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AL OR MENTION.

Boston Store, 10-day sale. The Ladies Aid society of St. John's En-lish Lutheran church meets this afternoon t the residence of Mrs. R. S. Williams, 330,

High School avenue. W. C. Stacy, who was said to have inten-tions of moving to Minneapolis, denies the charge, and is at a loss to explain how the report originated. He thinks Council Blaffs is good enough as a pince to live.

The fifth annual ball of Union Pacific as-tembly No. 1,200, Knights of Labor, was given last evening in the Masonic temple. A large number of knights were present with their friends, and the dancing was highly contend. *embly: that the robbers did a very satisfactory night's work. They first broke into a car penter shop and secured the tools with which they worked the remainder of thehighly enjoyed.

Special communication of Bluff City lodge, No. 71. Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, Friday, December 1, at 8 o'clock p. m., for work in the first degree. All master Masons are requested to be present. T. B. Lacey, workingful master worshipful master.

The police were notified of the turning of a confidence trick on the Northwestern pas-senger train just before it arrived in the city Wednesday night. A granger lost \$16 in the shuffle, but he did not leave his name with the authorities with the authorities.

serted a fuse. The explosion that followed tore the door loose from its hinges, broke all the windows in the building and made some large cracks in the corner of the room near the ceiling. The explosion must have been a terrific one, judging from the have it made. The robbers took with them \$200 worth of postage stamps, \$150 in cash, be-sides two watches and a number of articles of lewelry from a showear that was in the The members of the Council Bluffs Rifle club spent the last two afternoous in exer-rising their shooting talent. Wednesday the prizes were turkeys and a number of the members succeeded in laying up a choice stock of Thanksgiving edibles.

The damage suit of Grimmelman against the Union Pacific Railway company was completed and given to the jury on Wednes-day in the district court. At a late hour in the night the jury came in with a scaled verdict, which will be opened in court this morning.

Schubert Symphony Club.

The program to be given by the above named company at the opera house, Friday evening, December 1, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., is rich in amusing and entertaining features. It centains lady quartets, banjo, mandolin and guitar music, string quartets, violin and cornet solos, comic and serious readings, soprano and contralto solos, besides songs, recitations and violin solos by the greatest of all 5-year-old prodigies, Master Tommy Purcell. This promises to be a treat for all; one that none can afford to miss. The price (50 cents) places it in the reach of all. There should not be a vacant seat in the house. The Y. M. C. A. is to be commended for endeavoring to give the people of Council Bluffs so high-classed an entertainment at so reasonable a price, and you should show your appre-ciation by patronizing this concert. Tickets on sale at Y. M. C. A. rooms, A. A. Heart's jewelry store and opera house pharmacy. No extra charge for reserved seats.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mrs. C. C. Lincoln of Perry, Ia4 is visiting ber parents. Miss Floy Smith of Sioux City is the guest of Miss Lou Smith on First avenue. Miss Fife of Pasidena, Cal., is in the city, the guest of Miss Stella Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wallace are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Wyman, in Des Moines. Hon, Thomas Bowman will leave today Washington on business, in which it is said a number of postmasters and would be postmasters of this vicinity are more or less interested.

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 NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS
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the kitchen ask your greeer for J. C. Hoffmayr & Co.'s Fancy Patent flour. TWO SAFES WERE BLOWN TO PIECES S. M. Williamson still sells the Stan-In the Postoffice Great Damage Was Done dard and Domestic at 106 South Main street, and has not removed to Broadand a Big Haul Made-A Daring way, as has been reported.

St. Andrew's Celebration.

The Scotchmen of Council Bluffs and vicinity were out in full force last evening at the celebration of the anniversary of their patron. Saint Andrew, held in the hall on Pearl street. The following program was rendered:

rendered: Instrumental music by the Caledonians—An-drew Bell, Albert Klein and Frank Hell. Prayer J. W. S. McMieken, John S. Gardiner, M. P. Hae, Mrs. Henry Stevenson, Celia Bell and Harriet Blood. Opening address. A. C. Graham Address. Rev. Thomas Ure Song Miss Markaret Short Music - violin, pinno and cello. Misses Nottle and Jessle and Master Robert Wallace. Address—St. Andrew. Dr. Donaid Macrae Song Misses Maud and Edna Bell Song Misses Maud and Edna Bell Song Address—St. Andrew's Society.

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After the program was ended there was a feast at which the "Haggis" was set before the banqueters, together with a hest of other things which Scotchmen and women know

The same parties also made a raid on a bardware store next door, kept by a man named Williams. They tried to effect an en-trance through a rear window, but failing in this they pried open an outside cellar door so well how to prepare and to epjoy. St. Andrew, who by common tradition is said to have been a guest at the far famed wedding at Cana of Galilee, where something stronger than water was had to drink, and the habit this they pried open an outside cellar door and ascended the stairway, forcing open an-other door at the head of the stairs. They drilled a hole in the safe door and poured in powder. Taking a strip of moulding fif-teen feet long, they wrapped around one end of it a piece of paper and ignited it. They then stood in the other room and poked the moulding through the door, thus setting off the powder. They ruined the combination, but only succeeded in getting in the neigh-borhood of \$4 in change. The night before they would have realized several hundred dollars as the result of their enterprise, but they happened to have struck it on a night than water was had to drink, and the habit be there formed was honcred last evening. The celebration was one of the most picns-ant ever enjoyed by St. Andrew's society, which is famed for its entertainments. A number were present from out of the city, among them being the following: Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson, Haigler, Neb.; Dave McKenzle, piper major of Clan Gordon, Omaha; Miss McKenzle, John Findley, ex-Chief of Clan McKenzle, Sioux City; Joseph Gray, South Omaha; Thomas Falconer, chief of Clan McKenzle, Sioux City; Joseph Gray, South Cinaha; Thomas Falconer, chief of Clan McKenzle, Miller, McAdam, Taylor, Rutherford, Mrs. Rutherford and Mrs. Milne of Clan Gordon. The success of the entertainment was due

The success of the entertainment was due in a large measure to the efforts of the committee on arrangements, which consisted of R. Trumpull, Dr. O. W. Gordon, J. R. Mc-Pherson, Henry Stevenson and B. N. Waller.

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SNAKES FOR FOOD.

Only Prejudice Excludes Them from the Bill of Fare.

"Why don't people eat snakes?" "Because it is not stylish."

The above question and answer are really all that is necessary at this date, says the American Field. The question is suggested because at the present day there is a great demand for two other classes of reptiles, namely, frogs and turtles, for feod, and yet we never hear of snakes being offered on the market. The answer follows, for the reason that fashion dictates all things, from our birth to our death, and as yet snakes are interdicted for food, to Americans, at least. Frenchmen are generally credited

with "knowing a good thing," and they practiced frog eating for centuries before other countries acknowledged the delleacy of frogs' legs. At last the cus-tom reached the United States and was quite generally adopted and

strates the sagacity of the animal. The female first digs a hole in the sand with her claws and hollows it out cleverly in the form of an inverted cone. In this she deposits her eggs, one layer at a time, and having filled the cavity she covers it over carefully, and, with her hard breast shell, packs, the sand down hard breast shell, packs the sand down over the nest. She usually lays about twelve eggs, this being a fair aver-age. The heat of the sun hatches the eggs, and after, they have been in the ground about two months and a hall the hitle felicows dig themselves out of the sand and take

to the water, where they proceed to ob-tain nourishment as best they can. When the cold weather comes on the terrapin hunts his winter quarters, which are generally located at the bot-tom of the pend. The older ones sleep all the winter at the bottom and the an the winter at the obtom and the gounger ones live around the edges of the bank. As a natural consequence the terrapin only requires care during the warm weather. Then they must be fed regularly with fish, crabs and other food of which they are fond. Such farms are stocked at any season of the year. Whenever the animals are caught they are placed within the inclosure, when they find the quarters all prepared for their reception.

WHERE GREAT ACTORS FAIL.

Jefferson, Irving and Salvini Could Not Memorize Their Own speeches,

The often repeated statement, little believed in, however, by the unprotessional public, that an actor cannot learn his own lines, was curiously proved, says the New York Herald, at the players' ceremonies in the Madison Square Garden concert hall upon the birthday anniversary of Edwin Booth.

It is quite incredible to most persons that any one of average memory should be unable to commit words which he himself has written. On the contrary it would seem that the author should be able to remember the words which crystallize his own thoughts much better than any one else. The proof of this apparently self evident proposition seems to lie in the fact that pub-lie men, orators, clergymen and other frequent speakers are not only in the habit of committing to memory their own literary productions, but that, after a few years of practice, they do it with an ease which is positively surprising. It is well known, for instance, that

Chauncey Depew has to do little more than write his speech to have it by rote. He can compose a long oration at home one night, and the next night, after a busy day at his business, can deliver it almost verbalim, re-calling the words with an ease which en-ables thim to devote his attention on the platform wholiy to the oratorical effects of Why, then, cannot a professional actor,

whose marvelously rapid acquisition of the phraseology of complicated "parts" is pro-

port of them for the Herald. Three great actors were there to make ad-dresses in memory of the famons dead they each had intimately known. They were re-spectively representative of the very first rank in their profession in three different nations, and all of them were men whose hair was whitened by years and labor, and who were far above the trivial affectations of the younger men of their craft. There were Joseph Jefferson, Henry Irving and Tommaso Salvini.

Anxious to obtain copies of their speeches in advance, if possible, I asked Mr. Jefferson in the ante room before the program was be-gun if by any chance he had prepared copies



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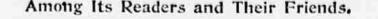
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Ask your grocer for Domestic soap. Domestic soap is the best

verbial, learn parts or speeches which he himself has composed? But the proof of the pudding lies in the eat

ing, as learned the other day, when I at tended the Booth exercises to make a re-port of them for the Herald.

and Tommaso Salvini.

of his speech for the press. "Why, no," he said slowly, "I have not. I haven't even made a copy for myself. I haven't written any speech, for I couldn't learn it if I had." "Why, that in curious," I said, smiling.

"Why, that in curious," I said, smiling. "Well, it's a fact," said Mr. Jefferson quite earnestly. "I can't possily hearn my own lines, so I don't try. I hae merely mapped out in my mind, in a very general way, what I am going to say." It may be said right here that it was well Mr. Jefferson did not menare and doliver.

Now

Piece of Work-Officers on

The United States authorities are on the

track of a couple of men with a brown

covered wagon, who are supposed to have

burglarized the postoffice at Oakland last

Tuesday night and pursued an easterly lirection through the county. Sheriff

Hazen returned yesterday from Oakland where he went to make an investigation of

the case, and the story he tells indicates

uight. They broke off the knop of the door in the

postoffice safe, making a liole into which they poured some fine gunpowder and in-serted a fuse. The explosion that followed

of jewelry from a showcase that was in the

Cracked Another Safe.

room

the Trail.

In addition to our great 10-day clear ing sale for the next few days we will have a new attraction in our corset department. Mdlle. Gerold, an expert in corset

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Its Corseis.

prospects seem to be that they will be cap-tured before many days have elapsed.

they happened to have struck it on a night when the finances were running low. All day Tuesday and as late as 9 o'clock at night two strange men were seen about the town, with the wagon above referred the town, with the wagon above referred to. Wednesday morning at 2 o'clock some people who were returning from a dance several miles east of Oakland met an outfit answering the description, and the two men are thought to be the guilty parties. Two United States detectives have been put upon the trail and the town and county officials to the eastward have been notified. The presences seem to be that they will be easy.

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Church Services,

Thanksgiving day was observed in a coord ance with the time-honored custom by the various churches of the city. The Baptist Congregational, Methodist, Lutheran and Presbyterian churches united in a union service, which was held at the First Presby terian church. The inclement weather kept some away, but the auditorium was well filled with those who wanted to show their | line thankful spirits in other ways than eating. Fev. Dr. Askin was to have preached, but for several days he has been seriously ill. His sermon, therefore, had to be read by Dr. Phelps. It was full of practical thoughts and was enjoyed by all, notwithstanding the audience would have been glad to have heard Wakefield, Miss Neole Ogden and Mr. I. M. Treynor. The collegion and Mr. I. M. Treynor. The collection which was taken was for the poor of the city, Services were also held at St. Paul's and

Grace Episcopal churches. At the former Rev. E. Babcock preached, and the pleasure f those present was much increased by the singing of soveral selections by the boy choir. Master Rodda Lanzendorfer sang a solo m which he showed great talent for one of his years.

Unity Guild will serve a New England supper Friday evening, December 1, from 5 to 7 o'clock in Masonic temple, followed by a party. Supper 25 cents, and party 25 cents. No extra charge for dancing.

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reasonable to dispute it. Prejudice alone prevents our trying fried snakes To the Editor of THE BEE: In a comand the same prejudice keeps many permunication in THE BEE on yesterday "S" sons from eating nicely cooked eels, be expresses the fear that "invested capital cause they so closely resemble snakes. has no certain rights in this community," Let us compare snakes and eels and we and also questions the "gratitude" of our shall find that snakes, and, in fact, all people in their treatment of the electric reptiles, including our favorite green motor company. It is possible that a close reading between the lines of the communiturtle and delicate frog, are immeasurably above the cels and all other fishes

reading between the times of the communi-cation may disclose a cunningly hidden vein of sarcasm. The writer must certainly know that capital of all kinds is fully protected by the constitution of the United States and cannot be taken or confiscated without due in the scale of animal life. But, allowing that mammals, reptiles and clear down to the degenerates fishes are all good because they are vertebrates, why do we not limit ourselves to this sub-kingdom, instead of dropping process of law and with full compensation, and it is on account of this ample protection and absolute safety and security under the to the lower and serving up crabs, lob guardianship of the constitution and the federal courts, that European capital has sters and shrimps? But, not content with this drop, we take another plunge, been flowing so freely into this country for years. It was by reason of this protection that the promoters of the bridge and motor and, going away, away below the insects, we reach the claim and oyster, line were enabled to borrow \$550,000 in Europe to make the original construction which, together with the bridge tax paid by our citizens, was about sufficient to pay for the plant and on which the patrons of the line have been paying which we cat entire and often in the raw state. In certain parts of Europe snakes are eaten by the lower class of people. They

are sold prepared at the market as hedge cels and are in considerable semi-annually a good, round rate of interest, together with a pice dividend on the capidemand in southern France. In many parts of the uncivilized world the flesh talization of \$1,500,000 in addition. Possibly however, it is the money invested by the stockholders in the plant and not the bonded of serpents is eaten, and we have it on the authority of well known travelers debt that "S" regards in danger of confisca-tion and otherwise in jeopardy by the de-mand on the part of the taxpayers of this and explorers that, although not tempting, the dish is in nowise unpalatable. It may be a long time before the city that the company shall pay like indi-viduals its just debts and operate its line in fashion generally adopts snakes as food, viduals its just debts and operate its line in accordance with the terms of its charter. If his alarm lies in this line will he not kindly inform the readers of THE BEE just how much cold cash the stockholders put into and left in the enterprise for which they is-sued themselves stock to the amount of \$1,500,000, to earn a dividend on which they are now demanding a locent rate As to but it should be borne in mind that we descend lower in the scale when we feed on fish, and immeasurably lower in our civilized taste for oysters TERRAPIN FARMING. are now demanding a 10-cent rate. As to the position taken by Mayor Lawrence and City Attorney Hazelton, it might be said that

the case of the city against the company has been tried and is awaiting the decision of the court, and that the \$10,000 penalty case for failure to comply with the 3-cent ordinance is substantially at issue and will probably be tried at this term of court FREE LANCE.

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The last chance for a Round Oak this year; only 25 left, and can't get any more. They won't last over ten days. A very few Radiant Homes left at Cole & Cole's, Main street.

Have you seen the new gas heaters at the Gas company's office?

The growing interest in these meetings was clearly manifest by the increased attendance the past two or three evenings. At the close of the sermon some ten or twelve presented themselves for prayer. Mr. Willson is a fearless talker, not alto-gether pleasing to some who pretend to be Christiaus and who never do anything in the

Christians and who never do anything in the church or for the work except to "hold down a scat." He believes in activity. His arguments are clear, strong and forvible. He corners the unbeliever so close that he will be obliged to surrender or show the white feather

Never has such singing been heard in the oity churches. Mrs. Willson and Mrs. Smith with their cultured volces give evidence of the most careful and thorough training for

a did not prepare and the term "frog-caters" was no longer set speech, for no words prepared before hand could possibly have equated the simple and wonderfully effective address he delivconsidered opprobrious. Somewhat over a century ago there was a revolt on a Virginia plantation because the slaves ered, coming as it did, on the spur of the moment, eloquently and bro were principally fed on diamond-backed from the warm heart of Edwin Booth's terrapins, which could be secured at an dearest friend. expense of \$1 a cartload. Now these

Henry Irving came in presently and took terrapins bring from \$40 to \$60 a dozen. a modest seat on the floor near the platform, crouching comfortably down, his legs crossed and his fine face nearly concealed by Snake flesh is white and tender and doubt not is as good as that of any other the hand upon which it rested. When a asked him the same question I had asked of cold blooded animal. There is no earthly reason to doubt it and it would be un-Mr. Jefferson he looked up smilingly and

said: "Yes, I have written out a speech-just a few words.

few words. "But I have unfortunately only one copy of it, and I cannot give that to you now, for I have been unable to commit the words and must read them. But I will cheerfully give I to see affectively. it to you afterward."

Mr. Irving took his manuscript upon the platform with him, and, though he did not actually read from it, he glanced at it four or five times during the brief delivery. He made good his promise to give me the manuscript afterward.

I have it before me now-three small sheets of single note paper of the Lyceum theater. Upon the reverse side of these are written in Mr. Irving's largest and plainest hand 258 words-his entire address.

Two hundred and fifty-eight words! And yet the greatest of living English actors. who has mastered innumerable "parts" in his long and successful career, was compelled to carry the manuscript upon the platform with him and to refer to it a haif

ozen ef times. Mr. Salvini sat beside me, but I did not ask him for his speech, for the double reason that I did not speak Italian and that I already possessed a copy of the translation of

But when Mr. Salvini faced the audience he carried a manuscript- in his hand, and Mr. Jefferson, as the presiding officer of the meeting, offered an apology to the audience in behalf of the speaker, saying that as Mr. Salvini had been unable to memorize his own composition he would be compelled to read it

And Mr. Salvini did read it, though he showed the effects of study by delivering some of the finer periods without looking a

bis manuscript. Can any better proof be offered of the statement that acters cannot memorize their own lines?

VISIONARY AND UNREAL.

Report to the War Department that There is No Trouble in Mexico.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30. - A telegram received at the War department from Brigadier General Wheaton, commanding the military de partment of Texas, confirms the belief that the alleged Mexican revolutionary trouble was more visionary than real. General Wheaton says it is quite certain, and has been admitted by the Mexican authorities, that no parties of armed men had crossed to Markee than the transmission of transmission of the transmission of transmis Mexico from the American side.

Battle in a Few Days.

DEMING, Nov. 30 .- It is admitted by both DEMING, Nov. 30.—It is admitted by both sides that a battle between the robels and the government forces will be fought near Ascension within a few mays. There are now 300 soldiers stationed at the town of As-cension and 100 more will reach there today. The rebels, under command of Cruz Chavez, are encamped in the mountains near by and have nearby of ammunities and freerows and have plenty of ammunition and firearms and are fearless and determined. It is almost certain that the first fight will result in a victory for the rebels on account of their po sition in the mountains. The Ascarate brothers, who were thought

to have been captured by the rebels, arrived here all right last night.

Was on Fire at Sea.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30 .- The steamer Europe, which arrived this morning from London. was on fire during the voyage to this port. The fire broke out in the forehold amongst a lot of chemicals, and was with great diffculty subdued. The cause is supposed to be spontaneous combustion.

Fire at Corning.

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CORNING. IS., Nov. 30.- (Special Telegram to THE HEE.]-Shortly before 7 o'clock this



How the Market is Supplied with This Great Delicacy. Terrapins, the now greatest delicacy known to the epicure, are a little lower in price this year than they were last, although their comparative scarcity makes them one of the most precious luxuries. "Counts"-that is, terrapins

that measure six inches or over-which brought \$55 per dozen last year, are now selling for \$50 in Baltimore. The largest specimens are highly prized for their flesh, and have brought even this

year as high as \$75 per dozen. The more common varieties, which have not changed materially in price, sell for \$15 to \$20. Terrapin farming, as it is technically

dubbed by the trade, has proved itself a lucrative business. Of late years many have entered into it and have earned a good living by plying their strange trade. One of the most noted farms is situated on Hog Island, Va., which is located at the mouth of Coan river,

Willison Meeting.

where all the advantages of water and surroundings necessary for the rearing of the animals are at hand. The farm covers about two and one-half acres of land and water and is surrounded by a board fence, which effectually prevents the terrapins from escaping. The in-

terior is divided into lots. ground is afforded the animals for burrowing in the mud when cold weather sets in.

The summer months seem to be the favorite time for the terrapin to lay its eggs. This operation is performed in a peculiar way, which admirably demon-