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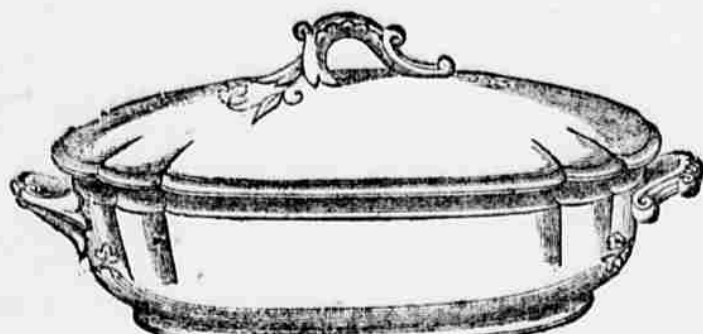
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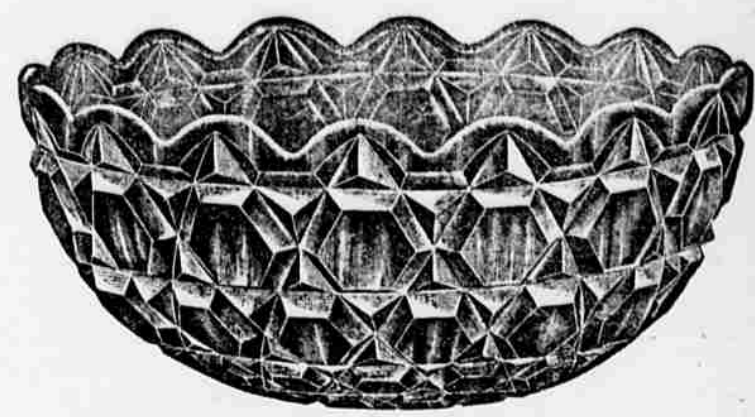
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Largest stock of Dinner Sets in the city, varying in price from \$7.75 per set of 100 pieces upward.



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the prizes. Elegant refreshments were served, closing a delightful evening.

Miss Elizabeth Cobby of Kountze Place entertained most delightfully Wednesday evening in honor of her friend, Mrs. Edmund Bourke of Salt Lake City. High five was enjoyed, the guests being Mrs. and Mrs. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Brogan, Dr. and Mrs. Crummer, Mr. and Mrs. McAllister, Mrs. J. L. Kennedy, Miss Crummer, Miss Pratt, Mr. Risk, Mr. Ross, Dr. Brash, Mr. and Mrs. Garratt.

The fair given by the Hebrew Benevolent association which terminated Sunday evening at Metropolitan hall was a great success, netting over \$2,000 for the benefit of the needy. All sorts of devices were carried through to render the fair successful and pleasing. Prizes were voted to the most prominent young lady, who proved to be Miss Hattie Oberfelder, the prize a diamond ring, and to Rev. Mr. Franklin, the most prominent young man, who received a silk umbrella.

The ladies of All Saints church served lunch on Wednesday and Thursday in the Crediton block. A number of the daintiest bits of fancy work was also placed on sale in charge of Mrs. C. L. Harris, Mrs. L. J. Drake and Mrs. Greenman. The tables were lovely, each with flowers in the center and appetizing dainties around. The fair was very successfully managed by Mrs. H. P. Cady, Mrs. J. Johnson, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Purvis, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Norton, having the separate tables in charge, with their own assistants. The culinary department was in charge of Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Shackelford.

Dr. Hartsuff, U. S. A., has returned from his European trip to duty at Fort Omaha. Mrs. Hartsuff and two daughters are in Geneva, Switzerland. They will remain in Europe a year or two.

Elks in Their New Home. The Order of Elks held its first meeting Friday evening in the new lodge rooms. The new rooms are located on the third floor of the Postal Telegraph company's building on Farnam street, near Fourteenth and are conveniently arranged and handsomely furnished.

The adoption of a code of rules for the guidance of the members at last night's meeting. The question of permitting card playing for money was the most vexatious problem to solve. A majority of the members were opposed to games of chance of any character, and all card games will be of a social nature and the for stakes.

Not from a Financial Standpoint. "I do not recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy from a financial standpoint, for we have others in stock on which we make a larger profit," says Al Maggini, a prominent druggist of Bradlock, Pa., "but because many of our customers have spoken of it in the highest praise. We sell more of it than any similar preparation we have in the store." For sale by druggists.

Sons of Veterans Officers. General George Crook Camp No. 1, Nebraska division Sons of Veterans, held its annual election of officers for the ensuing year Monday night at Grand Army of the Republic hall, 116 North Fifteenth street. The boys introduced an innovation in the way of voting, using for the first time the Australian ballot. The following were the successful candidates: Captain, J. W. Parsons; first lieutenant, W. I. Martin; second lieutenant, R. E. Ballard; camp council, O. L. Salisbury; P. J. Coats; A. J. Leckner; delegate to the state encampment, W. W. Coats; alternate, O. L. Salisbury.

An Invaluable Remedy for Colds. Sheriff Hardman of Tyler county, West Virginia, was almost prostrated with a cold when he began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. In speaking of it he says: "It gave me almost instant relief. I find it to be an invaluable remedy for colds." For sale by druggists.

STANDS UP FOR THE BOARD

Secretary Nason Talks of the Good the Board of Trade Has Done.

HAS MADE LITTLE FUSS ABOUT IT

Quiet, Persistent and Effective Pursuit of the Things That Will Make the City Grow—Plans for the Future Discussed.

Secretary W. N. Nason of the Board of Trade, in a talk regarding the agitation of the question of the reorganization of the board, gave a brief history of what has been accomplished in the past and of the plans laid for the future.

"The kicking at the Board of Trade," said Mr. Nason, "is not calculated to accomplish any good, and has more of a tendency to tear down than to build up. The Board of Trade has accomplished many things for the city and there has been no blame of trumpets. It requires time to build up an organization of this kind, and I believe the plans laid will find a grand consummation in the end."

"It is true that the grain men have free use of the board's room. I do not think they have ever undertaken to selfishly control the board. With but a very few exceptions all of the grain men are located in the building, and transmit all their business here. The telegraph company had its operators right here and the commercial business is very large. The grain men do millions of dollars worth of business each year, and the farmer is benefited by having them located here. Certainly we cannot expect to have elevators and warehouses located here until the railroads give us a milling-in-transit rate. The same as Kansas City and St. Louis. That is one of the obstacles we are trying to surmount, and I believe we will be rewarded by success in the end. We are also endeavoring to establish an open board, the same as Chicago here, and we will be successful in this also."

Why the Freight Bureau Failed. "The proposition to establish a freight bureau was a house of contention. Every member of the board favored the establishment of a freight bureau. The opposition was to binding the Board of Trade for the appropriation of \$1,000 for a year and not to the establishment of the bureau. If the proposition had been so submitted as to provide for the appropriation of \$1,000 for a year and then if it was deemed wise appropriate a further sum, there would have been no opposition."

There is not a Board of Trade in the country which is upon a more solid foundation, more prosperous and has better credit than this board. The investment in the building and grounds has paid well and the board is \$23,000 better off by reason thereof. The property value is worth \$200,000. During the last four years the board has reduced its liabilities about \$8,000 each year, and that certainly denotes prosperity.

"One South Omaha packing firm has taken advantage of our bonded warehouse receipt plan and others will undoubtedly follow. This is something which is beneficial and Omaha money used instead of eastern. The receipt of our inspector is collateral at any Omaha bank and is often used."

A proposition has been suggested that the grain men should have one organization and the merchants another. I do not know whether this is for the best or not. The manufacturers now have their association, the real estate owners theirs, the builders and traders theirs, and so on, and they are all doing good work for the city. The Board of Trade has induced many factories to locate here, and the members have devoted time and money in interesting outsiders to locate industries in this city.

"An objection has been raised because the board has frequently entertained members when occasion did not require, but generally

it was perfectly proper. Some organization of citizens must entertain visitors in the city, or the town will receive a name not at all complimentary. There must be the same hospitality shown here that Omaha people enjoy in other places, and it has come within the province of the board to perform that duty.

"The board is prospering, and I can see no reason for the agitation which is being industriously worked."

Moving for a Commercial Club. A number of merchants and railroad men chanced to meet in a downtown resort the other day, and among the different subjects discussed was that of the organization of a commercial club. The dozen gentlemen present were heartily in favor of the organization of a club where the merchants and railroad men can meet during the lunch hour, or at any other time of the day. The talk went so far that some of those gentlemen stated an amount they would be willing to invest, and a well known attorney signified his intention of drawing up the necessary papers for the preliminary steps in organizing a club of that character.

Piles of people have piles, but DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve will cure them.

ALL FOR THE SALARY.

Pretty Little Game Now Going on in Omaha School Circles.

The present basis for fixing the salaries of principals in the Omaha schools has long been a source of irritation and dissatisfaction. It has also been the cause of a vast amount of wire pulling by fair female hands. The principal who has to oversee the work of a number of rooms in the school over which she presides. There are a number of schools which have detached rooms and these the principals always claim of course as a basis for fixing their salaries. Sometimes a conflict arises when pupils are sent out of one district into another. The principal teaching in the district where the children right be long, but where they can not be accommodated claim the rooms the transferred children occupy as properly belonging to her. But the principal who has to oversee the work of the teachers in actual charge of the transferred children, naturally holds that her salary ought to be increased on account of the increase in the number of rooms in her district.

Just at present there is a pretty little game of political politics going on between the principals of the Central and the Cass schools and various members of the Board of Education. When school opened last fall it was found impossible to accommodate all the children of the central district at the High school building and two rooms were transferred to the St. Barnabas school which is within the Cass school district. There arose a question at once as to how this was going to effect the salaries of the two principals who had charge of these two districts. The principal of the Central school protested that it would be unfair to cut her salary down and the principal of the Cass school declared that it would be little short of an outrage in the board to expect her to take charge of two extra rooms without raising her salary the usual \$10 a month to which she would be entitled under ordinary circumstances by the addition of two more rooms to her district.

Thus far the principal of the Central school has been able to hold her former salary, but the principal of the Cass school has not been drawing the additional \$10 a month, and both she and her friends have become quite indignant over the matter.

In all probability the matter will come before the board at its next meeting and may stir up something of a breeze.

Draw Your Own Conclusion. Mr. J. O. Davenport, manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., Ft. Bragg, Cal., has this to say of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy: "I used it for a severe cold and cough and obtained immediate relief. In the Fort Bragg Redwood Co.'s store we have sold large quantities of Chamberlain's medicines." For sale by druggists.

Came Through the Custom House. Following are the receipts of the Omaha customs office from December 2 to 17: Fourteen crates of earthenware, Gatch & Lauman; one box of diamonds, A. B. Huberman;

200 boxes of tin plate, Rector and Wilhelm company; one case cigars and eight cases musical instruments, Max Meyer & Bro. company; 2,897 boxes tin plate, Cudahy Packing company; one box books, S. Shoufeld; four car loads pickles, McCord, Brady & Co.; one car of olives, McCord, Brady & Co.; ten cases meat extract, Richardson Drug company; one car pickles, one car of tea, Paxton & Gallagher; one oil painting, William London; three cars of tea, W. M. Buchanan.

Hard Luck in Chicago. Dr. Clark Gayen came in yesterday morning from Chicago enroute to Denver and stopped over for a few hours at the Paxton. He said that never before were there so many swelled heads and so many empty purses in the Windy city as now. The city is crowded with cranks and schemers, and they are each and all looking for people with capital to invest. They can show a man where to put \$1,000 this week and pull out \$100,000 next month without any trouble whatever. The doctor said that he was willing to wager that there was no other city on the fair side of the earth, not excepting London or Paris, where there are so many people on a given square mile during the middle of the day as that included in the space a mile square of the river and a mile west of the lake.

Still on Earth. It was reported on the streets yesterday that Joe Rowles had left this vale of tears and gone to meet his maker. Accordingly a number of his friends called at his residence to see if they could do anything to help him. They found him lying on a sofa, looking very sick and trying to look pleasant, although a very sick man. "Genial Joe" is suffering from dropsy, but his physicians say he will pull through with proper care.

Lily Division Danced. Thursday evening the members of Lily division No. 8, Uniform rank of South Omaha, gave their third annual ball and exhibition drill at Blum's hall. The attendance was very large and the knights entertained most becomingly and pleasantly for their guests. Ten couples from Omaha attended and enjoyed the hospitality of Lily division. The exhibition drill was fine, and its excellent execution showed the training of a superior drill master such as Colonel A. L. Lott. The division is a strong one, and its parties are always highly social events in social life in the Magic City.

Refused to Sign the Warrant. The mayor has refused to sign the warrant in favor of the Thompson-Houston Electric Light company, for the November lighting bill, which was passed over his veto at last Tuesday's meeting of the city council. He declares that the company has not furnished the light specified in the contract, that the amount, \$2,483 was at least \$1,000 more than the company had earned.

In Trouble Over His Gun. For twenty days Ernest Schnell will remain in the county jail, he having been convicted of carrying concealed weapons. Yesterday he went into a loan office for the purpose of borrowing some money on a horse which he had been driving. The man did not like the looks of Mr. Schnell and turned him over to the police.

How to Cure Croup. If you have piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve will cure you.

Federal Court News. John Robbins was an offender before the federal court yesterday, and was fined \$25 and costs for mailing an obscene letter. William Spittman sold liquor to the Indians, and S. C. Ballard of Holman had sold liquor without a legal permit, and it cost him \$25 and costs.

From Nowhere. C. F. Moore & Co., prominent druggists of Newberg, Ore., say: "since our customers have become acquainted with the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy we sell but little of any other kind. Chamberlain's medicines all give good satisfaction." For sale by druggists.

YOUNG BLOOD TO THE FRONT

George Gould Succeeds His Father and Sidney Dillon Gives Way to a Grandson.

UNION PACIFIC PROSPECTS IMPROVING

President Clark Speaks Hopefully of the Condition of the Road—Director Millard Talks of the Financial Phase of the Company.

At the adjourned meeting of the Union Pacific directors held in Boston Friday, George Gould was elected to succeed his father in the directorate and to still further carry on the work of getting young blood in the board Sidney Dillon Ripley, a grandson of Sidney Dillon, was elected a director in place of the latter.

These changes are not without considerable import and carry out the prediction made in these columns shortly after Jay Gould's death that either the Gould interests would have absolute control or else a new management would succeed to the property. With the election of these two men the latter contingency is not likely to arise.

Until the report made by an agent of the foreign stockholders was given to the press the chances of a change seemed particularly bright, but with the findings of Mr. Bossevain's emissary stating the antagonistic elements in the face, a more conservative view has obtained, and the opinion is general that there will be no change in the present heads of departments, all indications pointing to the re-election of Mr. S. H. Clark at the next annual meeting in April.

Mr. Clark yesterday said that he had been advised of the election of Mr. Gould and Mr. Ripley to the board.

"Does this election indicate that there will be a change in the management?" Mr. Clark was asked.

"On the contrary, the indications would seem to point to a closer relation. While no one can tell what will be done at the next election, I assume that things will go on as now."

This present condition of affairs is quite in line with the published interview with Mr. Dickinson, the assistant general manager of the Union Pacific, in THE EVENING BEE Friday.

On the Financial Side. Mr. J. H. Millard, one of the directors of the Union Pacific, was seen yesterday morning and asked to give his views as to the financial standing of the Overland route. It is well known that the president of the Omaha National bank is quite conversant with the financial part of the Union Pacific system, having been a very close friend of Mr. Jay Gould, and a warm personal friend of Mr. Fred Ames. He has made the financial standing of the system a close study from the standpoint of a government director and a director of the road; he has seen both sides of the case.

Mr. Millard said: "It is a well known fact that there are many croakers against the Union Pacific, street claqueurs in the employ of rival Chicago roads, and the standing of the road and its prospects for the future are not so bright as they are. I have never been able to understand, unless it is jealousy as I have stated. But notwithstanding these croakings the Union Pacific's credit is better today than it has ever been. It is paying off its trust notes as they fall due, it is not in the market as a borrower, and has money in the treasury to meet its running expenses. Its only creditor is the government and I look forward to the time when that debt will be paid off."

On a business point of view, as cold blooded as you want to put it, the government could do no better than to extend the debt for fifty or a hundred years at 2 per cent. It is a fact that banks and other corporations are paying par for the 2 per cent

bonds which were originally the 2 1/2 and 4s, and upon the same line of reasoning the bonds of the Union Pacific would reach par if the debt was extended. But my idea has always been to scale the debt, making it payable in fifty, seventy-five and a hundred years, so that in thirty or forty years hence the road would be in a condition to meet its obligations as they mature.

Recommended the Extension. Governor Bullock, one of the government directors who made an extended tour of the system, I understand, has filed his report which recommends that as the road is in such excellent condition the debt be extended, believing that it would greatly help the road and at the same time work incalculable benefit to the government. It is not going to harass the debtor in this case. The road is getting on its feet, its stock is growing in value and with the extension asked would touch par, I believe.

"I have made a short tour of the system and know whereof I speak when I say that it is physically able to handle all the business that comes to it. Under the management of Mr. Clark it has wonderfully improved and I think both foreign and at home stockholders are unanimous in desiring Mr. Clark to remain where he is."

"The Union Pacific is an Omaha road and it penetrates a marvelous country. Omaha people forget sometimes what interests the road has here and the bankruptcies that would occur if its business was to be done at a different point. The other roads in Omaha may fairly be called Chicago roads, but the Union Pacific terminates here, its shops are here, its headquarters are here, it has no interests east of the Missouri river."

"The road is one of the great roads of the world it needs the fostering care of the government, and I haven't the least doubt but that it will get the debt. It owes the government a great deal, and I think the conservative judgment of legislators will be toward the extension of the debt."

Union Pacific Demurs. The Union Pacific has filed demurrers in the Milwaukee and Rock Island injunction cases recently begun in the district court, and asked that the cases be removed to the United States circuit court.

John Thurston, an ex-Bee man yesterday that he understood the cases would not be pushed to trial, the Milwaukee and Rock Island being perfectly satisfied that they were entitled to the depot. "Correspondence outside the bridge contract," said Mr. Thurston, "shows that the Milwaukee and Rock Island are perfectly satisfied with the present arrangements, and as it is a matter of business to have the roads run into the depot, it seems foolish to pursue the matter further."

Railroad Notes. David Burley, general agent of the Union Pacific at Salt Lake City, is in Omaha. W. S. Pope, assistant superintendent of the Rock Island at Topoka, has resigned.

It was announced at Burlington headquarters yesterday morning that Colonel A. C. Daves had resigned his office of general passenger and ticket agent of the Burlington lines in Missouri. D. O. Ives, the assistant general freight agent of the same line with headquarters at St. Joe, has been appointed in his stead. Colonel Daves will act as advisory agent.

A Cure for Croup. If your children are subject to croup always keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy handy. It is a simple and certain cure. If given as soon as the croupy cough appears it will prevent the attack. For sale by druggists.

For a Good Cause. What should prove a successful entertainment will be given in Washington hall on Tuesday evening, December 27, for the benefit of the Working Women's home. The "home" is being conducted by the members of Working Women's union, an assembly of the Knights of Labor, and is deserving of generous support. The entertainment will consist of a three-act comedy-drama called "Deliverance Ground." It will be presented by a strong amateur company, embracing some of the best local talent. The plot of the play is set in Paris in 1788 and illustrates some of the events in the "gay capital" during the stirring days of

the revolution. It is said to be full of interest, the excitement of the dramatic scenes being offset by the humorous features. The cast of characters is as follows: Monsieur Saugrood, Mr. T. Rutledge; Madame Saugrood, Mrs. C. Brown; Alphonse, Mr. L. Rustens; Robert, Mr. M. Miller; Mary, Miss Helene Chesbro.

Wanted in Sioux City. John Ghane was arrested and lodged in the county jail by Sheriff Bennett last night. The man was working in the Stephenson stables, going under an assumed name. He will be taken to Sioux City, where he is charged with having disposed of some mortgaged property.

Constipation cured by DeWitt's Eary Risers.

Association Secretary. The following marriage licenses were issued by County Judge Eller yesterday: Name and address. Age. Edward C. Waldvogel, South Omaha, 26; Addie J. Spittle, South Omaha, 17; James Frederickson, Omaha, 37; Andrea Nicolaisen, Omaha, 37.

Mr. C. Cook's Imperial Champagne has stood the test for thirty years. There is no better sparkling wine made. It's extra dry.

There was a jolly and fraternal gathering in dining room 53 of the Mercer hotel yesterday afternoon, when the Omaha Fire Underwriters' association gave its farewell banquet to Secretary W. S. Wilson, who leaves the city Tuesday evening to locate permanently in Louisville, Ky. There were nineteen insurance men present, and several who could not attend sent pleasantly worded letters of regret. Those enjoying the dinner were Messrs. M. L. Roeder, National Life; Colonel O. H. Jeffries, Massachusetts Mutual; H. D. Neely, Equitable; W. S. I. Hawley, Travelers; W. S. Wilson, United States Life; Charles I. Bell, State Mutual; H. R. Gould, Phoenix; J. W. Musgrave, Equitable; H. F. Limback, Pacific Mutual; W. J. Fisher, New England; George J. Stensdorf, D. R. Roeder, D. J. Collins, National Life; William Henry Brown, Equitable; E. B. Hall, Union Life; F. E. McMullin, Provident; Oscar Wasson, Manhattan; W. F. Allen, Mutual Life, and John Stated, National Life.

During the intervals between the courses there was a variety of delightfully aimless and amiable chatter, and when the cigars were reeued there was "the overflow of soul," as one of the members put it. A well selected menu was only incidental to the pleasures of the occasion.

A short but graceful address was made by Chairman M. L. Roeder, in which he spoke of the sincere regret felt by all the members of the association because of Mr. Wilson's departure from the city. He referred to the many friendship-inspiring qualities of the retiring secretary, his gentlemanly bearing and the pleasure he had taken in his residence in Omaha, and in closing presented Mr. Wilson with a handsomely bound copy of the "History of Omaha," as a souvenir of his sojourn here.

In response Mr. Wilson made a few eloquent remarks telling of the genuine gratification it gave him to see so many of his Omaha business associates assembled to bid him a hearty farewell. When he left his home in Kentucky he did not expect to find such a warm-hearted, cordial people in the northwest, but he had been most agreeably surprised to find that under the cold blue of Nebraska's skies there were as warm hearts as in the sunny southland. He spoke fondly and touchingly of his beloved Kentucky to which he was returning, while not forgetting the cordial welcome and kind treatment he had received while in Omaha. His remarks were greeted with considerable enthusiasm.

Brief addresses were made by Messrs. Stensdorf, Collins, Musgrave, Bell, D. H. Roeder and Mr. Mullin. Mr. Bell said: "Were I to ravish Webster I could not find words adequate to express my regret on Mr. Wilson's departure from amongst us."

After hearty hand shaking all around the gentlemen present dispersed.

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