

CURRENT EVENTS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

MINOR MENTION.

Try Moore's stock food. Dr. Roe, dentist, Merriam block. Eggs two, dozen, 25c. Bartel & Miller. Fishes—Platano at Aristo. Sherrard. Kinne, Fire Insurance, Baldwin block. Dr. Brown, dentist, room 301, Merriam blk. C. F. Vevey left yesterday for Guthrie, Ok. F. M. Henley of Exira called in the city yesterday.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council in Committee of Whole Wrestles with Appropriation Ordinance.

STRICT ECONOMY IS THE WATCHWORD.

Necessity of Cutting Expenses to the Bottom Noted in Every Department—No Action is Taken in the Matter. The city council met as a committee of the whole last night and spent some time in the reception and discussion of the new general appropriation ordinance made necessary by the changed condition and methods of doing business under the new law. The city's legislative body first convened as a council and immediately adjourned to reconvene as a committee of the whole. The special appropriation committee made its report and submitted the appropriation ordinance as drawn by the city attorney, Alderman Atkins, as chairman of the committee, et al., that the matter had been given the greatest care and most careful attention. The small amount that would be available for the year made it necessary to inquire upon the closest possible economy in all the departments. The ordinance fixes the salaries and the amounts for each department as follows:

IOWA'S MINERAL PRODUCTS.

Yield of Coal, Stone, Gypsum, Lead, Zinc and Iron is Valuable.

FIGURES OF GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Clay Industries Are of Growing Importance—Coal Mines Are Being Worked Steadily—Chief Stone-Producing Counties of State.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The state geological survey of Iowa has recently undertaken the collection of statistics of production of the various minerals mined in the state. The work has been done by the secretary of the survey, Miss Nellie E. Newman, under the direction of Assistant State Geologist H. F. Bain. The summaries given below are in advance of the official report, which will be issued shortly. Since a few of the producers have not yet made returns, the final values may be slightly different, but it is believed that the figures given here will prove very close approximations. The amount estimated without returns is in each case noted separately. Since the original mailing lists were made up from field notes of various members of the survey corps, personally familiar with the capacity of the individual plants, it is probable that the estimates are quite accurate. In most cases they are based on known returns for previous years. Since this is the first time that complete statistics have been compiled for the calendar year, there is no opportunity for comparison with former years and the notes are given as they are, without previous knowledge and corrections from chief producers. The total values for the chief minerals mined in the state are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Mineral Name and Value. Includes Coal, Stone, Gypsum, Lead, Zinc, and Iron.

LARGE OUTPUT OF COAL.

The great war for coal began in Iowa, the best of the Iowa field has experienced with the possible exception of 1893. The average price was, however, lower than in any year since 1870, with only the usual winter trade. In the spring and summer times went from bad to worse, but with the coming of the Illinois strike orders here in Iowa. The regular fall trade came later and the winter trade was a study of the returns it is evident that there was a large and nominal increase of business during the year. The enlarged trade due to the strike against the Illinois miners were doing more hauling and needed more coal. The early cold weather also stiffened up the demand. The total coal produced may be estimated as follows: 1897, 2,500,000 tons, including an allowance of 12 per cent for the output of certain companies which for various reasons have not yet sent in their reports. The average price for the year was \$4.82 per ton. According to the reports made to the state mine inspector the production of lump coal for the twelve months ended December 31, 1897, was 2,500,000 tons, with a total value of \$4,856,751.52; an average of \$1.94 per ton. This is equivalent to about 4,900,000 tons of all sizes. The increased production was largely due to the opening of new mines, but to working to full time. The capacity of the mines now opened is far ahead of the demand. The average output for the year was 190,000 tons, varied by counties from eighty-eight to 254, a few of the largest mines worked full time. For the year ending December 31, the average price for the different counties for the 91 cents to \$2. The average price of lump coal for the entire state was almost exactly \$1.25. Saturday, February 21, 1898, the price of coal, it varied in the different counties from 91 cents to \$2. The average price of lump coal for the entire state was almost exactly \$1.25.

HIS INJUNCTION WAS NEEDED.

Second Chapter of the Silver Creek Justice of the Peace Charles E. Bradley and J. H. Larson of Silver Creek township are in contempt of the district court and will be brought in today and asked to show cause why they should not be punished. On Saturday the justice served a writ of injunction issued by Judge Thornell restraining him from interfering with the property rights of the Omaha National bank in the farm land in Silver Creek township. The writ was also directed against Larson, who had begun proceedings in the district court to oust the tenant whom the bank had placed in charge of the property. When Attorney Hendricks left the justice's office yesterday afternoon after inducing him to make his "roolin" denying the motion of the attorney to dismiss the case on the plain statute, he had an idea that the justice in court, owing to the absence of any sort of a petition or a scratch on the court docket to show that a case had ever been commenced, he had an idea that the justice would have some trouble in comprehending the force of a restraining order from a higher court. Inquiries yesterday resulted in discovering the fact that the justice had signed and finished up the case, finding the bank's tenant a trespasser, and when he refused to vacate issued a warrant for his arrest. This was a double bit of contempt, as the Omaha National bank attorney at once took steps to call the matter to the attention of Judge Thornell and asked for the issuance of bench warrants for the two men.

Observing the Holiday.

The observance of Washington's birthday in the city schools yesterday was an interesting event to the children and to a large number of doing mothers and relatives, who flocked to the school buildings. The exercises were held in every building in the city. In the high school and some of the upper grades they arose almost to the dignity of commencement day events. In the declarations and original effusions given to the principal were made up of a number of the Maine and each pupil was a red hot little patriot, filled with a burning desire to do something or say something that would result in upholding the country's honor and dignity. In all of the schools lengthy programs were followed, composed of recitations, short speeches and songs. In many respects the most interesting feature of the day was the kindergarten rooms, where the little people spent the day in making things commemorative of Washington and his great reputation as a truthful and honest statesman. The exercises were constructed of all the available material on hand. The drawings and paper cuttings were greatly admired by the visitors.

Death of Roscoe Loper.

A telegram was received here Sunday evening announcing the death in San Antonio, Tex., of Roscoe Loper, who went to that country last fall with the hope of improving his health. News reached this city on last Tuesday of a serious turn in his case and his death. He was a son of the late George Loper and had many friends in this city. Both his parents died when he was a child and he has since lived with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Mosley. He has two sisters, Mrs. W. Dennis and Miss Emma Loper, reside here.

BOIES REPLIES TO CRITICS.

Iowa's Ex-Governor Stands Up for His Financial Ideas.

DEFENDS HIS PROPOSED CURRENCY PLAN.

Maintains that Either on a Rising or Falling Market for Silver the Certificates Would Entail No Loss on Anyone. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 21.—Ex-Governor Boies has sent the following letter to the Leader, replying to the criticisms of the currency plan advocated in his recent speech at Fairfield: Many of my critics think they see a yawning abyss in the plan for currency reform. They are wrong. The plan is a plan for the treasury of the nation would be in constant danger of dropping if the plan was adopted. Let me see if I can quiet that fear. Suppose the plan being in force A brings to the treasury today one hundred ounces of silver worth in the world's markets 50 cents. The treasurer would receive for it 50 cents in certificates that would, after the plan is in force, be full legal tender and the treasury would receive his silver. One year later he or someone else brings these certificates back to the treasury for redemption. The treasurer would receive for them fifty ounces of silver. The treasury would own his certificates. With these or some other 50 cents the treasurer would purchase in the open market fifty ounces of silver, and cover it into the treasury. What is the result? The treasury has gained not a farthing. Multiply similar transactions to any extent. The result is always the same: individuals lose nothing. No pit there. The treasurer would receive for the certificates for redemption fifty ounces of silver to 50 cents an ounce. He receives 200 ounces of silver for 200 ounces of silver. He has not a farthing of value. But suppose silver is cornered in the market. What then? Simply redeem with gold and buy gold instead of silver for the treasury. The chief line burning counties, arranged in order, are Jackson, \$18,560; Cedar, \$32,620; and Dubuque, \$19,500. All three furnish a magnificent time of excellent quality which is fast obtaining a hold on the western market. Cedar county has the distinction of possessing the largest single quarry in the world. The quarry is owned by E. J. C. Bealer. In general, the best conditions in stone were not greatly different from those of 1896. The small quarries report larger sales and a greater increase in the amount of stone taken out for building purposes. The lime trade was practically a failure. The amount of rock used for concrete and road uses.

LEGISLATURE DOES NO BUSINESS.

Simply a Few Bills Introduced in the Senate.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The legislature held no session today, each house simply meeting in the morning without a quorum and adjourning till Wednesday. Most of the members have gone home. In the senate Loomis presented a bill to provide that counties shall pay no expenses of defending indigent criminals; the court shall appoint an attorney to conduct the defense free. McArthur of Burlington presented a bill to allow each of the fourteen state oil inspectors to appoint a deputy without expense to the state. Lewis introduced a resolution for an investigation of the expenses of doing night work in the office of the state printer, and binder with the view of granting further compensation for that class.

Governor Shaw today issued a proclamation calling for aid for the starving people of Cuba. He names a commission to care for the following as follows: W. Twombly, Captain M. T. Russell, J. D. McCarragh, George S. Perry of Dubuque, James Watt and Milo Ward. All are Des Moines men. The commission will be organized in all parts of the state and issue an appeal for contributions of grain, money, etc.

The first observance of Washington's birthday as a holiday in Iowa, under the new law, will be held tomorrow. All state, city and county offices will close. The celebration will be held in the afternoon and in the evening the Grand club, the largest republican club in the state, will hold a celebration and A. B. Cunningham will deliver an address. It is reported that the grand jury in session is contemplating returning indictments against Mayor John MacVicar and Chief of Police Fred Johnson for conspiracy in the operation of gambling houses and houses of ill-fame. Ames Brandt, foreman of the jury, is one of the managers of the anti-MacVicar campaign.

FORT DODGE PARISH DIVISION.

Orders of Archbishop Hennessy Will Stand for All Time.

PORT DODGE, Ia., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The Corpus Christi parish division case is officially at an end. The case has attracted considerable attention, and the highest authority in the Catholic hierarchy was involved in it. Archbishop Hennessy of Dubuque, ordered the division of the parish, an act which was not in accordance with the usual custom, without consulting the congregational here. They rebelled vigorously and much bad feeling arose. From the ranks of the wealthiest producers of revenues in the Catholic hierarchy one of the poorest, the archbishop went ahead and built another church in the new parish, but the congregation would not attend it. The case was referred to an appeal, and the archbishop refused to recognize the authority of the papal delegate, or that an appeal has been taken to Rome. The archbishop's authority to make such division, when in his judgment the interests of the church will be fully recognized.

Cattle Thief Arrested.

SIoux CITY, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Pete Carberry, the second man wanted at Deadwood, S. D., for stealing two carloads of cattle and shipping them to Sioux City, has been arrested by the authorities at Stuart, Neb., and Sheriff Plunkett of Lawrence county, South Dakota, will take him to Deadwood.

Shrivelly Contest Settled.

SIoux CITY, Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The Woodbury county shrivelly contest was this morning dismissed by J. W. Gamble, of the contesting attorneys, W. C. Davenport, the republican incumbent.

Reputables Boles.

DUBUQUE, Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The Dubuque Telegraph, a free silver organ, repudiates the suggestion of Horace Boles for congress. It says the candidate must favor 15 to 1 and every other sentiment in the Chicago platform, and Boles has changed front so often that he could not be trusted even if he would accept a nomination on this platform.

Verdict for Defendant.

EDDARD RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The jury today in the libel suit of Emerson K. Butting vs. A. Sherman returned the Saturday Record for \$10,000 damages and the Saturday Record for \$10,000 damages returned into court this afternoon at 5 o'clock with a verdict for the defendant, each assessing the costs to plaintiff.

Draws a Life Sentence.

CLINTON, Ia., Feb. 21.—Theodore Berloch was today sentenced to hard labor for life for the murder of his wife's first husband. Mrs. Berloch has already been sent to the penitentiary under a similar sentence.

There are three little things which are more than any other three little things created—They are the ant, the bee and the DeWitt's Little Early Riser, the last being the famous pills for stomach and liver troubles.

Dry Goods Firm Assigns.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—The office of a work company, dry goods merchants at 732-313 Halsted street, assigned today to Isaac Lebowitz. Assets, \$100,000; liabilities, \$125,000. The best of the collection was made a personal assignment to the same assignee. His liabilities were placed at \$125,000 with no assets. Liquidation following the burning of the firm's store four or five years ago and the recent period of business depression are said to have caused the failure.

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