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MINOR MENTION.

Boston Store, holiday goods at half price.

Michael Fisher and Josephine Besling, both of Omaha, were married by Justice Vien yesterday.

Great interest is being manifested in the special revival meeting now in progress at Trinity Methodist Episcopal church.

Miss Gertrude Bennett entertained a party of friends at cards last evening at her home, corner of Bluff street and Willow avenue.

The Rebekah Relief association will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. E. Weatherbee, 625 Broadway. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

Meetings are now being held at the De Long mission on Bryant street every night. The services will be conducted every evening this week by Rev. Mr. Davis of the First Baptist church.

Wallace and Blizzard, the two men who are supposed to have assaulted a man named Clark for the purpose of robbery, are to have a hearing this afternoon at 2 o'clock before Justice Field.

A. N. Wakefield of Atlantic, who was arrested some time ago on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses in a cattle deal, has been bound over by Justice Fox to the district court grand jury and his bond is fixed at $300.

All members of Mizpah temple No. 9, Pythian Sisters, are requested to meet at Knights of Pythias hall this evening at 8 o'clock to transact business of great importance to the temple, and for installation of officers. Lilly Abdill, M. of R. and C.

The Third and Fourth Ward Five-Cent Fare clubs have arranged for a large public meeting at the court house this evening. There will be a spicy discussion of the motor question by Leonard Everett, Emmet Tinley, Hon. Spencer Smith, Frank Trimble, James McCabe and others.

Frank Everest of Grinnell and Miss Florence Folsom were married at 1 o'clock, New Year's afternoon, at the residence of the bride in Avoca. Miss Folsom was well known in this city, having made it her home during the years of her childhood. Mr. and Mrs. Everest have gone to Grinnell to live.

The newly elected officers of St. Alban's lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be installed with the usual ceremonies next Monday evening at the hall on Pearl street. In addition to the installation, Mrs. W. C. Seiss will sing, Mrs. M. Woolman and Miss Vera Stork will give declamations, and Frank Trimble will deliver an address. The program will be followed by dancing.

Fred Westrip, yardmaster at the Northwestern, shot a pet dog belonging to Emil Machan near the Northwestern depot yesterday afternoon. The boy was holding the dog when the latter barked at Westrip, who was passing. Westrip pulled a gun and sent a ball through the animal's head. The boy was heartbroken over the affair and his father has serious intentions of prosecuting Westrip.

James K. Fitzgerald, son of John Fitzgerald, died at 7 o'clock yesterday morning of consumption, after an illness of two years, aged 25 years. He has been a resident of this city since childhood. He leaves one brother and four sisters, J. B. Fitzgerald of Carroll, Mrs. George C. Wise, Mrs. L. F. Boekhoff, Mrs. James Veasy and Mrs. Charles Withrow, all of this city. The funeral will take place at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning from St. Francis Xavier's Catholic church, and the remains will be buried in Fairview.

N. A. Gallup, whose buggy shafts were stolen by Smith and Roberts, the pair of desperadoes with whom Constable Baker had his exciting adventure on New Year's, proved his property in Justice Vien's court and took it home with him. No further trace of the criminals has been found, and the idea prevails around police headquarters that they are professional thieves who are wanted badly somewhere, or they would not have made so desperate a fight for their liberty. Anna Smith, the woman who was with them, is still confined in the county jail awaiting further developments.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mayor F. C. Reed of Manawa is back from Arkansas.

Mrs. Maud Fallon of Chicago is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Bertha Schicketanz has gone to Denver to be with her sister, who is very ill.

Miss Ada Anderson of Glenwood is in the city, the guest of Miss Frances Bowman.

Bert Clough of Douglas, Wyo., is in the city for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Clough.

Mrs. J. L. Bedford, who has been visiting the family of Dr. Sweetland, left last evening for her California home.

Thomas B. Baldwin has returned from a western and southern trip and is visiting his friends and relatives in Council Bluffs.

Miss Wissler, one of the teachers in the city schools, has been called to Corning by a telegram announcing the death of her father.

Miss Julia Officer left last evening for Chicago, after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Officer, on Willow avenue.

J. K. Cooper, representative-elect from Pottawattamie county, leaves next Sunday for Des Moines to take his place along with the other prospective Solons.

R. H. Fox, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fox, for the past week, left yesterday with his family for their home in Horton, Kan.

Prof. James McNaughton and family left yesterday for several months residence in the gulf regions of the southern states for the benefit of Mrs. McNaughton's health.

J. W. Laing, commercial agent for the Pacific slope for Broadhill & Sons, dress goods manufacturers, Jamestown, N. Y., left last evening for a six months campaign in his territory.

For sale, household furniture all this week at 316 Broadway, upstairs.

CANDIDATES FELT SOCIABLE.

Supervisors Have a Heap of Trouble in Keeping Away from Them.

The Board of Supervisors began the regular January meeting yesterday, and if the members do not progress any more rapidly in the future than they did yesterday, the session promises to last several months. There were twelve men who had made up their minds that they were especially fitted by nature and grace to look after the welfare of the poor of Pottawattamie county, and their applications were on file with the auditor. Their names are: C. A. Hammer, R. J. Huntington, A. S. Beck, D. K. Dodson, George A. Haynes, C. Wesley, George Graves, Oscar Hensel, A. T. Whittlesey, M. H. Tinley, J. J. Watts and John Shea. While the board was in session the halls were alive with the candidates, and when the board adjourned the handshaking and buttonholing operation commenced. Some of the members stole to their boarding places through alleys, and they are canvassing the situation this morning, hoping to find some provision of the law that allows them to hold their meetings in Wright township, whose boast it is that it is harder to get there than to take a trip to Chicago and back.

Eight ballots were taken on the candidates for overseer of the poor, but no candidate received more than two votes. Tomorrow the balloting will be resumed and continued at intervals until a sufficient number of them meet with a change of heart to enable them to bring about an election.

John C. Black was appointed president of the board, to succeed F. G. Hetzel, whose term has expired. The places of Messrs. Hetzel and Charles Alexander were taken by B. B. Dentler and Perry Kerney, who ran against each other in the last election, but were willing to smoke the pipe of peace yesterday at the expense of President Black.

The bonds of A. S. Burton, the new superintendent of public instruction, and Dr. H. B. Jennings, the coroner, and all the other county officials who were elected at the last election were approved, and the new officials are consequently as much in office now as they ever will be.

NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Judge McGee Gives the Motor Company a Few Days of Grace.

WILL OPERATE THE LINE A LITTLE LONGER

Trustees Will Not Take Charge Until After the Supreme Court Has Passed on the Points at Issue.

As the result of Judge McGee's decision in the motor case yesterday morning, the company will have control of the line until after next May, when the supreme court of Iowa will have a chance to pass on the question of whether the decision in the superior court of Council Bluffs was correct. The issues involved yesterday were those with relation to a supersedeas bond. Judge McGee held that for a corporation to be allowed to supersede the decision of a lower court would be, in the present case, to allow a concern that had been declared dead and plucked up by the roots to rehabilitate itself at its own pleasure, and would have the effect to establish the rule that no decision of the court of complete jurisdiction would have any force or validity until it had been passed upon by the court of last resort.

Substance of the Decision.

"The effect of a supersedeas," was the substance of his decision, "is to restrain the appellee from taking an affirmative action to enforce a decree, but does not authorize the appellant to do what the decree specifically prohibits him from doing. The judgment already rendered finds that the defendants have usurped a public franchise, and if they have the right to supersede, it is possible for any corporation to usurp and hold such franchises until the state can obtain judgment of ouster in the courts of last resort.

"Sometimes, however, the operation of this rule would work great hardship, and cases arise where it is possible, on conditions imposed by the court, to relieve the parties from injury to which they would be subjected by the strict application of the rule. A corporation may be allowed to exercise a franchise to which it has no legal right until the appellate court passes upon the case, on condition that it has a speedy hearing. In the present instance the statutes do not give the trustees the right to run the road pending an appeal, but such right, if given at all, would have to come from the courts. It could not have been the intention of the legislature, in passing such a law, to deprive corporations of their right to appeal, which would be the practical result by having the property sold before the supreme court could pass upon the case.

To Enforce the Court's Orders.

"The way to enforce the mandates of the court is by punishment for contempt. The question of what constitutes contempt is largely a matter of discretion with the court, and if the enforcement of the rules of the court would work hardship against any of the parties a strong case would be presented for the court to refuse to punish for contempt. It would be inexpedient in this case to punish the defendants forthwith for contempt, for to stop the running of trains would be a great hardship to the plaintiff as well as to the defendant. This remark, however, must not be taken as an indication that the company may supersede the decree of the lower court by an appeal, and, if it is possible, for it to use every means of delay to drag out a slow process settlement by means of an appeal. I have a misconception of the rights of the state. This solution may not be a very happy one, but it is the only one that will insure the defendants all the benefits of successful appeal and to both the plaintiffs and defendants the benefits of the operation of the road."

The court further remarked that the appointment of trustees had been made properly, whether or not they were to take charge at once, for, in case the supreme court should affirm the decision, it would be necessary for them to assume the management immediately. By agreement of the attorneys for both sides it was decided that the case should be submitted to the supreme court at its May session, it being too late to make the necessary preparations for submission at this month's session.

An entertainment will be given at Hughes' hall for the benefit of the Christian home on Friday, January 19. A prize of a fine gold watch will be given to the one who sells the greatest number of tickets. Secure your tickets at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Friday, this week, at 3:00 p. m.

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

George S. Davis, prescription druggist

Ask your grocer for Domestic soap.

IMPROVE THE SEWER SYSTEM.

City Council Holds Its Regular Monthly Meeting and Transacts Business.

The city council held its regular monthly meeting last evening. Alderman Hathaway, who is probably alderman no longer, was absent, and Alderman Geise was likewise nowhere to be seen.

The claim of A. C. Harding for $10 for the rent of a building in the Sixth ward as a polling place was brought up, and City Attorney Hazleton reported that he was entitled to the money. This is the case in which Harding, the owner of the building, and J. W. Clatterbuck, the tenant, each claimed $10. Clatterbuck stole a march on Harding and the officials and got his $10. By the report of the city solicitor each man gets $10 for a room that usually rents for about $4 per month. Harding was allowed the money.

A resolution was introduced by Alderman Smith providing for bringing to grade First and Second avenues, and Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets, near Cochran park. In support of the resolution Smith said that this work could probably go over for a time, but his motive in wanting it pushed at this time was to furnish work for the poor. As it would cost only $1,000, and as the work would have to be done sometime, he was in favor of providing for men who were at present without means of earning a living. The resolution was adopted unanimously, and all bids for the work will have to be in by January 9.

Mayor Lawrence read the following communication:

GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL: I desire to call your attention to an important improvement that I deem extremely necessary for the city. To perfect as far as possible our system of parks, it is necessary that the capacity of Indian creek, from its confluence with the Nineteenth street and Thirteenth avenue sewers, should be enlarged from thence to the Missouri river. At that point the creek receives all the sewage of the city. Continual deposits are formed raising its bed, thus entailing a burdensome expense to keep the channel open. I am informed by the engineer that if this channel should be widened and deepened to the river that the present continual labor required, and the large amount of expenses necessarily incurred to keep the sewers free, would be in a great measure obviated.

Our projected sewers are completed and all those heretofore disconnected—and therefore unservicable—have been connected with the main system. This, if the channel mentioned be enlarged to its utmost capacity, considering our topography, will give us the best sewer system under the circumstances obtainable.

Therefore, in view of the vital importance of this matter, I would recommend that the engineer be instructed to make the necessary surveys and that measures be immediately taken to procure the right of way, so that at the earliest possible moment our financial condition will permit, the work may be commenced and pressed to a completion.

N. D. LAWRENCE, Mayor.

The matter was referred to a committee consisting of Aldermen Tibbetts, Jennings and White, the city attorney and city engineer.

The sum of $3,000 was ordered transferred from the police fund to the special paving fund to be used in paying off bonds.

A tax refund of $56 was ordered in favor of Alderman Vic Jennings.

The clerk was authorized to advertise for bids for sidewalks on North avenue, Benton street and other streets in the northeastern part of the city.

Mayor Lawrence reported that William Vandenburg had been appointed special policeman last month, P. M. Scanlan for twenty-one days, and that L. B. Cousins had been appointed on the regular force. The appointment was confirmed.

It was expected that a report would be on hand from City Attorney Hazelton on a number of very juicy questions propounded to him by Alderman Keller at the previous meeting with reference to the collection of the motor company's delinquent taxes. The report was on hand, but even Keller did not appear anxious to have it read when he learned the contents, and by his request the opinion was handed to the city clerk to be kept by him under lock and key for an indefinite period. Just what was stated in the opinion cannot be learned, for the few who know are decidedly noncommittal. It is rumored around the edges that Alderman Keller, who was elected on an anti-motor platform, has done yeoman's service for the motor company by calling the attention of the company in the above mentioned queries to things that might have escaped the notice of its attorneys, and it seems to be the prevailing opinion among city officials that the county treasurer will not be directed to seize the company's property for back taxes, at least for some time to come.

At the close of the regular council meeting the aldermen, the mayor, the city attorney and John Lindt held a star chamber session in the mayor's office to consult with reference to certain lawsuits now pending against the city.

The council will meet next Friday evening to elect trustees of the public library, and again on next Tuesday evening to let contracts for laying sidewalks.

Chambers' Dancing Practice.

For beginners, every Monday. Junior class, 4 p. m.; adults, 8 p. m. Advanced junior class every Wednesday 4 p. m. Assemblies every Wednesday 8:30 p. m. His elegant academy in the Shugart-Beno block can be secured, with elevator services, for parties and musicales. Apply to Mr Winters at elevator. The best of music can be furnished for all parties.

After January 1, Brown's C. O. D. grocery will close each evening at 7 o'clock except Saturdays and Mondays.

Smoke T. D. King & Co's Partagas

Ladies, if you desire absolute peace in the kitchen ask your grocer for J. C. Hoffmayr & Co.'s Fancy Patent flour. Trade mark—Blue Rooster.

Broke a Leg.

Charles Lewis, a young man living at the corner of First avenue and Thirty-second street, met with a bad accident yesterday afternoon. He was riding along Broadway near the corner of Twenty-fifth street when his horse slipped on the smooth block paving and fell. In falling he threw Lewis partially underneath him and the young man suffered a badly broken limb. He was taken to a hospital near by for treatment.

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Sugar Corn! Sugar Corn!

Try the Council Bluffs sugar corn. The best in the market.

Absolutely no chemicals used to bleach the corn white. It is young, tender, sweet, clean and wholesome.

Ask your grocer for Domestic soap

Domestic soap is the best

CAPTURED THE CAPITOL.

How an Insane Pug Dog Dominated Indiana's State House.

Two days ago Flip was a lively English pug dog with a cold, black nose that turned up saucily at the end, while she played about the corridors of the state house. She is not a lively dog today; she is a dead dog, says the Indianapolis Journal. It was two years ago that Flip became a member of Custodian Griffin's household, and quickly won the affections of the family. It was not unusual for her to go to the state house to scamper about on the marble floors. She was at the capitol late Wednesday afternoon busily engaged in her usual festivities. Before she started to her home in Union street, Flip was led to the basement, with a string which was tied around her neck, that she might imbibe a refreshing draught of hydrant water. She placed her front paws on the edge of the trough, took one good swallow of water, gave a scream peculiar to the dog tribe and went stark, staring mad. She ran out of the basement to the corridors of the first floor, and continued her fit, drawing the attention of the entire population to the capitol.

Flip weighed about five pounds. She kept at bay about twenty state officers, clerks and janitors. The young women ran into the offices and barred the doors when Flip took possession of the capitol. The men sallied forth to participate in the affair, but they remained at a respectful distance; Flip pranced about the corridors as if she realized that they were in her possession. Foam was dripping from her mouth, and she bit and pawed at the marble pillars as if she would tear every one of them down. Before she could make the building an historical ruin it was decided that Flip should lose her life.

But an executor could not be found. One man volunteered to rush in and attempt to kill her if the others would go to the rescue should he fail. But the others would not agree. It was the duty of the custodian to get Flip out of the house, the state officials said, as she was his dog and he was in charge of the building. The custodian sent for a hammer with which to perform the sorrowful duty. It was an iron hammer, with a head almost as large as Flip. It had a long, black handle, and, with a good muscle behind it, would be sufficient to take the life of an ox.

The custodian took the weapon and slipped up behind the dog while she was trying to climb a polished marble pillar. Just as he was about to deal the murderous blow the secretary of state shouted:

"'Gway from that dog, Griffin! 'Gway rom him! He's mad!"

The custodian went away. The governor was on the scene. He argued that Flip was frightened. If let alone she would continue her romp about the house. But she had to be mad or it would spoil the tragedy that every one had gathered to see. The custodian took another hold on the hammer. He put all his strength in the blow. The hammer missed the mark and as the custodian held on he was jerked half across the hall. Again he slipped up to the dog. The hammer fell with such force that it splintered the handle and the sound of the stroke echoed and reechoed through the house in a dull, sickening sound. Flip never regained her reason. She dropped to the floor in a heap and her soul took its flight up through the building and out an open window in the skylight.

Not Going to Hurt Him.

Washington Post: In the official ceremony the Chinese diplomats are strict observers of the very letter of etiquette; in private life they are simple and unaffected, with the joyous disposition of a lot of school boys. A young lady was walking in the Zoological park a few days ago when the Chinese minister passed her going out. He was followed by a lot of boys. The young lady was worried lest the boys were about to do something rude to the minister, and she called one of them to her.

"Do you know who that is?" she asked.

"Yep; Chinaman," was the laconic reply.

"He is the Chinese minister," said she impressively, "and you must be very careful not to be rude to him."

"Oh, we ain't going to hurt him," answered Young America. "He is all right. He has been playing football with us down in the park."

KEEPING THE WIRES WARM

Iowa Politicians Doing Some Fine Work at Des Moines.

SENATORIAL FIGHT BECOMING HOT

Colonel W. P. Hepburn, Congressman John H. Gear, John Y. Stone and A. B. Cummins at the State Capital Working Hard.

DES MOINES, Jan. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The senatorial contest opened in dead earnest today. Colonel W. P. Hepburn arrived early in the morning, and, taking quarters at the Kirkwood, began an active canvass. Major Lacey of Oskaloosa and Hon. John H. Gear of Burlington also came in during the day and opened headquarters.

John Y. Stone is on hand and is making a vigorous canvass. Hon. George D. Perkins of Sioux City will reach here tomorrow. A. B. Cummins has apparently lost strength, owing, it is charged, to the lukewarm support of the Polk county delegation. J. W. Blythe of Burlington, attorney for the "Q," and his brother, Chairman Blythe of the state central committee, are on hand, both working hard for Gear. As a result the Burlington congressman has been steadily gaining ground all day, but as only one-third of the members have yet arrived this advantage may be but temporary.

"Farmer" Coffin has not put in an appearance yet and some of his friends say he will not be an active candidate for the position unless assured of more support than is now in sight.

The fight against Cummins, which has been carried on in secret by the so-called Berryhill faction, will be fully developed by tomorrow or next day, at the farthest, and the outcome may be the withdrawal of Cummins in the interest of Gear. The friends of other candidates are urging Gear's claims as second choice on the ground of age, he being about 70 and not likely to live out his term. Should the fight become protracted and the railroads remain neutral or passive the contest will settle down between Gear and Hepburn, is the opinion freely expressed in the lobby.

DAYTON'S MARSHAL MURDERED.

Fight at a Dance Results in a Small Riot.

DAYTON, Ia., Jan. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A riot occurred here last night, during which City Marshal John Larson was killed. A gang of toughs came here from Boone county and went to a dance for the purpose of breaking it up. They first attacked the floor manager, John Gustafson, whose head was badly cut, and he is in a dangerous condition. The city marshal was called to arrest the rioters. Krasley Winter took his revolver from him and shot him. Seven of the rioters are under arrest, being taken to Fort Dodge tonight.

Their names are: Brady, Krasley and George Winter, Wilson Decar, "Scotty" Barber, Hamilton Browne and George Hull. The hall in which the fight occurred is badly demolished, the furniture and windows broken and scattered in the street. Excitement runs high and lynching is possible, though the prisoners are being closely guarded tonight.

For some time a feud has existed between the towns of Frazier and Dayton, and a party of miners from Frazier visited Dayton for the purpose of demolishing it. Among the half dozen injured was Frank Dowd, United States marshal for South Dakota under President Harrison. The attacking party soon cleared the dance hall and the trouble was continued at a restaurant near by, where Marshal Larson was trying to preserve peace. Some one fired the shot which killed him, and then pistols and clubs were freely used. The attacking party made its escape in the darkness, but searching parties were sent out by the mayor and with the assistance of the Webster county sheriff the above named arrests were made this afternoon, which came near causing another outbreak. Armed men surrounded the prisoners and finally succeeded in getting them on a train, and thence to Fort Dodge. The militia companies at Fort Dodge and Webster City were ready for action at a moment's notice, but it is believed no further trouble will occur.

Keokuk's Street Railway.

KEOKUK, Ia., Jan. 2.—This evening Judge Bank of the superior court appointed H. C. Reiner receiver of the Keokuk street railway on the application of the Central Trust company of New York. The trust company holds first mortgage bonds for $65,000, on which the company defaulted interest. The street railway is hopelessly involved.

But the Marshal Was Too Quick.

BELLEVIEW, Ia., Jan. 2.—Hiram Huber was shot dead last night by Henry Weston, the village marshal. Huber and his divorced wife met at a dance and Huber attacked the woman. The marshal interfered, and Huber attempted to stab him.

HER RELIGIOUS ZEAL TOO GREAT.

Kearney Girl Loses Her Mind at a Revival Meeting.

KEARNEY, Jan. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—For several weeks past revival meetings have been in progress at the Evangelical church and last night the excitement grew so great that Lydia Marti, a young woman about 18 years of age, went insane. Her cries could be heard a mile away and it has taken three and four persons to hold her ever since.

Tecumseh Personals.

TECUMSEH, Jan. 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Prof. and Mrs. J. L. McBrien of Orleans spent the holidays visiting relatives in this city.

Dr. B. F. West of New York City is here visiting his mother, Mrs. T. Langston.

Ern Roberts is home from Oklahoma.

Mrs. R. P. Boyle is visiting her parents in Lewiston, Ill.

C. E. Bryson, formerly of this city, now of Lander, Wyo., spent last week here.

Frank Alexander and wife spent the holidays visiting the former's parents in Hamburg, Ia.

George Wilder of Omaha was the guest of Clyde Ingraham during the holidays.

Kyron Tierney is entertaining his brother, John Tierney, of La Crosse, Wis.

Walter Watkins returned from a visit to relatives in Indiana last Tuesday.

William Ubben, formerly a business man of Tecumseh, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. Mollie Parkinson of Council Bluffs spent last week visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. McKee, here.

Charles and Minnie Fairall are entertaining John and Belle Beachly of Lincoln.

Charley Chamberlain is in Auburn, N. Y., this week.

Landis Heilman is off for San Francisco and the Midwinter fair.

The Misses Jessie and Teddie Tierney of Omaha spent the holidays in this city.

C. A. Holmes of Enid, Okl., is in the city.

The local dramatic company will present the play "Nevada" to a Table Rock audience Friday night, for the benefit of the literary club at that place.

C. T. Bradley and granddaughter Mabel of St. Joseph and W. H. Daniels of Murray, Ia., attended the funeral of Raymond Bradley, the boy who was drowned here Christmas day, last Wednesday.

Robbed a Craig Barber Shop.

CRAIG, Neb., Jan. 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The barber shop of O. Fawcett was broken into last night by Fred Barton, a barber who had been in his employ. He took all of Fawcett's tools and the razors belonging to the customers. Barton had only been in Fawcett's employ for a short time. A warrant was issued this morning, and Sheriff McGrew is on his trail.

Craig lodge No. 192, Ancient Order of United Workmen, had its public installation of officers last night. The speaker for the evening was Rev. W. D Stanbaugh of Decatur, Neb. The installation took place at the Methodist Episcopal church. A very large audience was present. After the ceremonies were over the members their families and friends adjourned to the Ancient Order of United Workmen hall, where they enjoyed a grand supper. The following are the officers for the ensuing year: Master workman, J. C. Smith; foreman, E. C. Mennel; overseer, R. D. McCoun; recorder, J. A. McLaughlin; treasurer, T. C. Hickman; guide, B. L. Kerr; inside watch, Samuel Swiger; outside watch Ed. B. Gibbs; medical examiner, Dr. F. Simons. Present membership seventy-two.

Saw the Old Year's Death.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Jan. 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—An old-fashioned watch meeting was held at the Methodist Episcopal church here Sunday evening, the first one for many years. A congregation of 250 gathered, the service being conducted by the Epworth league, Editor Taylor having charge. At 9 p. m. a preaching service was conducted, the sermon being delivered by Rev. W. H. Niles of the Presbyterian church. At 10 o'clock there was held a prayer and conference meeting, led by Dr. P. C. Johnson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, who read an original poem entitled "Farewell to Ninety-three." At the conclusion of this service the Lord's supper was administered, and just as the bells rang out the old the fifty who had remained to the end joined in the Lord's prayer, and after mutual greetings dispersed to their homes.

Failure at Wakefield.

WAKEFIELD, Neb., Jan. 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Chicago Bargain store, after doing business for eight months, has closed its doors and made an assignment in favor of its creditors. W. C. Bernhard took possession of the grocery stock on a mortgage of $200, and J. Levy of South Omaha, attorney for Katz, Nevins & Co., Blotky Bros., and Steele-Smith Grocery company, took possession of the dry goods, etc., on chattel mortgages. The assets and liabilities are unobtainable. The failure was for about $5,000.

Fremont's Relief Corps Work.

FREMONT, Jan. 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—McPherson Women's Relief corps publicly installed officers on Monday night, as follows: Mrs. F. M. Smith president; Mrs. S. F. Stiles, senior vice president; Mrs. Amelia Smails, junior vice president; Mrs. H. Pease, secretary; Miss Emma Gay, treasurer; Miss Minta Stiles, conductor; Mrs. Nellie Wamsley, guard. Post Commander I. P. Gage officiated.

Dangerous to the Community.

HASTINGS, Jan. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—J. J. Hunt was today arrested on complaint of his son, M. M. Hunt, charged with being insane. After an examination by the committee, it was decided that he was dangerous to the safety of the community and so he was sent to the asylum.

Small Blaze at Tobias.

TOBIAS, Neb., Jan. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—About noon today the residence of Frank Hull caught fire. The citizens turned out and the fire was extinguished before it did much damage. It was caused by a defective chimney. No insurance.

The Savages' Proverbs.

The proverbs of African savages are shrewd and pithy. The Basutos say, "The thief catches himself;" the Yorubas, "He who injures another injures himself;" the Wolofs, "Before healing others, heal yourself." In Aecra they say, "Nobody is twice a fool;" among the Oji, "The moon does not grow full in a day;" "The poor man has no friends." A Pashto proverb says, "A feather does not stick without gum."

Others are: "A crab does not bring forth a bird;" "A razor cannot shave itself;" "Cross the river before you abuse the crocodile;" "Truth is only spoken by a strong man or a fool;" "Perseverence always triumphs;" "The thread follows the needle; "Preparation is better than afterthought."

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Rt. Rev. Francis McNeirny, bishop of Albany, N. Y., died of pneumonia last night.

The Holland Trust company of New York has gone into voluntary liquidation.

Prompt action at Cross, Okl., by the authorities of that town averted a train robbery.

Between 1 and 2 o'clock yesterday morning fire burned one entire block at Red Key, Ind.

Robbers made an unsuccessful attempt to rob Wells-Fargo & Co.'s express office at Union, Mo., Monday night.

The trial of Matthew Ashton of Janesville, Wis., charged with the murder of Mrs. Daniel Stone of that place began yesterday.

Orlando B. Potter, the well known financier and ex-congressman, died suddenly last night at New York. Mr. Potter was 64 years of age.

Advices from Independence, Kan., state that nothing new has developed in the mysterious deaths in the Wilson family of that place.

The Ingrain weavers of the Lowell, Mass., Carpet company decided yesterday to go to work Monday under the proposed reduction of wages.

Nearly all the iron and steel plants in and about Pittsburg, Pa., resumed operations yesterday, giving employment to thousands of idle men.

The assignment of the Montgomery Iron company of Port Kennedy, Pa., to the Guaranty Trust company of Harrisburg, Pa., has been announced.

A New York firm yesterday refused $100,030 Denver city bonds they had contracted for. The reason given was the extra session of the Colorado legislature.

The unemployed of Cleveland, O., made a demonstration yesterday, and for a time violent scenes were feared. Everything, however, passed off quietly.

Florence Mulahy, aged 2 years, and Myrtle Moore, aged 60 years, were suffocated by smoke during a fire that broke out at 74 Pearl street, New York, yesterday.

The Indiana Wool Growers association opened its eighth annual session yesterday at Indianapolis with sixty members present, all prominent wool growers and sheep raisers.

Cashier Myron Campbell of the South Bend, Ind., National bank has agreed to make good in sixteen payments the $15,000 stolen from the bank by the robbers on December 7.

Mrs. Augustus Schmidt, indicted for murder in the first degree for the killing of her tenant, Oscar Walton, on October 20, at Kokomo, Ind., has been denied bail on habeas corpus proceedings.

Appel & Co., the oldest clothiers in the state of Colorado, went out of business as a firm yesterday, having incorporated as the Appel Clothing company of Denver with a paid up capital or $4,000,000.

The Elgin, Ill., watch factory, which five months ago reduced its force from 3,000 to 1,500 and put the men on five days a week, yesterday further reduced the days of labor to three days a week.

This is labor week in Columbus, O. The Ohio State Trades and Labor assembly met there yesterday with about sixty delegates. A majority of them represent the populist idea, the grange having a large majority.

It was announced that the Moquette mills at Yonkers, N. Y., will resume today and the lower mills next week. The Moquette works, known as the Alexander Smith & Sons company, employ about 4,000 hands.

Ex-Secretary Foster of Ohio will probably be unable to settle by paying his creditors 50 per cent as he agreed. Errors in calculation have decreased the assets of Foster & Co., which involve the raising of $20,000 additional.

In the case of McAfee and Parker, the two negroes under sentence to hang Friday next at Indianapolis for the murder of Charles Elster in that city, the supreme court has reversed the decision of the trial court and granted a new trial.

The auditor of the Cherokee Nation is authority for the statement that the money to bind the sale of the Cherokee bonds to Edward Chaddick, representative of the Erlanger syndicate, has been received and that the sale is now an assured fact.

For nearly a week Bill Dalton and members of his gang have been inside the Ponca Indian reservation in the Cherokee Strip near the Santa Fe station of Ponca. It is feared that they intend robbing the Santa Fe train and every train through the Strip carries a heavily armed guard of deputy marshals.

The richest stockmen of western Texas are badly discouraged. A dispatch from Fort Stockton says conservative men estimate that 50 per cent of the sheep in that section will die the present winter, for there is nothing for them to eat except dead grass. There is some water, but cowmen are fencing and guarding it.

Secretary of State Osborne of Kansas narrowly escaped jail yesterday. Judge Hazen of the district court, in the libel case of Cyrus Leland of Troy, Kan., against Osborne, sentenced the defendant this morning to $500 and costs. Osborne and his friends hustled around and had Judge Hazen withdraw the sentence.

Judge Carpenter, in the United States district court at Providence, R. I., yesterday ruled that the trustees of branch No. 459 of the Iron Hall must deposit the funds in their hands in the registry of the court until the court has decided whether to award the money to the receiver of the order or to the members of the branch.

AFFAIRS IN SOUTH OMAHA

Stormy Scene Between Mayor Walker and the Chief of Police.

LATTER HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO RESIGN

Result of Discord Between Him and the City's Executive—Last Night's Council Meeting—Live Stock Exchange Election.

A little scene took place in the police court room last night prior to the council meeting which was a great surprise to all who are familiar with the workings of the police department.

Shortly after Mayor Walker entered the room he handed a note to Chief Beckett, but did not say anything to him. The chief ripped open the envelope, and as soon as he had glanced at its contents he tore the paper to pieces and threw the scraps in the direction of the mayor. He then hurriedly took off his star and threw it at his honor. Mayor Walker then called on one of the police to put Beckett outside the rail.

"Yes," said Bechett, "trot one of 'em out. I'd like to see any —— —— —— put me out or here," and he squared himself away in a manner which bluffed off any serious intentions any of the cops might have had when the mayor spoke. The chief remained in the room during the session of the council, taking a seat in the rear of the reporters' table.

The note handed to Beckett by the mayor asked for his resignation. It stated that his opinions did not seem to agree with the mayor's policy, and as long as he had not counseled with his honor for advice he preferred that he step down and out.

On New Year's eve Chief Beckett found Officer Eminger in a saloon and taking his star from him placed him under arrest on the accusation of drunkenness and took him to the station. He also suspended Eminger from duty. Yesterday morning the chief suspended Officer Arabright for leaving his beat without permission. It is thought that the suspension of these two men, who are both warm supporters of Mayor Walker, angered his honor and caused him to take the step he did.

Mayor Walker appointed Beckett on the 10th of last April.

He has been a sober, faithful officer, and has attended strictly to his duties. There has constantly been a ruffled feeling between the chief and some of the policemen. The chief claims that it mattered not how often some of the officers got drunk or what they did they were backed by the mayor and it was useless for him to file any complaints, for he felt that as soon as he lodged the complaints he would be fired. The chief says he is going to have the mayor's letter photographed and framed.

Mayor Walker wasked if he had any explanation to make for publication as to why he discharged Bechuff. He said: "No; I have not. If any member of the council wants to know I will gladly tell him. My policy and Bechuff's ideas did not pair; that's all there is to it. I would not say a word or do anything to injure the man."

Miles Mitchell, who has been employed as detective by the city for some time, will be appointed this morning to fill the vacancy. Mr. Mitchell has been on the force for a long time, and is thoroughly familiar with the workings of the police department.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Friction Over Pay of Sick Police—City Will Sue Douglas County.

The report of the police committee on salaries and time lost, at the meeting of the city council last night, brought out considerable discussion. Mr. Wood said the committee did not have much time to look up all the details, but had submitted what it thought was just.

Wyman was opposed to the adoption of the report as it allowed some men pay for time when sick which others were docked for time lost while sick.

Chief Bechitt keeps the record of time lost by the police and in his report marched some of the men "don't know" for time off. The question on the vote was to dock all or dock none for time lost while sick. The motion to adopt the report was lost. The balance of the report of the finance committee was passed. Mr. Conley voted "no" on the bills because Solomon's name appeared on the list.

Mr. Schnetz reported, recommending that Fireman John Fried's bill for pay while sick be not allowed. Chief Smith said the man's sickness was caused by Fried's own carelessness.

The report was adopted.

Mr. Bruce, chairman of the committee on police, reported on Officer Eminger's case, recommending that the officer be dismissed from the force. The report stated that ample evidence had been given to satisfy the committee that the officer was under the influence of drink on the night in question. After the report was read and its adoption moved, the clerk attempted to read a communication from Mr. Eminger, tendering his resignation. Mr. Wyman objected and the report of the committee was unanimously adopted.

Officer Eminger's resignation was then read and accepted.

City Attorney Van Dusen gave an opinion on the liability of the city in cases where a physician is called in to attend a patient who is a prisoner. He thought that the city could not be held for the bill unless the doctor was called in by a member of the council. No policeman could call in a physician and contract with him to do professional work.

John E. Owens, Thomas Hoctor and others petitioned the council to refund money they had advanced for grading eighteen months ago. The document was ordered filed.

Building Inspector Hatcher reported that during the last year eleven brick and 245 frame buildings had been erected at a cost of $176,515.

Chief Beckett reported that he had suspended Officer Argabright for cause. Referred to the committee on police.

Inspector Howard reported that he had condemned ten head of cattle in December.

City Engineer King was instructed to give the council an estimate on the cost of repainting the Q and L street viaducts.

On motion of Mr. Wyman the city attorney was instructed to confess judgment in favor of the American Water Works company in the sum of $2,457.15.

Mr. Wyman moved that the city attorney at once begin suit against the county commissioners to recover 50 per cent of the road fund, now being held by the board, and claimed by them to not be due South Omaha. The motion prevailed.

The police pay roll was taken up again, and Mr. Wyman moved that all the men receive full pay for time lost while sick. In the future he said that he would be opposed to paying men when off duty unless there was positive evidence that they were sick and unable to be out. The full time was allowed all except Eminger, who was docked from the day he was suspended.

Mr. Bruce gave it out cold that he was "dead on" to all that was going on among the police, and that in the future any officer, either on or off duty, who conducted himself in an ungentlemanly manner would be fired from the force so quick that it would make him dizzy. "I have been making a personal investigation of the police force," said the gentleman from the Fourth ward, "and I have witnessed things that I would not have believed had I not seen them with my own eyes. These few remarks I make for the benefit of those whom the shoe fits and they may goverg themselves