

BLASTS FROM MANITOBA

Cold Wave Which is Reported Quite General Over the West.

DECIDED DROP IN THE THERMOMETER

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FIRE CLEANS OUT A BLOCK

Several Valuable Business Houses Leveled to the Ground by the Flames.

LOSS FALLS HEAVILY ON MERCHANTS

One of the Most Disastrous Fires Which Ever Visited the City of Sandusky—Damage Over One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

SANDUSKY, O., Jan. 23.—One of the most disastrous fires that has visited the business portion of this city occurred this morning, destroying about \$100,000 worth of property.

The section devastated by the fire is on the north side and covers nearly a city block. The fire originated at the grocery store of T. O. Taubert at 5 o'clock, and in two hours six business houses were entirely consumed.

The fire started in the kitchen of a house at the corner of the block, where a woman was cooking. She fled in haste, leaving the fire to spread.

The fire spread rapidly, reaching the Taubert store at 6 o'clock. The store was a large building, and its destruction was a heavy loss.

The fire spread to the building of George Stahl, wholesale liquor store, and stock, \$8,000. M. Lea, saloon, residence and personal property, \$5,000; M. N. Kell, hardware store, \$15,000; George H. Oakliff, hardware, \$9,000; M. Bricken, household goods, \$2,000; loss on West building, \$8,000; on Cook block, \$4,000, besides damages by water on several other stores.

The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. A fire today destroyed the carriage factory of Charles Grube at Railway, N. J. Lea, \$30,000.

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MCCOOK, Neb., Jan. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The residence of T. W. Wood of West McCook was burned down completely last night between 9 and 10 o'clock.

MOOREFIELD, Neb., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—Fire today destroyed the two-story building of T. J. J. Johnson, a grocery store of merchandise owned by G. W. Melvin.

BEDFORD, Pa., Jan. 23.—The house of William Crowe was destroyed by fire today, and Mrs. Crowe and two children were burned to death.

VERMILION, S. D., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—A fire alarm was turned in this morning at 8:30, a large fire having started in the city hall.

The fire started in a room on the second floor, and spread rapidly. The fire was extinguished by a hand brigade of buckets.

Another fire alarm was sounded at 11 o'clock. A small fire in a dwelling in the western part of the city did a small amount of damage.

MRS. LOW NOW SEEKING A DIVORCE.

She Alleges that Low has Failed to Provide for Her and Children.

Mary Louise Low has filed a divorce suit in the county court here, and in the divorce court of this county, is again before the public, this time as the relator in a divorce proceeding.

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PETER JENSEN CALLS ON MCKINLEY.

Says the President-Elect Will Encourage the People of Nebraska.

South Omaha News.

Tuesday evening next, at Blum's hall, Twenty-sixth and N streets, will occur the event of the season in entertainment circles.

It is an interesting and important thing to know what determined this or that product, whether it be the book of Judges, or the Cuban episode, is what they themselves regard as the most important feature of their existence.

The program is as follows: Part first—Bones, Ed Sutherland, Ed Williams and H. P. Condon; tambos, Arnan Tibbitts, Frank Taylor and Ole Aekley; Interlocutor, Harry L. Carpenter; soloists, Ed Sutherland, Edward Baker, H. P. Condon, H. P. Taylor, Perry Meyers and Edward Delany.

The management of the entertainment is in the following hands: H. L. Carpenter, manager; Howard Meyers, treasurer; Arnan Tibbitts, secretary; executive committee, Herbert Broadway, W. B. Wynan, F. A. Crosby, T. C. Marsh, H. D. Mosley, S. B. Christie, C. E. Wilcox, A. L. Hunter.

The state convention of the Nebraska Plattdeutscher Bund, held at Hunt's hall, Twenty-sixth and N streets, yesterday afternoon.

Last night the delegates were entertained at the hall with music, speeches, etc., and closed with a dance.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church. At St. Martin's Episcopal church there will be the usual services in the morning at 8 and 10 o'clock.

Damage Suit Against the City. Moses Elliott, through his attorney, has sued the city of South Omaha for \$5,000 for injuries received by falling on a defective sidewalk.

Stock Shipments for the Week. Cattle receipts for the week numbered 14,265, against 12,511 head the preceding week, and 8,855 head the same week in January, 1896.

Benefit of Looked Out Brewers. The fifth annual banquet of the local union, No. 98, was given at Knights of Labor hall last night for the benefit of the sick and needy of the city.

Woodmen Appear Up in Arms. They Threaten Trouble for the Officers of Alpha Camp.

Woodmen of the local camps are making it exceedingly interesting for C. E. Allen, clerk of Alpha camp, and at the same time they are making it quite warm for George C. Thompson, council commander.

Worked Upon Synpathy. It is reported that a man attired as a farmer has been using a syndicate judge upon a number of merchants and factories in this city during the past week.

Personal Paragraphs. A. E. Cady, St. Paul, came to Omaha last night.

W. H. Hillan, a merchant at Humphrey, Ia. in the city.

D. A. Meyer of Creston, Ia., is stopping at the Barker.

John O'Brien of Sioux City, Ia., is a Barker.

C. H. Webster of Chicago is registered at the Barker.

J. F. Mitterling of Fremont, Neb., is stopping at the Barker.

H. Hardy leaves for Chicago tonight to attend the cycle show in the Windy City.

Lieutenant L. M. Kennon, Washington, D. C., is visiting army friends in this city.

Mrs. Henry Roberts has returned to Chicago where she will visit friends for a fortnight.

J. B. Martin has gone to Burlington, Ia., where he will visit friends for a short period.

Frank Lea Short returned last night from Fremont, where he had been filling a dramatic engagement.

F. H. Edwards, Los Angeles, Cal., came to Omaha yesterday to look after some interests he has here.

C. M. Talcott, assistant superintendent of the Pullman company, left yesterday for Grand Island.

E. C. Robertson, Miss. City, Mont., an extensive cattleman, is in the city on his way to Texas to purchase more stock.

WIND FROM THE NORTHWEST

Accompanied by a heavy snowfall in many sections of the city.

Severe Gale in Great Britain.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The blizzard continues to cause sad havoc throughout Great Britain and Ireland.

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Mid-Winter Shoe Sale

A big cut in Misses' and Children's Winter Shoes—Warm goods are being sold at half price—For a genuine bargain this is the place to come—

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AMUSEMENTS

BOYD'S NEW THEATRE TWO PERFORMANCES MATINEE TODAY TONIGHT 8:15

CORINNE

Extravaganza Company in HENDRIX HUDSON, Jr. Matinee, 2:30 and 5:00. At night, HALF the first floor at 30c; all balcony seats 25c.

BOYD'S EXTRA! One Night Only.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25. A CARNIVAL OF MAGIC FEAST OF MYSTERY MR EDWARD L. BLOOM has the honor to present the Supreme Monarch of Wizards DAIRCROFT THE MAGICIAN

Marvelous Magical Feats Spectacular Phenomena Production Illusions. THE STARTLING ILLUSION

"LEONII" WITH THE LIVE LION "WALLACKER" NO SUCH BEWILDERING SCENIC EFFECTS HAVE EVER BEFORE BEEN PRESENTED. IT COMPRIZES 2-Sixty Foot Carloads-2 AND REQUIRES 26-People to Present it-26

NO ADVANCE IN REGULAR PRICES. BE WISE AND SECURE SEATS EARLY. CARRIAGES MAY BE ORDERED FOR 10:30. Monday January 25, at BOYD'S

BOYD'S NEW THEATRE People's Popular Prices. L. M. Crawford, Mgr. One Week, Opening Tuesday, Jan. 29. Usual Matinees. MARIE WELLESLEY'S PLAYERS Opening in "THE BLACK FLAG." Reserved seats, 10c. Feb. 2 and 3, THOB W. KEENE.

OPERA. PINAFORE AT THE Creighton Theater SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 30.

THE CREIGHTON Telephone, 1331. PAXTON & BURGESS, Mgrs. Four nights, commencing TODAY 2:30. HOPKINS' TRANS-OCEANIC STAR SPECIALTY COMPANY. Bargain Matinee Wednesday

THE GREAT KINEMATOGRAPH. Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Matinee, 2:30 Jan. 29-29-Hoyt's Black Sheep.

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