

TEARS STAY A SENTENCE

Diamond Thief With Many Tears Asks Mercy from the Court.

SERVED ONE TERM FOR SAME OFFENSE

But the Judge Did Not Know This and Was Touched by the Plea—Verdict Against Gamblers—Other Cases in District Court.

The sight of warm and briny tears, flowing as copiously as water through a twenty-four-inch main, moved the heart of Judge Scott yesterday, and for a season he felt as though he would like to release from custody one of the bad men of the community and send him out of the county jail a free man.

One year ago last November H. H. Blandring arrived in the city, representing that he was a young farmer from Kansas, and that as he was about to lead some young woman to the altar, thought that it was proper to make this identical young person some present as an evidence of his intentions.

Jointly and severally the editors and proprietors of the Western Laborer and the members of the Omaha News, who have bought a \$5,000 law suit, with Willard E. Chambers, a dancing master, as the plaintiff.

Chambers has filed his petition in the archives of the district court, and in his tale of woe he cites the fact that in the columns of the Laborer he has been designated as a "scab."

Verdict Against Gamblers. In the county court the case of Martin Slattery, who is one of the diamond saloon attracted considerable attention.

Court Callings. Frank Scott was on trial in the criminal court during the past two days, charged with being the father of a Thirteenth street fruiter.

County Commissioners. Major Paddock's joke—discussing additional room for court purposes.

Wants a Divorce. In the district court Arthur Clarke has asked for a legal separation from his wife, Fannie, to whom he was joined in marriage Oct. 17, 1888.

MERCIFUL SAVIOUR MISSION

What it Has Done and is Doing for Unfortunate Women in Omaha.

SEVERAL HAVE BEEN TO REFORM

Woman Doctor of Divinity Becomes Pastor of the First Universalist—Y. M. C. A. Services and Work—Church Entertainments—Announcements.

The following statement concerning the work of the Mission of Our Merciful Saviour is made by the associates of the mission:

Now that the season of Lent compels us to give pause to the round of gaieties, we have time to look over the year's record of philanthropic work which has been carried on quietly, though earnestly.

When Father Crapay was conducting the mission here a year he inspired the members of the various parishes in Omaha to undertake the work for the reformation of fallen women and for the help of young girls who are in danger of being led astray.

With the first of the year a change was made in the management, and Mother Caroline is now in charge, assisted by Sister Sarah, both of the Order of St. Monica.

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PLATTE RIVER CANAL PLAN

Committee Reports to Commercial Club that it is Practicable.

THREE MILLION DOLLARS REQUIRED

Club Urged to Use Every Means in its Power to Hasten the Undertaking and the County to Vote a Subsidy.

The executive committee of the Commercial club met last evening to receive the report of the special committee appointed to investigate the canal project.

TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COMMERCIAL CLUB—Gentlemen: Your committee appointed to investigate and report on the Platte River Canal project would say that we have carefully investigated the figures and statements prepared by the various engineers in charge of this enterprise, and are convinced that the project is entirely practicable and feasible in every way.

What Omaha needs is manufacturing industry, and the only way to attract it is to have a water power project of the magnitude of the Platte River Canal.

From 1887 to 1893 a period of about four years, Omaha gained nearly 100,000 people, and yet during this time the city has not increased in population.

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AMUSEMENTS. 15th Street Theater. ABBOTT & PATTONSON'S Comedy Company. "HUCKLE" 4th Season 4th All Laughter—No Tears. BOYD'S THEATRE. BOYD'S MONDAY. CHAUNCEY OLGOTT. BOYD'S FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. MISS MAIDA CRAIGEN. FREDERICK PAULDING. A DUEL OF HEARTS.