

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Hamilton's shoe store, 412 Broad st. Davis sells glass. Stockert Carpet Co., 205-207 B.W. Moore's food kills worms and fatness.

SOME PREMIUMS FOR APPLES

Southwestern Iowa Horticultural Society Offers Cash to Growers.

FEATURE OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION

Inducements to Exhibitors to Make a Fine Display of Their Products—Terms of the Competition Are Simple Enough.

What is expected to be a most interesting feature of the annual meeting of the Southwestern Iowa Horticultural society to be held in this city next week will be the display of fruit and vegetables. As an inducement to exhibitors the society offers a number of premiums for displays to be made at the meeting, the competition being open to the world. The premiums offered are as follows: County display of fruit, \$15, \$10 and \$5; individual display of fruit, \$10, \$5 and \$3; best plate five seedlings, \$5, \$3 and \$1; best collection of vegetables, \$5 and \$3; best display of canned fruit, \$5, \$3 and \$2; best plate, five each, of the following apples: Ben Davis, Benoni, Fameuse, Fall Winesap, Golden, Gano, Janet, Jonathan, Lowell, Oldenburg, Red June, Roman Stem, Winesap, Maiden Blush, Wealthy, York Imperial, M. B. Twig, Missouri Pippin, Uter, Sheriff, 50 cents and 25 cents.

In county collections fruit must be grown in the twenty exhibiting and there must be not less than twenty-five varieties, in a good state of preservation and correctly named.

In individual collections there must be at least fifteen varieties in a good state of preservation and correctly named. The fruit must be grown by the exhibitor and if required retained until the close of the exhibition. Canned goods must be put up in glass and not less than pints. Jams and jellies must be put up in not less than half pints.

Persons desiring to enter same variety in different classes must have duplicate entries, as the same fruit cannot compete in different classes and there must be no duplicate entries. Exhibitors will be required to properly label varieties and file with the secretary a full list of varieties in each exhibit. In all displays exhibitors are required to enter all names in one list. In case of ties between entries in the classes are small and unworthy of premiums offered the society or the judges may award a smaller amount of money or refuse to award the premiums, as they may deem best.

Lowest rates, best meals, best equipped dining car; hot meals at noon, chicken pie at night, on Unity Guild excursion next Thursday and Friday, Odd Fellows hall, dining cleared for informal dance the last evening.

Domestic soap outsells all others.

Remember the exhibition by getting some copies of Snap Shots at the Council Bluffs office of The Bee. Ten cents each.

Dressed pates, 4 1/2c and 5c per pound; boiling beef, 3c and 5c per pound; frank sausk, 10c per pound; sausage, 10c per quart; Kelly's Blue Front Meat Market, 134 Broadway.

Wanted—All accounts past due settled this month. Respectfully, Geo. S. Davis.

CONSPIRACY IN HOG-THIEVING CASE.

Peculiar Coincidence of the Brooks and Lewis Families.

That no one is willing to go his ball and that until his case is disposed of he is compelled to languish in the county jail, Charles Brooks, arrested Friday evening on the charge of conspiring with John Lewis to kill and carry away hogs from Nelson Lewis premises, thinks is a pretty tough problem. Brooks in the man who informed Sheriff Morgan of the contemplated raid and he claims that it was on his instructions that he went into the deal which led to Lewis' arrest. The information of the raid, Brooks was arrested was filed by Mrs. Jennie Lewis, wife of the Lewis who stands indicted and whose trial in the district court is set for tomorrow.

It is claimed by Mrs. Lewis that if her husband is guilty of conspiracy there must be some other person who has conspired with whom he conspired, as it requires two or more persons to form a conspiracy, and that if Brooks was the other party in the conspiracy he is equally guilty with Lewis, even though he acted as a stool pigeon to effect the capture of Lewis. The indictment returned against Lewis charges him with conspiracy with another party "unknown to the grand jury." The return of the indictment in this form is somewhat peculiar, when it is taken into consideration that Nelson Lewis, the man whose hog pen was raided, was himself a member of the grand jury and the night of the raid he himself captured Brooks while Sheriff Morgan and his deputies effected the arrest of Lewis. No charge was made against Brooks by Nelson Lewis and he was promptly released by Sheriff Morgan, after being brought to case while Lewis was locked up.

Brooks makes no denial of the fact that he was with John Lewis the night of the raid on Nelson Lewis' hog pens and this is admitted by the sheriffs. Brooks' story is that prior to the raid he had been approached by Lewis and asked into the deal, but had refused. He informed Sheriff Morgan of his refusal and approval, when Lewis again asked him to join in the hog-thieving expedition, consented and fixed the night of November 10 for the raid.

There are some strange coincidences in the case. In the first place, both the men indicted in the man whose hog pen was raided bear the name of Lewis, but are not related. In the second place, on the night of the raid Charles Brooks and John Lewis drove out to Nelson Lewis' place in Lewis township in a wagon loaded with them by William Brooks who is not any relation to Charles Brooks.

Sheriff Morgan and his deputies claim that John Lewis is an all-around bad man and that they have been laying for him for some time past, but had not been able to catch him in the act of stealing until, the night he fell into the trap at Nelson Lewis' place. They say John Lewis was run out of Woodbury county for similar thieving practices. Much speculation is indulged in as to what bearing the arrest of Brooks will have on the trial of Lewis and Adams on the charge of conspiracy.

With prices to suit all, we can show the finest stock of pianos ever shown in Council Bluffs or Omaha. A piano for a Christmas present will fill the heart of any one with good cheer. Mueller Piano & Organ Company.

1,000 statements, \$2. DeLong, the printer.

Snap Shots at \$2 on 10 cents each at the Council Bluffs office of The Bee.

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Entertaining President Donnelly.

A Samuel B. Donnelly of New York, president of the International Typographical union, was in the city yesterday and in the afternoon was the guest of Bluff City Typographical union No. 203, the members of which turned out in a large number to greet him. An informal reception was tendered President Donnelly in the patrol room at police headquarters, where a box of cigars bearing the union label were passed around and a couple of hours spent in social intercourse. In addition to the printers several local newspaper men were present and made the acquaintance of Mr. Donnelly. Mr. Donnelly came here from Lincoln and left last evening for Kansas City, where he goes to attend the meeting of the National Federation of Labor Unions which opens there today. While here he was the guest of his cousin, Nelson Little.

There is something going on at Mueller's music store. He is preparing to cater to the \$40 music box on January 1, 1899, and with over purchase of 50 cents, except piano or organ, a copy of sheet music goes free, with a prospect of getting the music box in the bargain.

Davis sells drugs.

Parties getting up oyster suppers should remember that Sullivan is prepared to cater to their wants and can fill orders on short notice.

Take the Unity Guild route and eat meals in their dining car, all for 25 cents.

Buy Domestic and get tablecloths.

Fits Convicted of Murder.

GUTHRIE CENTER, Ia., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Isaac Fitz, who has been on trial here for several days on the charge of murdering his brother-in-law, James McClelland, was yesterday found guilty of murder in the second degree. Sentence will be pronounced next week. Fitz is said to be well to do and has a fine farm. He will be no appeal taken. Fitz lives about four miles west of Yale, this county, and McClelland lived about four miles south of Fitz. On the morning of the murder Fitz was assisted by McClelland and a neighbor to load a large hog into a wagon. The neighbors went home after the hog had been loaded. There had been a family feud existing between the brothers-in-law for some time. Fitz is a man of very ordinary intelligence. McClelland was a man of fault-finding and a picking turn of mind. It is said by Fitz and presumed by the neighbors that McClelland said naughtily words about Fitz's family and about a fence that was in dispute and Fitz ordered McClelland off of his premises. McClelland refused to leave. Fitz then went from the barn to the house, several rods away, got his shotgun and returned. When about two rods of McClelland he shot and McClelland fell dead from his horse. Fitz drove to Yale, sold his horse, returned home in about two hours, loaded the body of McClelland in his wagon, hitched McClelland's horse to the rear of his wagon and took the body home. Mrs. McClelland, seeing her brother with her husband's horse, asked where he was. Fitz said he got him this time and he was in the wagon. The only defense offered was a weak mind and his own rights on his own premises, as he thought they were.

Votes Aid to a Railroad.

MASON CITY, Ia., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Lincoln township has voted a tax for the proposed Iowa, Minnesota & Northwestern railroad. This new line is to run from Blue Earth, Minn., with a southern terminus at Mason City, Minn., and will pass through Lake Mills, Fertile, Mason City and Coldwater. Between Mason City and Blue Earth every township has voted aid and considerable grading has been done. Sixty miles of the road are to be completed by July next.

Central Surveyors Active.

ROCKWELL CITY, Ia., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—The surveyors for the Fort Dodge & Omaha line of Brooks have met there again with the second survey, which passes through the south side of town and strikes several valuable residence properties. It is

thought another survey will be run through the north side of town before the road is definitely located.

ADAMS OFFERS FAMILY DEFENSE.

Testimony in Murder Trial Taken and Verdict Expected Soon.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—The taking of testimony has been completed in the trial of W. H. Adams for the murder of Charles Russell, and Monday the attorneys will make their addresses to the jury. The evidence introduced by the defense has not been strong. His main witnesses have been himself and several of his near relatives. They have been unable to throw discredit upon the sensational confession of James Ogg, who bought the poison for Adams. On the other hand, Ogg's story has been corroborated by other circumstances and his reputation for veracity has been attested by many of the best residents of the community.

Prospect of More Railroad Building.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Frank T. Campbell, ex-railroad commissioner and auditor of the Iowa, Minnesota & Gulf railroad, was in the city last evening. He says that the road will be pushed to completion as fast as possible. They have the right of way point to far beyond Corning, but the route north from there has not yet been exactly decided upon. The road may be run a little farther west and miss Corning a few miles and strike the coal beds at Carbon. It is not entirely improbable that the road should strike the coal beds and come to Atlantic and then run up the Troublesome bottom to Guthrie Center. Mr. Campbell says there is no doubt but that the road will be built through from St. Paul to the gulf, a through north and south line. He says also that they are meeting with great encouragement from the people along the line, who are basing great hopes on the north and south road of the future. A through north and south line, such as this promises to be, would be of great benefit to the city if we are ever to have any manufacturing industries of any kind.

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Ready Market for Horses.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—There seems to be a good market for Black

Hills horse flesh in the southern states. J. D. Hale, a well known cattle and horseman, has returned from the south, where he went with two carloads of horses for the market. There was a ready sale for all of the animals having the necessary requirements, speed and strength. Mr. Hale brought back 200 head of cattle, which he fed this winter at his Tiltott ranch.

A LEO POISONER OF HUSBANDS

Mrs. Lulu Johnson, who has been married to six men, to be tried for Murder of Two of Them.

PERRY, Okl., Dec. 11.—Mrs. Lulu Johnson, 50 years old, has been indicted by the grand jury charged with the murder of her last two husbands, Shirley and J. W. Johnson. She has had six or seven husbands altogether and has been a widow as many times. The body of Johnson was taken up recently and arsenic was found in the stomach and liver by Prof. Edward Hartow, chemist from the University of Kansas.

Her next previous husband, Shirley, with whom she lived near Caldwell, Kan., died four years ago. Prof. Hartow has now died Shirley's liver well preserved by the arsenic in it.

Johnson was strong and healthy, but soon after his marriage he began to have attacks of nausea and headache and finally succumbed after an illness of thirty hours. No doctor was called and Mrs. Johnson and her little boy were the only persons present at the death. Sometime after the funeral there was much gossip among the neighbors that the body was taken up and examined.

Mrs. Johnson's husbands were: Leonard, Davis, Humphreys, Parks, Shirley and Johnson. Her trial was set for Friday.

FIRE RECORD.

Farm House and Contents. TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—W. W. Campbell, a farmer, residing near town, lost his home by fire yesterday. The house, with contents, was burned to the ground, the fire originating in a defective stove. The house was the property of the Tierney estate and was worth \$1,000. Mr. Campbell's loss on household effects was \$400. No insurance on either house or furnishings.

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