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Trees and Tree Ornaments, Choice Holly, Wreathing, Palms and Ferns

Elegant line of Jardinières and Fern Dishes, Allegretti's, Lowrey's and Woodward's Celebrated Candies. Our ANGEL FOOD TAFFY, CARAMELS and other candies OUR OWN MAKE are the FINEST IN THE CITY.

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Reliable Bluff City Laundry

34 N. Main St. Phone 314



Bring in Your Tickets OUR CHRISTMAS STOCK IS WAITING FOR YOU.

A FEW OF OUR TICKETS WILL SAVE DOLLARS IN BUYING CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

We have not forgotten the little ones. Note the splendid inducements GIVEN FREE to all purchasers of one can of Grand Union Baking Powder.

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Try Our Excellent Home-Made Christmas Mince Pies.

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Give us a call—we will treat you right.

A sweet delivery

Send a woman candy and you'll please her nine times out of ten. Get it here and you'll please her every time. Search the world over and you'll not find anything daintier, more delicious or pleasing than good home made candy. Our Angel Food Taffy, Caramels and Creams are always the best.

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Our Display of Holiday Goods for this Year Exceeds all Others.

Fancy Rockers, China Closets, Music Cabinets, Book Cases, Ladies' Desks, Couches, etc., etc.

Open Evenings.

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We have them in Foot-Stool, Lace-Curtains, Portieres, Carpet-Sweepers, Fur Rugs and Rugs of all descriptions. A beautiful line of Table Covers.

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A big supply of Christmas Poultry, Oysters,

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TO COOK YOUR CHRISTMAS TURKEY,

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All orders for hard coal promptly filled. Premium stamps given.

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COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MORE BIDS FOR LIGHTING

Several of Them Have Been Received by the City Clerk.

CITY COUNCIL FAILS TO HOLD MEETING

Quorum Does Not Appear and the Mayor Declares an Adjournment Till Monday Night—Other Matters to Come Up.

The adjourned meeting of the city council stated for last night, at which it was intended to open the bids for lighting the city, failed for want of a quorum.

The time for receiving bids expired at noon yesterday, when City Clerk Phillips announced he had received bids from the following: Council Bluffs Gas and Electric company, J. P. Greenhalghs of Council Bluffs, Ervin Dwyer and J. P. Miller & Co. of Chicago. The last named bid was received by mail and was not delivered at the office of the city clerk until a few minutes after noon.

Among the matters that were to have come up at the meeting last night were the ordinance granting the Lake Manawa and Manhattan Beach Railway company the right to cross certain streets, avenues and alleys and the ordinance giving the Omaha Bridge and Terminal Railway company the right to build a switch track connecting with the Illinois Central railway.

The question of the authority of the city council to grant the Lake Manawa and Manhattan Beach Railway company a franchise had been submitted to City Solicitor Wadsworth for his opinion, which he had prepared to submit last night.

As to the matter of submission of the question to me of the right of the city council to grant or prohibit the use and occupancy of the streets, avenues and alleys within the city limits to railroads and street railroads, I beg to advise you as follows: First, That section 767 of the Code of 1897 gives to cities the power to authorize or forbid the construction of street railroads within the city limits and to define the motive power by which the cars thereon shall be propelled, and to authorize or forbid the location, laying down of tracks of railroads and street railroads on all streets.

FARM LOANS

Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Cassidy, Jr., 126 Main St., Council Bluffs.

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alleys and public places and provides that no railway tracks can thus be located and laid down until after the injury to property abutting on the street, alley or public place upon which said railway is proposed to be located and laid down has been ascertained and compensated for in the manner provided with reference to the taking of private property for works of internal improvement.

This section gives the council complete and absolute authority over locating and laying down of street railway or railroad tracks over streets, avenues, alleys and public places within the city, except as provided in Sections 775 and 776, which are as follows: Section 775: Regulations as to Electric Wires and Towns shall have the power to authorize and regulate telegraph, district telegraph, telephone, street railway and other electric wires, and the poles and other supports thereof, by general and uniform regulation, and to provide the manner in which such wires shall be laid on streets, roads, avenues, alleys and public places within the city, and may divide the city into districts for that purpose.

Section 776: Granting Franchise: Question Submitted—No franchise shall be granted, renewed or extended by any city or town for the use of its streets, highways, avenues, alleys or public places for any purpose named in the preceding section, unless a majority of the legal electors voting thereon vote in favor of the same at a general or special election. (The remainder of the section defines the manner in which such election shall be held.) It will be noticed that the power and authority of the city council by section 775 is granted to regulate telegraph, district telegraph, telephone, street railway and other electric wires and the placing of poles and other supports thereof, and to divide the city into districts for that purpose.

A literal construction of the statute would certainly lead to the conclusion and since section 776 is restrictive of the powers granted under the general provisions under section 775 a literal construction of the restriction is justified and the council would not be obliged to submit the question of granting an ordinance to a railroad company or a street railway company unless electricity is contemplated to be used as a motive power in the operation of the railroad or street railway after the same is constructed under the ordinance.

Sullivan, the grocer, is better prepared for furnishing the people of Council Bluffs with oysters than ever. He has a large shipment of the favorite brand, the Solid Packed, and can fill all orders for the holidays on short notice. Leave orders at the store, 243 Broadway, or telephone 161.

For Sale—A fine horse, 1,300 pounds, 7 years old, sound. Bouriclus Music house, 335 Broadway, telephone 466, where the organ stands upon the building.

While looking for beautiful Christmas presents go to C. B. Jacquemin & Co.'s jewelry store and get premium stamps.

Headquarters for Old Santa Claus at Peterson & Schoening's.

Self-basting turkey roasters at J. Zoller & Co., Telephone, 220.

Miss Wilkinsons Still Missing. Mabel Wilkinsons, the young woman who escaped from St. Bernard's hospital, is still missing. The police worked on the case all yesterday, but could secure no trace of the young woman. Two men who have told several different stories regarding the matter are suspected of assisting the girl to escape or of concealing her. When the young woman left the hospital she was without a

cloak or hat. She is partially crippled by hip disease, but is otherwise prepossessing and rather handsome. As far as can be learned the girl is a kleptomaniac, but was otherwise in full possession of her faculties. It is possible that some sensational developments may be looked for in connection with the girl's escape.

General House Furnishers. We want to make a clean sweep of our immense line of holiday goods and if you want to select a nice and useful present be sure and visit our store. We sell you a fine book-case that will cost you \$20 elsewhere for \$12. Rockers that cost in other stores \$10, we sell for \$6. A \$20 couch for \$12; \$15 couch for \$7. China closets that other stores ask \$30 and \$25 for, we sell at \$20 and \$18. Sideboards which other stores have marked for \$40, we ask \$28. A \$25 sideboard in other places we sell for \$25. Lamps which sell in all other stores at \$5, go at our store at \$2.50. \$10 center tables for \$6. An \$8 center table for \$5. Ladies' desks that sell as high as \$10, we sell for \$6.75. One hundred-piece dinner sets, prices in other stores from \$8 to \$10, we sell at \$6.75. We have a large line of fancy upholstered rockers which will close out at close figures. IOWA FURNITURE AND CARPET CO., 407 Broadway. Keller & Band, proprietors.

Our Christmas Poultry. We have a big line of poultry for Christmas. Our poultry is purchased alive and are dressed at our market so that they are fresh. Our fine meats are selected especially for the holiday trade. Leave your orders with us. Satisfaction guaranteed. J. Zoller & Co., 100 Broadway. Telephone, 320.

The first dancing party of Council Bluffs camp, Modern Woodmen, next Wednesday evening, at Woodmen of the World hall. All Woodmen and friends are invited. Admission, 25 cents per couple. Whaley's orchestra.

Before selecting your presents look over the mammoth stock of holiday goods at Peterson & Schoening's.

Modern Woodman dance, Hughes' hall, Monday evening, December 18.

DOINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT.

Second Trial of W. P. Cowan, Young Omaha Attorney, Opens.

The second trial of W. P. Cowan, the young Omaha attorney charged with subornation of perjury in connection with the chicken stealing case of John Lawrence and R. B. Tracy last February, was commenced in the district court yesterday before Judge Green. The work of impaneling a jury and reading the transcript of Witness Johnson's testimony given at the trial of John Lawrence occupied the greater part of the day and but one witness for the state was examined.

Walter Williams, whose turkey coop suffered at the hands of Lawrence and Tracy, testified as to the robbery on the night of January 31 last. This witness, Johnson admitted after the trial, had testified falsely and alleged he had done so at the instigation of Cowan, who was attorney for Lawrence and Tracy. At the former trial of Cowan the jury disagreed.

Elmer F. Tawser commenced suit against W. H. McClelland to recover \$100 damages for alleged trespass on his cornfield by the defendant's hogs.

Lucy E. McPherson has filed a petition for divorce from Henry D. McPherson, whom she married in this city April, 1894. She alleges desertion.

The jury in the case of the Duncan Shoe company against the Iowa Merchants' Mutual Insurance company brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$595.10, being the amount sued for and interest. The papers in the suit in which Lucius Wells seeks to recover from James A. Patton, formerly cashier of the First National

bank of this city, \$1,000 for his services in assisting in the reorganization of the Council Bluffs Gas and Electric Light company and disposing of the stock which the bank held were filed in the superior court yesterday.

Just received two more carloads of furniture, which will be placed on display at Peterson & Schoening's for the holiday trade.

A few shares of unusually attractive mining stock for sale. Mines developed, small capitalization. Gold ore in sight of greater value than entire capitalization. Liberal returns assured. Investigation invited. L. W. Tully, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Go to M. Marcus, 548 Broadway, for clothing or men's furnishings and get premium stamps.

A fancy line of couches at Peterson & Schoening's, Merriam block.

SOCIETY IN COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Devotees of the Social God Complain of a Very Dull Week.

"Oh, this has been an abominably dull week in a social way," said one of the men put it, as he stroked his moustache and looked bored. "Nothing doing, you know. Girls all resting up for Christmas, I suppose." It goes without saying that he is a bachelor. For the enlightenment of those who think the girls are resting let it be proclaimed that they are doing almost anything else. From whence come the innumerable dainty trifles, think you, that find their way through the mails at Christmas time? Be it known that these things are created by the accused, and in many cases also it requires the burning of midnight oil. But while fingers are flying minds are busy planning gaieties that promise to more than make up for the present dearth of amusement.

From the number of invitations already issued Christmas week promises to be an unusually gay one.

A quiet but very pretty home wedding occurred Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Prescay, L. Reed, when their daughter, Miss Mona Reed, and Mr. Robert C. Perego were married. Rev. J. W. Wilson officiated. Miss Maud McDonald rendered the wedding march from "Lochgrain" for the entrance of the bride party and played softly during the service the chorus of "Because." The bridal party was preceded by little Mona Wentz, gowned in white and carrying on a white satin cushion the wedding ring. The bride wore a handsome traveling gown of castor-colored Venetian cloth and she carried bride-roses. At the conclusion of the ceremony a repast was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. Perego left for a short trip through the east. The rooms were artistically decorated. The front parlor was a bower of palms, bridesmaid roses and white chrysanthemums. The bridal party stood in the bay window against a screen of palms and under a star of smilax, from the center of which depended a bunch of white chrysanthemums. The portieres between the rooms, the chandeliers and pictures were wreathed in smilax. In the back parlor mantle and piano were banked with palms and pink carnations. In the dining room crimson and green were tastefully combined. The centerpiece on the table was a basket overflowing with meteor roses. Strands of smilax ran from the center to the corners and around the edge of the table in festoons. On the sideboard and mantel carnations and ferns were used. Assisting here were Mrs. Pugh and Mrs. Wentz. Many beautiful gifts were received. Mr. Louis Metzger presented the bride and groom with an elegant wedding cake. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick and daughter Olive of St. Joseph and Mrs. Wentz of Oakland.

Mr. Charles J. Wilson and Miss Mary E. Quinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Quinn, were married Monday morning at 8 o'clock at St. Francis Xavier's church, Rev. Father Smythe officiating. The wedding march for the entrance of the wedding party

was played by Miss Judge. The bride wore an elegant gown of tan-colored cloth, with hat to match. She was attended by Miss Minnie Carey of Omaha. Mr. Thomas Wilson, brother of the groom, acted as best man. After the ceremony an elaborate wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents on Eighth avenue. The table was prettily decorated in cut flowers and smilax. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left the same day for Lincoln, Neb., their future home. The bride's bouquet was caught by Miss Lizzie O'Brien. The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Rogers of Inogen, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Miss Agnes Wilson, the Misses Goff, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carey, the Misses Theresa and Minnie Carey, Mr. James Carey, Mr. John Carey, Mr. Thomas Malone and Mr. Freeman Jackson of Omaha.

The second of the series of three dances to be given this season by the Boat club occurred Thursday evening at the Royal Arcanum hall. Owing to a change in the date set for the dance, the attendance was rather small, but every one had a thoroughly good time. An unblushing wall flower of unique specie was in evidence and the girls were simply overwhelmed with attentions. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames W. F. Sapp, E. P. Wright, W. L. Douglas, J. E. Casady, W. E. Shepard and Bert Pulker of Janesville, Wis.; the Misses Bennett, Shoemgen, Key, Paragworth, Price of Chicago; Messrs. H. Z. Haas, F. D. Emplie, D. V. Beno, J. L. Paxton of Omaha. G. S. Wright, E. L. Emplie, F. R. Hoagland, E. K. Patterson, R. V. Bixby, C. R. Crockwell, G. W. Mayo and J. J. Hess. The Boat club will entertain again on Wednesday, 23.

Miss Beulah Plunket entertained her little friends on Tuesday in honor of her tenth birthday at her home on Harmony street. Many pretty presents were received by the little maid. Refreshments were served.

The guests were: Ina Wilcox, Jayne Bonham, Beulah Mooman, Jennie Ward, Anna Bean, Lucy Spooner, Edna Orcutt, May Geise, Arlene Plunket, Rachel Maynard, Hazel Adams, Agnes Forsythe, Lucille and Corinne Rinker, Maud and Mabel Upton, Martin Beardsley, Ray Brownell, Lecture Morgan, Willie Bean, Earl McMahon, Paul Deurly, Reuben Reed, Ray Clark and Thurman Curry.

Little Carolyn Pace entertained charmingly Wednesday in honor of her cousins, Ruth and Richard Huntington, who left yesterday for New York.

Miss Viola Ward was given a pleasant surprise Wednesday by about twenty of the high school pupils at her home on Washington avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Mikesell were tendered a surprise Wednesday at their home on Third avenue. The occasion was the twenty-eighth birthday of Mr. Mikesell. The evening was pleasantly spent at cards and music. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan entertained informally at cards Wednesday evening. Miss McDill entertained, Friday evening, the L. E. B. Basket Ball club at the Iowa School for the Deaf. The evening was spent at music. Light refreshments were served.

Miss Edna Wilkins of Washington avenue entertained very delightfully Wednesday evening. Music, dancing and games occupied the evening. The guests numbered about fifteen.

The Ladies of the Maccabees gave an enjoyable social at the home of Mrs. Sutherland, on Eighth avenue Thursday evening.

The Owl club will give a musical and dance Tuesday evening at the club rooms in the Brown block.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Atkins entertained at a o'clock dinner, Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robert and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Robert, Robert.

The sixth annual ball of Council Bluffs Tent No. 32, Knights of the Maccabees, was

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Ladies!

Those shoes that we have been expecting for the past month are now in.

We have them in all sizes.

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If you want any

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done—it will pay you to call on us. We have a large line of fancy oval frames in beautiful designs.

In mouldings we have the newest patterns, and can assure you of skilled workmanship.

The effect of your picture depends largely on its frame. Don't fail to see our stock.

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OF MOORE'S STOCK FOOD, Then buy 150 pounds of any other stock food and 1,000 pounds of oil cake or meal, divide your stock and make a scale test, and you will find the ones fed on MOORE'S superior to others, or the food will COST YOU NOTHING. George McCord, of Logan, Ia., ordered 2,000 pounds Moore's Food. McCord has been feeding Moore's Foods for three years.

1,000 Oil Cake.....\$12 50
100 Pounds Moore's..... 8 00
Difference..... 4 50

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