NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Office, 12 Pearl Street,-H. W. Tilton, Manager and Lessee.

MINOR MENTION.

Ploral designs. J. R. McPherson. Tel. 244. The Pilgrim Sisters will give a card party Saturday night. The retiring officers will have charge of the entertainment. A marriage license was issued vesterday ! Arthur B. Book, aged 22, and Adelia M. McLennan, aged 33, both of Griswold.

The Grand hotel, Council Bluffs. class in every respect. Rates, \$2.50 per day and upward. E. F. Clark, proprietor.

Buy your dinner at the Bazaar, next to bank, Wednesday and Thursday and e U. V. L ladies raise a charity fund. Miss Olla Cook has done some very skillful pleces of china painting, which are now being exhibited in the window of Camp's drug

The Rebekah Relief association will give a social Thursday evening for sweet charity at the residence of Mrs. J. M. Matthews, 109 Angle avenue. The Ladies' Aid society of St. John's Eng

lish Lutheran church meets Thursday after-nton at the residence of Mrs. L. V. Williams, \$16 Commercial street, G. A. Robinson's premises in the western

part of the city were visited by burglars Monday night and a lot of rope and canvas and a buggy cushion were stolen. A cow belonging to Dr. E. I. Woodbury was stolen from his residence at the corner of Bluff and Story streets, Monday night. The

animal was a Jersey and much thought of by the owner. Jake Washington, a colored man, got drunk and tried to get up a fight at the corner of Broadway and Pearl streets Monday night. Yesterday morning he turned up in police court, meek as a lamb, and had a fine of \$15.80 levied against him.

A message received from Glenwood yesterday brought the information that J. W. Jones was convicted of burglary within twenty minutes after the Jury retired to deliberate. Jones is the man who broke into Silas Custer's chicken coop a couple of weeks ago and stole six dozen fowls.

Hueledonk & Alberts filed with the county clerk yesterday an assignment to Hans Rie of Underwood, of all their store in Underwood. An inventory of their business is at tached, showing the real estate to be worth \$9,700, and the notes, bills and other assets \$4,250. The debts amount to about \$14,000.

Regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance union will be held at the ree'-dence of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ballenger, 721 Willow avenue, Wednesday afternoon, De-cember 18, at 3 o'clock. Every one interested in temperance work is cordially invited to be present. Mrs. T. S. Molesworth, secre-

Lloyd Sigler had a hearing before Justic Vien yesterday on the charge of cheating Fair & Webber out of a box cigars by pretending that W. D. Hardin had authorized the purchase. Hardin was put upon the stand and admitted that he might perhaps have given the authority. Sigler was consequently discharged.

Dr. C. Deetken has complained to the city authorities that a gang of expressmen has captured the street in front of his place at the corner of Broadway and Main streets, and refuses to move along, so that he can hitch his horse. A good many complaints have been heard recently over the continual camping of express wagons around this cor-ner, and the city council will probably be requisted to legislate upon it.

The Ogden hotel changed hands vesterday M. Clark of Des Moines taking the place of Mr. Hamilton, who has built up such a eplendid reputation for the house dur ing the year he has run it. Mr. Clark is practical hotel man of fifteen years' experience. He signed a lease last night for three Mr. Hamilton has not made publiis plans for the future, but if they take from Council Bluffs it will cause regret among many warm friends.

Guard against loss by fire and insure your property in reliable companies. If you pay an insurance premium you expect insurance. We represent some of the best English and American companies. Lougee & Towle.

MONEY to loan on improved Iowa farms Large loans a specialty. Fire insurance. L. W. Tulleys, 102 Main St., rooms 2 and 3.

Our prices are right on everything. Met-

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

J. K. McGavern, postmaster at Missour Valley, was in the city yesterday. Misces Hines and Todd, who have been visiting Miss Patrica Darraugh, have returned to their home in St. Joseph, Mo. The marriage of Nathan A. Keys and Mis-Agnes Blanchard is announced to take place this evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of the bride's mother, at the corner of Second avenue and and Ninth street.

Art Stock Given Awny.

Not being able to attend to business. will sell anything in my line at actual cost Goods must go at some price. See the ele gant new pictures that just came in. All to be cut and slashed. A large etching given with each \$1.00 purchase. W. W. Chapman. 17 Main street.

Skating Boots.

In all sizes, pointed and square toe, calf-skin, at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 a pair, at Byers' shoe store, 412 Broadway. German medicated baths make pure blood Mrs. S. E. Winder, 176 Graham avenue.

Dr. Cleaver's office moved to 600 Broadway Avoca Juries Drawn.

The following juries were drawn yesterday for the next term of district court in Avoca: Grand jury (drawn for the year 1896)-J. H. McKinney, Valley township; Howard Aldrich, Wright; W. J. Wheeler, Carson; E. C. Page, Waveland; S. Hardesty, Lay-ton; G. W. Crambless, Belknap; John Woods, Knox; G. D. Koehler, Macedonia; Frederick Irish, Pleasant; H. O. Confarr, James; Arthur C. Patrick, Center; Charles

Wood, Grove.

Petit Jury (for January term)—Mike Wise,
Pleasant; J. W. Craig, Layton; W. T.
Owens, Valley; James O'Neill, Valley; W. T.
Fudge, Layton; A. J. Wallace, Waveland;
Aibert Zoller, James; W. T. Hicks, Belknap;
Frank Pratt, Carson; F. A. Burnham,
Wright; C. T. Hough, Valley; W. E. Maxwell, Center; Llewyln Sheets, Grove; Fred
H. Hansen, Layton; Jacob Haas, Pleasant;
J. M. Harlan Macedonia; J. W. Burckhal-J. M. Harlan, Macedonia; J. W. Burckhal-ter, Lincoln; Hugh Langston, James; W. B. Howard, Knox; E. E. Freeman, Belknap O. C. Potter, James.

Evans Lanuary Co. No. 520 Pearl street. Telephone 290. We have all the latest improvements for laundry-Wing point and turn down collars, and for the saving of linen in general.

Just Received.

A fancy line of children's shoes. What is more appropriate for a Christmas present for little folks? Byers has them in all colors. Prices very low.

The usual range exhibit of Cole & Cole will take place Saturday. Biscuits baked with the oven door opened.

The new neckwear is very stylish. Met-

Brown Wants \$20,000.

Action was commenced in the United States court yesterday by E. C. Brown, the pension examiner, against W. B. and G. M. Cuppy for \$20,000 damages for personal injuries. The suit grows out of the recent assult made upon Brown by G. M. Cuppy at Avoca. W. B. Cuppy stood by and saw the assault committed, and is consequently made co-

defendant with his brother. J. E. McDermut, undertaker, dealer in church goods, 542 Broadway, Telephone 203. Stephan Bros. for plumping and heating; also fine line of gas fixtures.

Have you seen the new gas heating stover at the company's office?

Eigin B. W. Raymond watch, \$15; Woll-

Jarvis 1877 brandy; purest, safest, best.

"The Mikado" Presented for Ladies Aid Society of St. Paul's. Council Bluffs home talent has scored anther success in the field of light opera The performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's opera, "The Mikado," was in no respecless commendable and in some respects more satisfactory than that of "Powhatan, two months ago. The audience greeted the tuneful melodies of the opera like old friends, and wherever there were any shortcomings they were overlooked, as such thing always are where home Thespians tread the boards. The applause was liberally bestowed and the audience and players were on good

terms from opening chorus to grand finale. Mrs. Robert Mullis played the part of Katisha—a thankless task when in the hands of a professional actress, for no one usually has any real amount of sympathy for the love-lorn of 40 or thereabouts who is determined to wed poor Nanki-Poo at the expense of fair Yum-Yum's eternal hap pit.ess. But Mrs. Mullis invested the part with a grotesque humor which was undoub-edly one of the strongest features of the performance. She also exploded the theory that a Katisha must of necessity be fat. If Ko-Ko's arm had had more trouble in spanning her woist the situation might have been a trifle more laughable, and yet there

was no doubt of it, the audience could not help admiring Nanki-Poo's choice. Miss Zena Lange made an excellent Yum-Miss Zena Lange made an excellent Yum-Yum. Her dainty figure fitted the part will, and she showed great appreciation of the humor of the lines. In the love scene with Nanki-Poo, who was gracefully represented by Frank Chamberlin, the audience certainly thought it detected a blush which could not be concealed behind its yell of stage con-metter. Miss. Exerc. metics. Miss Bessie Stewart as Pitti-Sing could hardly have been improved upon. Miss Belle Snyder played the part of Peep-Boo Mr. Baker's Ko-Ko showed considerable stage experience, and when it is remem-

bered that in addition to manipulating his part he was manipulating the orchestra, chorus and dancers, his perform ance is little short of wonderful E. S. Allen played the massive part of Pooh-Bah. the gentleman whose spinal column had not ben: even under the combined weight of all offices and their emoluments in the town of Titipu. He had all the dignity there was Perry Budollet as Pish-Tush and W. S. Rigden as Nec-Ban had small parts but made out of them all the fun there was in them. C. B. Altchison was the Mikado. in them. C. B. Altchison was the Mikado. His make-up was excellent, and he seemed

built from the ground up for a king of some thing or other. The song in which he tills of his efforts "to make the punishment fit the crime" contained a number of verse not to be found in the original. He left one in doubt, upon which the audience would no doubt have been glad to have been enlightened, and that was what sort of punishment had been devised for the man who wrote the words to that song. The following verse shows the seriousness of the

offense:
Some irresponsible newspaper men are fond of roasting their friends.
Because a dearth of ads their sense of propriety offends;
All such are stuffed with oyster shells and in an oven laid,
To "roast" and simmer until their victims all their debts have paid.
I've a special law designed to help entertainments, committees and sich.
It provides a doom for the free pass field which I think exceedingly lich.
A thirty day term, and a job breaking rocks, and a diet of water and bread.
A cat o' nine tails with his feet in the stocks, and it all shan't cost him a red,
The chorus did some very creditable work.

The chorus did some very creditable work. the male numbers being especially good The dances captured the eyes of young and old alike. The garland dance, by eight graceful young ladies, was exceedingly effective, while the little Jap boys and the little girls who danced "La Cicola" were heartily applauded for their good work. only criticism that need be made applies equally well to the chorus and two

or three of the principals. Their enunciation was none too clear and some of Mr. Gilbert's happiest hits were lost to all but the wings and flies. But as this same thing is done by professionals. professionals every day, and as most of the audience was familiar enough with the libretto to know pretty well what was going on, no particular damage was done. The following is a list of the young people who took part in the presentation of the opera:

Hammer.

Little Jap Boys-Chaperones, Mrs. D. B. Dailey, Miss Badolett; Roy Smith, Albert Treynor, Egbert Ayleiworth, Windsor Aylesworth, Roland Otis, Forrest Rutherford, Chancy Steddard, Chester Lodge, George Dailey, Chester Dailey, Eddie Harkoess, Harold Pardey.

Chancy Stoddard, Chester Louge, George Dailey, Chester Dailey, Eddie Harkness, Harold Pardey,
Gariand Dance—Chaperone, Mrs. John Baldwin; Misses Mae H. Smith, Bessie Moore, Tippy Inman, Bessie Robinson, Bess Durham, Clara Wyckoff, Bessie Noyes, Emma Frederick.

Unger-Rosenfeld.

One of the most brilliant social events of the season transpired at 6:30 o'clock last evening. The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Rosenfeld on First avenue was filled with their friends and relatives to witness the marriage of their daughter, Anna, to Mr. Julius Unger. Preparations for the wedding had been elaborate, and when the hour ap-pointed for the ceremony arrived the parlors pointed for the ceremony arrived the parlors and drawing rooms were filled with a brilliant company. The rooms were decorated with smilax and cut flowers. The beautiful reformed Jewish ceremonial was used. Dr. Franklin of Omaha officiating. The bridai party stood in the west bay window of the front parlor, against a background of white and vellow chrysanthamms. and yellow chrysanthemums. The bride's gown was white satin, diamond ornaments. A reception followed the conclusion of the ceremony, and when the corgratulations were over the bride and groom led the procession to the dining room, where an elaborate wed-ding supper was served.

About eighty guests were present. Among those from abroad were Mr. and Mrs. L. Hirshern and Mr. John Ashmore of Fort Dodge, Ia., Mrs. B. Ariey and Mr. Oscar Ariey of Boone, Ia., Mr. F. Blank, Miss Esther Blank and Mr. Motris Blank of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reifel and daughter of Red Oak, Ia. Mrs. Martin Bluewedd. ter of Red Oak, Ia., Mrs. Martin Blumenfeld of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Chicago. Among the guests were also a large number of friends from Omaha. The young people were almost overwhelmed with weding presents, which came from almost every

state in the union. Mr. Unger is a prosperous and widely known young business man of Council Bluffs and Miss Rosenfeld, the bride, was known and loved by a wide circle of friends. The young people will be at home to their friends after December 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenfeld, corner First avenue and Sev-

At Cost. The large and well assorted stock of watches, diamonds and jewelry for the next 20 days at C. B. JACQUEMIN & CO., 27 South Main Street.

Before the holidays you will probably need some printing. You will want it done just right; so call on Pryor Bros., printers, at The Bez office, 12 Pearl street.

You can make no mistake if you get your Attend Davis' clearing sale of holiday goods.

Christmas presents at the Durfes Furniture company's, and it will be useful, heautiful and cheap. Look at the new novelties.

SUCCESS OF A HOME TALENT OPERA, | DISCUSSED HILLSIDE IRRIGATION.

Horticulturalists Think the Scheme is Not All it is Cracked Up to Be. The meeting of the Southwestern Iowa Horticultural society began yesterday afternoon at the superior court room of the county court house. M. G. Edwards of Glenwood presided, and G. H. Van Houten of Lenox acted as secretary. There was a fair altendance. Several papers were read. L. O. Williams discussed "Some Lessons from Drouth," and a paper written by Prof. J. Ames on the subject "After the was read. One of the most inter-Budd of Ames esting subjects was that of "Hillside Irrigation." J. P. Hees opening the discussion. He said he had watched with interest the attempts made by Mr. Avery in this city to put in an irrigation plant, but it was not a success. Several others had entered into the scheme about the same time as Avery, but rone of them had their first enthusiasm. The soil is so porous that it would take all the resources of the Missouri river to supply it with water enough to do any real good. The fruit which Avery irrigated was no better, so far as could be seen, than what had been left for the elements to take care Strawberries alone, he thought, might be

benefited by this plan.

Mr. Keeline of Council Bluffs, Alexander Wood of Council Bluffs and R. D. McGeehon of Atlantic coincide with his views saying that irrigation on a hillside had a tendency to wash the soli away from the roots. Mr. McGeehon thought that a plan of sub-irrigation might prove profitable by running a run water through it. The moisture would

thus be drawn up by the soil.

L. S. Axtell, one of the oldest men present, and a striking figure, brought out an idea that provoked some dispute. "I am not an alarmiet," said he, "but the fact is we have changed the conditions of the country during the last thirty or forty years by our cultiva-tion of the soil. In 1856 all the sloughs were full, the hills were so wet you could not ride over them, and were covered with a mass of foliage. Now the permanent moisture has settled away, and the hills are dry and bare. The lowest sloughs are dry enough so they were used for raising corn last summer. The whole northern part of lowa used to be a tract of wet land, now it is dry. It is a well known fact that no more rain can come down by precipitation that has gone up by evapora-tion. We have destroyed thousands of acres of woodland, and have put an end to the frequent showers and the heavy summer dews. As a result we must expect more fre quently recurring dry seasons, and we must prepare against seasons of drouth by subbna colling and cultivating water supplies and

Rev. G. G. Rice had about as many years of early life in Council Bluffs to his credit as any one present, and combatted this view. In 1860, he said, there was no rain from one summer to the next. From here to Sicux City the country was a mass of grass as high as a man's head. He thought that there are now ten times as many tracs as there were in Iowa thirty-five years age. In the 60s he could travel from Council Bluffs to Omaha and never see a tree. riding from Council Bluffs to Glenwood he could see entirely over the country which is now hidden with forests. He firmly beleved that the people of Iowa would very soon see a succession of rainy seasons that would put an end to all fear lest the great American desert should be planning to come over to the east bank of the Missouri and ettie down. There were several other members of the

oclety who seconded Mr. Rice's view, and one of them advanced the theory that if a careful computation should be made it would be found that Iowa had lost more by wet seasons than by dry ones.

An evening session was held at which

quite a large number were present, drawn by the attractiveness of the program which was announced yesterday. The exhibition of fruit and vegetables in the Eiseman building much attention. There is an intresting program for today's sessions.

Cole's Christmas Offering. An elegant pair stag handle carvers, 75c.

Cristy knife sets, 25c. Some very fine silver plate knives and forks, Columbian design, \$2.50 per set. Child's sets, knife, fork and spoon, 15c. Anti-rust No. 8 boilers, 55c till after Christmas only. Handsome decorated tea and coffee pots at reduced prices. Pint cups a penny

each. Riveted handle cups, 3 for 5c.

We carry the best line of steel ranges in
the west; the fuel gavers of the world. We will guarantee Cole's Hot Blast to use onethird less soft coal than any other stove made. Cole's range exhibit this week will be Saturday, from 2 to 6 p. m.

Was it Hard Luck? Bad management, or only forgetfulness? It don't really make much difference which it was. The pipe burst. The "cut off" would not work.
They telephoned the New York Plumbing company, 30 Pearl street, for a plumber and then watched the water run down their new stair carpet while they waited for him to get

there.

Burlington Route. Christmas and New Year's holiday excur-sion rates to all points within a radius of 200 miles from Council Bluffs. Dates of sale December 24, 25 and 31, 1895; January 1, 1896. Good to return until January 2 O. M. Brown, Ticket Agent, Council Bluffs.

Children's reefers are the thing we are making the drive on just now. They are handsome and cheap, and the line is unbroken, Metcalf Bros.

Reduced prices on slightly used planos a Bouricius', the orchestral crown plane dealer 116 Stutsman street, near M. E. church.

Every well dressed man appreciates good laundry work. That is why so many go to the Eagle Laundry, 724 Broadway. Telephone 157. Our Xmas picture frames are selling fast. They make fine holiday presents. Big line of photo frames. H. L. Smith & Co.

JERKED LOOSE A POEM.

How a Mighty Thirst Provoked Poet ical Inspiration. Yesterday being a story-telling day, Amos Cummings related one, says the Washington Post:

"It may serve to throw a side light on the construction and origin of some of the sentimental, as well as tenderly religious articles we sometimes see," said Cummings. "It was when I worked on the Evening Sun. Jim—I will call him Jim—was a crack newspaper man. But with a strong appetite for liquor and a bent to be prodigal, Jim never had any money. One day he came up to me as I sat working at my desk.

"'Got any money, Amos?' said Jim. "'No; why?"

"'I want to borrow ten." ""Well, I can't lend you,' I said, 'for I haven't a dollar in my pocket.
""If you had \$10, Amos, would you lend it to me?" remarked Jim guilefully,
""Yes,' I said, after studying profoundly for a moment, 'I believe I would. But as I haven't ten, what difference does it make?"

"'Go to the business office and get an advance, said Jim. "But I explained to my persistent friend that I wouldn't go near the business office

for any such purpose.

"It would queer me,' I said, 'with the management, and I wen't do it.'

"You go to the devil, retorted Jim indignantly, and walked away.

"That evening I met Jim very much intoxicited. He had laid aside all irritation toxicited. He had laid aside all eritation and the way and the way and the said as a efficiency and the way and the said as a efficiency as a efficiency and the said as a efficiency as a efficiency and the said as a efficiency as a efficien oward me. In fact, he was effusive and

friendly,
"'Come into Benson's, Amos, and take a
drink with me,' urged Jim, seizing me by
the hand with as much fervor as if I had
been his long-lost brother.
"Where did you get your money, Jim?"

'Oh,' responded Jim, with a thick carelessness born of drink and a happy nature.
'I jerked loose a religious poem and sold it to the Independent for a saw-buck. It ain't no trouble for a man of geniush to make a raise; 'specially when he's inshpired by a two-days' thirst.'" There are some unusually interesting anecdotes of stage celebrities with beautiful portraits in the January Five Cent Nickell Magazine.

REVICTUALING VICKSBURG.

Ontcome of the Scheme to Shoot Hard

Tack Into the Besteged City. Major Thomas Q. Farqubar of Anniston Express reporter a humorous story of the war. During the siege of Vicksburg he was in command of a confederate rigiment outside of General Grant's lines. "We had plenty of food," he said. "It was a fertile territory that we had to draw from, and there was no difficulty in getting enough to We intercepted a poorly guarded supply train of the Yanks, and had enough to feed a regiment for a month stored right in our little camp. In spite of the Yankee vigilance spies would now and then steal out of the city, and we saw and talk'd with several of n. Each had a pitiful story to tell how inhabitants of Vicksburg suffered for the inhabitants of Vicksburg suffered for food, and we ransacked our brains to devise some means of sending them a portion of our

"An old negro, who was acling as a gunner under me, was the one to suggest what looked at first like a feasible plan. His idea was to load supplies into the four cannon which we had, and fire them boldly over the heads of the Yankees into the city itself. It was a great idea, and after some study it was a great idea, and after some study it was decided that it was worth while making the experiment. The supplies which we had cap-tured consisted of hard tack in this, that would go into the guns like graperhot, and we calculated that by giving them plenty of elevation we could send the food directly into where even such morsels would b I was in command of the detach welcome. ment, and gave my consent to what an older and more experienced officer would probably have frowned upon as being contrary to all rules of war.

"Next morning at sunrise we loaded the guns. We put a plentiful charge of powder in each, and then rammed home as many cans of hardtack as would equal in weight an ordinary cannon ball, and that was a great many, I assure you. In one of the guns we put four cans of tomatoes. This we considered an experiment, as we had little hope that such fluid stuff would survive the impact of falling in the city, but it was worth trying We pointed the guns, and just before the lanyard of the first was pulled the old negro gunner ran a few rods down the hill, where he would be below the line of smoke and able to see where our novel shot struck.
"The first gun to be fired happened to b the one we had loaded with tomatoes gunner pulled the lanyard, there was a rear and a puff of smoke that obscured our sign for an instant, then it blew away and we say running up the hill toward us, our old negro

covered from head to foot with what looked like blood, while he waved his arms wildly and shricked, 'I'm kl'le'!! I'm '99'd! O'i Lord, have masy on my soul!' We were alarmed and ran down toward him. He still screamed and shricked and fell down in a faint as he saw us. We rushed up to him. and then every man of us burst into a laugh that would have waked the dead. It roused old Tom, who opened his eyes and shricked the louder when he saw our apparently inhuman levity. As soon as we were able to speak or move, we picked the old negro up stood him on his feet, to assure him that he was still alive, and then ordered him to scrape the tomatoes off himself. He was the most thoroughly bedaubed specimen I ever saw. You see, the heat of the discharge of the cannon melted the solder in the tomato cans, and they had simply dropped to pieces on leaving the gun, while their contents had been propelled just far enough down hill to spatter all over the old negro." major paused and chuckled again 'How did the hard-tack work?" asked the

reporter. "We didn't get a chance to try it." was the reply. "The Yanks, thinking that we were about to bombard them from the rear. started up the hill after us, and as there would have been no use in making any re-sistance against so superior a force, we spiked the gune and retreated. What they nought when they found the hard-tack in them I never learned, but I suppose it only confirmed their idea that we were going attack them.

THE CHINESE DRAMA.

Appearance of the Genuine Article, in Philadelphia.

The Song Teen Lok company arrived Philadelphia from Portland, Ore., and gave its first performance on the night of June 3, 1889, says a writer in the Philadelphia Press. It was the first native theatrical company ever seen in this country east of the Rocky mountains. It consisted of twenty-five performers, including four principal thre and an probestre of The company had great difficulty in securing a theater, but finally obtained the Lyceum, on Vine street, below Eighth. At 6:30 on the evening of the 3d of June the entire Chinese population of Philadelphia were on their way to purchase tickets at the box office and soon the little theater was crowded almost to overflowing.

The audience seemed rather uncomfortable at first in the absence of the usual venders

at first in the absence of the usual venders of watermelon seeds and sweetmeats, to which they had been accustomed at home, but with the aid of pipes and tobacco, a quasi-Oriental atmosphere was created, even before the property men had completed the arrangements of the stage, in which work they were managed in full view of the audience. men's of the stage, in which work they were engaged in full view of the audience.

The door on the right was used for entrance and that on the left for exit. Both were hung with beautiful embroidered curtains. A green tablet with gilt letters, the name of the company, was suspended on the wall. On the stage were wooden chairs and tables, with an umbrella of state also draped with embroidery. High seats for the musicians, above which hung the queer looking instruments, were placed in the background. At 7:30 four men took their places and announced the beginning of the play. The drama was a historic one, dating about twenty centuries back, and the Chinese court with a warring king and his retainers formed with a warring king and his retainers formed the dramatis personae. The scenes were changed occasionally by the black-robed property men, who were supposed to be in-visible. When required, they would present a

little green label, telling of the place of ac-tion. At one time all the chairs and tables were heaped together to represent the Ki mountaino. The actors made their appearance from behind the curtain doors amid a volley of drum taps, flerce blasts on the clarion-ities and the lash of cymbals, which continued throughout the play. The players first prostrated themsolves in turn in solemn worship, a necessary preliminary at all Chines: theatriest performinces. Their costumes were in consonance with the stage setting, of every color of the rainbow, and dazzlingly brilliant beyond description. The changes in dress were remarkable, and a glimpse of the dressing room revealed a most extraordinary collection of gor-geous robes, and wigs and beards of long horse hair. A costumer, whose dexterity was marvelous, was in attendance. As a reward for his services and the care he took of their

robes he was presented with a piece of money wrapped up in red paper for good luck.

The female parts, taken by men, were maintained very cleverly, and from the tiny "golden illies," on which the fair maidens tottered about, to their well pomaded locks, they were beau ideals of Chinese loveliness. At least that seemed to be the opinion of Laong Jack and Charlie Lée, and, in fact, of the entire audience, for they listened in rapt attention from the beginning to the end, though they did not applaud. At the close one of the actors advanced toward the iront of the stage and held up the palm of his robes he was presented with a piece of money of the stage and held up the palm of his right hand toward the audience. The actors then retired and the play was over.

This same company had to return to its own country under discouraging circumstances, as its ventures in America proved a financial failure.

Scarlet Fever Signs Up. The prevalence of scarlet fever or any other contagious disease need not alarm you if you use Allen's Hyglenic Fluid. It is the ideal

preventive medicine—cleansing, purifying an healing. No household should be without it Expressed Affection for the Irish. DUBLIN, Dec. 17 .- The Freeman's Journal oday says that the pope, in receiving Bishop O'Donnell in audience recently, was outspoken in his affection for "his Irish chil-dren in all parts of the world." His holiness, according to the Freeman's Journal, said that the love of his paternal heart was poured out in blessings on the faithful race which, itself despoiled, could sympathize with the despoiled pontiff and would not allow Christ's vicar to want for the means of effectively discharging the functions of of effectively discharging the functions of

DeWitt's Little Early Risers the pills that cure constipation and bill

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Ala., on a visit to Buffalo Ferently, told an Ordinance for the Saddle Creek Street is Recommended.

NUMBER OF SUPPLIES CONTRACTS LET

Appropriate Resolutions on the Death of Samuel Dullois-Reason for Pushing Garbage System Investigation Further.

The city council indulged in a long and very monotonous session last night. The grist of business was exceptionally light, but the members succeeded in interjecting enough oratorical extras to prolong the session to the usual hour of adjournment.

Seven banks presented bids for the deposits night at his boot blacking rooms. of the city money during 1896. They are the National Bank of Commerce, Nebraska National, Union National, Commercial National, United States National, Merchants evident that there was no lack of an understanding among the bidders, as the bid was 2 per cent per annum on daily balances in each case. The bids were referred to the finance committee The following resolutions by Taylor were

unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Councilman-elect Samuel DuBois has been striken down by the hand
of an assassin, depriving his wife of the
support of a loving husband, the children
of a generous father, the city of Omaha
of a useful and honorable citizen, and the
city council of one of its members so recently chosen by the people to represent
them in this body, therefore,
Resolved, That we deplore the death of
such a useful member and tender the
widow, family and friends our sincere sympathy in their sad, sudden and terrible
bereavement. unanimously adopted: Besolved. That the city clerk be directed to spread these resolutions upon the records of the city council, and to send an engrossed copy to the family of the de-

The finance committee suggested that the health department be instructed to insist that the county authorities pay hospital ex-pinses in cases which are being paid for y the city, but which are properly county cases.

The ordinance providing for the opening of a street along Saddle creek was recommended by the committee. Saunders objected on the ground that the proposed plan of assessment was not just, and Mercer urged that time that some action was taken and detailed the advantages that would accrue from the proposed improvement. The discussion developed into a prolonged debate. Howell supported Saunders, and City Engineer Rosewater spoke at some length. He showed that several thousands of dollars had already been expended in appraisers' fees on the improve ment. The engineering department had spent six weeks in preparing the plan of assess ment, and if the matter was delayed another year this would all be a dead lors. Then Mercer, Howell and Saunders took turns at speechmaking, until the recent Corbett-Fitzelmmons talking match was totally eclipsed. Several members went to sleep and even the lobby showed evidence of disgust. Then the committee report was adopted by 11 to 7. The board of equaliza-tion will meet December 27, to hear protests against the plan of assessment.

The contract for furnishing horse feed for 1896 was awarded to James Stephenson. The ice contract was awarded to the Nebraska e company. The lumber contract went to N. Deitz, and that for sewer pipe to C V. Hull & Co. The committee on police submitted a report

of its special investigation into the methods garbage contractor relative to the removal of dead animals.

The contractor's bill for November amounted to \$156.25. The bill was certified to under oath and was accompanied by the usual itemized report of the animals re-moved. This list had been turned over to Chief of Police Sigwart, who had detailed Mounted Officers Byrnes and Edghill to in-

vestigate. The reports of the officers indi cated that there was something radically wrong in the present system. The officers succeeded in verifying the list of horses and cows removed, but out of 205 smaller animals reported only thirty-nine could be In one case the contractor charged the city 75 cents for taking a dead dog from a cigar store at Eleventh and Farnam streets. The owner declared that he paid the contractor himself at the time. Two hogs were removed from Second and Pacific streets and the item was charged up twice A resident at 1111 South Seventh street took three dogs to the dump himself, but the contractor charged the city for the service These were the principal facts brought and on recommendation of the committee the bill was referred back to the Board of

Health and the chief of police for further nvestigation. An ordinance repealing the city treasurer ordinance and providing a substitute was introduced by Taylor and laid over under the rules. The ordinance provides that the treasurer shall deposit all funds, except such as may be required for change or ordinary cash payments before 19:30 a.m. on each day, file duplicate slips, showing each deposit with the comptroller and draw no funds except by check countersigned by the comptroller. The city depositories are reprired to transmit to the comptroller at the lose of each month an itemized statemen of the account with the treasurer for the previous month. It is made the duty of the comptroller to check the books, count the cash and verify the bank balances in the treasurer's office each month and also at such times as he may deem best, without notice, at least four times a year. The treasurer is also required to furnish the comptroller with a daily statement of all receipts and disbursements of the preceding day.

A. G. Bartley of Magic. Pa., writes: feel it a duty of mine to inform you and the public that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me of a very bad case of eczema. It also cured my boy of a running sore on his leg.

Pipe for South Omaha Company. Mr. H. Collins, representing the South Pittsburg Pipe works of South Pittsburg. Tenn., closed a contract yesterday with the South Omaha Water Works company the South Omaha Water Works company for 800 tons of cast-iron pipe. Shipments will be commenced immediately, and the whole amount delivered within thirty days. This purchase of pipe will represent an exvenditure of \$20,000.

As already published, the South Omaha Water Works company is preparing to supply water to the stock yards and packing houses at South Omaha. The company is now sinking wells near the river back opposite South Omaha. The hocorporators of this enterprise are: W. A. Paxton, John A. McShane and J. A. Creighton.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mogy, the newsboy, has announced that he will give his confreres a banquet Christmas

T. M. Shaddell, a milliner, reported to the police that some thief entered his store the police that some thief entered his store Monday and stole hats to the value of \$25. The Park Women's Christian Temperance union meets at 3 o'clock this afternoon National and American National. It was at St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church. G. W. Wattles has been granted a permit for the erection of a three-story brick resi-dence at 318 South Thirty-seventh street. It

The Dorcas Ten of All Saints church will hold a sale of fancy and useful articles at the residence of Mr. Partridge, 2712 Howard this (Wednesday) evening,

C. J. Kierie reported to the police yesterday norning that his butcher shop at Florence had been entered last night by burglars and that they had taken away about \$25 worth of meat and provisions.

Fred Johnson appeared at police headquarters vesterday and stated that some party had entered his barn during the night made away with a double set of barness valued at \$25. Johnson lives near Florence. Anticipating heavy snows, the Omaha Street Railway company has become possessed two new snow sweepers. They are built something upon the plan of the ordinary street car, though they are vestibuled at the

Fred Terry reported to the police yesterday morning that while his horse and buggy were standing in front of the Ramge building Monday afternoon some sneak thief de-prived him of a laprobe and whip valued at \$15. At a meeting of the German Republican

club, held Monday evening, a resolution was unanimously adopted to petition for the appointment appointment of a German American as a member of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. Henry Trembeth, a small boy, was arrested Monday night for stealing a bleycle from the shop of M. O. Daxon. Henry took but one

ride when a policeman gathered him in. was released yesterday on a promise to sin no more. Mike Hearne, living at Fourteenth and Clark streets, returned the robe stolen from Disbrow last Friday night. stated that Jack Wills had sold it to him for 50 cents and a meal. Wills is now serving a sentence of thirty days in the county jail

for the offence. The Western Brokerage company, which is to do a general commission and brokerage business in this city, was incorporated vesterday morning. The company runs for ten years and is capitalized at \$30,000. The incorporators are Thomas H. Lawrence, W. E. Lawrence and J. E. Coble. Mrs. A. Holden Byles speaks at Beth Eden

Baptist church this evening and at the Swedish Mission church Sabbath evening. Her subjects will be the "New Work of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, touching upon Christian c!tizenship, and th iew "settlement" in Chicago. The county commissioners have announced that all applicants for saloon licenses must have actual resident freeholders on their

petitions. So far three applications for licenses have been received. Mrs. Ole Wilson, residing at 1109 South Twenty-seventh street, reported to the police yesterday that her husband had been missing from home since early Monday her husband had been norning. Wilson was formerly employed by he water works company, but had lately been out of a job. His wife can assign no reason for his abandoning his family.

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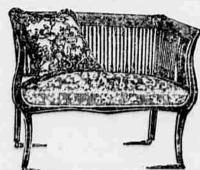
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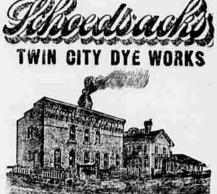
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