J. J. Stendman goes to Harlan tonight to address a committee of Grand Army men, the Women's Relief corps and the Sons of Veterans. Officers of the post will be installed by Colonel Stendman of Avoca.

William Kincaid of Cut-off island appeared before Justice Barnett yesterday in a sadly dilapidated condition and asked for a warrant for the arrest of his son, who did the assaulting which caused his sorry appearance. He got it.

Switch engine No. 306, drawing a Wagner dining car, crashed into the Chicago United passenger train in the Northwestern yards yesterday. The dining car was damaged a little and the pilot was knocked off the engine on the limited.

The postoffice will open only from 7:30 to 11 a. m. today. All carriers will make one delivery and collection at 7:30 a. m. A second delivery and collection at 11 o'clock a. m. Business routes only at 11 o'clock a. m. One collection of mail on business routes will be made in the afternoon.

Justice Barnett occupied the greater part of the day yesterday in hearing the evidence in the case of the state against Wilson, charged with assaulting A. W. Turner with intent to commit murder in the first degree last summer. A great deal of conflicting testimony was introduced, and the justice deferred his opinion until Saturday.

The ball of Calanthe assembly P. S. takes place this evening at Masonic temple. The ladies have spared no pains to make the affair an enjoyable one to all that attend.

Tickets for the Pythian Sisterhood ball can be obtained at the door of the committee.

For Sale—415 acres, one mile from market; finest grass or stock farm in Pottawattamie county. Very cheap. Most desirable. See advertisement in name grass from five to ten years. For particulars see Ohio Knox, 9 Main street, Council Bluffs, Ia.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm name of E. H. Sheafe & Co., conducting business of real estate and loan brokers, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the undersigned, E. H. Sheafe, by whom all liabilities will be paid and all assets of the firm collected, and to whom all the assets of the copartnership have been transferred.

Dated at Council Bluffs, December 31, 1900. E. H. SHEAFE, S. B. WADSWORTH, C. D. ESTERNE, W. H. GROSSMAN, DAVID ESKRINE.

Why pay \$1.50 when you can get just as good for \$1.00 at the Scott house for \$1.00.

Charles Dickens' works, 15 volumes, bound in cloth, excellent type, \$3.85. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

We have just received 100 pairs cured live geese without feathers in billows of 2 1/2 lbs each, 8 lbs in the pair. The price while they last, \$2.25 a pair. We also keep on hand a full stock of feathers in bags from one to five pound bags from a medium to the finest live geese cured without feathers. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

See the Boston Store advertisement and see what they are offering in coats for this week. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

First-class fresh candy made for the holiday trade, at A. C. Dempsey's, 103 Main st.

The American District Telegraph Co. has been reorganized and is now prepared to give prompt service. Special attention to express and parcel delivery.

Boys Wanted. Wanted—Boys at Americana District Telegraph office.

Get our prices on ladies', misses' and children's coats. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

J. C. Bixby, steam heating, sanitary engineering, 943 First street, Omaha; 237 Market block, Council Bluffs.

See our prices on coats in another column. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

The Manhattan sporting headquarters, 413 Broadway.

Horse blankets and lap robes at cost at H. Beckman's, 227 Main street.

Buy your coat and wool of C. F. Biel Co., 289 Broadway, Telephone 135.

All our toys just half price for the week. From 9:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. prepared to give you marked in plain figures, you can half it for yourself. \$1.00 for 50c, 75c goods for 35c and so on. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

Great reduction on ladies', misses' and children's coats to clear at the Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

The Boston Store never does anything by halves. They have put the knife in ladies', misses' and children's coats and children's coats. See advertisement for this week. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

Books. Thackeray, 10 volumes, bound in cloth, beautiful clear type, \$3.85. Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

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 sets, folding beds, plain and fancy rockers, cabinets, mirrors, etc., for less than cost.

\$10.00 coats for \$5.00, \$12.00 coats for \$5.00, \$17.00 coats for \$5.00, at the Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

All our \$30.00, \$35.00, \$40.00 and \$50.00 plush coats reduced to \$25.00. Now is the time to buy your plush coats. All guaranteed. Walker & Co., 100 Broadway, London dry, at the Boston Store, Council Bluffs.

Great success. Reliable. Fair dealing. Bottom prices. A. T. C. B. Jacquemin & Co., No. 27 Main street

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They Part Company With a Smile, Having Made a Good Record.

THE FACTS AND FIGURES TALK.

Views of Business Men on the Old and New—Their Plans and Purposes—The News of the Last Day.

The year just closed has brought with it much prosperity and growth to Council Bluffs, despite the seeming adversities which have characterized the history of all cities, though in a much larger degree than this. Council Bluffs has been especially favored in one respect. The surrounding agricultural country, tributary to the city, has had more than average crops, and with the high price paid for products, much money has from this source flowed into this center, while many others have been complaining of impoverished farms and blighted harvests. The prosperity of the agricultural classes in this vicinity has been a great help in alleviating the commercial distresses everywhere complained of.

The city itself has grown in population, not as rapidly as was hoped, but still a growth which compares most favorably with the standard condition of other cities which do more boasting. The results of the official census were far from satisfactory, but fortunately the figures were so ridiculously low as to bear prima facie evidence of their unreliability. The data gathered by the postoffice, which includes the names of all who get mail in the city, the canvass of the directory men, the number of voters registered, the census of the school children, all these points with the various estimates of the population of Council Bluffs has about thirty-five thousand people.

When attempting to give any graphic picture of the growth and prosperity of Council Bluffs, The Bee presents a number of interesting facts and important figures which have been gathered from official and reliable sources.

Council Bluffs covers an area of seventeen and one-half square miles.

The city and city of parks, there belonging to the city and under control of the park commissioners, 615 acres.

The city is lighted at night by the lower system of incandescent lamps, 105 public arc lights. The expense is \$10,000 a year. The gas street lights used in the outlying districts are under the control of the city, and give way, as have the gas lights, to the blaze of electricity.

There are four miles of steam motor in the city and five miles of electric motor lines.

The assessed valuation of the city has increased about half a million, the assessed valuation of real estate being the same as last year, and an assessed value being made in only two years. The assessed valuation is \$3,226,000 and the assessed valuation of personal property is \$1,000,000, making a total of \$4,226,000. This is based on an assessed valuation of only 80 per cent of the real valuation.

The city's city purposes is \$3.25 per \$100. The total debt of the city is \$146,400. There are besides this, city bonds issued for special improvements, and an amount of \$1,000,000 of property, and this has been decided by the courts to be a debt against private property and not against the city.

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THE PULSE OF TRADE.

The following interviews with well known business men indicate somewhat the feelings, experiences and hopes of those whose interests are closely identified with those of Council Bluffs.

THATCHER'S COAL TRADE.

"We know that the year 1900 has brought us a rush of business that fully justifies us in the belief that we made no mistake in our location of our general wholesale yards in Council Bluffs," said Mr. H. A. Cox, the western sales agent of A. T. Thatcher, the great coal merchant. The output has exceeded all expectations to such an extent that we ought to be denied the privilege of calling our New Year's dinner and making it with the high price coal if we did not frankly admit it. While there has been a stringency in money matters that has had a depressing effect upon all branches of trade during the year, we have had the most unprecedentedly warm winter in our history, yet the volume of our trade has not only kept up the pace in what was supposed to be a many proscribed year, but has exceeded it. This can only be accounted for by admitting a remarkable growth of the city and the surrounding territories that is tributary to it. The coal business is a mighty good barometer to indicate the state of commercial and industrial prosperity. If business is stagnated the coal trade will show it first, caused by the shutting down of the manufacturing, and the farmers, which consume a large quantity of the output of the coal mines. We have located yards here that are as extensive as any in the west and we have as complete facilities for handling coal as any in the west. We have as unlimited means and a thorough knowledge of the business in all of its details can give. We are satisfied from our experience during the year that the coal trade is in a position to dominate the wholesale coal trade of the Missouri valley. We are coal owners and operators and sole agents for the largest and complete coal mines in the west. We have some of the best anthracite mines that have ever been developed. We have pushed our business in such a way that Council Bluffs sort of way, that whenever the dealers and large consumers throughout the west think of coal, and call the name of Thatcher, it appears as the natural sequence of the thought. No order is too big or too small for us to fill, and fill promptly. Let the bargains come and block the roads between the west and the eastern sources of coal supplies, and it will not produce even the possibility of a famine. We have our yards in Council Bluffs, the largest stock yard of Chicago, and you know that a snow blockade is so remote a contingency in this country that it is scarcely worth considering. We have a complete outfit of old and new fields, and I can perceive no new obstacles likely to get in our way during the coming year that will call for more than the ordinary degree of effort and surmount. Our grades of coal include all the prize fuels known in the market. For domestic use, the best grades, and we give the trade Chicago prices with the simple addition of freight charges. We don't use many long hauls, and the usual margins given large shippers. Among our bituminous coals for domestic heating and steam purposes you will find only the best grades, and to meet your every demand. The Walnut block and the Enterprise lump are the highest grades of Iowa and are sold in Council Bluffs. We have a complete outfit of old and new fields, and I can perceive no new obstacles likely to get in our way during the coming year that will call for more than the ordinary degree of effort and surmount. Our grades of coal include all the prize fuels known in the market. For domestic use, the best grades, and we give the trade Chicago prices with the simple addition of freight charges. We don't use many long hauls, and the usual margins given large shippers. Among our bituminous coals for domestic heating and steam purposes you will find only the best grades, and to meet your every demand. The Walnut block and the Enterprise lump are the highest grades of Iowa and are sold in Council Bluffs. We have a complete outfit of old and new fields, and I can perceive no new obstacles likely to get in our way during the coming year that will call for more than the ordinary degree of effort and surmount. Our grades of coal include all the prize fuels known in the market. For domestic use, the best grades, and we give the trade Chicago prices with the simple addition of freight charges. We don't use many long hauls, and the usual margins given large shippers. Among our bituminous coals