

FIGURES ON REAL ESTATE

Comparisons Which Illustrate Discrepancies in Notions of Value.

VALUATIONS PLACED BY THE ASSESSORS

Wide Margin Between the Selling Price and the Assessed Value of Property in Omaha and Douglas County.

Johnathan Edwards, who has had charge of the compilation of the city tax lists for a number of years, is keeping up a system of statistical records that throw a good deal of light on the irregularities of the present assessed valuation of Douglas county.

The record is made by carefully preserving the record of transfers for each day, and as it is completed, this record is kept in a scrap book, and in his spare moments Mr. Edwards looks up the assessed value of each piece of property for which it is sold, and enters on a sort of balance sheet.

On this sheet and in another column is also recorded the location of the property as well as the assessed value and the percentage of the real value, as indicated by the sale that the assessed value represents.

The fine work of the assessor shows up most wonderfully in the sixth ward in West Omaha precinct. In these two localities the property that is assessed at 5 per cent or less of the selling price seems to be almost in the majority.

The seventh ward shows the highest assessment of any part of the county. Here the valuations average 22.6 per cent of the amount that the property brought on the market.

Table with 3 columns: Ward, No. Values, and Values as a Percent of Selling Price.

It is the medium which carries to every nerve, muscle, and fibre its nourishment and strength. If the blood is pure, rich and healthy you will be well; if impure, disease will soon overtake you.

PHILLIPS-ROCK ISLAND

Personally Conducted Excursions For California leave Omaha every Friday at 1:40 p. m. No change of cars to Salt Lake, Ogden, Sacramento, San Francisco or Los Angeles.

Burlington Route—California Excursions

Cheap, quick, comfortable. Leave Omaha 4:35 p. m. every Thursday in clean, modern, not crowded tourist sleepers.

HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSIONS

Via Rock Island Route, January 5 and 19, to most all points south, southeast, west and southwest at about one fare for the round trip.

In the United States Court

The argument in the foreclosure case of Brown against Stephenson was being heard in the federal court yesterday.

Special Holiday Rates

The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Ry. will sell excursion tickets Dec. 24, 25th and 26th and January 1st and 2nd, 1897, good for return until January 4th, 1897, for one and one-third fares for the round trip.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair.

DR. CREAM

DR. CREAM BAKING POWDER MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 Years the Standard.

VILLAGERS ARE UP IN ARMS.

Do Not Take Kindly to the Turning of the Petition.

The people in and about Benson held an indignation meeting Tuesday night over the refusal of the county commissioners to permit the incorporation of their burg into a village.

The meeting resulted in the passage of a set of resolutions, in which Commissioners Stoenberg, Kierstead and Hector, the ones who voted against the incorporation, were censured.

Whereas, the refusal to grant the prayer of the petitioners is necessary to make some concerted or organized effort be made to compel all the saloons in our midst to close according to law, therefore be it further:

Resolved, That we form an organization for this purpose.

According to the sentiments expressed at the meeting, the first object to be attained through the incorporation was to place the saloons under control. It was stated that in the past they have run on Sundays, to the great annoyance of the neighborhood.

The residents of Clifton Hill are also up in arms. They are protesting against the incorporation of a saloon at the junction of the Walnut Hill and Benson motor lines.

You can't make a new arm with Salvation Oil, but you can cure the bruises with it.

J. M. Wolfe & Co., have the exclusive agency for W. J. Bryan's book in Omaha.

BURDISH GOES TO THE ASYLUM.

Richard Burdish, better known in this city as "Dick" Burdish is now an occupant of a padded cell in St. Bernard Asylum for the Insane at Council Bluffs.

The attack for which Burdish is suffering developed alarming symptoms a few days ago. After abstaining from the use of liquor for some time he indulged heavily on Christmas day.

There is nothing so good as Dr. King's New Discovery for Coughs, Colds, Consumption and all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs.

ELEVENTH STREET PAVING CASE.

Judge Powell holds that the Tax is Valid.

Judge Powell has entered a decree involving the tax levied for the paving of Eleventh street from Nicholas to Clark.

City Treasurer Settling.

Andy Gallagher, have been kept very busy the last few days receiving taxes.

Magie City Gossip.

George Dare has returned from Carroll.

J. M. Calder, a prominent stockman of Tamora, is in the city.

John N. Thornton of Des Moines is the guest of C. A. Bulcher.

Ed Sheldon, special agent of the Department of Agriculture, is in the city.

John Cukin of Carthage, Ill., is the guest of his nephew, John Flynn.

William Thompson of James brought these cars of sheep to this market yesterday.

J. B. Smiley has returned from southern Nebraska, where he went on a quail hunt.

The reception to have been held New Year's day by the women of the hospital association has been abandoned on account

CONTINENTAL OVERCOAT SALE

The Continental Closed Up Friday Afternoon to Prepare for the Sale.

GREATEST OVERCOAT SALE ON EARTH

You Wanted an Overcoat for \$5.—About \$10 Perhaps.—About \$15 Maybe.—Well, Here You Are.—Sale Begins Saturday, January 2.

If you don't buy an overcoat Saturday you ought to be ashamed of yourself.

What's the matter?—Ten dollars?—Or even fifteen dollars?—For such overcoats as we will sell you Saturday.

It will be a thorough clean-up of all the overcoats and ulsters in the house and the matter is so simple that it will take no more than a few minutes to make in a week, for it will turn the overcoating business of this western country all upside down.

We are especially in earnest about this overcoat sale because we have the best of the material in the house to go at \$5.00—\$10.00 and \$15.00.

regardless of winter or style, and let us show you a little how you'll recognize us as true; winter has but just begun. I'll be a long time before you can run around in your shirt-sleeve, for there's a whole lot of cold weather between this and that.

This is also true—we will give you more for your money than you ever got at the Continental or elsewhere.

Mail orders cannot be filled satisfactorily on these overcoats—but it will pay to come hundreds of miles to get one of these bargains for the smallest amount of cash money ever known to the clothing world.

Such radical cuts—placing the entire stock at your disposal at \$5, \$10 and \$15 for choice of any style you desire—will, of course, necessarily mean cash selling. It could not be otherwise.

Remember our recent sale of tailored to order goods—how thoroughly we carried over. This is another just like it—only it's overcoats this time.

Sale opens promptly at 8 o'clock Saturday morning and continues until 11 o'clock in the house is included in the sale at THE CONTINENTAL, N. E. Cor. 15th and Douglas.

South Omaha News.

The young women of the Ideal club will have charge of the dancing party to be given tonight at Masonic hall until midnight.

At which time the girls and the members of the club will have one party a year in which the young women act as managers in the first part of the evening and the gentlemen the latter part.

Refreshments will be served before the women relinquish control of affairs and a pleasant time is promised.

The arrangements of the male members' part of the program is in the hands of the following committee: Floor, H. M. Christie, James Murray, Roy Honeyman, J. E. Bennett, W. S. Witten, J. H. Watkins, J. E. Bateman, H. D. Moseley; music, Joseph Hastings, James Allen, A. L. Hunter; arrangements, Ralph Hall, Bert Broadwell, P. W. Stabaugh, S. B. Christie, H. P. Connor.

Trying to Locate a Stolen Watch.

Gus Butzer was given a hearing in police court yesterday afternoon on the charge of concealing stolen property.

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In loading a string of freight cars on the ferry an obstruction on the rail backs two cars in the sea and kills the others.

Unable to come to a settlement with the original shippers the transportation company sells the goods contained in the two submerged cars, as well as everything in the broken cars, to the highest spot cash bidder.

Not only is this the most remarkable purchase, but also the greatest bargain from every point of view that we ever secured.

Case upon case of dry goods, dress goods, underwear, hosiery, carpets, draperies, linens, men's and women's caps, gloves, blankets, handkerchiefs, laces, embroideries, etc.

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THE SHIRT TAX.

Supposing there was a law passed levying a special tax of 50 to 75 cents on every white shirt worn in Nebraska.

Supposing your business compelled you to buy two or three white shirts every year. You'd think the law was pretty tough, wouldn't you?

Supposing a reputable store should offer to sell you all the white shirts you wanted without any tax, or should give you a tax receipt with every shirt you bought.

That would be something in the nature of a snap, wouldn't it? And you'd buy your white shirts there, and there only, wouldn't you?

Like as not you'd say to yourself the shirts weren't quite as good, or the tax receipt was bogus, or you'd be afraid there was a colored gentleman somewhere in the wood pile and you'd keep on paying the tax and being out a dollar or a dollar and a half a year just because you 'couldn't see' how one reputable store could do so much different from every other reputable store.

Now that's one reason why we don't sell all the white shirts that are sold in Nebraska. People don't know that we are selling white shirts from 50 to 75 cents cheaper than other stores.

"Can't see" how it could be possible. They don't know that there is "big money" in shirt-selling as ordinarily conducted, and they don't know the difference between buying from the jobber and buying from the maker—buying by the dozen and buying by