

RELIABLE MERCHANDISE AT BOTTOM FIGURES.

Our show day on Tuesday, October 18, we have our grand opening of Fall and Winter Merchandise of every description. We cordially invite you to be present and inspect the

CHOICEST STOCKS IN OMAHA

Charming music, refreshing lunch, no trouble to show goods. Specially low prices in every department.

The Bell Department Store.

Black Dress Goods.

The variety of weaves in black dress goods this fall is something wonderful. But we have them all and at lower prices than any one else. These are a few of our special bargains for this week.

At 98c. 48 inch camelotte, worth \$1.25.

At \$1.49. 50 inch French serge; a good value at \$1.75.

At 75c. 50 inch camel's hair bargain at \$1.

At 95c. 40 inch diagonal latest weave, worth \$1.25.

At \$1.25. 48 inch Bedford cord for jackets.

At 75c. 48 inch whipcord, splendid bargain at 90c.

At 95c. 48 inch French serge, worth \$1.25.

At 75c. 48 inch mohair brilliantine, value \$1.

At 75c. 48 inch silk finish henrietta, worth 90c.

At 98c. 46 inch silk finish henrietta, worth \$1.15.

At 49c. 40 inch serge bargain at 65c.

At 95c. 40 inch cropon, new weave, cheap at \$1.15.

Pianos.

The past week has been one of the busiest in the history of the Wegman piano. They had orders for and sold three in one day and orders are rolling in from every direction.

See them in their new quarters and get prices. A number of second hand pianos of standard makes at extremely low prices taken in exchange for Wegman pianos.

3rd floor.

Colored Dress Goods.

At 49c. A few choice shades left in those changeable serges.

At 98c. A dress pattern of ten yards. Only a few of them left.

At \$3.65. A few dress patterns for traveling or street wear.

At \$2.95. A Camel's hair stripe dress pattern in black and gray, also black and brown, at \$3.69.

54 inch all wool serge in all colors, black, brown, blue, green, tan, mode, at \$8.75.

Only a few of those choice dress patterns left.

At 98c. A few lines of 48 inch all wool silk finish henrietta.

At 50c. Choice evening shades in cotton crepes.

At 98c. Elegant line of colors in changeable silks.

The Bell Department Store.

GROCERY DEPT.

Don't Overlook This.

24-lb can peaches 20c; worth 20c.
24-lb can apricots 20c; worth 20c.
24-lb can table grapes 15c; worth 18c.
3-lb can tomatoes 10c; worth 10c.
3-lb can pumpkin 10c; worth 10c.
2-lb can best French peas 15c; worth 15c.
2-lb can lima and string beans 10c; worth 10c.
2-lb can peas, different brands, 10c and 14c.
2-lb can corn, Kearney and Glenwood, 11c and 13c.
You can't find a can of seconds or soaked goods in our store, and you get nothing but new, clean, fresh goods.

On Tuesday, October 18, our opening day, we will sell new evaporated and dried fruits from 5c per pound up.

1 gallon Old Jug maple syrup \$1.25. Try it before you buy it.

1 lb glass starch 5c.

English Breakfast, Oolong, Congou, Gunpowder and Japan teas in large variety from 24c up.

Bring this list with you and get samples.

Flour lower than any place in Omaha.

With every pair of shoes at \$2.50 and upward we will give a pair of Prof. Wingrow's celebrated electric insoles, which will keep the feet warm, cure rheumatism and are invaluable for sweaty feet. Don't miss this offer, but buy your

shoes of us and have comfortable feet this winter. We sell good shoes cheaper than any house in Omaha.

The best \$2 shoe ever made.
Best \$2.50 shoe in the city.
The best \$3 shoe in the world.
The best \$3.50 shoe made from leather.
The best and only \$4 shoe made by hand.

Come in next week and see our bargain counter, which is loaded down with bargains for the little ones.

We have about 500 pairs of odds and ends in children's and misses' shoes that have sold for \$1 to \$1.75. We place the entire lot on sale next Monday at 75c.

They won't last long. An early visit is advisable.

Millinery.

Our millinery department is a leading one. We are showing full lines of exclusive styles in fall and winter patterns, hats, and our low prices cannot be duplicated in the city. We have an elegant line of plumes, tips and feathers and all kinds of millinery trimmings.

Call and see us.

Come to our opening.

Linens.

Our linen department is overflowing with bargains direct from the looms of Europe; call and inspect our stock before buying.

Omaha Academy of Fine Arts on fourth floor.

BLANKETS.

We have blankets at the right prices. Very heavy 10-4 white blankets 75c. Better ones, 10-4 white blankets \$1.25. Grey blankets from 75c up.

All wool California made, at \$4. Comfortable, largest stock, lowest prices in Omaha.

25c, 50c, 65c, 85c, \$1.15, any price you want to pay for them up to the finest made.

Cloaks.

To make women talk,
To introduce this new department,
To make the prices and
Offer the inducements that we do,
To start things moving,
To counteract the weather,
FIRST.

We want to emphasize this fact: That everything in it is entirely new; not an old style garment in it.

SECOND.

We buy them for cash for two stores; buy them cheap for cash and sell them the same way.

THIRD.

We pay less rent and our expenses are less than any store in Omaha.

FOURTH.

Our assortment is better and prices lower than any house in Omaha.

For only \$5 you can buy a fine fur trimmed garment, made right, of fine cheviot, and good fur, a rich black tail-made jacket, in two styles, half a dozen styles of colored jackets, sold elsewhere at \$6 to \$7.50.

For only \$7.50 you can buy a finer fur trimmed jacket than the \$5, in similar style, fine black cheviot, in late cuts; eight or ten new styles in colored jackets, misses' jackets and cloaks.

For only \$10 you can buy a very fine black cheviot garment, all lined, worth \$13.50, fine worsted tailor-made jackets; better jackets in tans and browns, navy blue and black than you ever had shown here, startling value, in fact, at the prices.

For only \$13.50 you can buy colored fur trimmed jackets; Russian coats; finer black worsteds; finer colored jackets, from this on up we can please on any style, cut and finish, and surprise you at our low prices.

No trouble to show goods. All garments warranted perfect.

Cloaks for little and big, old and young.

Second floor. Take elevator.

Bell Department Store.

Will help you save your Dollars. DRUG DEPT.

This department is now in charge of Mr. Frank E. Green, an experienced pharmacist, who is well known to Omaha people, having been connected for years with Saxe's opera house pharmacy and other leading drug stores of the city. The department is fully equipped with everything in the drug and medicine line, all guaranteed to be of the highest quality. Especial attention will be paid to prescriptions.

Nothing but Squibb's, Wyeth's and other superior manufacturers of drugs and chemicals being used in compounding.

Prices absolutely and unequivocally guaranteed to be lower than those of any one else.

Below we give a few special introductory leaders for Monday and Tuesday.

Alcock's porous plasters 10c.

Carton's little liver pills 14c.

Castoria 23c.

White rose glycerine soap 14c.

Scott's emulsion 65c.

Pozzoni's complexion powder 32c.

Hood's sarsaparilla 68c.

Arnica tooth soap 75c.

Everybody visiting our drug department on Tuesday will be presented with a bottle of fine perfume.

Lunch counter in basement.

Mail orders promptly attended.

Send for samples.

Bell Department Store.

Will Help You Save Your Dollars. HOSIERY and UNDERWEAR.

We have just received our complete line of fall and winter hosiery and underwear, and are showing special values which we guarantee cannot be duplicated.

Below we give a few of the many bargains all of which can truthfully be called money savers.

40 dozen children's ribbed worsted socks, size 6 to 8, value 20c pair; sale price 15c, all sizes.

Misses' seamless all wool hose merino heels and toes, cheap at 25c; will sell you all you want at 20c.

Boys' bicycle wool hose, regular made, sizes 7 to 10, ribbed, best value ever shown at 35c.

Ladies' double fleeced regular made cotton hose, stainless black, usual price 35c, sell at 25c.

100 dozen ladies' all wool hose, ribbed and plain merino, heels and toes, only 25c.

Ladies' fine combed Egyptian cotton vests and pants, jersey fitting, only 50c each.

Ladies' jersey ribbed natural wool vests and pants, extra value for 75c.

Ladies' natural merino vests and pants worth 75c, on sale at 50c each.

Just received in our men's department 200 dozen all wool seamless hose worth 40c, our price 25c.

Hot coffee and lunch free Tuesday afternoon and evening.

WHEN IRVINE WILL TESTIFY

Montgomery's Slayer to Take the Witness Stand Monday Morning.

HOW THE DEFENSE IS REGARDED

Weak Features of the Case as Reviewed in the Presence of a Bee Representative—Will Be Improved by the Prisoner's Story.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special to The Bee.]—Considerable progress has been made in the Irvine trial. The state rested its case yesterday afternoon, and the defense was well along today, when an adjournment was taken until Monday morning. Mr. Irvine will be placed on the stand when court convenes Monday morning, and his testimony promises to be sensational, although his story has already been outlined to the jury. In putting Mr. Irvine on the stand in his own behalf, the defense will not upon a precedent well established in the Yocum trial at Hastings last February. The fact to be established by Irvine's testimony is not whether Mrs. E. Montgomery, but whether her husband believed that she had. After Irvine's testimony is in, will come the testimony of the experts on insanity. The will follow the state's rebuttal.

One of the features of the trial next week will be the presence of Irvine's little daughter Florence in the court room.

One of the most noted criminal lawyers in Nebraska said this afternoon to a representative of The Bee that in his opinion the defense has so far laid a very weak foundation for the defense of mens rea transitoria which they propose to develop and establish next week. Even by the witnesses put on the stand by the defense the state has established the fact that Irvine was not so completely under a mental cloud as to prevent him from making his trip to Lincoln, going to the hotel, asking for a room, checking his baggage, ordering a carriage, proceeding to the friend's house in a distant part of the city, visiting his former home in Lincoln, and even recognizing a friend an instant after the shooting and in the same instant informing the bystanders whom he was, where he lived and why he did the shooting, and that he talked rationally with a clergyman as to the morality of his act two days after.

The leading authorities on insanity, stated the attorney referred to, all agree that a person afflicted with mens transitoria acts entirely without a motive and that when under the strange influence of the malady is likely to attack the first person that he encounters. To this extent the attorney believed that Irvine's defense up to the present time is weak; but he added that it must of necessity become stronger as soon as Irvine himself took the stand, for then the jury would be able to see just how the wife's story of her own infidelity would affect his mind.

Today's Proceedings.

The first witness this morning was Mrs. C. C. Upham, who, with her husband, was the witness yesterday, was an eye witness of the tragedy. She knew Mr. Irvine in Salt Lake City. She had heard the first shot and on looking up saw Irvine in the attitude of firing at Montgomery. She didn't recognize Irvine at first. His eyes were blank and staring and his face was the whitest she ever saw on a human being. She thought at the time that Irvine was insane. He seemed like a man in a trance. On cross-examination she testified that she had never seen a man in a trance, but used the expression to convey her idea of Irvine's condition.

W. A. Coleman, a traveling man, was also an eye witness to the tragedy and related the details.

C. L. Richards, a Lincoln attorney, had been acquainted with Irvine since 1888, and had known his business and social relations with him. Irvine had always greeted him when they met. He met Irvine in the hotel office before the shooting and tried to

attract his attention and reached out to shake hands. Irvine looked him blankly in the face, but failed to recognize him. He tried twice to obtain recognition, but failed. Irvine appeared to be laboring under some great mental strain. He thought from Irvine's condition that he had lost everything, dropped his mind, as the boys say. On cross-examination witness stated that he had not seen Irvine for several months; that when he saw him in the hotel he did not speak to him, only tried to attract his attention.

M. F. McIntyre was the night porter at the Lincoln Hotel at the time Irvine checked in. He saw the latter at the penitentiary in the morning of the tragedy. Irvine wore a cane and umbrella early in the morning of the tragedy. Irvine went up stairs and came down shortly. Afterwards witness got the baggage from the check room at Irvine's request, as the latter said that he would take a carriage and go away.

Witness came back a second time and had his baggage rechecked, saying that he had concluded to stay.

Some of Irvine's Visions.

Rev. John Hewitt, rector of Holy Trinity church of Lincoln, was an old friend of Irvine. He saw the latter at the penitentiary on the Saturday after the tragedy. Irvine was in a distressed state of mind. During the two hours conversation which followed, Irvine told witness that he had had visions of beautiful palaces, surrounded by handsome grounds, with figures of angels appearing at the windows, and being told that he was to be a great man. This was after Irvine had returned from Chicago and before the shooting.

Witness was then asked if he was acquainted with Irvine's conviction of the peaceable, law-abiding and moral citizen. To this Judge McCulloch, for the state, objected, but the court overruled the objection, saying that Irvine's reputation was answer was that Irvine's reputation was good. Witness had conversed with Irvine in regard to the morality of the act of killing Montgomery, and he had given him a rational account when giving way to expressions of grief.

A. D. Kitchen testified as to Irvine's excellent reputation as a peaceable, moral citizen.

E. B. Critchlow of Salt Lake City also gave evidence as to the good character of Irvine during the latter's residence in that city. He also identified Irvine's revolver as one that he had seen in the latter's possession in the summer of 1891.

A number of depositions from prominent citizens of Salt Lake City all tended to establish the good reputation of Irvine in that city. Judge Goodwin, editor of the Utah Tribune, deposed that not one man in a hundred possessed so many of the qualities which Irvine had, and that he was a perfect man, and that he possessed two especially noticeable traits of character, one being his strong affection for his wife and child, and the other his extreme sensitiveness in regard to his personal honor. Governor Thomas of Utah deposed that Irvine was one of the representative citizens of Salt Lake City and that he had a high reputation for integrity and morality.

After the depositions had been read the court adjourned the further hearing of the case until Monday morning.

Bank of Springfield Closed.

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The Bank of Springfield was closed by order of the supreme court Thursday. Whether the bank is insolvent or can pay out no one knows. Deposits will probably run to \$15,000, divided among the business men, farmers and ranchers.

The Ballard Bros., cashiers, think it will only be a short time till all depositors are paid in full, but depositors are being paid in full by the amount of several thousand, is in the bank but well secured. The bank will stagnate the business interests of Springfield for some time.

Denied the Injunction.

BEATRICE, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—In the injunction case of Mrs. Hattie J. Johnson against the Beatrice Rapid Transit and Power company, Judge Babcock last night denied the injunction which was asked to restrain the defendant company from building its line on North street from Ella to Grand. A decision was given in the injunction case of the Beatrice Rapid Transit and Power company against S. C. Smith, the Beatrice Street Railway company and the city of Beatrice, wherein the defendants are enjoined from interfering with the building of the Rapid

Transit line on Sixth street. Judge Babcock decides in favor of the plaintiff and prohibits the defendants from interfering in any way with the construction of the line on Sixth street. The Rapid Transit company therefore wins in both suits. They are, however, somewhat impeded by a former injunction granted by Judge Bush, which prohibits them from crossing the old company's line at the intersection of Ella and Sixth streets or from continuing the line on Sixth from Ella to Court, one block, where they could make a junction with the South Beatrice Electric railway line. As an outgrowth of these suits the Rapid Transit company this afternoon began suit for damages against Mrs. Hattie B. Johnston on her injunction bond for \$500, and against S. C. Smith and others for \$500 damages on their injunction bond.

WENT UP WITH THE WIRE WORKS.

The State Bank of Ainsworth Closed After an Examination.

AINSWORTH, Neb., Oct. 15.—The State Bank of Ainsworth has been closed. It was a national bank up to two months ago, when it was changed to a state bank. About two weeks ago the fixtures were sold to the Bank of Ainsworth, but as it was open and aboveboard no suspicions were aroused. State Bank Examiner Cowdery examined the condition of the bank a week ago, and what he found caused the order closing the bank. The bank has about \$40,000 in deposits, mostly from business men. The president of the bank was Judge Tiffany of the Omaha Barb Wire Manufacturing company, which failed at Omaha, and it is thought that the bank's failure was due to the fact that the cashier, C. G. Alton, has proclaimed on the streets that every dollar of deposits will be made good, but on just what fund he can draw is not known. Meantime the depositors are considerably excited. The hearing in the supreme court was set for October 25.

Clay County Old Settlers.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The Clay county held a very interesting meeting yesterday on the fair grounds near this place. The program consisted of a basket dinner, speeches, etc. The crowd was addressed by Hon. J. B. Dinsmore and Hon. L. G. Hurd. The attendance was good.

This section of the country has been favored with good rains this week, and the farmers are again in their fields preparing the ground for winter wheat.

Some of the parties who lost buildings in the recent fire are excavating for foundations, and will push their brick buildings to completion.

The coroner was called yesterday morning about seven miles northeast of here to investigate the sudden death of S. C. Swanen, but upon inquiry found no necessity for an inquest. It was simply a case of sudden death when no one else was in the house, but there was no cause to suspect anyone of crime. The deceased was 60 years old.

Nebraska's Fire Record.

CREIGHTON, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Two barns belonging to R. D. Robinson and W. T. Hartley burned last night. Mr. Hartley's loss, \$400 of horses perished in the flames. Loss, \$500.

ADMITTED TO BAIL.

Fireman Spurling's Slayer Will Stay in Nebraska a Few Months.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Dr. A. F. Naitow, who shot and killed Fireman Spurling here September 23, was admitted to bail in the sum of \$10,000 today, and this afternoon, accompanied by his father and his attorney, left for Hastings, Neb., where he will remain until the date of trial in February. He is still suffering from partial paralysis caused by the blows received during the fatal quarrel.

Campaigning in the Black Hills.

RAPID CITY, S. D., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Last night Hon. Edwin Vancluse of Deadwood addressed a large republican meeting here. Many democrats and independents were present. The Black Hills republicans are commencing a vigorous and telling campaign.

REFERRED TO A GRAND JURY

Final Result of the Lincoln Insane Asylum Investigation.

FULL TEXT OF THE BOARD'S FINDINGS

Somebody Has Been Remiss and Blame is Attached to the Superintendent, Steward and Farm Boss—Details of the Decision.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings finished its investigation of the charges of mismanagement of the Lincoln hospital for the insane today and a copy of the findings of the board was filed in the executive office this afternoon. As was foreseen last night the board recommends that the whole matter be referred to the grand jury for a searching investigation.

The findings of the board are as follows: To HON. JAMES E. HOYT, Governor of the State of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.: Sir—We have the honor to submit for your consideration a report of our findings, as well as the testimony taken, in the matter of the investigation of alleged irregularities in the management of the hospital for the insane at Lincoln, Neb. The investigation was begun on the 24th day of October, 1892, and was concluded upon the 15th day of October, 1892. As you will observe, the fullest latitude was given all witnesses and counsel. Much of the testimony is hearsay and irrelevant, but as we were seeking light upon the several subjects under consideration, we deemed it best that we check or restrict be placed upon the testimony offered.

Findings of Fact.

First—We find that on the 7th day of December, 1891, to the 23rd day of February, 1892, Dr. William M. Knapp was the superintendent of said insane hospital, and that during all of said time J. D. Lauer was the steward; that among other things it is the duty of the superintendent to employ all attendants, servants and such other persons as he deems necessary for the efficient management of the hospital, and to exercise control of the medical, moral and dietetic treatment of the patients and to see that the several officers of the institution faithfully discharge the duties respectively assigned to them.

Second—We find that it is the duty of the steward, under the direction of the superintendent, but not otherwise, to make all purchases of supplies for the hospital, to keep the accounts, make engagements with, pay and discharge employees and personally superintend the farm, garden, grounds, stock, etc., etc.

Third—That the supplies of all kinds are purchased so far as practicable under the contract system; that it is to the lowest bidder, under the direction of the steward, and that when money is drawn in payment of bills the same is paid to the vouchers are first signed by the party furnishing the supplies in triplicate, one of which is retained by the superintendent of the hospital, one by the Board of Public Lands and Buildings and one by the superintendent of the hospital. On the voucher that comes to the Board of Public Lands and Buildings, the superintendent makes a certificate in the following form: I certify that the within account is just and correct, and that it is a proper and necessary expense and has not been paid. This is signed by the superintendent, and this is the bill on which the board is required to act on the payment of bills.

Fourth—We find that when Dr. Knapp entered upon the discharge of his duties as such superintendent he employed one Frank O. Hubbard, and that said Hubbard continued to be employed as farm boss and butcher so long as Dr. Knapp continued in charge of said hospital, and for some time thereafter, under the administration of Dr. Bowman, and it was the habit and custom of said Hubbard, with the knowledge of the superintendent and steward, to purchase cattle for the use of the hospital and to slaughter the same; that it was his practice in some instances to induce the per-

sons of whom he bought animals to sign vouchers in blank and afterwards fill them up at a sum far in excess of the sum actually paid for the same and the difference appropriated to his own use. These raised vouchers were each duly certified by the superintendent of the hospital, just as correct. Of these raised vouchers discovered by this board we refer you to the following:

Voucher	Amount	Actually Received
J. P. Higgins	\$423.15	\$270.15
R. A. Southwell	105.00	75.00
H. C. Galt	82.10	25.00
G. P. Loebe	89.00	20.00
Frank Abbott	43.75	20.00
C. W. Galt	55.00	22.00
Benjamin Safford	66.25	42.00

These sums evidenced by these certified vouchers and paid by the state, as is evidenced by the warrants introduced in evidence. The vouchers nor anything else referred to the board at the time they were allowed indicated any raising or other juggling with the accounts. They were presented to this board far on their face and regular in every particular, duly certified by the officer whose duty it was to examine these accounts and certify to the board the amount justly due.

Irregularities in Coal and Other Things.

Fifth—We find that the amount of coal purchased at the hospital during the year 1891 and up to the month of May, 1892, has been in excess of the actual amount used and that there has been mismanagement of the part of the officers of the hospital regarding the coal supply. We were unable to probe the matter to the bottom for several reasons, all of which must be apparent to you, as you were present during the examination, among which, however, is that the board has no fund at its command for persons or things.

Sixth—Other irregularities in the purchase of supplies, the making and certifying of vouchers, and the management of the hospital, have been discovered, and in some cases the vouchers have appeared in the evidence.

We therefore recommend that a thorough and searching investigation be had before a court of competent jurisdiction of the several matters hereinbefore referred to, as early a date as practicable, to the end that all vouchers unlawfully obtained from the state may be recovered and all parties who have defrauded the state may be brought to justice.

JOHN C. ALLEN,
J. E. HILL,
GEORGE H. HASTINGS,
Board of Public Lands and Buildings.

Fort Robinson Troops on the Way.

FORT ROBINSON, Neb., Oct. 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The two troops of the Ninth cavalry from this place to the World's fair left over the Northwestern railway system at 1:15 a. m., under command of Captain Steadman. The troops were in full uniform and had their full dress uniforms packed along with them. They were as follows: A troop, sixty-four horses, Captain Garrard, Lieutenants Swift and Armstrong, and F troop, sixty-four horses, Captain Steadman and Lieutenants Atkins and Fuller.

To Be Handled With Care.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—Acting Secretary Spaulding has informed the collector of customs at Chicago that the Treasury department sees no objection to the plan proposed by the Imperial German commission that packages containing fragile articles from Germany intended for the Columbian exposition should be opened only in the presence of the exhibitors, who should also be allowed to suspend the unpacking of the exhibit. The department recommends the adoption of the plan proposed in all cases where notice is given of the fragile character of the exhibit.

American Delegates.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—The American delegates to the international monetary congress to be held at Brussels November 22 have been requested to assemble at Washington November 10, for the purpose of consulting with the president, secretary of state and the