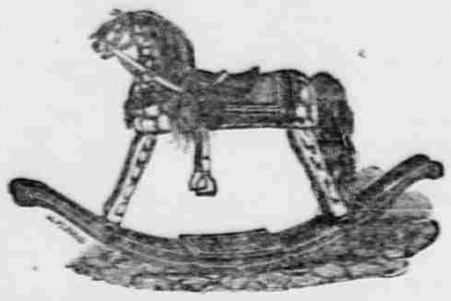
Agents for BUTTERICK'S PATTERNS.

SPECIAL CLEARING SALES OF CHRISTMAS GOODS.

At deeply cut prices. Come early Wednesday and get your choice.

HAYDEN BROS.,

Headquarters for the Real Live Santa Claus.



ARE CLOSING OUT

TOYS OF EVERY KIND

CUTTING AND SLASHING AND LETTING DOWN THE PRICES ON IRON TOYS, WOODEN TOYS, TIN TOYS, DOLLS, DRUMS, SLEDS, SKATES, HOBBY HORSES AND HOLIDAY GIFTS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

See our Five Big Bargain Tables.

Tables Nos. 1 and 2—You will find articles here on our 5 and 10c counters at one-quarter their value and less. Toys at 5c and 10c, worth 25c.

Tables Nos. 3 and 4—Here you will find an excellent assortment of 50c and 75c toys, all being cleared out at 15c and 25c. No such bargains were ever offered. 50c Dolls and 75c Dolls at 25c.

On Table No. 5—We offer at 50c Toys worth up to $1.00. We will not carry a single toy over this year. All must go. Come early and get your pick. Prices were never so low on toys as they are now at SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS.

Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings.

500 dozen Men's Colored Bosom Shirts, in all the latest patterns 25c
Men's fine Satin Suspenders, black, blue, white, pink and drab, at 50c
Men's extra fine Embroidered Suspenders, in all the latest patterns, at 75c
500 dozen Men's Fine Teck Ties, all the newest patterns, at 15c
1,000 dozen Men's Fine Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 25c
1,000 dozen Men's Fine Ticks, Bows and Four-in-Hand Ties, worth 50c, at 25c
1,000 dozen Men's Fine White and Colored Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs at 10c
500 dozen Men's Wool Lined Mocha Gloves, worth $1.25, at 75c
500 dozen Boys' and Men's Sweaters at $1.00 and 75c
100 dozen Colored Flannelettes, worth 50c, at 35c
1,000 pounds fine Imported Zephyr, assorted colors, per lap 19c
500 dozen Ladies' 3-button and 4-button Kid Gloves, embroidered backs, at 75c
500 dozen Ladies' Fine Wool Mittens 25c
10 cases Ladies' Fleece Lined Hose 12½c
10 cases Ladies' Fine Wool and Cashmere Hose 25c
10 cases Boys' Bicycle Hose, worth 25c, at 15c
500 dozen Ladies' Combination Suits, fleece lined, at 75c
500 dozen Ladies' Vests and Pants, fleece lined, at 25c
500 dozen Ladies' Feather Boas at 45c

Special Offerings For the Holidays.

20-inch best Smyrna Rugs $2.00
26-inch best Smyrna Rugs 3.25
30-inch Solid Rugs 1.50
36-inch Solid Rugs 2.25
6x9 Solid Rugs 9.25
HOLIDAY CURTAINS—
Double Fringe Reversible Derby Curtains, at per pair $2.50
New Ottoman, an elegant curtain 3.50
New Tinsel Effects, at $3.75, $4.50 and 5.00

Grand Cap Sale Friday Five Stem Winders.

No. 1—Caps for men and boys, 8c; fully worth 15c.
No. 2—Caps for men and boys, 15c; fully worth double.
No. 3—Caps for men and boys, 25c; elsewhere for 50c.
No. 4—Caps for men and boys, 45c; including Plush Caps, all-wool Brighton Caps, fleece lined ear laps, Golf Caps in all colors, selling at other stores for 75c and $1.00.
No. 5—A very complete line of men's hats, including our Peerless $1.50 Hats, at $1.00.
Our Hats at $1.50 cannot be duplicated in the city for quality, style and finish.

Cloak Prices Cut in Two

Three more days to buy a cloak at less than half price.
Heavy Beaver Jacket, high storm collar, was $5.00, at $2.48
Ladies' Jackets of fine kersey cloth, Empire cheviots, boucles and Astrakhans, all silk lined and some trimmed with fur, regularly $9.98, at 5.00
Ladies' Jackets, made of high class English kersey, imported cheviots, Astrakhans, boucle, all lined throughout with heavy taffeta silk or satin; these garments are the finest manufactured, in green, black, blue and red, worth $12.00 to $15.00, at 8.98
Ladies' Plush Capes, trimmed with jet and braid, silk lined and fur trimmed around the neck and down the front, worth $9.00, at 4.48
All of our fine imported Silk Plush Capes that sold from $20.00 to $30.00, on sale at $12.50
Ladies' Brocaded Silk Skirts, an excellent stylish garment, at 3.98
Ladies' Heavy Brocaded Satin Skirts, worth $12.00, at 6.98
Electric Seal Collarettes, well lined and made, at 1.75
Infants' Eiderdown Cloaks, trimmed with Angora, ages 1 to 6, at 50c, 75c, $1.00 and 1.50
Ladies' Woolen Waists of French flannel Brilliantine, and ladies' cloth in plaids and plain colors, at 2.49
Silk Waists of best quality taffeta in stripes, checks and changeable effects; also Velvet and Satin Waists, at 5.00
Ladies' Heavy Flannelette Wrappers, ruffles over shoulders, trimmed with braid, fitted lining, extra full skirt, worth $1.50, at 88c

Ladies' Fancy Garters on Sale.

First lot, worth up to 50c, only, pair 19c
Second lot, worth up to 50c, only, pair 15c
Third lot, worth up to 50c, only, pair 25c
Fourth lot, worth up to $1.00, only, pair 49c
Ladies' Satin Belts, worth 50c, only 25c

Thousands of Sterling Silver Novelties

Sterling Silver Tea Spoons, 49c.
Sterling Silver 925—1000 fine, every article guaranteed as herein stated.
2-piece Desk Set, regular price $1, go at 49c
2-piece Manicure Set 25c
Sterling Files and Buttons, each 25c
Sterling Silver Back Dressing Combs, real value $1.00, go at 29c
The largest and best Shoe Horns, Files, Cuticules, Shoe Buttons, real value $1.25, go at 49c
Silverware in endless variety—Hundreds of useful articles, such as Cake Baskets, Butter Dishes, Nut Bowls, Dinner Castors, Berry Dishes, Bon Bons, Pickle Castors—every article warranted quadruple plated—real value $3 go at $1.25
See our quadruple plated gold lined hand engraved Tea Set, real value $8.00, consisting of Tea Pot, Sugar, Creamer and Spooner, sale price $2.89
Our regular $6.00 Baking Dish, quadruple plated, lined tortoiseshell, porcelain center. This is one of our special Christmas offerings—remember only 50 of them and they go at $2.48.
Rogers' 12dwt Knives or Forks $1.19
Rogers' A1 Tea Spoons, for 6 ..... 75c
Table Spoons, for 6 ..... $1.19

Colored Wool Dress Goods for Christmas Presents.

7 yards of all wool French Serge, in all of the new light and dark shades, for winter wear, also black, extra good quality, rich lustre, worth $1.25 per suit—our Christmas price only

$1.98

6 yards of all wool Mohair Finished Serge—very firm and heavy—dust proof—does not wrinkle—in all of the late winter shades—also black, full 47 inches wide—cheap at $6.00 per suit—our Christmas price only

$3.50

Pine All Wool Black Dress Goods for Christmas Presents.

7 yards all wool Henrietta, 42-inches wide—7 yards of all wool French Serge, 46 inches wide—extra good quality—worth $7.98 per suit—our Christmas price only, per suit,

$2.75

7 yards of the very finest silk finished Henrietta, double warp, 46 inches wide, very rich lustre and extra heavy, worth $12.00 per suit—our Christmas price only, per suit,

$6.98

Big Sale on Sterling Silver Novelties and Watches.

200 Watches, silverine case, stem wind and set, MOVEMENT GUARANTEED, thoroughly reliable time keepers, and a genuine snap at the astonishing price of

95c

Gents' gold filled Watch, warranted to wear 15 years, guaranteed Elgin or Waltham movement, ACTUAL VALUE $15.00—our sale price will be

$7.98

Gents' gold Filled Hunting Case Watch, warranted to wear 20 years; with a celebrated 17 jeweled, adjusted to heat, cold or position; Elgin or Waltham movement, actual value $25.00—our sale price will be

$16.75

Gents' Gold Filled Hunting Case Watch, warranted for five years, with a fine Elgin or Waltham movement, REAL VALUE $35.00—OUR SALE PRICE

$6.95

Gents' 14k solid gold U. S. assay, weight of case 81 dwt., full jeweled, Elgin or Waltham movement, ACTUAL VALUE $85.00—our sale price

$36.75

A CHANCE IN A LIFETIME AT A STRICTLY HIGH GRADE WATCH.
Ladies' Sterling Silver Chatelaine Watches, actual value, $5.00, sale price

$2.49

Ladies' Chatelaine Watches, in black steel case, A SPECIAL BARGAIN at

$3.95

Ladies' 14k Solid Gold, U. S. assay, hunting case, ornamented with genuine diamonds—with fine Elgin or Waltham movement—real value $40.00—OUR SALE PRICE WILL BE

$19.95

Ladies' 14k solid gold U. S. assay, Hunting Case Watch, beautifully hand engraved, with choice of fine Elgin or Waltham movement—a splendid time piece—actual value $32.00—sale price

$17.98

WE ARE CLOSING OUT

All Holiday Books, Bibles, Stationery, etc.

1 Toy Books for 1c
1 Story colored Books for 5c
Elegant Lithograph Books 5c
THE NEW OXFORD—
A beautiful 11-oz gilt top book—some call it a lib leather at 25c—buy it from us at only 15c
James Whitcomb Riley's Works, on sale only 69c
The complete Chambers' Encyclopaedia, in 12 volumes, worth $24.00, on sale only $5.75
A beautiful leather bound Teacher's Bible, with concordance, etc., worth $4.50, on sale at only 98c
$4.00 on sale Monday, only 98c
A complete line of Padded Poets, elegant works, only 37c
REMEMBER—We furnish 100 elegantly engraved Visiting Cards and plate for $1.00.

Christmas Silk Sale

200 Silk Waist Patterns, of 4 yards Fancy Silk, in all colors and kinds, worth per pattern $5.25, sale price $1.95
200 Silk Waist Patterns, of 4 yards brocade two-toned taffetas, new colors and dainty designs, an excellent quality, pattern worth $4.50, sale price 1.95
500 Plain Black Satin Waist Patterns of 4 yards, very rich and lustrous and guaranteed to wear, pattern worth $4, our special price 1.75
200 Silk Dress Patterns, consisting of 12 yards of either Plain Black Peau De Soie, a most serviceable dress silk, or a Handsome Black Brocade Gros Grain, in most beautiful designs; the wear of these silks are warranted, and patterns are worth $12.00, sale price only 6.95
NO SAMPLES OUT OF SPECIAL SALE SILKS.

Christmas Week Prices.

At our Pure Food Department. Now is your opportunity. Read the prices. You'll be well pleased with the goods.
London Layer Raisins, in clusters 12½c
Large Fat Mammoth Raisins 8½c
Extra Fine Crown Raisins 5c
Baker's Chocolate, per package 25c
1-lb. glass jars Pure Fruit Jams, Cherry, Strawberry, Quince, Green Gage, etc., worth 30c anywhere, only 12½c
Pure Evaporated Cream, per can 7½c
Best Old Government Java and Mocha Coffee 25½c
You'll be well pleased with this coffee. Try it.
5-lb. cans very fine Peas, only 5c
5-lb. cans Sugar Corn, only 5c
Omaha County Corn, per can 7½c
10c package Fresh Shredded Cocoanut 7½c
Sweet Chocolate, per package 7½c
Pound package Dumas' Mustard 4½c
Ground Cinnamon, Cloves, Allspice and Ginger, the purest and best spices, none better, this week per pound 25c
Lemon, Orange and Citron, per pound 25c
Cleaned Currants, Greclan 8½c
9 bars Cudahy's Diamond C Soap for 25c
10 bars of any other brand for 25c

Pianos.

Why don't you buy one of those beautiful new Emerson Pianos which we offer this week at only $175.00
We also are offering handsome new YOSE & SONS, at $195.00
We have other brand new pianos direct from the factories at $125.00, $135.00, $150.00 and so on up to the price of the Chickering, Steinway and Fischer pianos, which are the three leading makes of America.
NEW PIANOS FOR RENT.
Pianos moved, tuned and repaired.
Piano stools $1.75

Furniture.

TOO LATE FOR PROFIT NOW.
Everything must be sold. Just in—100 antique hardwood stands, octagon shape, did not arrive in time to sell them out, will sell them go at 95c each.
Our pictures and medallions have been selling at such a rate that we are about cleaned out. You can yet get a good one at the prices that sold the rest—15c, 19c, 25c, 35c, 45c. Look them over. Do not pay too much for the same rockers you can buy here for less.

The Greatest of All Sales to Commence Wednesday at the Great Transmissisippi Headquarters—Don't Miss a Word of This—Read and Be Convinced.

THE GREATEST CANDY SALE OF ALL.

2 pounds fine Mixed Candy for 25c
1 pound fancy boxes Creams for 20c
2-pound fancy boxes Creams 47c
20-lb. Beans 17½c
Black Candy 15c
London Mixed, 2 pounds for 25c
Log Cabin 8½c
Clove Cushions 8½c
Cream Mixed 12½c
All Day Suckers, 14 for 5c
Burnt Almonds 39c
Burnt Peanuts 39c
Chocolate Creams 39c
HOW IS THIS ON FRUITS AND NUTS?
Good Oranges, per dozen 8c
Fancy Lemons, per dozen 15c
New Fancy Dates 7½c
New Fancy Figs 10c
A full line of all kinds of Fruits, Apples, etc. Come here for your Christmas supplies.

A Special Linen Sale.

72-inch double satin damask, $1.50 quality at 99c
68-inch double satin damask, $1.00 quality at 69c
60-inch full bleached German table linen, 75c quality at 49c
58-inch extra heavy cream table damask, 50c quality at 35c
500 dozen satin damask towels, knotted fringe, plain and fancy border, regular 25c quality at 15c
1,000 dozen huck and damask towels, worth 15c and 17c at 10c
Fine damask tray cloths, size 22x36, regular 50c qualities at 25c
Hemstitched napkins, worth $2.00, at, per dozen $1.25
100 dozen extra heavy damask napkins, regular $1.50 quality at $1.75

Music.

THESE PRICES TELL THE WHOLE STORY—THIS WEEK ONLY—
Mandolin cases (canvas) $1.95
Guitar cases (canvas) $1.25
Banjo cases (canvas) $1.25
Mandolin cases—sole leather $3.95
Guitar cases—sole leather $4.95
Autoharp, 5-bar, $5.00 to $2.25
Autoharps, 5 bar $3.75
MANDOLIN AND GUITARS.
$2.95 up to the price of the finest Washburn instrument—the excellence of which admit of no reduction in price—violins, banjos and band instruments at ½ the price usually asked anywhere else.
SHEET MUSIC.
Including all the latest popular pieces at strictly popular prices.
20,000 different selections at 5c and 10c per copy.
NEW PIANOS FOR RENT.
Music rolls, 35c, 45c, 50c, 75c up to $5.00.

HAYDEN'S HAYDEN BROTHERS. HAYDEN'S

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Water Question Comes Up Again in a New Phase.

STUHT SPRINGS A NOVEL PROPOSITION

Suggests that the City Install a Plant at the River to Supply the Exposition with Water.

The city council gave the water works question a new twist last night, and took preliminary steps toward furnishing the exposition with water at municipal expense. The scheme was sprung by Stuht in the following resolution:

Whereas, The Transmississippi and International Exposition company is desirous of having water furnished on the exposition grounds for exposition purposes; and,

Whereas, Said exposition company is desirous of having the city of Omaha aid it in some way in procuring the amount of water necessary for its uses during the term of the exposition; and,

Whereas, Said exposition company will need for its uses about 1,000,000 gallons of water per day; which at the rates fixed under ordinance No. 4211 would cost a sum of $4,500 per month, without taking into account any reduction by the water company on account of furnishing so large a quantity of water; and,

Whereas, The water can be furnished from the Missouri river or from Cut-Off lake by an independent pumping plant at a cost not to exceed $15,000 for the entire term of the exposition; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a special committee of three of this council be appointed to investigate and report to the next regular meeting of the city council what arrangements can be made and expense which would attach the necessary amount of water for the exposition, either by and through the water company or by and through the erection and construction of an independent pumping system; and, be it further

Resolved, That it is the sense of the city council that it is better for the city and the public interest to make some arrangement to procure the necessary water for exposition purposes by contract, in the manner above indicated, than to extend the franchise and privileges of the present water company for a period of five years.

The resolution was referred to the committee on fire, water and police at the suggestion of Bechel that a special committee was not necessary.

EIGHT HOURS IN LITTLE FAVOR.

Burmester's eight-hour resolution was reported by the committee on street improvements, with a recommendation that it be referred to the Board of Public Works. Burmester entered a vigorous objection to having the resolution killed off in this manner and it was recommitted.

The report of the appraisers on the value of the Murray tract, which it is proposed to add to Riverview park, was transmitted by the Advisory Board and approved. Burkley and Moore voting "no."

The Commissioner Sackett notified the council that the municipal assessment had been completed by the Board of Review and was ready to turn over to the Board of Equalization.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for furnishing gas street lights for three years beginning January 1.

The contract and bond of the Globe Light and Heat company for furnishing gasoline lights for two years, which has been hanging fire for three weeks, was approved.

Ordinances were passed ordering the paving of Patrick avenue from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-seventh street and Wirt street from Sherman avenue to Twenty-fourth street.

A resolution was adopted by which the Union Pacific, Burlington and street railway companies were requested to deposit with the city treasurer one-half of their respective apportionments of the cost of repairing the Sixteenth street viaduct in order that the work might be pushed at once.

Chase a Pickpocket.

A pickpocket giving the name of George Adams snatched a pocketbook containing $9.50 from the hands of Mrs. Hoch in Bennett's store yesterday morning and then led a couple of officers and the crowd a merry chase before he was captured. He was at length run down after darting through the crowd for fully twenty minutes and locked up at the station on a charge of larceny from the person. The money was recovered. Mrs. Hoch lives at 9602 Ames avenue.

Admits Taking the Money.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 21.—J. A. Bruce, discount clerk in the State Banking company here, has been arrested on the charge of having embezzled $1,200. He admitted his guilt.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

D. S. Dickey of Peoria, Ill. is at the Millard.

G. M. Lambertson of Lincoln is visiting in the city.

Miss Della Manning of Des Moines is a Millard guest.

William White of Washington, D. C. is a Millard guest.

Councilmen Burmester and Frank Bandle have returned from Dayton, O.

E. A. Thayer returned to Denver yesterday after a visit in the city.

Fred Shelley, a prominent merchant of Norfolk, Neb., is visiting in Omaha.

M. O. Maul, who has been seriously ill, is convalescing, and is again about.

W. S. Keyes, agent of the Flint & Pierre Marquette railroad, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. P. Meehan of San Francisco has been visiting Omaha on his way home from the east.

Harry Simmons, general western agent of the Callahan Publishing company, is in the city from Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Eastman of Chicago arrived Sunday and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kountze.

J. F. Richardson, superintendent of the Pullman company, left with his wife yesterday for Oskaloosa, Ia., to spend a few days.

J. W. Roberts, clerk of the district court of Fremont county, Iowa, with Deputy Sheriff T. S. Holloway of Sidney, Ia., are in the city on business.

At the Millard: James Scudder, St. Louis; J. S. Blackweller, Chicago; R. Hall, New York; Isaac Rubel, Peoria; R. W. Whitfield, Fox du Lac, Wis.; H. W. Hubbard and wife, Lincoln; J. S. Mathewson, New York; G. M. Lambertson, Lincoln.

Nebraskans at the hotels: F. W. Metcher and daughters, West Point; William A. Johnson, Wood River; W. C. Brooks, Beatrice; George Hulsey and Ira D. Marston, Kearney; R. W. Stewart and wife and J. R. Sexton, Alliance; C. E. Weaver and Miss Crystal Waugh, Plattsmouth; I. W. McClelland, Fullerton; H. G. Correll, Plainview; John T. Bressler, Wayne; John S. Sair and J. S. Mathewson, Norfolk; Cass Moore, Salem; W. S. McIlvain, Brainard; T. W. Stewart and F. Faulkner, Schuyler; H. W. Hubbard and wife and J. S. Kirkpatrick, Lincoln; George H. Derrington, Falls City; M. R. Cowan, Tecumseh.

MOVE FOR ANOTHER TRIAL

City's Triumph is Disputed by the Defeated Defendants.

BOLIN BONDSMEN ASK A REHEARING

Attorneys for the Defense Assign Seventy-Two Reasons Why the Matter Should Be All Gone Over Again.

Attorneys Mahoney and Breene, representing the first term bondsmen of Henry Bolin, ex-city treasurer, against whom judgment for $56,415.72 was recovered last Saturday morning by the jury in Judge Scott's court, have filed a motion for a new trial. Immediately after the filing of the motion City Attorney Connell, representing the city, appeared before Judge Slabaugh and asked that the hearing be set down for next Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Judge Slabaugh granted the request and an order to this effect was entered.

In filing their motion for a new trial in the Bolin bondsmen case the attorneys for the defendants give seventy-two reasons why the case should be tried again. They allege that there was irregularity and abuse of discretion on the part of the court, misconduct of the jury and misconduct on the part of the attorneys for the plaintiff. They also allege that they were taken by surprise and that the amount of the judgment was excessive. They further say that the verdict of the jury was not sustained by the evidence offered by the plaintiff, and that consequently the verdict was contrary to law and the facts. They also say that the court erred in not giving instructions which they asked. In mitigation they allege that there is a quantity of newly discovered evidence that they will have if another trial is granted.

City Attorney Connell contends that there is little in the motion that would justify the court in granting a new trial. He says that the case was tried very carefully and that errors were kept out of the record. He takes no stock in the allegation of newly discovered evidence.

MATTERS IN THE FEDERAL COURT.

Modern Woodmen Case Goes Over Until January.

The action of the Modern Woodmen against the Union National Bank of this city, which it was thought, would be tried this week in the federal court, has been postponed until January 3, 1898. General Attorney J. G. Johnson, Head Clerk C. W. Hawes and Director A. R. Talbot, officers of the Woodmen, left for their homes last evening. The Modern Woodmen of the local camps had arranged for a reception and entertainment in honor of the head officers this (Wednesday) evening, but owing to the departure of the head officers it has been postponed until their return, at the time the case comes up for trial next month.

The trouble lies with the case now on trial, Vandeusar against the Omaha & Republican Valley railroad. This is dragging along very slowly and the attorneys in the case predict that it will not be finished before the end of the week. Judge Munger decided yesterday that if the Modern Woodmen case was not called by Thursday it would have to go over the term. He said that he intended to excuse the jury on Thursday night until the first Monday in January. During the holiday week he will devote all the time to the hearing of motions and cases without a jury. After the holidays the remaining two weeks of the term will be devoted entirely to criminal business.

One of the cases that will come up during the holiday week is that of State Treasurer Meserve against Kent K. Hayden, the receiver of the Capitol National bank of Lincoln. The action is to recover some $250,000 of state money that was sunk in the bank. The matter is likely to come up on a question of whether the case should have been instituted in the name of the state or of the state treasurer.

A report has been filed in the federal court of the sale of the Lincoln Street Railway company by Bruce C. Ames, special master commissioner. The biggest portion of the plant was sold to Moses L. Scudder of New York and William Belcher of New London, Conn., for $65,000. The remainder was disposed of to James B. Phelps for $500. The sale took in all of the lines of the company, the plant and the franchises. Brad Slaughter has been receiver of the company since the litigation has commenced. The action was brought by the New York Security and Trust company of New York.

William D. Dorr of Fremont has been bound over to the grand jury by United States Commissioner Anderson on the charge of mailing unmailable matter. His offense consisted of the sending of a postal card upon which he informed the recipient that he was a thief. The arrest was made by Deputy United States Marshal Allen.

About Croup.

The first symptom of true croup is hoarseness, this is followed by the croupy cough. If your children are subject to croup, watch for these symptoms and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as they appear, and it will prevent the attack. It is a certain cure for croup and can always be depended upon.

TESTIMONY IN KINGMAN SUIT.

Referee Boslin Begins the Examination of Witnesses.

The taking of testimony was commenced yesterday afternoon in the case of Kingman & Co. against The City of Omaha, wherein the plaintiffs seek to recover damages arising from the grading of the alley adjoining the Burlington's new depot at Tenth and Mason streets.

Last summer the alley was graded down without the consent of the Kingman people, the work being done one Sunday. An injunction was secured and served, but as amount of it being Sunday, the terms of the legal document were ignored and the work progressed. It was completed before the following morning, after which the Kingmans brought suit in the United States court, alleging that the value of the property was $50,000 and that it had been damaged one-third of that amount by reason of the grading.

At the last term of the United States court the case was called before Judge Munger, who appointed John W. Simon, special master-in-chancery, to take the testimony. Witnesses for the plaintiff were examined some time ago and yesterday was set as the date for the defendant to put in its testimony. During the afternoon several witnesses were called and all testified that the Kingman property had been benefited, rather than damaged, by reason of the grading.

TO CURE COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Charged with Cruelty to Animals.

A complaint has been sworn out in police court for the arrest of John Ellis, a teamster, charging him with cruelty to animals. The complaint has been issued at the instance of the Nebraska Humane society, and it alleges that a horse belonging to Ellis came to its death through neglect and cruelty on his part. According to the statements of John Swoboda, a neighbor of Ellis, the horse in question was locked up in a stable for three days without food or water. When neighbors at length broke into the place the poor animal was in such a weak condition through being frozen that it could hardly walk. It was taken to another stable and provided with food, but help had arrived too late. The animal died.

Oysters for the Urchins.

The street boys in the neighborhood of the depot were furnished a free oyster supper last night at the expense of David Cole & Brother. A shipment of fifty boxes had been sent from the store to the depot by the Wells Fargo Express company, and in going down the approach on the south of the depot shed the top-heavy wagon became overbalanced and capsized. Driver Joe McKinney stayed by his seat, but was catapulted from the mass of oysters and spars without injury. The oyster case suffered the most damage and its contents covered the snow in rivulets to the enjoyment of the small boys. The horses made a struggle to break away, but the heavy wagon held them until they could be unharnessed.

South Omaha News.

Some of the new machinery which was ordered some time ago for the Cudahy soap factory arrived yesterday and will be unloaded today. Among yesterday's arrivals was a machine which cuts and presses the soap in a very short time. Soap in cakes weighing 1,100 pounds will be fed into this machine at one end and will come out of the other in bars, neatly pressed and stamped. By the aid of this piece of machinery it is claimed that the work of preparing the manufactured article for market will be greatly facilitated.

Work on the roof of the new neutral house at the Cudahy plant was completed yesterday and it is thought that the roof of the sausage factory will be finished in a couple of days. Two of the six new smoke houses which are to be suspended between the sausage factory and the old smoke house have been completed and work on the others is being pushed.

A number of the traveling representatives of the Cudahy company arrived here yesterday and will remain until after the holidays. Mr. Lemperts, who represents the Cudahys in Mexico, Mr. Flatley, the Montana representative, and Mr. Andrews, whose headquarters are at Salt Lake City, were afternoon arrivals.

Up to noon yesterday 6,000 tons of ice had been cut and stored by Superintendent Cameron's men at Seymour lake, and from this time on an average of 2,000 tons will be cut every day.

George Parks, superintendent of Cudahy's construction force, writes from Sioux City that he is still driving piles for the new plant there and with favorable weather will have the foundations well under way by the middle of January.

Changes Sewer Assessment.

In view of the numerous complaints regarding the plan adopted for the assessment against the property for the Missouri avenue sewer, it has been decided to abandon the original scheme and the plan which has been in use ever since the city was incorporated and make another assessment. According to the plan first proposed by the engineer, each lot in the district was to be taxed $10.12 for the sewer. Those farthest away from the sewer considered this unjust and now the assessment will be graduated and made according to the amount of benefit. Lots abutting on Missouri avenue will be assessed $22, while those in the rear of the abutting property will be taxed only $6. These figures are only approximates as yet, because the exact amount has not been arrived at. The plan is to construct laterals and put the cost of these laterals onto the property abutting on Missouri avenue at once. When the laterals are built the property abutting on them will be assessed to pay the cost, but the Missouri avenue lots will not be assessed again. It is a hard matter to equalize the assessment in this district for the reason that the lots are of so many different sizes and shapes. Between Seventh and Eighteenth streets on Missouri avenue the lots run all the way from eighty to eighty-five feet in depth, then further along 120 feet, 130 and 150 feet in depth. Some lots are only fifty feet deep.

The authorities propose to go slowly in this matter in order to avoid lawsuits and to prevent the entire assessment from being thrown out by the courts, as has been done in a number of districts.

Microscopists Needed.

Yesterday's Washington dispatches announced that the packers here had sent urgent requests to the secretary of the Department of Agriculture for an increase in the force of microscopists at this point. In speaking about this request yesterday afternoon, E. A. Cudahy of the Cudahy Packing company said that with the present force he could get only 300 hogs examined in a day. In order to keep pace with his export business it would be necessary, he said, to have at least 600 hogs examined each day. Officials of the other packing houses spoke to about the same effect, asserting that the export business was on the increase and that all orders were delayed on account of the inability of the Bureau of Animal Industry to make the examinations fast enough. There is, it is claimed, a big shortage of hogs on the other side of the Atlantic, which accounts in a measure for the large increase in orders. The export trade, it is asserted, is crippled on account of the slow inspection. Those interested seem to think that the department will realize the importance of obtaining more scientists in the microscopical department and that a number of assistant microscopists will be appointed in a short time.

Carpenters at Armour's.

Carpenters were engaged yesterday in placing timbers on the fourth floor of the hog cooler house at Armour's. The west wall of the hog killing house was laid yesterday, and now the immense size of the buildings to be devoted to hogs can be seen. Several hundred men are at work on these two buildings, besides the large number of teams engaged in hauling brick from Omaha. Nothing is being done with the foundations of the beef houses. The contract for these buildings was being laid, but the extremely cold weather put a stop to the work and in consequence nearly half of the working force has been laid off until the weather warms up enough to lay concrete.

Superintendent Simpson went to Memphis, Neb., yesterday to look after the construction of the Armour ice houses at that point. The boarding house and the ice houses are well under way and it is expected that the buildings will be ready for use before long. The Armours have a lake at Memphis which contains 160 acres of land and the water is from three to eight feet in depth. It is the intention to cut about 50,000 tons of ice from this lake this winter.

Arthur Meeker of the dressed beef department of Armour & Co., Chicago, spent yesterday in the city looking over the buildings.

The family of Paymaster C. L. Taylor has arrived from Chicago and will occupy the new residence just erected at 1311 Georgia avenue, Omaha.

Magic City Gossip.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Tripp.

The Drovers' Journal was 26 years old yesterday.

A son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Steusloff.

The Degree of Honor will give a dance at Workmen hall Thursday evening.

H. H. McIntyre is planning for the erection of a brick building at 2612 N street.

E. T. Cunningham of Sac Burlington county was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

The remains of Russell Bailey, who was killed at Armour's last Friday, were buried yesterday afternoon at Laurel Hill cemetery. Relatives of the dead man in Illinois refused to take charge of the body and Rothchild & Gould, the contractors, paid the funeral expenses.

C. H. Davis is assisting Chief Engineer King of the stock yards company temporarily.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Eller left Sunday afternoon for Cheyenne to spend the holidays with friends.

George Reed has brought his family here from Edgemont, S. D., and will reside here in the future.

A case of diphtheria is reported at the home of Hans Mortensen, Twenty-third and Missouri streets.

H. H. Brenner has sold his residence property at Eighteenth and Missouri avenue to F. A. Van Sant.

The Danish Singing society will give a masquerade ball at Blum's hall on the evening of January 1.

Miss Mary Kopsetz, who has been visiting her brother, J. H. Kopsetz, returns to her home at Howells today.

The birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Johnson, Twenty-first and Wyman streets, was reported yesterday.

Harry Dalet has returned to his home in Wisconsin after visiting for a week with his sister, Mrs. L. C. Gibson.

Jerry Mahoney was sentenced to forty days in the county jail yesterday by Judge Chatterton for assaulting Nettie Larson. The couple had some words in a wine room and Mahoney struck the woman in the face several times. A bread and water diet goes with the sentence.

The statements just issued by the South Omaha banks show a very large increase in deposits, as compared with statements issued about the first of the year. At all the banks the deposits have more than doubled within the last ten months. The bankers report business improving all the time.

Mrs. Sarah S. Munro, mother of Rev. George Munro of Millard and Prof. A. A. Munro of this city, died yesterday at her home at Irvington, Neb., aged 76 years. Funeral services will be held at Irvington on Thursday afternoon, Rev. Dr. Robert L. Wheeler of this city officiating. Interment will be at Mount Hope cemetery.

Kidnaps Two Children.

SHEBOYGAN, Wis., Dec. 21.—A mysterious woman in black and wearing a heavy dark veil yesterday afternoon enticed from school George Alfred Preston and Hattie May Preston, brother and sister, aged respectively 11 and 9 years. They were hurried away in a closed carriage, which started in a northerly direction, supposedly for Plymouth, where a train could be taken. The police and sheriff are investigating the case.

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