

COUNCIL BLUFFS NEWS.

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

MINOR MENTION.

Floral designs. J. R. McPherson, Tel. 214. Sheriff Haven left for Clarinda yesterday with Mrs. W. L. White in custody, bound for the State House.

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

All members of Rebekah lodge No. 3, 4 desiring to visit Ruth lodge, Omaha, will meet at the Odd Fellows' hall at 7 o'clock this evening.

A marriage license was issued by the county clerk yesterday. Herman A. Stoddard, aged 23, and Emma Pennington, aged 18, both of Pottawattamie county.

Pieter Sisters academy No. 1 will hold a special meeting this evening for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. All members requested to be present.

The members of the Council Bluffs Whist club returned yesterday from Des Moines, where they were in contest with the club of the capital city for the Richards trophy. They were beaten by five points.

Superintendent Dimmock of the motor line has put a new rule in force. He has ordered that his motormen and conductors to enforce it strictly. From now on passengers are not allowed to ride on the motor line.

The city authorities are looking for a boy 18 years of age, who has been frightening children in Fairmount park by drawing a revolver on them. Officers Weston and the children of Deputy United States Marshal Hillman are the youngsters who tell the terrible tale of their narrow escape from destruction.

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. Louree & Towle.

MONEY to loan on improved Iowa farms. Large loans at reasonable rates. L. W. Tully, 102 Main St., rooms 2 and 3.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Rev. T. H. Cleland, D.D. of Duluth, Minn., is in the city visiting his friends.

Mrs. William Wood, wife of the chief clerk at the Milwaukee freight depot, left yesterday for Chicago on the Great Northern.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter of Chicago, formerly residents of this city, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Scanlan on Vine street.

Mrs. J. E. Wadsworth started for Chicago, Ill., last evening on the Great Northern, a telegram informing her of the alarming illness of her father.

Eugene Fox and mother, Mrs. John Fox of Archon, Minn., are in the city. They will remain until Monday.

Art Stock Given Away. Not being able to attend to business, I will sell anything in my line at actual cost. Goods must go. No returns. Call on me for the best and latest 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. Lost, a white spaniel bitch, lemon-colored ears, weight, 45 lbs. Suitable reward given for return to 143 Broadway.

Every well dressed man appreciates good laundry work. That is why so many go to the Eagle Laundry, 72 Broadway, Telephone 20.

Skating Boats. In all sizes, pointed and square toe, catfish, at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 a pair, at Ayers' shoe store, 412 Broadway.

They See the End. After fourteen days being immured beneath a mass of testimony, the court, jury and attorneys in the suit of Kimball Bros. against Dier, Wells & Co. begin to see daylight. This suit is the one in which the plaintiffs claim to have been damaged to the extent of \$10,000 by the refusal of the defendant to fulfill a contract by which Dier, Wells & Co. were to buy scales from Kimball Bros. for five years.

The trial was held yesterday afternoon. Several of the witnesses were kept on the stand a whole day at a time. The case was a most rigorous cross-examination.

Paul Larson, one of the jurors, was taken ill Wednesday afternoon just before adjournment and was unable to attend court yesterday. His physician ordered him to stay indoors until Monday. After a consultation among the attorneys, the jurors agreed to go on with the trial before eleven jurors. The last of the evidence was heard yesterday afternoon. Clement Kimball, for the plaintiffs, here made his closing speech making a rule that no speech could exceed three hours in length. He completed his remarks about 11 o'clock, this morning James McCabe will talk three hours commencing at 9 o'clock, and I. N. Fleckinger will wind up for the plaintiff. There is a great deal of satisfaction expressed by every one concerned that the case is to go to jury this afternoon.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sore throats, chills, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

Stephen Bros. for plumbing and heating; also fine line of gas fixtures.

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

Attend Davis' clearing sale of holiday goods. Latest silver novelties. Wollman's.

Andrews Worked Here. A. J. Andrews, alias John D. Wise, the fraud who was mentioned in The Bee as having been arrested in Kansas City for obtaining money under false pretenses by representing himself an agent for the Ladies' Home Journal, a New York publication, has a Council Bluffs residence about a month ago he visited this city and made the rounds, securing subscriptions and dollars. To some of his victims he stated that he was a poor man who was trying to get 1,000 subscribers to the magazine in order to obtain as a prize a year's tuition in a business college in Omaha. In this way he reaped a harvest, although just how many victims he secured will probably never be known. There are enough of his victims here. Mr. Peterson holds a responsible position with the Keystone Manufacturing company. They will be at home to their friends Wednesday in February at 615 Willow avenue.

Most complexion powders have a vulgar glare, but Posson's is a true beautifier, whose effects are lasting.

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

J. E. McDermott, undertaker, dealer in church goods, 542 Broadway, Telephone 203.

Dr. Cleaver's office moved to 600 Broadway.

Two-hand umbrellas, Wollman's.

IT WAS GENERAL DODGE'S TREAT.

Children and Grandchildren of Soldiers Visited by Santa Claus. The whole year, from the standpoint of the children and grandchildren of soldiers of Council Bluffs, occurred last evening at the Christian tabernacle. It was the entertainment which is furnished each year by General G. M. Dodge, the expense being paid out of a fund which the general has put in the hands of N. P. Dodge of this city.

The fund yields \$100 each year and will continue to do so after the general's death, and so long as there are any children and grandchildren of old soldiers to accept their benefactor's generosity, the fund has been made a permanent affair.

The public was drawn artistically with the national colors, and over the front hung a large engraving of General Dodge, N. P. Dodge, chief of the fund, D. Bloomer was introduced by him, and after a few remarks, he read the following letter from General Dodge:

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—In sending my Christmas greetings to my comrades, their families and children, it is well to remember that the year is closing and that we are responsible for the condition. Fifteen years' agitation, supplemented in late years by legislative action, can be put down as the direct cause of the lessening of the accident rate among employees.

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Their Contributions to the Fatalities of Railroad Operation.

STATISTICS GATHERED BY GOVERNMENT

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"The advocates of the abolition of grade crossings and better pay particular attention to the Interstate Commerce commission report next year," said an attaché of that department to a Washington Evening Star reporter recently.

"From the partial returns which we have already received," he continued, "I am positive that the figures for the year 1895 will show a larger number of grade crossing accidents than any previous year on record, and also that a less number of employes were killed and injured than ever before in a like period. The great increase in electrical lines and the desire for a higher rate of speed on the part of the railroads, I believe, are responsible for the condition. Fifteen years' agitation, supplemented in late years by legislative action, can be put down as the direct cause of the lessening of the accident rate among employees.

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