

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Cooper, Fire Ins., 6 Pearl, tel. 372.
Borns, to Mr. and Mrs. Dowell, a son.
Spencer Grocery Co., 323 Broadway, tel. 314.
Schmidt's has latest photos are the latest.
Mr. and Mrs. N. Larsen are the parents of a baby boy.

CONVERSE BEFORE COURT

Attorney Charged with Unprofessional and Criminal Conduct.

LICENSE TO PRACTICE MAY BE REVOKED

Sensational Case Concerning the Administration of Business Entrusted to Him as Agent is Being Developed.

Charles Converse, an attorney who has been practicing at Oakland and Avoca for many years and occasionally having a case in the district court here, was on trial all day yesterday before Judge Smith. He is charged in three counts with having been guilty of conduct that is not regarded as professional among lawyers, and his fellow attorneys are making an effort to disbar him. The bar is represented by Smith McPherson and the defendant's interests are looked after by Jacob Sims.

before him, he stated that he would, and take his chances.
Justice Burke said that the wording of the law is peculiar, but that he would not feel like taking the same as a "erring bird," think," he added, "that if a man should come here with a plural number of prospective brides, I should ask all but one to go to the devil."

Dinner for Poor Children.

One of the largest gatherings in the city yesterday was at the Union mission, at Fifteenth street and First avenue, where the women of the mission prepared a free dinner for the poor children of the city. It was the desire of the women of the mission that not one child should go to bed hungry last night, and most extraordinary efforts were made to secure the presence of all the needy little ones. The effort met with signal success, for the crowd was so large that the dinner lasted all afternoon and well into the evening. The women who had charge of the work, Mrs. J. N. Miller and Mrs. Eva Carter, spent several weeks in soliciting food. They had plenty of assistance in preparing, and when the tables were spread there was no lack of material for a feast. After the hundreds of little people had been fed there still an abundance of assistance in preparing, and when the tables were spread there was no lack of material for a feast. After the hundreds of little people had been fed there still an abundance of assistance in preparing, and when the tables were spread there was no lack of material for a feast.

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The Barbers' Protective Association of the state of Iowa, whose headquarters is at Davenport, has issued a circular to the barbers in Iowa asking for their co-operation in securing the passage of a law at the coming session of the legislature to regulate the practice of barbering in Iowa. The desired law is based on a law already in operation in Minnesota and several other states. The law, if passed, says the Des Moines Leader, will not only be of great benefit to the barbers, but to that portion of the population which uses their services. Its provisions, all barbers must be competent to pursue their calling. The association desires that all local branches shall enter a motion to resolve on the following, and report the progress to the headquarters at Davenport. It will require several hundred dollars to defray the necessary expenses and local branches are requested to sign by the barbers in Davenport, about fifty in number.

THE WATERLOO BROOM WORKS.

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The Waterloo Broom works have closed down, and the broom corn crop has been secured. It is said to be scarce this year.
Bernhard Gehrens and a partner have struck a rich vein near Dubuque, from which they expect to take a large quantity of lead ore.
S. A. Parker, living near Lovellville, has taken over 1,000 pounds of honey from his hives the last season, and his bees go into winter quarters in good condition.

A Gorgeous Tomb in Cost Quarter of a Million Dollars.

John R. Lowe, who designed and supervised the building of the celebrated Mackay memorial mausoleum in Greenwood cemetery, Brooklyn, N. Y., resides in Indianapolis, although of late his business has been established in Louisville, Ky. Mr. Lowe, son, O. R. Lowe, was associated with his father in making the working drawings, and has been thoroughly posted as to the progress of the work. He has given the Indianapolis Journal an interesting description of what will be one of the most magnificent tombs ever erected for a man in private life. The tomb that will cost those of the old world erected for princes and kings, although less pretentious in size. The tomb has been erected by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Mackay of Chicago, in memory of their son, John W. Mackay, Jr., who died nearly a year ago. The tomb is to be the first to occupy one of the twenty-two catacombs with which the tomb is provided. Estimates as to the cost of the structure are not given, but New York papers have said that it would approximate \$300,000. Work on the memorial began early last summer. Europe has been canvassed by the mother for ideas to beautify the interior. Above a magnificent altar in the interior corridor, which is fitted up like a church, is a replica in marble of a Madonna and Child. The altar is a masterpiece of art, and Mrs. Mackay in an Italian church. About the altar are magnificent bronze candelabra of historical interest. The many art glass vases, among them a superb vase of the eight beauties, were also procured abroad.

Government Guarantees Whisky.

Uncle Sam now guarantees the whisky which is bottled under his supervision. He puts his internal revenue stamp over the cork and capsule of well known brands, which are bottled at the distilleries, thus guaranteeing the proper use and absolute purity of the whisky so stamped. This stamp is about seven inches long and one inch wide. It is white, with a green background in green, the lettering on the stamp being white and red.
But there is still another precaution. The whisky bottles under the new law must be put up in wooden cases, and on one side of each case a duplicate of the government's guarantee of the bottling must be burned into the wood. The law in a severe penalty is provided for using the stamp more than once for counterfeiting stamps.

Henry Babbler, the young son of Motor Conductor J. C. Babbler, lost a finger yesterday afternoon in a feed cutter.

Mrs. C. A. Atkins has been dangerously ill for several weeks, but is slightly better at the present time and on the return road to health.

We want you to feel that your package is very welcome at our place, and every effort will be made to please you at the Eagle Laundry, 743 Broadway.

The funeral of William R. Walton will be held from the residence, 735 Washington avenue, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. The body will be buried in Fairview.

A small butcher shop located on the corner of Sixteenth and Ninth street caught fire last night and was partially destroyed. It belonged to Neils Jensen. The loss was slight.

George F. Wright accompanied George R. Wheeler on his return to Colorado. An important mining deal and recent developments in connection with their mining property made the visit necessary.

All but half a dozen pupils at St. Francis academy went to their homes for the Christmas holidays, and for those who remained the sisters carried a tree with gifts and candy on Christmas morning.

Officer & Pusey yesterday began a suit against A. W. Casaday and wife to recover \$2,000 in damages for the loss of a horse. The suit was filed in the district court.

Harry Ellers, who has been serving a term of ten months imprisonment in the county jail, was released yesterday by order of Judge Woolson. Ellers was convicted at the last term of the federal court upon the charge of passing counterfeit money.

All Saints' Episcopal Sunday school held a Christmas tree at the mission church on Eighteenth street. The tree was donated by St. Paul's church. Superintendent Knight of the Sunday school conducted the exercises and played Santa Claus to perfection.

While attempting to light the kitchen fire with turpentine John Peterson received injuries that obliged him to spend Christmas with numerous relatives in the hospital and face. He has recovered sufficiently to be out, but is obliged to carry his hands in a sling.

A number of coasting accidents were reported yesterday. The most serious befel a boy named Weaver, while coasting on Story street. His sled ran into a team and he received serious injuries, and cut his face. Another who was out with the sled with him was also badly hurt.

John J. Frayne has arranged to give a Shakespearean recital at the Christiane Theater on New York street, on Monday evening. He has almost accomplished the task of committing to memory all of Shakespeare's dramas and tragedies, and his program will be a large and varied one.

Grace Flint, daughter of Professor and Mrs. J. W. Flint, died at their residence, 355 Frank street, last evening at 5 o'clock of diphtheria. She was a bright little girl 14 years of age. Her funeral will be held this afternoon at 2:30. The body will be buried in Fairview cemetery.

Several parties are fitting out expeditions for the Klondike country in this vicinity and expect to start early in the spring as practicable. Among them are John Dodge of this city and John P. Stahr of Minden. Mr. Dodge is going with the intention of prospecting at least two years in the territory and will devote his time principally to prospecting on the American side of the line. He will not attempt to develop his finds unless he strikes some unknown creek where the gold metal is plentiful. His plans are to locate good fields and then return home and make arrangements to go back to the Klondike with the intention of jumping into the way of shoveling out the gold wherever he may find it and get out of the country as soon as he gets his hands.

C. B. Viani Co., female remedy; consultation free. Office, 1012 and 1013 and 2 to 5. Health book furnished. 323-325 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250. Domestic soap wrappers call for coupons.

Meeting of Berthick Club. The Berthick club met last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Treynor. Beethoven and his works formed the subject of the discussion. The following program was rendered:

Theme and variations from violin and piano. Miss L. Beethoven. Essay—Life of Beethoven. Mrs. Montgomery. Gounod's Symphony (op. 57). Miss Beethoven. Analysis, Miss Wright; performance, Miss Beethoven. Creations Hymn. Beethoven. Analysis, Miss Wright; performance, Mr. Adalge and Allegretto from Sonata in C minor. Beethoven. Essay—Beethoven as a Composer. Behrman and Allegro from Fifth Symphony. Beethoven. Adelaide. Beethoven. Sonata in A Flat. Major (opus 26). Beethoven. Analysis, Miss Wright; performance, Miss McCabe.

Beethoven's fancy patient Brouk makes the best—this most bread. Ask your grocer for it.

When you buy 10 cents' worth of goods at Bradley's call for premium tickets.

Dancing Parties Scheduled. The Triple Link club will give a ball at Hande's hall this evening.

On Wednesday night the Cottillon club will give its second formal party. Four figures of the german will be danced by Mr. L. Seeger, leading. Refreshments will be served.

On Friday evening the New Year's assembly occurs. The children's class will meet as usual during the week.

Stop that Head Cold in 10 minutes. It will develop into chronic catarrh. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal powder stops cold in the head in 10 minutes, and relieves most acute and deep seated catarrh after one application. Cures quickly and permanently. It has used Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder with best results. It is a great remedy and I never cease recommending it.—John S. Hall, Pawling, O.—W. W. Sherman & McConnell Drug Co., 1413 Dodge, South & Co., 15th and Douglas.

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Davis always has nice holiday goods.

In the Justice Courts.

William Barnes, charged with stealing eight hogs from Robert Kirkwood of Crescent township, was to have had a preliminary hearing in South Omaha yesterday on the charge of stealing hogs and carrying them to whom it is alleged he sold a hog when the South Omaha officers were confronted by requisition papers in the hands of Constable Grout the prisoner was promptly taken to the Lincoln county jail and secured the requisition from Governor Holcomb yesterday morning. The defendant was taken to the justice court yesterday afternoon and at the request of his attorney, E. B. Corrigan of Blair, Neb., the case was set for hearing January 4 at 1 p. m. The amount of the fine is \$200, which the attorney stated he thought he could secure. He went up last evening the requisite signature had not been furnished. It is alleged that Barnes had an accomplice who has not yet been located. The prisoner must have had some assistance if he stole eight pigs as he has only one arm. Barnes is a young man of about 25 and lives in Blair.

Justice Perrier on Polygamy. Justice Perrier yesterday made the statement that the present code of Iowa could not in his opinion operate against polygamy, if the prospective polygamist would marry one of his wives at one and the same time. He said there is no law in this state prohibiting polygamy and that the law against bigamy defines that word in such a manner that a man could marry a dozen wives at the same time without being interfered with. When asked if he would marry a dozen women to one man if they should appear

Assaulted in a Saloon.

A stranger whose name is given to the police as Montgomery received a terrible beating in the Senate saloon, corner of Broadway and Bryant street, last night. He entered the place and proposed a game of pool for a \$2 bet. Half a dozen men were in the place and his challenge was accepted. He was taken to the first floor and knocked seven of the balls when the crowd realized that they were beaten. Before he could make the last shot, he was assaulted by five men, one of whom struck him on the head with a billiard cue and others assaulted him with their fists. He finally got out of the place and was taken into the office of the police. He was signed an information charging the men with aggravated assault. Mack Goodwin, the owner of the place, and Rye Goodwin, his brother, and Cliff Peterson, a resident upon warrants. Warrants were issued for several others but they could not be found. Several of them were from Omaha, and lost no time in getting out of town. The men arrested gave bonds and will have a hearing on December 30.

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Frank Novak may be unable to secure his bond.

CEGAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 27.—It now looks as if Frank Novak, convicted of the murder of Edward Murray, would not secure the \$10,000 bonds on which he is held pending an appeal to the supreme court. The limit expires at noon tomorrow and at 6 o'clock tonight no bond had been tendered. The court is now making up the following relatives to take the skull of Edward Murray, introduced in evidence in the recent trial, and later with the rest of the remains in the cemetery at Norway.

They Charge Coercion.

SIoux CITY, Dec. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—The Sioux City mayor and P. D. Babcock of Ida Grove, secretary and treasurer of the Grain Shippers' Association of Northwest Iowa, have prepared an article for publication bearing upon the present railway strike by the Chicago and North Western and the railways. They claim that for the last few years producers and shippers of Iowa have been getting the worst of it. The article is being sent to the editor of the Kansas City and Minneapolis. They make a general review of the situation from the standpoint of the farmer and shippers, and severely arraign the Western Freight association and charge extortion and coercion of it and its officers against the shippers.

Encounter with a Mad Elk.

Exciting Adventure of a Preacher in the Mountains.

John Parrott, an old settler from Yamhill county, was visiting in Portland, Ore., the other day and the Oregonian got a good story from him. Mr. Parrott has lived in that county for the past thirty years, and has no disposition to change his location. He is a good story teller, and has been outside world. He has been quite a hunter in his day, and has had many close calls from wild animals. He has been hunting for the adventure of a preacher, which occurred about seven miles from Sverwood. "The story came to me second-hand," said Mr. Parrott, "but I can vouch for its truth. I did not learn the name of the preacher, but I suppose that does not matter. There is an enormous crop of acorns this year near Sverwood and the best of the acorns have been eating on them. The preacher had been out Tuesday and shot a bear, and he was so elated that he decided he would go out again the next day. He started with his rifle and his dog in the morning out in the mountains. He saw no bear, but he found himself suddenly confronted with a monster elk. The big bear was directly in front of him, and within good gunshot. The preacher took careful aim at the head of the elk. The bullet went true to its aim and the elk fell apparently dead in his tracks. The preacher and dog went up to the prostrate animal, which was a monster, and almost as big as an ox. Sverwood is a small town, and the preacher, who was in front, would have downed him had he not been so fatigued. The elk turned on the dog, and in almost a flash was stamping him to death. The fury of the elk was fearful, and he literally cut the dog to pieces. The preacher and dog were both dead, and the elk was still standing there, his body long after life

NOT AMBITIOUS.

An Artist of Considerable Skill Who Wants an Easy Job.

I heard of a good story recently, relates the Buffalo News, of the way two shrewd Buffalo men made \$4,000 on an investment of \$35. The two men are engaged in business and have the reputation among their friends of knowing how to make money. They were walking down Exchange street a few months ago to take a train at the Central station. On the way down Exchange street they observed a painter at work on one of the big faces. He was drawing the picture of a young colored boy in the act of being crushed to death by the application of a certain kind of soap. "That fellow's clever," said one. "You bet he is," remarked the other. "I wonder how much he makes a week at this business?" went on the first. "Let's find out," was the reply. They asked the painter to step down from his ladder and the painter agreed to appear at the men's offices the following morning. He was on hand and they soon had the necessary paints and brushes. He started to work on the picture. The first day he drew twenty-five water colors. The next day he drew thirty-five. He worked for five days and at the end of that time he had drawn 150 water colors on exhibition in his workshop. The sixth day the painter disappeared, after receiving his money. The two business men began dissection of the water colors. A well-known main street business man paid \$600 for one of the pictures, and others sold for \$2 up to \$200. At the end of two weeks they had sold their picture and had \$1,000 in the bank. The result. They looked in vain for their painter, but couldn't locate him until a month afterward. They discovered him in a dime museum, where he was acting as

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