

REACHED FOR HIS JUGULAR

Janitor Wehrer's Unsuccessful Attempt to End a Somewhat Unsatisfactory Life.

HIS KNIFE WAS DULL, HIS NERVE WEAK

As a Result He Smeared a Friend's Bedroom With Gore and Gave Himself a Very Sore Neck—Cause of the Attempt.

Louis Wehrer, janitor of the Leavenworth school, made a bold but unsuccessful attempt about 2 o'clock yesterday morning to sever his connection with the Board of Education by making several vicious stabs at his jugular vein with a rusty old pocket knife.

The would-be suicide and his friends were doing their best to quiet the matter today and the real cause that led to the act, therefore, remains to be seen. As the story ran, however, it seems that Wehrer, after working hard all day scrubbing the school building in which he is supposed to officiate as professor of dust and ashes, made the rounds of a few saloons and took on a fair medium load of grog. It is said that he engaged in a scrap in a saloon near the corner of Fourteenth and Dodge streets and then sought his couch for the night. He did not go to the residence of his brother in the west part of the city but called at the home of his friend Burmaster, at 1316 Dodge street, and was shown to bed.

Mr. Burmaster thought nothing strange of this, for Wehrer had frequently stopped with him, and in view of the fact that the public school opened yesterday Mr. Burmaster thought possibly the Leavenworth janitor was anxious to be on hand at all hazards. He was, however, surprised to complete the work of putting the building in order, for what with painters and furnace builders and retaining wall builders scattering brick, mortar and debris about the premises the Leavenworth building and grounds look like the wreck of the Hesperus.

But Mr. Wehrer had no intention of resuming his duties at the Leavenworth school for about 3 o'clock he got out his pocket knife and began to cut away at the throat of his neck where the rivulets of life come nearest the surface. On the right side he made but a scratch, cutting only through the skin, but on the left side he plunged it into the large cord of his neck to a considerable depth and then attempted to cut his throat open by pulling it across to the right under his chin. But the blade was too dull or the would-be suicide's nerve failed him, for the gasp did nothing more than to open a shallow groove.

All members of the Sixth ward club are requested to meet tonight at club headquarters, Twenty-sixth and Lake, to proceed in a body to attend the flag raising at Thirty-first and Ames avenue by the Benjamin Harrison Republican club. Good speakers and music will be in attendance. Torches will be furnished for all. By order of Harvey J. Wells, can. am.

The Walnut Hill Ninth Ward Republican club will hold its regular meeting this evening at 8 o'clock at its headquarters, Fortieth and Hamilton streets. The following speakers have been engaged: W. W. Slabinger, General George Smith and Frank Johnson. A special invitation is extended to the ladies. The West Omaha life and drum corps has been secured for the evening.

Of course the blood spurted out in lavish quantities, and the man, thinking perhaps that he had practically accomplished the last act of his life, began to make an outcry to attract the attention of his host.

When Mr. Burmaster entered the room to see what caused the disturbance he found Wehrer in bloodstained night clothes floundering over the bed, while the crimson current of life flowed in a weak stream from his neck, making a gruesome spectacle. The host hastily summoned Dr. Lavender who proceeded to sew up the gaping wound and administer sedative and other means to relieve the patient's pain. The doctor left orders to allow no one to see Wehrer except the members of his family and to keep the wound in a special danger if the wound was properly treated.

The would-be suicide will give no explanation of his attempt at self-destruction. He will probably be able to resume work in three or four days. In the meantime the janitor will have charge of the Leavenworth school.

Wehrer is an unmarried man and about 35 years of age.

To Much Ice Cream.

C. H. Rohrer, agent of the Missouri Pacific Railway, New Haven, Mo., says: "I suffered a great deal one hot evening last week. I had eaten ice cream for supper, and there seemed to be an internal conflict going on. A traveling man said he had something in his grip in the hotel that he thought would relieve me, and producing a small bottle of medicine gave me a dose. I felt better, and in a few moments took another dose, which entirely relieved me. I believe that such a medicine is worthy of recommendation and that it should be kept in the house during the summer. The bottle was labeled Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy." For sale by druggists.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

Work of Omaha Teachers for the Coming Year. The Omaha public schools opened yesterday for the work of another year. The first day of school is usually attended by more or less confusion and it is impossible to ascertain the actual attendance or the increase in each department over previous years. But the thousands of merry bright-faced girls and boys passing along the streets of Omaha yesterday and thronging into the school buildings indicated that the coming year would show the usual increase in attendance and the popular desire on the part of the parents of this city to give their children the advantages afforded by the splendid free school system.

It has been thought by some that the attendance might not show any increase this year over the last. There has been no perceptible influx of people. It is probable, however, that the enrollment will be more than last year, which was 14,323. All of the principals were present and ready for duty, although several of the teachers were absent on account of the fact that they had been misinformed about the time of opening the schools, occasioned by the board passing resolutions by only six days before the opening of the schools. The board voted to open the schools on the first of this month and the schools were opened as usual. Several teachers who have been spending the summer in the past were notified by friends that the opening day had been postponed a week later than usual and the error could not be corrected soon enough to have them here on time.

Everything appears to move off about as usual, however, for the first day, as Superintendent Fitzpatrick drafted into service about a dozen substitutes and all the pieces were temporarily filled.

At the high school there were the usual crush and excitement. By the removal of the seventh and eighth grades of the Central school, however, the high school will be given more room and will probably be able to accommodate the lower grades as well as the new Central school is completed and the lower grades are removed entirely from the building. Judging from the applicants who presented themselves at the high school this morning it is estimated that there will be an increase in the attendance there of about 140 pupils. The total number enrolled in the high school last year was 747.

Miss Arnold and her assistant, Miss Hill, special teachers in music, and Miss Evans, teacher of drawing, were busy preparing their programs for work at the various schools.

The school buildings were, in the main, in good condition and had been neatly cleaned and set in order for the opening of the school year. The grounds are littered with boards and debris of various kinds that should have been cleared away before the children arrived. The interior of the building was not as clean as

it might have been and in many respects the place was not very inviting for the teachers and children. The Park school was also in a somewhat disorderly condition, owing to the fact that the work of putting up a new boiler house and new water closets had not been completed. Many of the buildings were models of neatness. Among those that are as neat as a pin may be mentioned the Bancroft and the Farnam. At the latter the interior is not only neat and clean but the lawn beautifully kept and there are numerous handsome vines climbing up the exterior walls that give the premises a very attractive appearance.

DeWitt's Sarsaparilla

CO-OPERATIVE BUILDING.

The Omaha Delegation to the State Convention.

The convention of delegates of local building and loan associations of Nebraska meets in the state capitol at Lincoln Wednesday evening. A preliminary meeting will be held at the Lincoln hotel at 10 a. m. A number of papers have been prepared to be read at the convention, among them the following: "State Inspectors," by State Bank Examiner McGraw; "Savings and Reserves," by Hon. C. F. Bentley of Grand Island; "The Relations between Banks and Building Associations," by Hanna of Lincoln; and one by Mr. G. M. Nattinger of Omaha.

Two delegates selected by the Omaha association are: Omaha—Thos. J. Fitzmorris, Elmer E. Bryson. Mutual—Thos. H. Dally, Geo. M. Nattin. Nebraska—Jos. W. Carr, Fred. J. Borch. Bohemian—Frank J. Kasper, K. W. Barlow. South Omaha—Judge Jacob Levi, David Anderson.

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MARRIAGE IS NOT A FAILURE

If You Start Right at First.

When looking around for the many inducements offered in glaring advertisements remember that for rare and real bargains Hayden Bros. are right in it. They are the only aggressive leaders of low prices for standard goods. They have put their immense stock of carpets, furniture, stoves and household goods which are displayed on five mammoth floors at the mercy of consumers, and guarantee to undersell all competitors. A visit will convince the most skeptical. Look at the stock of carpets you can select from, compare the quality, the style and the price. Where else can you get an all wool carpet for 50c yard? When a pattern cannot be duplicated the price is made to conform. Out. Where else can you get standard half wool carpets at 35c to 40c a yard. Who will match the prices on stoves. Not a cheap make, but the renowned Stewart make, that has no equal on the market. It will surely pay to think of these things and compare. That is the intelligent way, after all.

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Hayden Bros.' magnificent dress goods display.

Just an idea of the surprising values. 40-inch German satin finish henrietta, \$1c. 40-inch black surah twill, 85c. 40-inch black French repp, \$1.25. 40-inch black all wool serge, 50c. 40-inch broadhead corkswee, 37c. 28-inch all wool tricot flannel, 25c. 40-inch seclian crepe cloth, \$1.00. 40-inch wool whip cord, 95c. Magnitude and variety of this stock surpasses all former assortments and prices are made to sell the goods.

A small payment down will secure any of these bargains.

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Omaha Can Mfg Co., campaign torches

The Fidelity Trust company has removed its office to 1702 Farnam, southeast corner Bee building.

The entire stock of horses owned by A. J. Poppleton, including the stallions Zulu, Royal Oak and Traversa, will be sold at auction at Elkhorn, Neb., on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 2 p. m.

Spectacles accurately fitted; refractive examination free. Tudor Optical Co., corner Farnam and 14th.

5,000 acres in bodies of 160 to 1,500 acres, good tillable lands at \$5 to \$10 per acre in state of Nebraska, whose crops last year aggregated one hundred million dollars \$100,000,000. Owners must realize. Prices named are one-half actual value. Direct freight competition, both B. & M. and U. P. R. R. W. G. Albright, 621-623 New York Life building, Omaha.

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G. A. R. EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON

For the above occasion the Wabash will sell, Sept. 13th to 20th, round trip tickets to Washington and Baltimore, at less than half fare, with choice of routes; passing down the beautiful Shenandoah Valley or crossing the mountains of Virginia by daylight, with sight of many famous battlefields. You have the privilege of stopping at St. Louis to visit the great exposition and fair; also, view the magnificent street illuminations and parade of Veiled Prophets, which will surpass in grandeur all efforts of former years. For rates, tickets, sleeping car accommodations, and further information, call at Wabash office, 1502 Farnam street, or write G. N. CLAYTON, N. W. P. Agt., Omaha, Neb.

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OSCAR—A son to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Oscar. PAUL—A son to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bauer.

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STAPLETON—Mary Ellen, September 5, 1892.

SPRING—Henry, September 3, 1892, age 7 months.

ROBEY'S Cream Baking Powder.

Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard

GOOD HEALTH COSTS MONEY

Funds Are Needed to Prepare the City Against a Cholera Invasion.

SCHEMES PROPOSED TO RAISE THE WIND

Various Funds Called Upon to Furnish the Cash Turn Out to Be Very Short—May Work the Road Fund for the Cash.

The Board of Health finds itself in somewhat of a dilemma in its attempts to put the city in a good sanitary condition.

Dr. Somers, the superintendent of health, declares that while a cholera epidemic attacks this country in the fall, Omaha should be prepared to ward off the dread disease. This he maintains can only be done by enforcing the rules of health and declaring war against all filthy premises, wherever found. But how to do this is the question that confronts the doctor. When the appropriation of funds was made the sum of \$3,000 was allotted to the Board of Health. Under ordinary circumstances this would run the department, but when it is ordered to put the city in a first class sanitary condition the amount falls short of what is absolutely required.

The superintendent said yesterday that cleaning up was something that was absolutely impossible unless the council appropriated some money. Inspectors would be needed, but if there was no provision made for paying them he did not know how they could be paid. He said he would deal squarely with the Board of Health. It had added new officials to the department without increasing the appropriation.

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