COUNCIL BLUFFS DEPARTMENT

MINOR MENTION.

Try Moore & Ellis' "Sultana" 10c cigar.

The Bee office, No. 16 North Main street.

The Salvador-Feeley case is still dragging along in Judge Thornell's court.

Judge Smith will go to Atlantic next Monday to hold court for the Cass county cases.

The Council Bluffs office of The Bee is just north of Officer & Pusey's bank, on Main street.

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

The Rebekah Relief association will meet this afternoon with Mrs. F. A. Sackett, 1116 Third avenue. All members are requested to be present.

O. D. Wheeler has been appointed administrator ad litem for Louis, Gertrude and Jacob Reichart, minor heirs of Samuel Reichart, deceased.

Myron and his brother, Daniel Deronda Clark, were again in court yesterday to answer to a new charge of assault with intent to do great bodily injury upon the third brother, E. E. Clark.

In the suit of Mrs. Sarah E. Moore against the Union Fraternal Accident association the testimony has been heard by Judge McGee in the superior court and the attorneys will present their arguments by briefs.

All Odd Fellows of Council Bluffs, whether members of the various lodges or not, are requested to meet the directors of the Hall association at the lodge room at 8 o'clock sharp Saturday evening. Important business.

The members of companies Red and Blue are requested to report to Secretary Baker at the Young Men's Christian association rooms or to Captains Allen of the Reds and McConnell of the Blues each night if applications have been received, so that a complete and correct record may be had.

Company Red is determined to make its reception Friday night one of the events to cause the Blues to blush. The decorations and exhibition of birds will be something astonishing. The concert will be one of the best held in the rooms, as may be judged from the following talent: High School Mandolin club, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Atkins, Messrs. Woodbridge and Griffith, vocalists, and Mr. E. Thompson, reader, Omaha. Refreshments will be served. All men will receive a hearty welcome and have a good time.

An audience that packed the New Dohany from the orchestra railing to the last back seat in the gallery was one of the things that gladdened the heart of Manager Alton last evening when the curtain was rung up on the first scene in "Trilby." And an audience with greater expectations never entered the doors of the old theater, and certainly a more delighted one never so reluctantly arose when the curtain went down on the last act. The intelligence and eagerness of the audience seemed to have a hypnotic effect upon the players almost corresponding to the strange power Svengali exercises over Trilby herself, and the result was that A. M. Palmer's company, if its manager is to be believed, never gave the play such a strong presentation. The degree of appreciation of their splendid work is evidenced by the fact that at the close of the third act the curtain was raised four times before the people were out their hands or were satisfied. It is the strongest play that Manager Alton has yet given his patrons, and he is naturally the recipient of many congratulations.

Moore & Ellis' "Corner," best 5c cigar.

Wanted, good farm loans in western Iowa at lowest rates. Money loaned for local investors on best of security netting 6 per cent. Fire insurance written in reliable companies. Lougee & Towle, 235 Pearl street.

Tramps Went Into Camp.

Yesterday morning four tramps, Joe Manning, Thomas Burns, John Gill and J. B. Allen, were before Judge McGee on a charge of vagrancy. The charge against them was dismissed upon the understanding that they were to use due diligence in getting out of town during the day. Yesterday afternoon Officer Murphy ran across them several times and repeated the court's warning, but they heeded it not. At 4 o'clock he found them in a saloon near the Northwestern depot rushing the growler with great enthusiasm and he at once attempted to place them under arrest. He only succeeded in getting his hands upon one of them. The others flew up the railway tracks in the direction of Mynster springs and for the time escaped. Later Murphy took the chief's buggy and started on a tour of the springs. A column of blue smoke curling through the tree tops in one of the deep ravines attracted his attention and upon investigation he found his men encamped around a cosy fire. They were compelled to break camp and occupy quarters in the city jail for the night. The anxiety of the police to catch them arose from the fact that they had asserted to some of their saloon acquaintances that they were going into camp in the woods until nightfall and would then return to the city and "turn a trick or two before morning."

Athletic Contests, El Paso, Tex.

February 11, 1896. The Burlington Route, K. C., St. J. & C. B. R. R. will sell tickets to El Paso, Tex., and return on February 8 at one first class fare for round trip.

O. M. BROWN,
Ticket Agent, Council Bluffs.

Picture Frames—Half Price.

Our half price sale will continue a little longer. Take advantage of the low prices in frames and pictures. All go at just half the regular price. H. L. SMITH & CO.

Don't miss our special sale of aluminum ware for the next ten days. Cole and Cole.

We offer you only clean, crisp, snow white laundry work and best delivery service at Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway, Telephone 157.

Taken to the Asylum.

Sheriff Morgan went to Clarinda last night in charge of W. F. Cochran, who has been adjudged insane by the insanity commissioners.

Cochran is a deaf mute, 21 years of age, who has been at the Iowa School for the Deaf for some time. He has been subject to fits of insanity for the last ten year, but has lately become violent and has threatened and attempted to kill his parents and others with whom he came in contact. Of late his insanity has assumed so violent a form that it has been found unsafe to keep him at the school, and his parents joined in the request of the school officials to have him taken to the asylum.

The big special sale at the Durfee Furniture company's is in full blast. There were some the greatest bargains given there yesterday ever offered in Council Bluffs. The sale lasts ten days.

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

Davis, only drug store with registered clerk.

Dr. Cleaver's office moved to 600 Broadway.

Pushon Sentenced to Hang.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 4.—A Daily News special from Jefferson City, Mo., says: Division No. 2 of the supreme court today affirmed the sentence of the Buchanan county court in the case of the wife murderer, Thomas Punshon, and fixed the date of execution for March 13. Pushon's case is peculiar in that at his first trial he was sentenced to twenty years imprisonment, but he appealed the case and the decision was reversed and a new trial was granted. The last trial resulted as above.

Sullivan Starts for Texas.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 4.—John Lawrence Sullivan will leave for St. Louis tomorrow afternoon, arriving there at 7 o'clock. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Sullivan and Harry Gliskauf. This was determined upon today upon receipt of a telegram from Parson Davies requesting Sullivan to meet him at St. Louis Wednesday night to start for Texas. His wound still produces pus, but is healing, and he is in good spirits.

Found Dead on His Ranch.

PERRY, O. T., Feb. 4.—Wash Phillips, a wealthy cattle man, was found dead on his ranch forty miles west of here in Woods county yesterday. Fred Eikler, Sidney Eikler and Arnold Eikler, brothers, were arrested and confessed the killing, claiming self-defense. The killing occurred in the corner of the four counties and a surveyor will have to determine the county jurisdiction of the case.

STORY OF A BANK FAILURE

How the Cass County Institution's Collapse Has Been Utilized.

PROFITS OF THE POLITICAL PULLERS

Every Aspiring Office Seeker Was "Agin" the Ring and Coined Votes by His Boasted Opposition.

An order was made yesterday by Judge Smith that the witness fees for the defense in the case of the state of Iowa against Isaac Dickerson should be first paid by Pottawatamie county and that expert witness fees at the rate of $4 per day each be allowed to Theodore Steinke, W. E. Martin and A. M. DuVal for their attendance during the trial of the case.

That was all of the official record on the case that has occupied the attention of the court and a jury for four weeks, cost Cass county over $5,000 and interested all southwestern Iowa. But there was plenty of gossip on the streets about the turn in the case taken by the jury and gossip about the men who were connected with the case. The fact that the jury stood nine for conviction was, as has been said, a matter of general surprise and a great deal of comment. Those who had watched the case closely did not expect that the jury would spend any great amount of time in finding a verdict for the defendant, but that all goes to show how uncertain juries are and is a side of the case that isn't half as funny nor as interesting as some other facts that have not been published.

The jury had a lot of fun along with its troubles in making a sober deliberation on the case. "Dr." George Kiter was one of the jurymen and it took the combined efforts of the other eleven men to keep him toned down. His breaks made something of a farce of a most important case. "Dr." George was for conviction from start to finish and he did not want any half-way measures, either. After the jury had been out a few minutes he made a motion that the jury return a verdict of guilty against Isaac Dickerson, Joe Yetzer, Smith McPherson and John Organ. He was convinced that they were all legally and morally guilty and it took part of one evening to get it through his head that Isaac Dickerson was on trial alone and that no indictment had been returned against the attorneys for the defense.

FREE WITH HIS COMPLIMENTS.

"Dr." George was a great admirer of Mr. Bruce. He said Mr. Bruce was a great man. He was a banker and a lawyer, too, and that he had done a good deal of detective work of a high order in getting all the evidence in the case together as he had. The "doctor claims to be something of a sleuth himself, and said he guessed he would send his card to Mr. Bruce and see if he could not get an opportunity to help him on some of his big cases. But the climax of the farce came when "Dr." George walked down into the office of the clerk of court and served official notice on Clerk Reed not to pay any fees to the three men who had stood out against a verdict of conviction. He was in dead earnest about the matter, and was only satisfied when Mr. Reed explained that the law was all wrong and that a man who voted for acquittal of an accused was entitled to his fees just as though he had voted for conviction. "Dr." George is now an enemy of that provision of the law.

There is another phase of the case back of all this and that is the figure it has cut in Cass county politics since the failure of the bank in 1893. At that time and immediately after it and up to the present time the death of a candidate was to have the charge made against him that he was in the "Cass County bank ring" and the candidate's surest way to political preferment was to denounce the ring and promise in case of his election to clean out the alleged ring and put every man in the penitentiary who had ever had anything to do with the bank in any way. The condition of the public sentiment has been taken advantage of until the theme has been worn more or less threadbare and the taxpayers are not so eager as they were to vote money for further litigation in the case.

ONE REASON FOR THE WORK.

When Joe Yetzer testified on the stand that Jim Bruce had told him that if he could only convict old Ike Dickerson he could get anything he wanted in Cass county in a political way he only voiced the sentiment that has been the dominant force in the political conventions in that county for several years.

Jim Bruce, Attorney Swan and Mr. Boorman, who conducted the case for the state, have all had an experience in Cass county politics and all have political records that are interesting, as they bear on the case that has just been tried. Each of them has served a term as county attorney, each has further political ambitions and each has pledged more than once to land all the Dickersons in the pen. Swan was the first of the trio to be county attorney. He was a democrat and Cass is a strong republican county, but he pulled through. During the fight before election the charge was sprung that Swan had been the fusion candidate at one time for speaker of the Maine legislature and had afterwards been dropped from the roll of house members by the votes of his colleagues. Swan met the charge and replied that he had been tried in his absence on charges trumped up by the corporation opponents and that settled it. The good granger vote in Cass county went to the democrat and Swan was elected. He immediately installed as his deputy James E. Bruce, the warmest republican in the county.

Well, two years later Bruce was nominated by the republicans and Swan by the democrats. The fight was carried on merrily until near election day, when some of the workers discovered that a written agreement had been made between Swan and Bruce that the defeated candidate should be the deputy of the successful man. That rather chilled the interest in the fight on the county attorney, and Mr. Bruce was elected. He promptly installed Swan as his deputy, and the campaign bitterness was forgotten.

At the end of two years Bruce wanted the nomination again, but Mr. Boorman was in the field. He had a few delegates in the county convention, just enough to prevent the nomination from going to any one else, and had the balance of power well in hand, when a charge was sprung against him. He was accused of having charged about 75 per cent commission for the collection of a note due a man out in Tacoma, who had been garnisheed in Atlantic. Boorman had his explanation. He got up and told those good honest farmers that he had done what was charged, but that the Tacoma man was a farmer, a good honest fellow, who had paid the bills once, and that he had taken the course he had in order to keep a lot of soulless corporations from robbing the man the second time. The speech settled it. The roof nearly went off an dthe farmer delegates voted as a man for the farmer's friend, and Boorman was nominated and elected.

BUT IT FAILED.

All of the different candidates had been anxious for a chance to try a case against Isaac Dickerson. Bruce had convicted Yetzer and Boorman was expected to convict Dickerson. The trial came on at Glenwood last June before a jury of business men, and Mr. Dickerson was acquitted. The prosecution had been conducted by Boorman and Major Curtis of Atlantic. It was thought that the case would end there, but the political ambition of certain Cass county men was not satisfied, and the Cass county bank was an issue in the election again last November. When the board of supervisors met in January the question of making another prosecution of Isaac Dickerson came up. The members of the board were divided on the proposition. Finally the member from Bruce's home announced that he would vote for the appropriation in case Jim Bruce was employed as special counsel to prosecute the case. That carried the decision and Bruce was employed. He says he did not want the job and placed his figures high, with the hope that the board would employ some one else, but his figures were accepted, and then, as a matter of course, Swan came in as an assistant to Bruce and County Attorney Boorman was left out in the cold, and had no part in the case other than the examination of Martin, the expert who was in the employ of Receiver Steinke.

What the future of the case will be is purely a matter of conjecture. The defendant, Isaac Dickerson, says that he does not count any more litigation on the subject, but does not fear a trial, and will be prepared to abide by whatever action the supervisors of Cass county think best to take.

POTTAWATTAMIE'S SCHOOLS.

Directors Will Meet to Consider Some Needed Changes.

Prof. Paulson, superintendent of the county schools, has issued a call for a general meeting of all the directors of the various town and township schools of Pottawattamie county to be held at the office of the county superintendent on Saturday, February 15. Two meetings will be held, one at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and one at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and it is expected that a majority of the 250 directors of the county schools will be in attendance.

There will be a number of important matters discussed at the meetings. Superintendent Paulson has some plain business matters to talk over with the directors, and then all of the men who are expected to be present at the meeting have a common interest in the question of modifications of the state school laws which will be discussed.

One of the apparently minor changes in the law, and still one that means much to the farmers who are members of the township boards, is the time fixed by law for holding the annual and monthly meetings of the boards. Under the law these meetings are held on Monday. The directors are unanimous in asking that the meeting time be changed to Saturday, as that will interfere less with their duties in other lines.

Under the law as it now stands the school directors receive no pay for their work. As a result they have little or no interest in the work other than to secure a position for some daughter, or neighbor's daughter, as teacher, and the schools really suffer by the system that has grown up in this respect. The directors will probably ask the legislature to amend the law so that members of the school boards shall receive pay for the actual time devoted by them to the work of the schools. There will probably be little opposition to the adoption of this proposed amendment by the directors.

The question of allowing women the right to vote on all school questions will probably be discussed at the meeting with the sentiment now in favor of asking the legislature to amend the law in that respect. Under the present law the women may hold any school office, but are not allowed to vote for school officers.

Superintendent Paulson also wishes to have a general talk with the directors on several subjects pertaining to the interests of the school system of the county. He has just returned from a trip through the county, in which he visited twenty-seven schools. He found about two-thirds of the number with good teachers and the buildings in good condition. In eight or nine of the districts the teachers were not up to the standard and the buildings were found in a very poor condition. Superintendent Paulson found a number of instances in which three different teachers have been employed at the beginning of the school year to teach the three terms of school. He considers this a most pernicious practice and will use every effort to have it discontinued.

The directors have an answer to make to the complaint of the superintendent that some of the buildings are not kept in good repair and are short on dictionaries, charts and school supplies of that kind. The directors assert that in many of the districts of the county where the school buildings are located along the main traveled thoroughfares the tramps and movers make the buildings a stopping place for the night, burn the furniture and carry off the maps and charts. This condition is found to exist in a number of localities and the directors have given up trying to keep the school houses in proper condition. It is useless to lock the doors, for in that case the uninvited guests simply break the windows and effect an entrance in that manner. So the directors have allowed the buildings to remain unlocked and have instructed the teachers and pupils to carry all their books and effects from the building every night.

All of these matters will come up for discussion at the meetings to be held on Saturday, February 15.

CONSTRUCTION COMPANY'S PLANS

Executive Officer Paul Sets His Men to Work.

The granting of the Iowa Construction company's Indian creek ordinance by the city council at the Monday night meeting put John W. Paul into the best of humor yesterday, and he was induced to show his hand and reveal his intentions a little bit more than was expected. Said he last evening: "Our engineers and abstractors have really begun work, for they are making preparations today for beginning the work of running the lines along the creek and ascertaining the wishes of the property owners. They will all be at work here in a few days. The right of way men will also be at work in a short time, conferring with the property owners along the creek and wherever else the surveys may locate the lines of the proposed tracks. People will see in a short time that there is something behind all that has been done and that the Iowa Construction company is very far from being a myth."

Paul's second ordinance, introduced at the last meeting of the council, asks only for the privilege of crossing several streets and Broadway near Ninth street. It is in the hands of the committee and will likely be passed at the next meeting. It reads as follows:

An ordinance granting the right-of-way over, along and across certain streets, alleys and avenues in the city of Council Bluffs to the "Iowa Construction company," its successors or assigns.

Be it ordained by the city council of the of Council Bluffs, Ia.:

Section. 1. That the right, permission and authority be and the same is hereby given and granted to the Iowa Construction company, its successors or assigns to construct, operate, use and maintain a single or double track railway, with all necessary switches, curves, cross-overs and turnouts, from a point on Indian creek, at or near Eighth street, thence northwesterly in a curve across Ninth and Tenth streets and Avenue A, Eleventh street and Avenue B, Twelfth street and Avenue C, and across the alleys in blocks 3, 4, 5, in Beers' addition, and in block 16, Grimes' addition, thence due north, crossing in its course all alleys and Avenues D, E, F, G, H, I, J and K, to connect with the proposed transfer and shop yards of the Iowa Construction company and lands owned by the Union Land and Improvement company.

Also from a point on Indian creek, at or near Eighth street, thence in a southwesterly direction across Broadway street and over and along Union avenue to the Union Pacific transfer grounds.

Sec. 2. The Iowa Construction company, its successors or assigns, shall construct a line of railway on Union avenue within six months and shall construct the other branch of its line from Indian creek to the proposed transfer and shop yards of the Iowa Construction company and the lands of the Union Land and Improvement company within one year from the date of the passage and approval of this ordinance, and upon failure to do so the city council may declare this ordinance null and void, and all work and material thereon forfeited.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage and approval, but the Iowa Construction company, its successors or assigns shall file its written acceptance with the city clerk within sixty days from the passage and approval of this ordinance.

Killed by Falling Down Stairs.

Margaret Hanson, the 19-year-old daughter of Stephan Hansen, living in Hardin township, died at 9:30 o'clock yesterday from injuries sustained by falling down the stairway of her father's house. She tripped and fell on one of the upper steps and struck at the foot of the stairway upon her head and shoulders. Death resulted in a short time afterward. The funeral will occur tomorrow at 10 o'clock from the residence.

Hot Bed Sash.

We have 1,000 hot bed sash which we are going to close out. They won't last long. How many do you want? We will make you a price that cannot be duplicated. C. B. Paint, Oil and Glass company, Masonic temple, Council Bluffs.

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

TOO LATE TO SAVE THE BOY

Attorney and Sheriff After a Reform School Candidate.

SHERIFF AKIN HAD AN HOUR THE START

Home of Mrs. Waldo of Shenandoah One of Mourning from Many Causes—Her Mother Dead and Her Boy in Jail.

While Judge Thornell was making an order yesterday morning committing J. D. Waldo, a Shenandoah boy, to the reform school at Eldora, Attorney Ferguson of Shenandoah was on his way to Council Bluffs with an arrangement by which he hoped to save the lad from the state institution and to send him to a home which had been provided for him in Missouri.

The case is a peculiar one in many respects. The father of the boy is dead, his mother is almost insane from grief and trouble of various kinds, while the boy's grandmother lies dead in his mother's home at Shenandoah. Attorney Ferguson came prepared to take the boy back in time to attend his grandmother's funeral, but found that Sheriff Lew Akin of Page county had started on his way to Eldora with young Waldo a few minutes before the arrival of Mr. Ferguson in this city. The law in the case is peculiar, and there is no way of recalling the order of Judge Thornell, and the only way the boy can be taken from the reform school is through an appeal to the chief executive of the state, and this will probably be done.

Attorney Ferguson recites a state of facts calculated to enlist sympathy in favor of the boy. The father of the boy died several years ago and the young lad, who is now 14 years of age, has never had an opportunity for education or the proper kind of home training. He has been accused of a great many minor thefts, and is undoubtedly guilty of them, and has, perhaps, the attorney says, been encouraged in his career of thievery. The neighbors have come to look upon the lad as a terror, and have been trying for some time to have him sent to the reform school. Mrs. Waldo, the mother of the boy, is a weak woman, in poor health and hysterical, and has been really unable to give the lad any kind of home training. Mrs. Waldo's father and mother have been living with her, and yesterday her mother died. The fact that her boy was in jail in Council Bluffs and her mother dead threw Mrs. Waldo into an hysterical fit, and she is now in a precarious condition.

Some time ago the boy was arrested for the larceny of a set of harness and was found guilty by Justice Carter of Shenandoah and sent to this city as a proper subject for the reform school. The neighbors who had been sufferers from the boy's raids urged the sentencing of the boy to the reform school. The nearly crazed mother appealed to Attorney Ferguson, and he began an effort to have a home provided for the boy. He saw several uncles of the lad, who are well-to-do people, at Shenandoah, and made arrangements to have the boy and his mother sent to a farm in Missouri. He supposed that such a course would be adopted by Judge Thornell, and telephoned on Monday to have the case go over until today. Judge Thornell waited until this morning, and as Mr. Ferguson had not arrived he made an order sending the young boy to the reform school at Eldora, in charge of Sheriff Akin of Page county. An hour later Mr. Ferguson arrived and found his boy gone. Mr. Ferguson had a notice of appeal entered to the judge's order and left last night for Des Moines to lay the matter before Governor Drake.

MARRIAGE WAS NOT CELEBRATED.

George Havens Shrinks from Hymeneal Bonds at the Last Moment.

A marriage license was issued Monday afternoon for the marriage of George Havens and Emma Waddell, a young swain and his lassie from Lewis township. The arrangements for the wedding included a visit to one of the justices of the peace, who was to unite them at 6 o'clock. The young bride and several of her female friends was present at the appointed time, but the groom was not. After waiting an hour a messenger was dispatched to the home of young Havens to ascertain the cause of the delay. The messenger did not return until after 10 o'clock, and when he did he brought the information that the young man had concluded to take his mother's advice and not get married just at present. During the long wait the young bride, who is a child under 16 years of age, grew somewhat hysterical and talked freely of her love affairs to the court loungers. It was the same old story of woman's faith in lover's vows and the inevitable betrayal. The young girl told her story with sobs and tears, and when she became finally convinced that the lover in whom she had reposed such perfect faith and trust had deserted her at the altar her love changed to its kindred passion, and she signed an information charging him with seduction. A warrant was issued and placed in the hands of an officer, but a diligent hunt all day yesterday failed to produce the recreant lover. It was discovered that he had sold a load of corn for the purpose of raising enough money to get out of the country, but the officers got upon his track before he could collect for it. Two special officers were detailed to watch his home last night and catch him should he return.

Free Lessons in Art Needle Work.

Misses Clark & Wetzel will give free lessons in art needle work on Tuesday and Saturday mornings of each week. All ladies are welcome to avail themselves of this privilege. 336 and 338 Broadway.

Columbia bicycles. Highest of all high grades. Call and see them at Cole & Cole.

Bob Kneebs' Friends Busy.

SIOUX CITY, Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Fifteen hundred dollars has been raised here by the friends of "Bob" Kneebs to see him through with his appeal from the German court before which he was recently convicted of horse "ringing" in that country and sentenced to nine months imprisonment and forfeiture of his horses and appearance bond.

Representatives will be sent from here to assist in his defense, and as much more as is necessary to clear him will be raised whenever it is needed.

STANHOPE ROYSTER'S STORY.

Dramatic Recital Before a Jury by the Slayer of McFarland.

BOONE, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—With the exception of one or two minor rebutting witnesses on the part of the state, the evidence in the trial of Stanhope Royster on the charge of murdering Walla McFarland was completed today. More than a day will be consumed by the attorneys in argument, and it is probable the case will go to the jury some time Thursday.

The last witness for the defense was the defendant himself, and it was a dramatic scene as he told how he came to Boone intent only on getting his daughter, how he went unarmed to McFarland's room, how McFarland met him with a pistol, cursed and threatened him, and stayed with him or dogged his footsteps for three hours, trying to get him to sign a paper exonerating him. McFarland had told Royster there would be money in it for him, but the father had replied: "Money don't count with me in this case. I want my daughter." McFarland threatened to blow his brains out if he made any trouble or called an officer, and kept his hand on a revolver in his overcoat pocket all the time he was with him.

Finally Royster, who knew his life was in danger, got away long enough to buy a revolver. Then as McFarland had said, "Yes, you can stay in town a week, but you'll stay with me. By G—d I'll entertain you," he had made a threatening motion with his concealed hand, and Royster had shot.

Attorney J. L. Stevens and Royster enacted the shooting scene with dramatic effect before the jury. Royster was not confused on cross-examination. His case seems to be helped. It is generally believed that he will be acquitted.

BAD STORIES ON J. W. OWENS.

Too Fond of Women and Much Attached to Other People's Horses.

JEFFERSON, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Four times entangled with women, some of whom were his wives, and a horse thief—these are the allegations against J. W. Owens of Shenandoah. The story of the wrongs this man is alleged to have committed against confiding women is startling. The story which the injured parties allege they can prove to the last specification, is as follows: About four years ago Owens, while teaching school in this county, gained the affection of the daughter of the man with whom he boarded and betrayed her. At the muzzle of a shotgun he married her, but shortly after disappeared. Two years ago he turned up near Council Bluffs and secured a school in a country district, becoming intimate with the family of a prosperous farmer named Ranck, shortly afterward married one of his daughters, but again disappeared, next being heard of at Correctionville. There he became acquainted with Miss Stella Stephenson, and she brings against him a charge of seduction. He has been living with his second wife, Miss Ranck, that was, at Shenandoah. It is also asserted that a lady in Webster county obtained a judgment for $300 as damages against Owens in a breach of promise suit. The father of his first wife, whom he deserted, resides near this city, and is a gentleman highly respected. He is taking care of his daughter and her little child, and not only substantiates the charges made against his former son-in-law, but says Owens robbed him of several hundred dollars and stole a horse from his own father. It is probable officers in this county, as well as in Shenandoah, will call on Owens for an accounting.

AFTER THE IOWA DELEGATION.

Governor Matthews of Indiana Throws Out a Feeler.

DES MOINES, Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The managers of the boom of Governor Matthews of Indiana for the democratic presidential nomination are pushing their canvass into Iowa, and it is understood have met much encouragement. In the last few days the prominent democrats all over the state, especially county chairmen, state committeemen and others of prominence, have been flooded with letters from all over Indiana urging the claims of the Indiana man as the one western candidate who is entitled to western support and who will fairly represent western interests. The leading democrats who are here at the legislative session are well impressed with Matthews, believing him stronger than Morrison and far more acceptable to the country at large. There is a decided opposition to Cleveland in the rank and file of the party in this section, and it has been growing stronger since the state convention last summer, when it was charged that the federal office holders controlled the meeting in the interest of the national administration. The democratic state central committee will meet here the latter part of the month to fix a place and date for holding the state convention to name delegates to the Chicago convention. It is understood that the Matthews people want a convention early, but not till after the republican convention to name delegates to the St. Louis convention. They are anxious to make a showing of strength in the west as early as possible.

MONUMENT COMMISSION ACTS.

Inscriptions for the Granite Shaft Adopted at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The Soldiers' Monument commission met today and adopted the following inscriptions that are to be carved in the granite base and shaft of the monument. On the base is to be the inscription "By Harriet A. Ketcham." Under the bas relief of the battle of Fort Donelson, "The Bravest of the Brave—U. S. Grant." Under the bas relief of the triumphant return will be the inscription, "Right is Right, God is Right, and Right Prevails." In the die back of the allegorical figure of Iowa, "Iowa, Her Affections, Like the Rivers of Her Border, Flow on to the Inseparable Union." Under the allegorical figure of Victory, "A Tribute from Iowa to the Courage, Patriotism and Distinguished Services of All Soldiers and Sailors from Iowa Who Fought in the War of the Rebellion."

Members of the commission say that the report made two years ago on the matter of location will not be changed. They deny the rumors that they will recommend a change. As to the discussion in the legislature of changes in the medallions and other art works on the monument, they say they will not consider the matter unless action is taken by the legislature ordering it. They are satisfied with their work and will make no changes.

Creston Water Works Case Appealed.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The city council has decided to appeal the water works case, arriving at this decision last evening by unanimous vote. The wish of the citizens for appeal has been unanimous and the action of the council was very popular. When the vote was announced the large audience applauded vigorously. There is $70,000 involved in this case and the taxpayers were anxious to have the case go to the supreme court for final adjudication. In the lower court the city was defeated, but the majority of the aldermen and a vast number of citizens think the supreme court will reverse Judge Towner. The vital point in controversy is whether the city has the right to go outside of the 5 mill tax allowed by the state law for water rental and take from the general fund.

Tramps Provoke Trouble.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Feb. 4.—A riot occurred here today between a gang of desperate tramps and a squad of officers. The former resisted arrest and one had his skull cracked by a policeman's club. Later the sheriff and a deputy entered the jail, when the other hoboes assaulted them. The deputy was badly pounded, but drew a revolver and fired twice, dangerously wounding one of his assailants, who gives his name as Snider.

Swedish Lutheran Conference.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The district conference of the Swedish Lutheran church opened here tonight for a three days' session. Matters pertaining to the welfare of the church and the edification of the clergy will be discussed. Rev. Carlson of St. Joseph, Mo., will address the conference. Clergymen from all over southern Iowa are present.

Held on a Detective's "Confession."

MASON CITY, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Ray Vantasset is on trial in Chickasaw county, charged with murdering his wife. The principal evidence against him is what is claimed to be a confession secured by a detective. Vantasset's defense is that his wife committed suicide.

Two Creston Men Indicted.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Dick Sharkey and Frank Keys have been indicted by the grand jury for burglary. They were caught in the saloon of Gildermeister & Waltersdoff. Keys narrowly escaped the penitentiary at the last term of court.

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