

NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Office, 12 Pearl Street.—H. W. Titton, Manager and Lessee.

MINOR MENTION.

Fur design. J. R. McPherson, Tel. 244. Women's Relief corps No. 185 will meet in regular session this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Regular meeting of Fidelity council, Royal Arcanum, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Special business.

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

Some one tried to enter Ovide Vien's barn in the western part of the city Wednesday night, but was frightened away by a neighbor.

There will be a popular "Mikado" matinee Saturday at 2 o'clock at Duhaney's. Admission to all parts of the house, 25 cents. No reserved seats.

William Bailey and Ada Gordon, both of Council Bluffs, were married Wednesday evening by Justice Vien at the residence of H. Peterson, 623 Broadway.

Christmas assembly is to give a masquerade ball January 1 in the Woodmen of the World hall. Prizes are offered for the best costumes. Tickets 50 and 25 cents.

To exchange for stock of general merchandise or bank, improved farm lands, "being farmed," in Gosper county, Neb. Ohio Knox, 37 1/2 Pearl street, Council Bluffs.

James Bradley, the city electrician, has gone into the piano business on a small scale. He recently manufactured an instrument of about half the ordinary size, with full keyboard. The hammers strike on bells instead of wire strings.

A burglar entered Cole & Cole's barn, on Seventh street, just south of Broadway, Wednesday night and stole a set of harness and a saddle. A piece of candle was found, which is supposed to have been used by him.

Mrs. Ashford's Christmas cantata, "Prince of Peace," at Sacred Heart Episcopal church will be rendered next Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock by the church choir, assisted by other singers. Three carols by children, Christmas decorations and mitoses. The public is invited. No charge for admission.

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. Tukey, 102 Main St., rooms 2 and 3.

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

Was it Hard Luck? Bad management, or only forgetfulness? It doesn'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 carpet while they waited for him to get there.

Burlington Route. Christmas and New Year's holiday excursion 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.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. R. J. Martin of Hancock was in the city yesterday.

H. R. Black of Griswold was a Bluffs visitor yesterday.

G. T. Joslin leaves today for a visit to his old home in Indianapolis, accompanied by his son, Harry.

Deputy United States Marshal T. P. Gray of Des Moines was in the city yesterday on business connected with the department.

Julius Deeken has returned from his medical studies at the Iowa State university, and will spend the holidays with his father, Dr. C. Deeken.

F. J. Duerr and Miss Duerr leave this morning for an extended visit to their old home at Mansfield. O. Mr. Duerr expects to remain all winter in the hope of recuperating his health.

Harry Birkinbine, under whose direction the Council Bluffs water works system was put in, and who acted for several years as the company's manager, is now located at Crisfield, Md., where he is putting in a water system.

A. G. Bartley of Magic, Pa., writes: "I feel it a duty of mine to inform you and the public that Dr. Witt'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."

Christmas greens, the largest line of evergreens, wreathing, holly, holly branches, long needle pines and mistletoe in the city; panic prices. J. R. Synder.

HORTICULTURAL AWARDS MADE.

Mills County First by a Slight Majority in Fruit Exhibits. Yesterday was the closing day of the Southwestern Iowa Horticultural society meeting. The morning was spent in hearing the discussions on a number of different subjects connected with the growing of fruit and vegetables. This has been beyond any doubt the most interesting meeting ever held by the society. Four years ago a large exhibit was made in the Merriam block, but creditable as it was, it could not equal this year's exhibit in the Eisenman building. The fruit crops were excellent this year, for one thing, and the fruit raisers are becoming more enthusiastic about meeting one another, exchanging ideas and having their products compete for prizes.

Mills county, the banner fruit county of the state, was supposed to have something of an advantage over the other counties, but her advantage over Pottawattomie in the excellence of her display turned out to be very slight. She won by four points, having eighty-four points to Pottawattomie's eighty. Pottawattomie, it is claimed, would probably have walked off with the prize but for the fact that thirty varieties had been left unnamed. The following awards were made to the two counties:

Mills First on country fruit display, first on individual fruit display, first on seventy-three plates, second on thirteen, and first on fourteen varieties.

Pottawattomie—Second on country fruit, second on individual, first on fifty plates, second on eighty plates, first on canned fruits, first on vegetables, first on general display. The Royal Vergne grape, the new grape introduced by J. R. McPherson, the florist, was the only new grape recommended for trial by the society.

Cole's Christmas Offering. An elegant pair of stag handle carvers, 75c. Crisp knife sets, 25c. Some very fine silver plate knives and forks, Columbia, 75c. 250 per set. Child's sets, knife, fork and spoon, 15c. Anti-rust No. 8 bolters, 55c. (All after Christmas only.) Handmade decorated tea and coffee sets 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 savers of the world. We will guarantee Cole's Hot Blast to use one-third less soft coal than any other stove made.

Its range exhibit this week will be Saturday from 2 to 6 p. m.

Two-in-hand umbrellas, Wollman's.

Too Full to Know. James Vesey, who was charged by C. W. Stinson with the larceny of about \$90, was discharged by Justice Vien yesterday after a preliminary examination. The evidence brought out the fact that Stinson, on the night of the alleged robbery, had made a trip on foot from Bryant street to Ninth avenue, and the only missed call was the entire distance. At the latter end of the route he came across Vesey, and they had to have several drinks because they used to be schoolmates. By the time Stinson had gotten so fully intoxicated that he did not know much about what Vesey did, if Vesey took it, however, he was unwilling to swear that he did not take it as an act of kindness.

Scarlet Fever Signs Up. The prevalence of scarlet fever or any other contagious disease need not alarm you if you use Allen's Hygienic Fluid. It is the ideal preventive medicine—cleansing, purifying and healing. No household should be without it.

Every well dressed man appreciates good laundry work. That is why so many use the Eagle Laundry, 74 Broadway, Telephone 157.

Go to Bradley's Blue Front grocery, 132 and 134 Broadway, for your holiday goods, nuts, candies, groceries, china and glassware, hardware, tinware, flour, feed, wood and coal.

J. E. McDermott, undertaker, dealer in church goods, 543 Broadway, Telephone 293.

German mediated baths make pure blood. Mrs. S. E. Winder, 178 Graham avenue.

The new neckwear is very stylish. Metcalf Bros.

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.

Two Small Fires. The fire department was called out yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock to extinguish a flame that had caught in the awning on the third floor of the Sapp building. The fire was full of soot, and as it burned out coals would be dropped upon the awning. Several of the young lady stenographers employed in the building had their nerves unstrung, but that was about the extent of the damage.

At 1 o'clock there was an alarm from 103 Broadway. A box of matches, with possibly a mouse attachment, in an upstairs closet took fire, and a lot of clothing was somewhat damaged.

Skating Boots. In all sizes, pointed and square toe, calf-skin, at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 a pair, at Byers's shoe store, 412 Broadway.

At Cost. The large and well assorted stock of watches, diamonds and jewelry for the next 30 days at C. B. JACQUEMIN & CO., 27 South Main Street.

You can make no mistake if you get your Christmas presents at the Durfee Furniture company's, and it will be useful, beautiful and cheap. Look at the new novelties.

Dr. Cleaver's office moved to 600 Broadway.

KELLER WAS TIRED OF LIFE.

Financial Losses Drove Him to Insanity and Nearly to Suicide. Henry Keller, an old man who has for a number of years been an inmate of the Women's Christian Association hospital, attempted to commit suicide yesterday. He is a German and speaks but little English. He was formerly employed by George Scherrer, a dairyman, but received wages for only a year's services, although he stayed with Scherrer for six years. Scherrer declares Keller agreed to work the last five years for his board and clothes. Keller commenced suit against him for \$1,000, which was the amount he asserted was due. The jury returned a verdict in Scherrer's favor. It was in this suit that "Judge" Sam Adler acted as his attorney, having worked his way into the old man's good graces by means of their common nationality. Adler obtained a certificate of deposit for about \$250 on a pretext that he would keep it for him. He obtained the money and then skipped out, leaving Keller absolutely destitute. The county has been supporting him. His mind was never considered very strong, and he brooded over the money and then came dependent. Yesterday he spent the greater part of the day away from the hospital, trying to buy a revolver. The persons whom he approached suspected that he wanted it for no good purpose and refused to supply him. Last evening he was found crouching in a corner of the furnace room at the hospital, and when asked what he was doing said he intended to commit suicide as soon as they were all in bed. The matron became alarmed and turned him over to the police for safe keeping. He was deposited in the city jail for a little while, but was later turned over to the authorities of St. Bernard's hospital on an order from City Physician Treynor.

Witch Hazel Salve. Lave piles, but DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will cure them.

Popular Priced Company. Owing to the dull times and to the fact that everybody wants to make a few Christmas presents Manager Alton has concluded to cut himself and friends a little Christmas treat. Next week, commencing Monday night, the Woodward theater will play the bill for the opening night being the "Midnight Watch." The audience was not so large as it should have been, but it was an appreciative one. Our amusement-loving people do not, as a rule, expect a very excellent show at popular prices, and are generally distrustful of an organization that is not well known and established. But the Woodward company plays fully as well as the best of the highly aggregated and deserves a good patronage.

Bradley's. The Blue Front groceryman, sells: 3 pounds best mixed candy, 25c. 2 pounds best mixed nuts, 25c. 1 quart peanuts, 1c. 1 pound English walnuts, 14c. 1 pound almonds, 14c. 1 pound Brazil nuts, 14c. 1 pound cashew nuts, 14c. 20 pounds granulated sugar, \$1.00. 132 and 134 Broadway.

PUBLIC SCHOOL RHETORICALS. Term Closes This Afternoon with Public Exercises. The city schools will close this afternoon for the holiday vacation of two weeks. The pupils will be too busy, of course, with visions of Christmas festivities to put much time on their rhetorical exercises. But the time-honored custom, rhetorical exercises will be held at all of the schools during the afternoon, and the parents and friends of the pupils will have a chance to note the development of their budding statesmen since their last appearance on the rostrum. At the high school the first public exercises of the school year will be held.

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