COUNCIL BLUFFS DE

MINOR MENTION.

Photo supplies and cameras, 541 B'dway.

M. Flammant of Mineola is a Bluffs visitor.

Miss Marie Bryant is visiting in Creston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Judson are home from Mishewaka, Ind.

Mrs. W. S. Lewis of West Side is visiting relatives here.

R. J. Morgan, wife and daughter, are visiting in Indiana.

The North Sixth street bridge is rapidly nearing completion.

Mrs. M. Benson of Indiana is a guest of Mrs. U. D. Thomas.

"Jolly Old Chums,, will appear in this city Sunday night, December 6.

The city council meets in regular monthly session next Monday evening.

The women of the First Baptist church cleared nearly $100 from the "Carnival of Fame."

George Gerner has returned from Chicago, where he completed a course in the Chicago Ophthalmic college.

Miss Maxwell and Miss Thomas of Omaha are guests of the family of U. D. Thomas of Twenty-sixth avenue.

Beach & Bowers' minstrels will be at the Dohany theater Monday night. One of their chief attractions is the fine band.

Mrs. Ryerson, a woman well versed in hospital work in Chicago, has been chosen as superintendent of the Woman's Christian hospital.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to O. F. Turner, aged 23, and Martha E. Hutchins, aged 20. Both are residents of Council Bluffs.

As the family glanced over the table, resplendent in snow-white linen, they pondered: "Great is the Eagle laundry on family work!"

Mrs. John Danforth will entertain the Ladies' Aid society of St. Paul's church on Tuesday afternoon. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. E. J. Walters is dangerously ill. She was not expected to live on Wednesday, but was yesterday reported to be slightly better, but not out of danger.

There will be a civil service examination today at the federal building. A number of applicants for positions of postal clerks and letter carriers will be examined.

P. C. DeVol, who has been confined to his bed for several weeks with but slight hopes of recovery, is rapidly convalescing. His friends soon expect to see him back in his place in his business house.

Hazel camp, No. 171, Modern Woodmen of America, announced an election of officers yesterday: W. C. Boyer, V. C.; G. Grosvenor, W. A.; J. J. Stewart, E. B.; S. B. Snyder, C.; C. F. Pinckney, E.; J. D. Austin, W.; John Gilbert, S.; G. F. Chase, M.; C. G. Saunders, D.; C. W. Atwood, A. D.

Rev. H. L. Yager of Atchison, Kan., field secretary of the Lutheran Board of Church Extension, arrives today to assist Rev. G. W. Snyder in the work connected with the building of the new church. He will preach Sunday morning and evening for St. John's English Lutheran church and in the afternoon for the Enterprise Lutheran church in the country.

The will of the late Mrs. Etta J. Coulter was filed in probate court in Kansas City November 28. The document bequeaths all her personal property, fourteen lots in the city of Council Bluffs, real estate in Anoka, Minn., and a two-thirds interest in the Kansas City home to her daughter, Susie A. Jefferis, of this city, and a one-third interest of the home to her husband, W. A. Coulter.

A. Meyers, a farmer, was soliciting the aid of the police yesterday to recover a lot of groceries that had been stolen from his wagon. Meyers purchased flour, corn meal, sugar, salt, baking powder and some other stuff and left it in his wagon in front of a saloon on South Main street while he went inside to see a man. All of his groceries had disappeared when he returned. He spent the entire day looking for the thief, and left for his home, south of Manawa, with an empty wagon, late in the evening.

All the heads of departments in the city building are busily engaged upon the work of preparing their annual reports. The showing that each will be able to make will be highly creditable. Engineer Tostevin is very complacently satisfied with the fact that his report will show that he has been able to save the taxpayers $1,195 in the expenses of his department during the year in the item of salaries and office expenses alone, and show at the same time that the work accomplished during the year has involved as much, if not more, office labor than the previous year.

C. B. Viavi Co., female remedy. Medical consultation free Wednesdays. Health book furnished. 309 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250.

Visit C. O. D. Brown's toy department.

Enforcing the Curfew.

The first prosecutions under the curfew ordinance were brought in the police court yesterday. The victims were two colored boys, Clarence and Bonnie Fields. They were picked up by the police on the previous evening an hour after the time when the ordinance declared they should be at home. They spent the night in one of the upper rooms in the city jail, and yesterday morning were obliged to have it out with Judge McGee. The officers testified that the boys had been warned very often to keep off the streets at night, but had disobeyed. The boys had numerous excuses to offer, but the judge turned a deaf ear to all of them and charged up a fine of $9.60 against each. Judge McGee, after administering a strong lecture, suspended the sentence pending good behavior.

The police have had instructions to look sharply after the boys and girls who violate the ordinance and arrest each offender.

F. W. Dean, M. D., eye, ear, nose and throat, 241 Merriam block.

Bartlett Grocery Co.'s big A flour, $1.10.

Coming Cackle Carnival.

The Western Iowa Poultry, Farm and Garden association is arranging for a magnificent exhibition in Council Bluffs, beginning December 14, and to continue six days. The exhibition given last year was such a success in point of interest taken by exhibitors of fine fowls, farm and garden and household products as to greatly encourage the stockholders. On this account they have enlarged upon their ideas, and will include with their new show that of the Omaha Fanciers' association, also the exhibition of the Southwestern Iowa Horticultural sociey. The entire Eiseman block will be utilized, comprising the three floors, thus making a capacity for use equal to that of any similar show ever given in the east. Premium lists have been prepared, showing liberality on the part of the management, and a determination to outstrip all former shows held in the west. Full particulars may be learned by addressing the secretary, W. A. Groneweg, Council Bluffs.

Mixed nuts, 5c pound. Brown's C. O. D.

If you want a bargain in watches and diamond's call at Snyder's, 328 B'way.

Bartlett Grocery Co.'s big B flour, 99c.

Glee Club Concert.

The Field club managers contracted with the Chicago University Glee club several months ago to give a performance in this city for the benefit of the club. The fact had not been altogether forgotten when the club concluded to give the society circus, but the date had not been kept in mind. The attention of the club has been called to the contract, and the announcement that the singers will be ready to sing when the time comes. The Field club members realize that it would appear to be asking too much of the public to give its patronage to another entertainment so soon after the circus, and they have been somewhat perplexed. It has finally been determined to give the concert under the auspices of the club, but for the benefit of the churches.

Day & Hess, 39 Pearl street, Council Bluffs, have some extraordinary bargains in fruit, garden and farm lands near Council Bluffs. Now is the time to buy real estate.

Nine bars silk soap for 25c. Brown's C. O. D.

Fresh meats. Bartlett Grocery Co.

CITY IS TO PROTECT ITSELF

Will Sue the Owners of Lots Along West Broadway.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IS NEGLECTED

Payment for the Improvements is Now Past Due and the City Has Been Holding the Sack Long Enough.

City Attorney Hazelton is making preparations to bring suit against the owners of lots on Lower Broadway who have become delinquent in the payment of special taxes for the cedar block paving. About $20,000 is involved, and under the assessment for the improvement the city is responsible for the amount and has recourse in turn against the owners of the property. These lots have been offered at tax sale for the last two years and have not been bid in, as not even the tax title dealers wanted them. The next regular tax sale will commence Monday and as soon as it is over the action by the city will be commenced.

The assessments for the improvement along the street were made in the fall of 1888, when the first fifth of the cost of the work was due. The lots average about $135 apiece for the entire paving, and on the lots in question only two or three of the fifths have been paid in. The last payment is due this year and they will again be offered at tax sale. The city authorities do not expect any one to bid them in.

Mr. Hazelton said yesterday that the action he intended to bring was one usually resorted to by municipal authorities for protection where special improvement taxes were due and the property could not be disposed of at tax sale. The suit would be an action in equity and amount to about the same as the regular foreclosure of a lien. This would permanently establish the claim of the city against the land. When it was offered at tax sale the city would be obliged to buy it in to protect itself. City Attorney Hazelton says it is even possible for the city to go further and establish its claim as a personal judgment against the property owners. This, he said, was not contemplated, as it would be straining a point to try and go outside of the value of the lot to collect for any special improvement that had been made in front of it. The majority of the lots on which the specials are due are owned by a few parties, the single lot owners having paid up for the most part.

The general tax sale this year will be large, the delinquent list being one of the largest ever published.

Y. M. C. A. FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Managers of the Institution Are Puzzled as to the Future.

The Young Men's Christian association has been traveling in exceedingly hard lines recently, and the promoters and supporters have been on the verge of despair. For several months the expenditures have greatly exceeded the receipts, and at the present time there has grown up an unpleasantly large deficit. Several prominent business men who have always been large contributors to the association have been practically carrying the burden of the work on their own shoulders for several months. Just what to do is greatly puzzling Secretary Coker and the board of directors. Secretary Coker is working, and has worked most faithfully and acceptably to the association and the members of the board, and the lack of financial support is chargeable only to the stringency of the times.

At the coming meeting of the board of directors it is probable that some new departure will be devised and recommended to relieve present pressing necessities and insure the future usefulness of the organization. One plan that is under consideration is to interest the managers of the railway lines that terminate here. It is believed that very material aid can be secured if the matter is properly presented to the companies. The Northwestern company annually contributes $1,200 to maintain the association at Boone, which is the end of the first division east of Council Bluffs. It is believe that if the railway company considers the influence of the association upon its employes at Boone to be worth $1,200 the same influence exerted here, where the temptations are much greater and where a larger number of the railway men must live, is also worth something. If each of the railway companies could be induced to contribute $500 annually the assistance would be sufficient to make the Council Bluffs association one of the foremost in the state. There are few associations in the state that have better facilities for the work. The gymnasium is complete and the apparatus is in fine condition. The rooms are large, well lighted and heated, and everything necessary is provided to attract and entertain the young men. The facilities for giving free baths could not well be improved upon, and when to all of this is added the fact that the location of the rooms is in the most accessible place in the city, there is apparently nothing lacking to insure success.

The men most deeply interested in the work feel that the situation demands the best efforts to secure the presence of the railway men and the aid of the railway companies, and it is probable that some definite action will be taken with a view of getting the co-operation of the railway companies.

Big Sale of Cloaks at Boston Store.

THERE WILL BE BUSY TIMES IN OUR CLOAK DEPARTMENT SATURDAY.

Ladies' and misses' cloaks, jackets and capes specially reduced for this sale Saturday.

Lot 1—About 100 garments, including ladies' heavy plaid golf capes, misses' and children's long cloaks, worth from $3.00 to $10.00. We offer your choice Saturday for 98c each.

Lot 2—Ladies' heavy beaver jackets in black and navy. Large sleeves, black velvet collars. Worth $6.00, your choice Saturday, $4.50.

Lot 3 includes beaver jackets in black and navy, brown boucle cloth and chinchilla cloth, all cut and trimmed in the latest style.

Lot 4 consists of ladies' jackets, formerly sold from $15.00 to $17.50, in tans, greens, browns and blacks; all perfecting-fitting and well made garments. Your choice of this excellent line for $10.00.

BOSTON STORE,
Broadway, Council Bluffs, Ia.

Durfee Furniture Co.'s great removal sale is now in full blast. You in it?

No better flour made than Bartlett Grocery Co.'s big A, $1.10.

Mixed candy, 5c pound. Brown's C. O. D.

Fremont Called Upon to Settle.

M. J. Tidd, the insane patient sent in here from Randolph, Fremont county, Thursday, was ordered sent to Clarinda yesterday by the commissioners. He was sent there as a patient from Fremont county and the expense of his care will be charged up to that county. The commissioners of insanity have decided to make a test case of this one and if the Fremont county authorities refuse to pay for Tidd's care at the asylum an effort will be made to compel them to do so.

Notice to Ice Haulers.

The cold weather of the past few days has put a merry twinkle in the ice-dealers' eye, and by the beginning of the week probably two or three hundred men and teams will find employment. Hughes, the men's oufitter, at 415 B'way, wants to say to the icemen and laborers generally, that he is selling the best of felts and overshoes to be had for $2.00, and the very best line of caps, gloves, underwear, and in fact everything for men that can be found in the city. If you want to stand weather see Hughes.

Big B flour, 99c; good enough for anybody. Bartlett Grocery Co.

Fancy New York apples, $1.50 per barrel. Brown's C. O. D.

PARTMENT

TROUBLE OVER A SMALL DEBT.

Nebraska Farmer Forced Into Court Over a Trivial Matter.

Hon. Spencer Smith, the newly appointed assistant county attorney, tried his first case yesterday. It was a criminal action brought in Justice Cook's tribunal, wherein Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Carbee seek to have Wilbur Saxton punished for disposing of mortgaged property. Attorney Smith secured a continuance until today for the purpose of consulting authorities. The testimony showed that Saxton, who is a Nebraska farmer, recently removed to this city, purchased a power woodsaw from the Sandwich Manufacturing company for $40. He secured the purchase price by giving a mortgage on the saw, fifty cords of wood, a plow and some other property, or about five times the security that the Sandwich company asked. The purchase was made last spring. Saxton says he had an understanding with the Sandwich people that he was to have permission to saw the wood and sell it, together with other wood in the woodyard he has been running in the southern part of the city. The last of the wood was sold last August. Saxton had paid the saw notes as they became due, and on December 1 he owed but $7. For the purpose of working him a deep injury, and to gratify personal spite, Mrs. Carbee, Saxton alleges, went to the Sandwich company's office and, by representing that he was a friend, succeeded in purchasing the unpaid notes and secured the mortgage. He then immediately begun an attachment suit, tying up Saxton's property. This was followed by the filing of an information, charging him with having disposed of mortgaged property. This offense, it was alleged, consisted in the disposition of the wood several months previous. The hearing of the case called up several law points that Justice Cook desired time to investigate.

Saxton is getting after Carbee, and was yesterday circulating a petition to have his commission as special policeman revoked. Some of Carbee's neighbor's have secured the mayor's permission for him to act as special watchman in their neighborhood, and he has been wearing a tin star, and carrying a big gun for some time. The petition is directed to the mayor and city council, and goes pretty deeply into Carbee's record. Carbee is the "fly drum major" who made some history here several years ago.

Bartlett Grocery Co.'s big **A flour, $1.10.**

EVANS-DANFORTH JURY STILL OUT.

Court's Instructions Settle a Leading Feature of the Case.

The case of F. H. Evans against Josiah Danforth was given to the jury last evening after 5 o'clock and up to a late hour last night no verdict had been returned. An arrangement was entered into between the attorneys for a sealed verdict, which is expected to be in this morning. Judge Green's instructions to the jury were brief and he practically excluded the claim of the plaintiff for damages on the ground that he had been induced to invest in the Fire Escape Manfacturing company by the representations of the defendant that he owned a controlling interest in the concern. Aside from the regular verdict and the amount of damages to be awarded the plaintiff the jury were requested to answer two special interrogatories as to the amount they allowed on the claim for wages and the amount allowed for the purchase of the stock in the company.

The case of Sigler against Murphy will be tried in the district court this morning. A special venire has been called as follows: W. T. Travis, 18 North Main street; Michael Morris, 131 South Fifteenth street; Frank Bennison, 619 Twelfth avenue; George Wicks, 1003 Third avenue; Emery Jones, 701 Seventh street; Harry Wissler, 821 Twenty-eighth avenue; John M. Scanlan, 700 Graham avenue; J. H. Mitchell, 1603 South Seventh street.

The bail bond of H. E. Gheer, confined in the county jail on a charge of attempting to swindle a motor conductor, was reduced to $100. A few days ago an effort was made to have him released on a habeas corpus proceeding on the grounds that the last grand jury had forgotten to act upon his case.

The partition of the estate of Pleasant Taylor as reported by the special referees was approved by Judge Green yesterday.

Bartlett Grocery Co. has two stores, one opposite postoffice, one Eighth street and Broadway.

23 lbs. fine granulated sugar, $1.00. Brown's C. O. D.

Killed by a Fall.

Eric Larsen, aged 41 years, died yesterday from the effects of injuries received in an accident three days ago. Larsen has been engaged with other laborers working on the Indian creek excavation until last week, when the freezing of the earth stopped the work. He then went to work husking and hauling corn. While engaged in shoveling out a load his feet slipped just as he was in the act of throwing out the scoopful, and he fell very heavily across the wagon wheel. He was not supposed to be severely injured at the time, and continued his work for several hours. He began to complain of pains in his left side, and when he reached his house, at 1022 Seventeenth avenue, he was a very sick man. Medical attendance was called, but the efforts of the physicians were unavailing, and Larsen died in great agony. It is believed that the fall splintered one of the ribs in the vicinity of the heart, and the fractured bone inflicted a fatal injury. Larsen had been an unusually powerful man and had always good health. He leaves a wife and several small children. The funeral will occur today from the residence at 2.30. Rev. Mr. Poulson of Omaha will officiate. The body will be buried in Fairview.

Rockers for Christmas Presents

Don't forget that S. S. Keller has the finest line of rockers and chairs at the lowest prices.

Go to Bartlett Grocery Co.'s flour sale.

Hoffmayr's fancy patent flour makes the best and most bread. Ask your grocer for it.

MILLIONAIRE'S SON IS PENNILESS.

In Jail Charged with Many Crimes and Without Friends.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—The son of a millionaire, bred in luxury, finely educated and liberally endowed with intellect, M. F. Cohen, ocupies a cell at the county jail, without friends and unable to give bonds. He is penniless. The prisoner is charged with the larceny of $400 from the New York Life Insurance company. George W. Riggs, the local manager, is the complaining witness. In addition, it is said that Cohen has several charges pending against him in the west, besides others in Chicago.

His arrest this morning on a capias recalls the career of Sarah Althea Hill, whose name was coupled with that of Senator Sharon, California's millionaire statesman, in a sensational divorce suit. Cohen is a nephew of the woman, and was a witness at the trial. His father and mother are very wealthy citizens of Houston, Tex., and he had all the money he wished. He cut a decided figure in the west and on the coast. Money was no object to him, and he spent it like a prince. As a nephew of the Hill woman, the young man became widely known. Finally his career of high living came to an end. He was disinherited by his father on account of his misdeeds. Since then he has lived by his wits. It is charged that he defaulted his bail in Indian territory, St. Louis, Houston and Galveston.

BAYARD SEES A DREAM FULFILLED.

Confident that a Permanent Arbitration Treaty Will Be Arranged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—A copyrighted cablegram to the Evening Post says that Ambassador Bayard assured the Evening Post correspondent today of the belief that before his departure from England some permanent arrangement of arbitration would be reached between England and America. Negotiations were, Mr. Bayard said, being conducted at Washington, not through him, but they arose so naturally from the affinity of the two peoples that now the Venezuelan question had moved so far toward a settlement, there was every reason to hope for a speedy and favorable issue in the larger question.

SABBATH SCHOOL MOVEMENT

Its Scope, Power and Progress and Evangelistic Value.

THE QUESTION OF WAYS AND MEANS

Prompt, United and Pesistent Activity Insures a Glorious Harvest—Extent of the Field Inviting Faithful Workers.

Two limitations must be noted in considering this subject. One is in the words "Sabbath school movement." At first thought this might be understood as meaning the Sabbath school itself in its general work. But such is not the scope of the words as we shall use them. What is meant is that particular form of Sabbath school activity known as Sabbath school missions, represented by the missionary department of our board, and by other similar organizations of God's people. It is the movement of the Sabbath school out among the unevangelized; the movement of the church out into the world's highways and hedge rows; into the neglected districts of the cities and the destitute places of the country, for the specific purpose of gathering the untaught into the Sabbath school and teaching them the good news. We are not talking about the church school, one of the regular departments of every well organized congregation, doing its work in the nurture and instruction of its own young people. But we are talking about the Sabbath school going in advance of the church, out into the territory of the world, in aggressive work among those who have no church privileges or care.

I am glad of the recognition the subject makes of the fact that there is a movement going on here; that the Sabbath school, please bear with the expression, has "got a move" on her and in her. It is a sign of life and power and progress. Dead things are still. But, thank God, the Sabbath school is not dead, nor looking in the direction of the cemetery! There is movement here that is gathering momentum and speed every hour.

The second limitation of the subject is in the words "evangelistic value." Here is value of a particular kind. This Sabbath school movement may have value of other kinds, social, reformatory, commercial, even. But we have nothing to do with these other kinds of value now. Our inquiry is solely about the value of this movement as a means of evangelizing our land, and bringing the news of the great salvation to those who need it. What is the value of the Sabbath school as a means of reaching, teaching and saving the neglected and lost?

THE QUESTION OF DUTY.

There is no debate here about the question of duty in the matter of evangelization. Duty is clear as the day, positive as the orders of a general. Evangelize! Evangelize! All along the line, all over the world, the command runs, laying the burden of holy duty on every Christian. As long as a single child remains in the darkness of sin and in ignorance of Christ the duty remains with us in all its binding force. We don't have to defend the work of taking the gospel to the destitute. If any one wants to dispute that point, he must have it out with the Master who has issued the order, not with us. Ours is a question of ways and means. The Sabbath school is offered to us as one of the ways of reaching the lost. It enters the field as a method of evangelization. It is one response to the command of Jesus. This movement undertakes to put a Sabbath school as quickly as possible in every community where there is no regular and systematic instruction in religious truth. It takes the best Christian workers it can find, and, without any red tape, without waiting for a church organization or for ecclesiastical investigation and action, it sets them to work teaching what the bible says about the way of life.

Now, the question is, how much is this movement worth? Does it pay? If it is out of date, wasteful of men and means, inefficient, a knife that will not cut, a mill that grinds no grist, a tree that bears no fruit, then let us have done with it, and use something that will do the work. But if it is well adapted to the end approved of conscience and of God, then let us push it, and not play with it.

EXTENT OF THE FIELD.

What is the work awaiting us? How great is the extent of the field? How pressing the need? We cannot well understand the value of the Sabbath school as an evangelistic agency, unless we know something of the work proposed.

The Sabbath school works mainly among the young. According to the census of 1890 there are, in round numbers, 22,000,000 of children of school age in the United States, and 7,000,000 under five years of age. In the central western, mountain and Pacific states there are 8,333,125 young people of school age. Of these 2,483,958 are enrolled in the Sabbath schools, or 29 per cent of the entire number. In the rest of our land the proportion is not much better. There are today not less than 14,000,000 of the youth of this country under the age of 21, and old enough to be taught, who are not enrolled in any Sabbath school, and not receiving regular instructions in the word of God. Most of these are receiving no instruction whatever in religion. It is not rare to find cases like that of a young lady of 18 in one of our western states, who came into one of our mission schools. When the question was asked, "Who is Jesus Christ?" she whimpered to her seat mate, "Who was Christ, anyway? Do you know? If you do, tell me so I can answer the question." Is our work done when there are grown people in our land who do not even know who Jesus Christ is?

Here then is the size of the waiting harvest 14,000,000 of young people to be taught in the first principles of religion. Seven millions of lads and young men who never enter any house of prayer. Where are they. Some of them in your town and mine. Some of them in that country school district; some down in the timber along the creek; some yonder in the new settlement, where farmers are starting in sod houses and dugouts. All over the land, the lakes, the rivers, from the St. Johns to the Gila, from Florida Keys to Puget sound, the field is white to the harvest. It is morally certain that if we don't win these young people to Christ while they are young, only a very small per cent of them ever will come to Him, or know Him savingly.

We have bible authority for likening this work to a harvest field calling for reapers and we see that the field is not one of those little ten-acre lots we used to call fields back among the eastern hills, but rather one of our Dakota fields, twenty-five miles square, glowing and flashing like a sea of gold in its glorious ripeness. We want to save that field. What means shall we employ?

MEANS TO THE END.

Here comes a man with one of the sickles of long ago, one of the kind that used to put eleven distinct aches to the square inch into our backs in boyhood days, and he says: "Take this sickle and save your harvest. It cuts grain." Another steps up beside him and offers the cradle, whose broad blade used to ring out such merry music on the air of the July morning, as the whetstone played its skillful tattoo. "Take this," cries the brawny armed cradler; "it is a good tool to cut your grain." And now drives up the modern harvester, with its sharp-clicking cutter bar and its deft, steel-fingered knotter, and offers to do the work. They are all means of value for harvesting. How shall their respective value for the work in hand be measured? You answer, by trial. Put them at work in the field, and test their points by experiment; results will prove their worth.

Now, this is just what we have done with the Sunday school in this missionary movement. About nine years ago our church drove this harvester out into the field and set it to work under the direction of the missionary department of our board. We were not the first to do this, but we are in it now, thank God! What are the results? Results are the test of value; what value does this agency show by these tests?

I. It has the value of perfect adaptation both to the work and the workers. The organization and methods of the Sabbath

school fit the great city mission, with its thousands of pupils, and it is just as well suited to the little country district, with its half-dozen families. It brings the Christian worker into direct personal contact with the scholars, and thus utilizes the mighty force of personal influence, personal interest and affection. Its methods attract, awaken and enthuse young and old. Without exaggeration, we can say that "the children cry for it." Its bright music, variety of exercises, books, pictures, papers, social intercourse, appeal at once to their nature, and open a ready door for the entrance of the word into their hearts. It carries all through that personal element which is so important in leading to decision, and which is so often lacking in the formal preaching of the gospel to the masses gathered in the great congregation. It requires no impossible conditions in the way of buildings, appliances, uniform qualifications of workers, and formalities of worship. It will work in the great, model building, planned with class-rooms, fountains, flowers and all the modern improvements, and it will settle down comfortably under the shelter of a shady tree, or in the corner of a barn or blacksmith's shop. It can use a judge of the supreme court for superintendent, and it is just as glad to employ the tact and love of some godly mother, whose other hours are all busied with the cares of home. It has the value of adaptation.

ACTION AND ECONOMY.

II. It has the value of action. It is prompt and loses no time. The great demand of our farmers is for a harvester that will gather the crop quickly, when it is ripe. The old sickle would do if you had a small crop, or ages of time at command. But here is a work that demands immediate action. My observation teaches me that a great deal of time may be lost in planting a church in a needy locality, and establishing the formal preaching of the gospel there. A committee or two to visit the field; a report to Presbytery; a petition from the people for an organization and a minister; some more red tape, and perhaps six months (I have known it to be two years) before the work is really under way. But the Sunday School missionary comes along, sees the need and the opportunity, and he goes to work the same hour. The first Sabbath day there is a meeting, the school is organized, and begins its blessed work at once. Here is an instrument that saves time and best of all, saves the perishing. It has the value of action.

III. It has the value of economy. Our engineers want the locomotive that can do the most work with the least fuel, at the least cost. Evangelization costs. How can we make the means at command go furthest and accomplish most? If there is a way to reach more people at the right time with the gospel and at less expense than by this Sabbath school movement I have failed to find it. Most of the work is freely given—the willing offering of Christian love for souls—the fruit of honest desire to do good. A few dollars cover the necessary outlay for books and place of meeting, and your school thrives and does its work where no other form of Christian activity could be supported. You can take your Sabbath school to a thousand places where it would be impossible to take the regular church organization. Compare the cost of this work of saving a boy by the gospel with the cost of taking care of a lost boy by the courts. A careful inquiry was made by a well known Sabbath school missionary into the expense of the trial and execution of a man after his arrest for the crime for which he was finally hanged. When he had gathered all the items together he found their sum was equal to the cost of organizing forty new Sabbath schools in frontier neighborhoods, or it would have supported an average school of 100 scholars for twenty-five years. Friends, if we want to get good value for our money, let us put it into Sabbath school missionary work!

IV. This work has the supreme value of the highest efficiency. This harvester saves the grain! This tree bears fruit! The work done by our board during the past few years is a matter of record, and I need not take up the time repeating the wonderful story. But let a feature or two stand out just now to impress the facts.

I know one of our missionaries who has organized ten new schools in eight months. There have been ninety-four professed conversions in connection with these schools, and of these sixty-one have united with the Presbyterian church and twelve with other churches. In the few years our board has been doing this work seven schools, on the average, have been organized every three days, or 6,959 in all, and 311,223 scholars have been gathered in. Thousands have been hopefully converted to Christ and the seeds of heavenly truth planted where, in multiplied thousands of cases, the fruit shall yet be unto eternal life.

Look at another fact. Since we began this movement eight years ago there have been 1,599 new Presbyterian churches organized, including those reported from foreign mission fields. Of this total 418, or 26 per cent, have grown out of our Sabbath school mission work. Brethren, this tree is a fruit bearer, it bears precious fruit, much fruit, and herein is God glorified.

In this Sabbath school movement, then, there is the value of perfect adaptation to a most important part of the work of evangelization, of untrammeled quickness of action, of unsurpassed economy, and of marvelous fruitfulness. If we have not understood it before, it is time that we now awake to the fact that in this movement we have one of the most important and valuable of all the agencies of the church for the evangelization of our land, one in which talents of every degree may be utilized for God, and where the desire of every true Christian heart for service finds an open door.

J. C. M'CLINTOCK.

QUEER B. & O. BOOKKEEPING.

Income Largely Swelled and Liabilities Understated.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 4.—The report of Stephen Little, the expert accountant to the Baltimore & Ohio reorganization committee, is made public today. The accountant finds among other things an overstatement of the net income amounting to $2,721,067, from June 30, 1891, to June 30, 1895. This amount is divided as follows: For 1892, $955,473; for 1893, $443,301; for 1894, $701,063; for 1895, $621,230. He also finds that of $6,269,007 paid in dividends during the period mentioned only $971,446 was earned.

The items withheld from operating expenses and the methods of swelling the items year by year are given in detail. By writing up the value of stocks owned and other such practices the net income was swelled by amounts that should have gone to profit and loss. Two improvised profit and loss accounts were opened, one designated "general adjustment account" and the other "securities adjustment account."

Mr. Little says there is a mischarge of worn-out equipment to profit and loss instead of the income, amounting to $2,843,596.

Charges to income of $2,064,741 were improperly capitalized under the title of "construction, main stem, etc."

Improvements and betterments of leased and dependent roads amounting to $3,575,453 were improperly charged to capital account.

The total of these improper entries is $11,204,858 for the seven years and two months ending November 30, 1895.

During the period under scrutiny there were declared $2,956,920 in stock and $3,312,686 in cash dividends on the common stock. Concurrent with the stock dividends of 2 per cent in November, 1891, was the sale to a syndicate of $5,096,000 additional common stock, and in February, 1892, $2,161,800 more common stock was issued in exchange for 120,100 shares of Pittsburg & Western common stock at $18 a share.

Mr. Little says that the liabilities of the company to November 30, 1895, were understated by $5,481,834 and that the floating debt was $16,212,730. The net increase in liability in the period under review has been $22,180,073.

BOYS WHO ARE ADEPT SWINDLERS.

Richard Grant Monks and His Brother Are Arrested for Forging.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Chief of Police Murphy of Bay City, Mich., has arrived here to take charge of the young forger, Richard Grant Monks, who is to be taken to Michigan. Chief Murphy says Monks and his brother William, aged 16, are both "degenerates." William was arrested Saturday at the Parker hotel, Chicago, on a charge of being implicated with Richard in small forgeries in Bay City and elsewhere. "Richard Monks," said Chief Murphy, swindled every one, friend and foe alike. Among his victims was F. E. Bradley of Bay City, who was his bondsman when the young man was arrested on the charge o murdering his father."

South Omaha News.

The coroner's jury which was impanneled to inquire into the death of Willie Hutter listened to the testimony of witnesses yesterday and returned a verdict to the effect that Hutter had been killed by Union Pacific locomotive No. 1801. No blame was attached to the railroad company. The crew of the fast mail did not know that a boy was struck as they passed through Albright, consequently their testimony was confined to the speed of the train as it passed through the city.

An ordinance was passed by the city council on September 4, 1888, regulating the speed of trains within the city limits, but the state supreme court a few days ago declared the ordinance void. The decision was handed down on October 21 in the case of Samuel Montgomery and P. J. McNally against the Union Pacific Railway company. In the decision the court holds that the ordinance was not published in a newspaper for one week as is required of all ordinances with a penalty attachment. The records showed that the ordinance was printed in the Daily Stockman only once and for the error indicated the judgment of the lower court was reversed. This decision leaves the city without any ordinance governing the speed of trains within the limits of the city. A similar decision in relation to the same ordinance was handed down by the federal court some time ago.

Petition for Grading Twenty-Fifth.

Several petitions asking for the grading and opening of Twenty-fifth street from A to I street are being circulated among the property owners on that street. Councilman Vansant of the First ward has taken an interest in the opening of the street and at the present time nearly all of the property owners have signed one of the three petitions in circulation. It is the intention to present the petition to the city council as soon as possible and have the necessary steps taken this winter for the grading of the street, so that when spring opens up work on the grading can commence. The street, when graded and opened, will make a fine dirt driveway from the business part of the city to the city limits on the north.

Magic City Gossip.

Police Officer Gary is on the sick list.

N. A. Long, Twenty-seventh and N streets, is quite sick.

William Hanley of Ontario, Ore., is a visitor in the city.

George L. Dare has gone to Carroll, Ia., to engage in business.

W. C. Hecter has recovered from his recent injuries enough to be out on the street.

The Presbyterian church women will hold an exchange at Scarr's drug store this evening.

Charles Graham, a cattleman from Sundance, Wyo., is registered at one of the hotels.

Reuben Forsythe, who is very ill at the hospital, was reported some better yesterday.

Seven hundred street signs have been placed in position at a cost to the city of $120.

Link Rothwell will be tried in police court today for trespassing on stock yards property.

Beechwood camp, Woodmen of the World, will give a ball on Christmas eve at Y. M. I. hall.

A. Wall, one of Fullerton's prosperous farmers, is in the city looking after some business.

H. J. Clark of Holyoke, Colo., was on this market yesterday with a consignment of cattle.

R. M. Friend and A. W. Smith, both of Opal, Wyo., were vistors at the stock yards yesterday.

It is expected that the rebuilding of the cooper shops at Cudahy's will be completed next week.

Sunday afternoon Rev. Dr. Wheeler will deliver an address at the Young Men's Christian association.

The Emanon club gave a dancing party at Y. M. I. hall last evening, which was a very enjoyable affair.

James Ryan has purchased a fruit farm from S. M. Hoyt at Papillion and will move out there before long.

The funeral of Willie Hutter was held yesterday afternoon. The remains were interred at Laurel Hill cemetery.

Contractor Hannon is laying a sidewalk on the south side of B street from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-seventh street.

The Royal Neighbors of America will give an oyster supper on Wednesday evening, December 9, for the benefit of the hospital.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Keane will be held this forenoon. Interment at St. Mary's cemetery.

A civil service examination will be held at the High school building today for positions of clerks and carriers in the postal service.

Yesterday afternoon Officer Krebe arrested L. Gunderson, a car inspector at the yards, upon a charge of assault and battery, preferred by his wife.

A telephone message was received at police headquarters yesterday afternoon from the officers at Sidney, Ia., stating that Lowell Adair and two other boys named Norton and Sweeney had been arrested there for breaking into a store. The boys are well known in police circles here and in Omaha and Adair has frequently been arrested for larceny. When at home Adair lives with his parents in this city.

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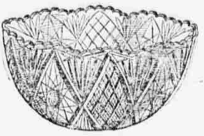

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8-inch Strawberry diamond and fan cut Bowls	$3.00
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Fancy cut Olive Dishes	$1.00
Cut Glass Salts and Peppers, warranted sterling silver tops, each	50c
Labratory Stoppers and deep, fancy cutting Vinegar Cruets, each	75c

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Flat Painted Bottles, Drinking Steins, each $1.00.

Decorated Beer Mugs in a variety of designs.

Empire Green and Cupid China in Dresser Sets, Plates, Cups, Candlesticks, Bon Bons, etc.

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