COUNCIL BLUFFS DEPARTMENT

MINOR MENTION.

Clark & Wetzel, I. O. O. F. blk., art parlors.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winship have gone to visit relatives in Cincinnati. They expect to locate there.

Judge Thornell is expected back from Sidney this morning, when he will convene district court.

E. E. Hart has sued Isadore F. Cameron and others to foreclose a small mortgage given March 18, 1896. The suit is brought in the superior court.

The telephone girl was tired. Calls had been coming in all day for 157, requesting the Eagle Laundry to send its wagon around. Verily, it's a good laundry.

Justice Cook is still confined to his bed by an attack of the grip that has kept him away from his office for a week. He was reported a little better yesterday.

Suit was commenced yesterday in the district court by Minnie M. Hollenbeck against Andrew Lorensen to foreclose a mortgage amounting to $675, given in December, 1894.

The friends of J. Edgar Owens, the Fairy carnival man who spent one summer and part of a winter in Council Bluffs, will feel an interest in knowing that he has joined the Alabama company.

The Monday Musical club met yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. E. E. Hart, on Eeventh street. The attendance was unusually large and a delightful program was rendered.

Council Bluffs Tent No. 32 K. O. T. M. will meet in regular review Wednesday evening at 7:30. All members requested to be present, as there will be work for the degree team and business of importance.

County Attorney Saunders returned yesterday from the east. He accompanied Sheriff Morgan to Pennsylvania to assist in smoothing out any legal kinks that might appear in the extradition of Riley, Nick O'Brien's assailant.

The regular meeting of Bluffs City lodge No. 71, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock. There will be work in the fellowcraft degree. Visiting brethren cordially invited. By order of the W. M.

Rev. Henry DeLong returned from Weston yesterday, after completing his long circuit ride on Sunday. He left Council Bluffs at 8 o'clock in the morning, and drove to Hazel Dell chapel, where he preached at 10:30. From there he drove to Pleasant Hill chapel and preached to a large congregation at 4 o'clock. At 7:30 he reached Weston, where he filled his third appointment. The entire trip involved a drive of thirty-five miles. He was not late at any of his appointments.

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

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250.

Will Work for Baird.

Among the politicians who left for Des Moines yesterday to be present at the opening of the special session of the legislature, were Secretary I. M. Treynor of the republican state committee, and Chairman T. C. Dawson of the county central committee. They will do their best to assist Senator Pusey and the other western Iowa delegates to secure the endorsement of Hon. W. I. Baird of Glenwood for the vacant senate secretaryship. Mr. Baird has the solid delegations from the Twelfth district pledged to him in the caucus, and when the crowd left yesterday they were all very sanguine of a successful contest in the caucus for their man. Representatives Potter and Putnam also went yesterday. It is understood that Secretary Bullard will make a fight in the caucus to retain his position.

Fine livery for parties and dances. Ogden Livery, 158 Broadway. Telephone 83.

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

Captain Brown Is Married.

Captain O. M. Brown, ticket agent of the Burlington, surprised his friends by quietly stealing away to Kansas City on Saturday and uniting himself in marriage to Miss Ellen Gattrell. The marriage occurred at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. Captain Brown and his bride reached home on the 5 o'clock train last evening. The home of the bride was in Zanesville, O., but she has made numerous visits here as the guest of Mrs. H. I. Forsythe, at 724 First avenue. There were a number of friends at the depot to meet the bridal party when they arrived last evening. They were driven at once to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe, where a wedding dinner was spread for them. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will be at home to their friends after February 1 at Captain Brown's fine home on First avenue.

Council camp No. 14, Woodman of the World, will give a masquerade ball Friday evening, January 22. Prizes given.

Tax Sale Completed.

The postponed tax sale was held yesterday at the county treasurer's office and proved highly satisfactory to the county officials. All the property left over from the first session of the sale was disposed of and the books well cleaned up. Aside from the lots on Lower Broadway, that have resold a number of times for the special assessments against them for the wooden block paving, everything was bid in. Some time ago City Attorney Hazleton announced that he would bring special proceedings against the delinquent property owners and have the lots on Lower Broadway brought under the special lien of the city for the unpaid paving assessments. The petitions in the suits are about ready to be filed.

$5,000.00 to loan on real estate security. E. H. Sheafe & Co., Baldwin block.

The Durfee Furniture company has removed to 203 and 205 Broadway.

Take a Drive With Us.

We are the drivers holding the reins over the liveliest cigar trade in the city, speeding along the road of enterprise with a full determination to win the human race.

Under the Whip

Of grand success the "Sultana" cigar is in the lead, and the horse of trade has been set in motion, and now he is off for another heat to continue the race for business.

Here We Go!

MOORE & ELLIS.

QUESTION OF LIABILITY

Board of Education Has a Peculiar Proposition to Face.

CALLED ON TO PAY FOR STOLEN GOODS

Thefts from the Cloak Rooms of School Buildings Bring Up a Question of the Liability of the Board.

The Board of Education held a long meeting last night. There was little beyond the regular routine business to prolong the session, but the board took occasion to discuss in an informal way the recent thefts in the High school. The matter was brought up by a motion from Mr. Fonda, authorizing the expenditure of $6.50 for the purchase of a new overcoat for Willie Duggan, a pupil whose coat was stolen from the coat room several weeks ago. He explained that the father of the child had asked to be reimbursed for the loss. The father, he said, is a poor man, working on a railroad section, and was unable to buy a new coat for the boy. Mr. Fonda said he did not know what the legal status of the proposition was, but he felt that the board was under moral obligation to buy the boy a new coat.

Mr. Thomas said he was willing to help the boy, but he did not believe it was setting a good precedent to appropriate the taxpayers' money set apart for school purposes to such uses. He suggested that as there were just six members of the board present that each should chip in $1 and buy the coat and quit talking about it.

The suggestion did not seem to meet the approval of the other members, although some of them generously offered to contribute all their salaries as members, and Thomas moved to amend the motion and refer it to the secretary and attorney for an opinion as to its legality.

Snyder thought that if the board intended to buy the boy a new coat it should not wait until next summer to do it.

Fonda again declared that the board was morally, and he believed, legally responsible for the coat for the reason that it was against the rules, which the board has approved, for the child to take his coat to his seat. He was obliged to hang it in the closet, where it was out of his possession and beyond his protection. This made the board responsible for its safety.

Thomas called attention to the theft of the deposit check for $500, and other sums of money that had been stolen from the cloak rooms, and asked if the board would like to be held responsible for these losses.

The matter was finally referred to the secretary for legal advice, with instructions that if he found the sum could be legally appropriated to draw an order on the chairman of the finance committee for the amount.

City Weighmaster Higgeson complained that the contractor who was supplying the coal to the schools was not following the provisions of his contract, which required him to weigh on the city scales at the central market, all of the coal used in the Washington avenue, the High school and the Harrison street buildings. He complained that no coal had so far been weighed by him. The matter was referred to the fuel committee.

A memorandum report of the custodian of the school books was submitted. It showed that Custodian Bushnell had received in cash and books a total of $2,926.27, and had a credit of $2,908.23. The board had on hand $1,400 worth of books, and had purchased, so far during the year, about $2,000 worth. This would about cover all of the expenditures for books until the close of the present school year.

The salary of Miss Anna DeGroat, one of the teachers, was raised from $35 to $40 per month, she having taught a year as a substitute.

Thomas, Fonda and Spruit were appointed a committee to destroy a lot of old vouchers.

The superintendent submitted a comparative report, showing the attendance this year and for the same periods last year.

Total enrollment for four months this year	4,121
Total enrollment for four months last year	4,094
Gain	27
Total enrollment for fourth month this year	3,799
Total enrollment for fourth month last year	3,730
Gain	69
Average number belonging fourth month this year	3,659
Average number belonging fourth month last year	3,525
Gain	134
Average daily attendance fourth month this year	3,462
Average daily attendance fourth month last year	3,350
Gain	112
Number of teachers' meetings held during the month	8

The secretary's report showed that the teachers were paid last month $6,341.05, and the janitors $797.50, making a total of $7,138.55.

The remainder of the session was consumed in the reading and allowance of the regular monthly bills.

TO CONTINUE ALL THIS WEEK.

Boston Store Big January Clearing Sale.

Every dollar's worth of surplus stock and all winter merchandise have been marked at a price that will close them out quick. We must turn the surplus stock into cash before our annual stocktaking. Tremendous reductions in winter dress goods. 50c and 63c dress goods at 37½c. 75c dress goods at 50c. 89c and 95c dress goods at 59c. $1.00 dress goods, 89c. $1.50 dress goods, 95c. $1.75 to $2.75 dress goods at 98c.

Cloaks in many instances less than half price. $5.00 jackets at $2.95 each. $7.50 jackets at $4.69 each. $10.00 jackets at $5.75. $15.00, $19.00 and $22.00 jackets to close at $9.98 each.

DOMESTICS.

Heavy unbleached muslin, 3½c. 7c bleached muslin, 5c a yard. 8½c bleached muslin, 6¾c a yard. 2¼ yards wide sheeting, 12½c a yard. Heavy white shaker flannel, 3¾c. 25c white wool flannel, 17c a yard. Good cotton crash, 3c a yard. All linen crash, 5c a yard. 50c table linen at 37½c a yard. 62½c white blankets, 45c pair. $1.00 fancy colored blankets, 69c pair. Underwear and hosiery on sale at manufacturers' prices.

BOSTON STORE.
Council Bluffs.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were reported yesterday at the office of J. W. Squire:

William K. Anderson and wife to David Whitney, jr., Samuel T. Potter and John R. Webster, undiv 4-31 of lot 3 in section 20; lot 1 in section 29 and nw ¼ nw ¼ 28-75-44, s w d	$ 1 00
County treasurer to Isaac Levi, undiv ½ of lot 5, block 7, Beer's add, t d	3 55
Same to J. C. Medlar, lot 21, block 29, Central subdiv, t d	6 53
J. L. Moore and wife to J. D. Edmundson, ne ¼ ne ¼ 2-74-38, q c d	50 50
M. W. Brightman and wife to S. S. Rust, lot 12, block 9, Oakland, w d	625 00
Jay Burns and wife to Caroline M. Royer, ne ¼ ne ¼ 4-74-43, w d	4,000 00
W. E. Foster to Fannie Turner, lot 5, block 3, Hagg's 1st add, w d	1,500 00
J. H. Henry and wife to Pottawattamie county, ½ acre in nw ¼ nw ¼ 16-77-38, w d	25 00
Charles Konigmacher and wife to Pomona Land and Trust company, lot 11, Belden's subdiv, w d	1,000 00
Sheriff to Thomas Officer, trustee, e 77 feet of lots 1, 2 and 3, block 10, Jefferis' subdiv, s d	1,097 10
County treasurer to Isaac Levi, lot 5, block 7, Beer's add, t d	40 64
Jesse W. Powell to Thomas Dillard, 13 acres in ne ¼ se ¼ and se ¼ ne ¼ 17-74-39, q c d	55 00
Twelve transfers, total	$8,401 32

We have had placed in our hands for sale some great bargains in cottages, farms and acre property; also some choice business property; first mortgages bought and sold. Day & Hess.

WILL REDUCE THE BONDED DEBT.

City Council Decides to Take Up $20,000 of the City Bonds.

It was decided last night by the city council to make a good sized cut into the general funded indebtedness of the city by taking up $20,000 of the outstanding 7 per cent bonds. There is at present about $21,000 in the sinking fund, and this will be used. The treasurer was instructed to give thirty days' notice to the holders of the bonds that they would be refunded on presentation. Eight thousand dollars' worth will be used in taking up the issue of July 1, 1881, due July 1, 1901, and $12,000 in taking up that amount of the issue of August 1, 1883, due August 1, 1903. In this way a saving of about $3,500 annually will be made, and the general funded indebtedness of the city reduced to $81,400.

Alderman Casper introduced an ordinance providing for the furnishing of the printing and stationery supplies needed by the city by contract, the work to be let to the lowest bidders. In substance the new measure intends that the committee on claims and printing shall prepare a list of all the printing and stationery which shall be needed by the various officers during any current year. This list shall be presented to the city clerk, who shall advertise for bids. The contract is to be let at the first meeting in April. A $200 bond is to be required of the successful bidder. No officer shall get any supplies except on an order from the committee. After the first reading the ordinance was referred to the committee of the whole.

Weighmaster Higgeson suggested a number of changes in the manner of testing scales for public weighing. These were referred to the proper committee.

A communication was received from T. T. Duffy, mayor of Dubuque, asking Council Bluffs to co-operate in the contemplated change in the mulct law. He states in his letter that an effort is to be made by all the cities of over 2,000 inhabitants to make the mulct law provide that the city shall receive the entire amount paid in by the liquor men, instead of dividing it between the city and the county. The council decided that Mayor Carson and a special committee should take charge of the matter and present some proper resolutions favoring the measure.

The councilmen were invited to attend the performance of Thomas Keene at the opera house February 4, as the guests of Manager Bowen. The invitation was accepted.

Mayor Carson called attention to the need of an ordinance governing the use of the streets for coasting. The council instructed the city attorney to prepare the necessary ordinance to keep the youngsters in check.

John Nelson was awarded the contract for carting away the dead animals for the next year.

Petition for refunding taxes were received from Mrs. W. M. Gardner and Mrs. M. E. Normon. They were both referred to the judiciary committee.

HUMPTY-DUMPTY IN HARD LINES.

Gets Another Terrible Fall in Real Life at the Dohany.

R. F. Collier of Omaha paid out $28 yesterday for the privilege of managing for one day Niblo's Gigantic Humpty Dumpty aggregation that scattered to the north, south, east and west after a sorry attempt to stave off a lot of unpaid bills and play to an impatient house at the Dohany theater last night. The trouble had been brewing for some time, and even after gathering up the scattered remnants of a once great show, from Marysville, Mo., and Scranton, Ia., Mr. Niblo met with a serious defeat last night at the hands of Constable Alberti, who represented the combined claims of the colored band that had paraded the streets during the day. This action precipitated a general strike, from the piano player down to the new manager, Mr. Collier of Omaha.

The first act was pulled off with more or less interruption and explanations. One long wait was explained by the leading man by stating that "the great transformation scene had become entangled." But the finale came during the second act. The overture failed to materialize, while the piano player was presenting an order at the box office for his wages. Finally Little Norma, the child wonder, came on with a song. There was no orchestra or piano player, and she struggled bravely. After getting through "Tell Them That You Saw Me," and several kindred melodies, the audience refused to listen any longer. M. Niblo, in the meantime, was having a stormy interview with Manager Bowen in the rear of the house. He had on his full Humpty Dumpty outfit, but his bluff didn't go, though he announced that none of his people would work unless they got $10 on back salary. There were no ten dollar bills scattered around that Constable Alberti wasn't carefully watching, and Niblo went back behind the scenes again to try what eloquence would do. It didn't have any effect on the players, except George Brooks, one of the knockabout comedians. He tried to sing, but the audience refused to listen. Finally he ended the agony by calling the audience fools, and going off the stage mad. Manager Bowen interfered at this juncture, and called the fun off. Few complaints were heard from the audience, as they all seemed well satisfied at the substitution of a bit of genuine life for the old original time-tried "Humpty Dumpty."

"Manager" Collier stated after the agony was all over that he had resigned from the show business for all time. He had met Niblo in Omaha and decided to back him for a time. It had cost him just $28, and he felt glad it wasn't more. All the company who had the change rode back to Omaha. The others walked. Constable Alberti spent the night in guarding the attached properties.

East End Jurors Drawn.

The first drawing of grand and petit jurors for the Avoca court under the new jury law was made yesterday by County Clerk Reed. Only fifteen names were taken for the petit jury in place of twenty-four, as under the old law. The new law provides that in counties having two places of holding court they shall be considered as two counties. The east end falls to come up to the requirement for the regular panel and the number was cut down. The grand jurors selected are as follows: J. C. Boruff, Macedonia; J. N. Frum, Pleasant; John Griffis, Carson; J. E. Lorimore, Knox; George Dermyer, Lincoln; R. B. Wilson, Center; J. L. Caldwell, Belknap; Manor Barton, Valley; Christ Nicolai, James; T. J. Clark, Layton; L. A. Hatswell, Grove; S. Cordeman, Waveland.

The petit jurors selected are: F. M. Habbicht, Valley; A. F. Stone, Carson; Phillip Hetrick, Oakland; Herman Hotze, Carson; George McLennon, Griswold; Mell McCray, Hancock; R. C. Hatswell, Wheeler; George Nugent, Avoca; William Powell, Elliott; B. R. Purdy, Oakland; S. P. Myers, Walnut; J. F. Pierce, Avoca; J. E. O'Neill, Hancock; R. H. Woodmansee, Macedonia.

"The Bells" and "Nance Oldfield," by Frank Lea Short, and "The Players," at Dohany's Thursday night, January 21, under the auspices of Unity guild of Grace church. Tickets 25, 35 and 50 cents. Reserved seats at Opera House drug store.

Not Certain About Reilley.

The identity of Reilley, the supposed Griswold bank robber who was brought back from Pennsylvania to answer to the charge of shooting Nick O'Brien, is causing considerable discussion. Reilley is putting up a strong case of innocence, and he has about succeeded in persuading some of the police to believe that he is not the man. Nick O'Brien has seen him and maintains that there is no mistake. While bringing him here Sheriff Morgan stopped at Chicago and took his prisoner around to the Pinkerton offices and the detective headquarters of the city for identification. There all the officers disclaimed that the prisoner was Reilley. In appearance the man is somewhat changed after serving eighteen months in the Allentown jail. He has grown fatter and his complexion is bleached. He has the red, stubby beard he wore when he was supposed to have shot O'Brien and in size answers the description.

The prisoner stated to a reporter for The Bee yesterday that an evident mistake had been made. He has employed Colonel Daily to defend him. This is the same attorney that defended the other men. Several days before Reilley arrived here with Sheriff Morgan a letter addressed to him by that name was received at the Sheriff's office. It purported to be from a Chicago lawyer named Phillips, giving an address on Schiller street. In a regular patent medicine manner, the lawyer asks that $75 be forwarded to him and he will come on and defend him, at the same time guaranteeing an acquittal. The letter is written in such a peculiar manner that it has aroused suspicion and may be of more than ordinary significance. Some of the officers are inclined to believe that it is written by some of Reilley's confederates and conveys certain information to him in a way that cannot be understood by others.

Looking After the Bad Boys.

Various members of the Board of Education have been holding secret conferences with the police authorities for the purpose of getting assistance in the effort to discover the leaders in the vandalism done at the high school a number of weeks ago. Prof. Spruit, one of the members of the teachers' committee, held a conference with Chief of Police Canning yesterday, and the matter was discussed at some length. What action was taken of course is not known, but it is known that the members of the board have never relinquished their determination to prosecute the boys if they could succeed in finding the right ones. One of the obstacles in their way was the great number involved in the job. So far as can be ascertained the board has learned that there were about seventy-five young men, more or less, implicated in the work. The disposition has been not to prosecute any unless the leaders and a majority of the others could be punished, and the large number implicated created the fear that their punishment would have a bad effect upon the school.

Voted in Two States.

Thomas Parrish was lodged in the county jail last night in compliance with a request from the sheriff at Blair, Neb. Parrish is a squatter who lives on the accreted lands northwest of Crescent City. The charge against him is illegal voting. During the election last fall he voted in Blair and also in Iowa. The long delay in arresting him was due to the fact that he could not be located. Parrish admitted to Deputy Sheriff Joe Weightman, who arrested him, that the charge of illegal voting was true.

RESTORES ORDER IN ALASKA.

Lawless Spirit in the Territory Being Firmly Put Down.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Jan. 18.—From the latest Alaskan advices it is apparent that the former lawless spirit prevalent in the territory is being supplanted by a wholesome respect for law and order by the district court, which has just finished the winter session in Juneau. Concerning the indictment of Joseph Murray by the grand jury for libel, the Mining Record says: "Mr. Joseph Murray, late fish commissioner for Alaska and special treasury agent, saw fit, in his last annual report, to impugn the motives and integrity of our court and court officials, and this action of the grand jury will afford him an opportunity to substantiate his words or to crawfish his way out of the predicament into which he has permitted his prejudices to lead him. All Alaska is indebted to United States Attorney Bennett, Clerk Rogers and Marshal Williams for the able support which they have rendered Judge Delaney in his efforts to kill the germs of crime with which Alaska seems of late to have become inoculated. Each and every one seems to have been actuated by no purpose other than a conscientious performance of the duties imposed upon them, and that they have succeeded is not to be gainsaid. The manifest determination of the court to maintain and enforce the laws as they stand has won the applause of the judge's friends and the respect of his enemies, and it is to be hoped that the good work so well begun may not be suffered to lapse, but may be prosecuted to a finality. No better method could be adopted for bringing about the enactment of wholesome legislation than lies in the rigid enforcement of existing misfit statutes. If these laws be disregarded and be permitted to become a dead letter upon the statute books, they will remain forever. It will require hard work and plenty of it to secure substitution of better, but Judge Delaney has pointed out a way and opened the gates, and it remains only for the people of Alaska to act in concert and in unity of purpose to secure the remedial legislation which has so long been unavailingly sought."

Touching on politics, the following would indicate that residents of Alaska are going to take the republican administration at its word on the subject of home rule: The name of Edward Degroff is prominently mentioned for the clerkship. It is rumored that J. G. Brady of Sitka is also a candidate, though his mind has been leaning toward the governorship.

TWENTY ROUNDS TO A DRAW.

Tommie Dixon and Joe Youngs Have a Hard Fight at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Jan. 18.—Tommie Dixon of Rochester and Joe Youngs of Buffalo sparred a twenty-round draw tonight at the Empire Athletic club. Both men were in good condition. Youngs had the advantage of height and weight, but this counted for little against Dixon's generalship and quickness. At the close Youngs showed signs of the hard fight, while Dixon was apparently as bright as at the beginning. The twenty rounds were fierce fighting, but neither was able to land a knockout blow, and the referee called it a draw. The points were in Dixon's favor.

Magnates Could Not Agree.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18.—President Robison of the Cleveland Base Ball club declared this afternoon that there was no big base ball deal in prospect, as had been reported. Mr. Robison and Mr. Abell of the Brooklyn club, who were present at the interview, said that so far they had failed to reach an agreement on the proposition of trading around some of the players and it began to look as though it would be impossible to do so. Mr. Robison said that he believed that it would be a good thing for base ball if it could be so arranged that there would be a shifting around of players between the various clubs of the National league at the end of each season in order that the strength of the clubs might be equalized. Mr. Abell said he was of the same opinion.

Female Peddlers.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 18.—Indianapolis was treated to a sensational performance in the women's six-day bicycle race started here tonight. Tillie Anderson made forty-one miles and ten laps, which is the world's record for an eighteen-lap track. Dotty Farnsworth had the previous record of thirty-eight miles and eleven laps and was but a wheel's length behind Anderson at the finish. The riders go two hours each night. The score at the finish tonight was: Anderson, 41 miles, 10 laps; Farnsworth, 41 miles, 10 laps; Baldwin, 41 miles, 9 laps; Allen, 41 miles, 9 laps; Christopher, 41 miles, 9 laps. There were 3,000 spectators.

Railroad Clears Away the Snow.

HURON, S. D., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Chicago & Northwestern has raised the snow blockade and trains will run regularly from tonight. The train from the south, due here Saturday evening, remained fast in the snow six miles east of here for thirty-six hours, reaching here a little before noon today. The train from the east is held at Brookings and will reach here tonight. Trains will be sent west and north tonight. Eight inches of snow fell during Saturday's and Sunday's storm, filling railway cuts and piling up drifts. The temperature was not low and no stock losses are likely to result in this locality.

Paper Mills Sold.

DENVER, Jan. 18.—Special Master Marshall E. Johnson today sold under decree of foreclosure granted by the circuit court of the United States all the property of the Platte River Paper Mills company, consisting of lands, buildings, plant, machinery, fixtures and improvements at Manchester, near Denver. The property was sold for $150,000, the purchaser being Edward Savery, acting for the reorganization committee.

Earthquake Shock.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 18.—A special to the Republic from Redbud, Ill., says a very distinct earthquake shock was felt there at 10:30 p. m. today. It was preceded by a roar like thunder and seemed to come from the east, gradually dying out to the westward.

G. A. NEWMAN FOR SECRETARY

Iowa Senate Caucus Nominates on the Fourth Ballot.

HINDMAN LEADS AT FIRST TRIAL ONLY

Two Doorkeepers to Be Dropped and the Number of Committee Clerks Will Probably Be Cut Down to One-Half.

DES MOINES, Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The senate caucus, the only preliminary to the opening of the legislature, was held this evening. There was only one contest for secretary. Josiah T. Young had withdrawn in the afternoon and the candidates present were: Henry J. Baird of Malvern, George A. Newman of Cedar Falls, W. R. Cockran of Bedford, T. J. Boland of Lemars, A. D. Hindman of Eagle Grove, J. J. Stearns of Linn county. Each was called on to read for five minutes to the senate before a ballot was taken, as a test. The first ballot gave Newman, 8; Baird, 6; Hindman, 10; Cockran, 4; Boland, 3; six scattering.

On the next ballot Newman went up to 17, Hindman getting only 8; Baird, 4; Boland, 3.

On the third Newman got 17; Hindman, 13; Boland, 1; Cockran, 3; Baird, 3. The fourth ballot gave Newman the nomination, with twenty-one votes, Hindman having 11; Baird, 3, and Cockran, 3.

An assault on minor employes was opened and two assistant doorkeepers were dropped out of sight. A committee was named after a long discussion to formulate and present to the senate a proposition to reduce by at least half the number of committee clerks. The agreement was unanimous that such a measure ought to be adopted.

At the opening session tomorrow it is expected the only important business will be the publishing of a concurrent resolution for a committee of the two houses to confer and agree on some plan of handling the code. It is still uncertain what will be done, but a scheme of closer co-operation than was had last year will be determined on.

PRICE OF HIS WIFE'S AFFECTIONS.

Tenant Sues an Iowa Landowner for Ten Thousand Dollars.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Great interest is being manifested in the case of William Wiggin against Charles A. Huston, which is now on trial in the district court before Judge Remley. Every day the court room is crowded with men, women and children from the northern part of the county, where the parties to the suit are well known. Mr. Wiggin has sued Mr. Huston for $10,000 damages for alienation of his wife's affections. Mr. Huston is one of the largest landowners in northern Linn county, and is reputed to be worth from $40,000 to $50,000. For a number of years he has been very prominent in politics, and few men are better known in the county than he. In 1894 Mr. Wiggin and his family moved onto one of Mr. Huston's farms near Waubeek. He reserved one room in the house for his own use, and often remained there for several days at a time. Wiggin alleges that Huston took advantage of the opportunities offered, won the affections of his wife, became intimate with her, and subsequently caused her to leave him, and for this he asks damages in the sum of $10,000. A number of leading lawyers are employed on both sides and the contest is being bitterly fought. The trial probably will last a week or ten days yet.

IOWA PROFESSOR AS A BOOK THIEF.

Carl B. Christensen Sentenced in Boston for Three Months.

BOSTON, Jan. 18.—Carl B. Christensen, who claims to be a professor at Waterloo college, Waterloo, Ia., was sentenced today to serve three months in the house of correction for stealing books from the Boston public library. Christensen was arrested here yesterday and in his apartments were found a large number of books bearing the stamp of the public library of Hartford, Conn.

WATERLOO, Ia., Jan. 18.—Carl B. Christensen left Waterloo two years ago and has not been connected with the college since. He began lecturing when he left here, delivering his lectures in Danish, and scored quite a success. He was considered exceptionally bright. He left the college because of strained relations with its owner. Christensen was regarded as strictly honest here.

Priests Censure the Children.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Alexander Young, a wealthy society woman, who apparently abandoned the Roman Catholic church some years ago summoned the priests as death approached, but was buried Saturday afternoon by an Episcopal clergyman. The priests today published a card criticising her children for disregarding her wish to be buried a Roman Catholic.

Des Moines to Fine High Hat Wearers.

DES MOINES, Jan. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The council today passed a resolution instructing the solicitor to prepare an anti-hat ordinance governing places of amusement. It provides for fines of from $2 to $10 on any woman wearing an obstructive hat. The mayor says he will sign the ordinance, which will pass unanimously.

CONFESSES TO A FIENDISH CRIME.

Sam Palatka Tells How He Wrecked the Train at Cahaba Bridge.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18.—A special to the Times-Democrat from Atlanta, Ga., says: Sam Palatka, cross-eyed, a fiend in expression, revolting in countenance, has confessed to having perpetrated the horrible Cahaba bridge disaster, which occurred three weeks ago in Alabama. Stolidly and with immovable lines of criminal harshness on his face, he admits that he, single-handed, sent twenty-seven persons to a horrible death and wounded and maimed a score more. There was no romantic reason back of the work of this courageous coward, a man who dared discovery, which in Alabama meant certain death, to drive a train to destruction in order to obtain a few dollars.

Palatka was arrested in Eatonton, Putnam county, in middle Georgia. His first captors believed him half-witted, as he gave himself away. Those in charge of him today in Atlanta, as he was on his way to Alabama, say he is absolutely reckless and entirely wit hout human feelings. Today he spoke of the fearful wreck with no sign of emotion.

"I did it," said Palatka. "I wanted money. It's nobody's business what I wanted it for. I did. I found it very easy. I say this for the benefit of those who want to wreck trains. It is just as easy to wreck a passenger train as it is to wreck a freight train. There's no money in a freight. I did not get anything out of the wreck. I moved a rail, put it across the track and the whole business seemed to fall. There were plenty of dead folks with money—one man had $500—but before I could get it the live ones got up and then the crowds came. I skipped out then."

Old Man in Adverse Circumstances.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 18.—Sandford Murray, an aged man, who has had fallen from weakness. He was sent to the city hospital and there it was learned that he had not tasted food for several days. His condition is serious. Murray claims to have built the capitol building at Santa Fe, N. M., and had subcontracts for work on the state capitols at St. Paul, Denver, Cheyenne and Salt Lake City. He said that at one time he had plenty of money, but lost it on a contract. About a month ago he took sick and fell behind with his rent. When he could no longer pay he was evicted and since then he has been living on the streets.

Bryan Speaks at Jackson.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 18.—W. J. Bryan, en route to Texas on a lecturing tour, spoke in Jackson, Tenn., this afternoon. A large crowd greeted him at the depot and he spoke from the depot platform. He said there were more silver democrats now than the day before the election, and that as yet the republican party had failed to show the open mills any more than the open mints.

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Rev. M. De Motte, in active charge of the M. E. churches of Talmage and Brock, Neb., writes to Dr. Shepard:

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A SICK WOMAN.

MRS. JOSEPH FOLTZ, WEEPING WATER, Neb., writes:

"Something over four years ago a desperate attack of grip nearly ruined my health. I kept running down until I was helpless and could scarcely get around the house. My stomach and nerves were in a wretched condition. I was worn out by a lack of sleep and a slow starvation—for I could not eat. The heart was feeble, but at times beat and pounded violently against the chest wall. I couldn't go up stairs without a smothering feeling. I had, too, other troubles that so many women suffer from. I suffered so that I thought I was losing my mind.

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SHIP OWNERS TELL THEIR WISHES.

Senators Ask Them to Draft a Bill for a Bounty or Subsidy.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—A number of senators, together with several representative shipbuilders and owners of steamship lines, met in the rooms of the senate committee on commerce today and had a conference as to the best method of improving the merchant marine. Senators Frye, Perkins, Lodge and Elkins, and Messrs. Griscom, Sewall, Smith, Clyde, Cramp and Hyde and several others interested in ships and shipping, were present. The plank in the republican national platform calling for discriminating duties was the basis of the discussion. Some of those present favored it, while others were opposed, stating it might tend to divert the carrying trade to Mexico and Canada, to the detriment of American ports and American ships. There was a general interchange of views, and the opinion was expressed that a bounty in the way of mail bounty on tonnage, such as given by foreign countries, would be better than discriminating duties. One gentleman expressed the opinion that $5,000,000 a year distributed among American lines would build them up equ