REAL ESTATE MEN PROTEST

Would Have City and School Tax Levy Materially Reduced.

HOLD A WARM SESSION ON SUBJECT

Memorial to the Legislature Adopted Requesting Change in Existing Laws Affecting Transfer and Holding of Land.

There was a warm session of the Omaha Real Estate exchange yesterday, the tax levy decided upon by the city council Tuesday furnishing the fuel. The meeting was scarcely called to order before J. N. Robbins and G. S. Benawa introduced a resolution as follows:

Resolved, by the Omaha Real Estate exchange, That the proposed levy of 31 mills for city and school purposes is a menace to the real estate and commercial interests of Omaha, and in our opinion much higher than is necessary; that such a levy would have a disastrous effect upon the investment of capital in our city, and we hereby request the mayor and city council, in the interests of Omaha, to reconsider their action and fix the levy at a lower figure, and that a committee of ten be appointed by the chairman, of which he shall be one, to present these resolutions.

Lobeck's Suggestion.

This opened up a flood of oratory. Councilman Lobeck addressed the exchange on the resolution saying that this was not the time to make the protest, but that the matter should be attended to at the election. He further ventured the assertion that the protest would be ineffective, as under existing conditions the levy could not be reduced. He entered upon a lengthy discussion of municipal affairs which approached but distantly the resolution.

A. P. Tukey asked that the resolution be defeated and that the matter be brought to the attention of the mayor and council by a committee without the formality of a resolution. Other members spoke on the question, all favoring the measure, which prevailed with but three votes against it.

The exchange then decided to hold a banquet, from which women will be excluded, on the evening of February 21.

The sale of lots 11 and 12, block 13, Orchard Hill addition, was announced for next Wednesday. The application of James H. Brown for membership in the association was, under the rules, passed for one week.

Judge Keysor addressed the exchange, devoting his time almost exclusively to the discussion of changes in the laws affecting real estate.

South Omaha News.

Those interested in securing a new charter for South Omaha are divided into two factions. One faction insists that the charter now under consideration be so amended as to provide for an election in the spring, while the opposition, known as the Mayor Kelly faction, is opposed to an election.

Quite a delegation went to Lincoln yesterday for the purpose of holding a conference with the committee on cities and towns. A portion of the delegation is for a spring election while the balance is opposed. Both sides, it is understood, are to be heard by the committee. Democratic politicians are doing all they can to force an election, with a view to ousting the present city officials and installing democrats in their places.

It is reported that Parks and others are working for a spring election and are quietly circulating petitions to be presented to the legislature asking that the charter be amended so as to call for an immediate election. On the other hand, Mayor Kelly and his friends are doing some work in the matter of securing endorsements requesting that the present city officials be allowed to serve out their terms.

Colonel Hunt, one of the members of the committee on cities and towns, is doing everything he can to bring the South Omaha charter up for consideration at the earliest possible moment, while other members of the committee are anxious to have the matter put off until after the senatorial fight is over. No one here seems to be able to predict just what will happen to the charter when it is seriously considered by the committee. In going over the printed copy of the charter a number of errors and omissions have been discovered and the attention of the house committee will be called to the matter with a view to having the errors corrected.

Hannan Will Not Purchase.

While no official communication has been received it is understood that C. R. Hannan of Council Bluffs has finally declined to purchase the issue of $70,000 refunding bonds. Mr. Hannan has, it is asserted, notified Mayor Kelly that two firms of municipal attorneys have decided that the issue is not what was expected and that he has been advised not to make the purchase. Hannan bid a premium of $2,400 for this issue and deposited a forfeit with the city clerk. As his agreement was that he would take the bonds subject to the decision of his attorneys, the city will doubtless be compelled to refund the forfeit.

To many municipal officers it begins to look as if there was a deal between bondbuyers. The bonds were sold once at a premium of $700 and the sale affirmed by the finance committee of the council. When this became known certain "knockers" complained and the result was that the finance committee rescinded its action and put the issue up at public auction. The bidding went so high that the premium seemed out of all reason from a financial standpoint and for this reason city officials infer that the bidders at the public auction had no intention of purchasing. Had the original agreement been adhered to the city would have had its money on the bonds and the interest which is piling up every month would have been attended to. Just what the council will do about the issue now is a question which cannot be answered until after a conference of the finance committee.

Canceling Taxes.

City Attorney Lambert is making an emphatic protest against the action of the city council in canceling taxes. He asserts that the council is empowered only to correct errors of a clerical nature, or consider complaints when filed and presented in strict compliance with the statutes. Seven or eight applications for the canceling of taxes are now on file and these have been referred to the finance committee. At nearly every meeting of the council taxes for somebody are canceled upon a report of the finance committee. Mr. Lambert declares all such actions as illegal, and asserts that if a test case was made suit could be brought against Treasurer Koutsky on his bond for performing an illegal act. In view of the fact that several cases are yet to be reported on, Attorney Lambert will send a communication to the council in regard to the matter. Mayor Kelly is being urged by some of his friends to veto some of the tax-canceling resolutions recently passed by the council, and thus avoid participating in what is clearly termed an illegal act.

For years the council has been in the habit of canceling taxes when nearly every city attorney the municipality ever had has advocated against such action.

Fire Alam Wires.

City Electrician W. L. Holland has filed a communication with the city clerk to be read to the council at the next meeting in relation to the high voltage carried by the Thompson-Houston Electric Light company. Mr. Holland says that owing to the interferences and irregularities in the city fire alarm system caused by the high voltage of the electric light company it will be necessary to change some of the circuits. He suggests that where fire alarm wires are on the same poles with electric light wires that the city move its lines. The lines to be changed are on L street from the boulevard to Thirty-third street, on Q street from Thirtieth to Thirty-ninth streets, on Thirtieth street from Q to V, on E street from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth, on Missouri avenue from Nineteenth to Twentieth streets, on Twenty-sixth from N to Q. The cost of these changes, Mr. Holland says, will amount to about $50.

Three Members Retire.

On May 1 three members of the Board of Education will retire and their places will most likely be taken by republicans. John Henry Loechner, W. J. Brennan and John F. Roberts are the ones who will retire to private life at the expiration of their terms. Loechner and Brennan are democrats, while Roberts is a populist. Among the members, Brennan and Roberts are considered as obstructionists, and their going will not be mourned to any great extent. Loechner could, it is stated, be re-elected if he desires to become a candidate again, as he has shown himself to be in favor of advancement in the public schools. Republicans are now casting about for first-class men to take the places of the members whose terms expire, and before long a number of candidates will no doubt announce themselves.

For Opening Streets.

City Attorney Lambert announces that the preliminary legal proceedings pertaining to the opening of Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets, from Missouri avenue to I street, have been completed and the next thing to do is to make the assessment. The report of the appraisers has been filed and approved, and condemnation proceedings commenced. For opening Sixteenth street the damages will amount to $300, for Seventeenth street the same, while Eighteenth street will come in for $400 and Nineteenth street for $500. These amounts will, it is asserted, be assessed back against the abutting property in order to pay the cost of the improvements.

Witten's Gate.

W. S. Witten, formerly feedmaster at the Union Stock yards, now holding a similar position at the stock yards in Chicago, is here for a few days, and has on exhibition, near the east entrance of the yards, a patent gate. Instead of swinging, this gate of Witten's is raised to a sufficient height by means of a counter balance. A horseman can, by pulling a rope, raise the gate, and then when on the other side drop the gate by pulling another rope. Mr. Witten is desirous of placing a number of his gates in the yards here.

Harmony Club Concert.

The recently organized Harmony club will give a concert at the First Methodist Episcopal church on Tuesday evening, February 19. A complete program of high-class music is being arranged, which will include solos, quartettes and chorus music. An orchestra of twelve pieces will also be provided. The officers of the club assert that this concert will be the best musical entertainment ever given in South Omaha.

Magic City Gossip.

Dr. J. M. Glasgow is reported seriously ill.

Rev. Mr. Jamison preached his farewell sermon at the First Presbyterian church last night.

Sam B. Christie has returned from Dexter, Ia., where he went to attend the funeral of his mother.

W. E. Pickett and wife have removed to Des Moines, Ia.

It is estimated that 800,000 lambs are being fattened in Colorado this winter.

The Flower mission will meet Thursday with Mrs. C. L. Nelson, 2816 Boulevard.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Polsley, 711 North Twenty-fifth street.

Very little is doing in police circles these days, the few arrests made being for minor offenses.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Milen, Eighteenth and Missouri avenue, announce the birth of a son.

Mrs. Brainerd, Twenty-fourth and E streets, will entertain the New Century club Thursday afternoon.

As soon as something definite is known about the charter steps will be taken toward opening a road to the river.

Word reaches here that Paul McAuley, formerly of this city, now at Huron, S. D., is seriously ill with lung trouble.

Crosswalks have been ordered laid at Twentieth and U streets, Twentieth and Q streets and at Twenty-third and Q streets.

THAT FLORENCE EXTENSION

Directors of the Omaha Street Railway to Take Definite Action.

At the meeting of the board of directors of the Omaha Street Railway company this week the proposed extension of the line from Omaha to Florence will be taken up. The matter has begun to interest the citizens of Florence and a preliminary meeting was held last week, at which the people expressed themselves unanimously in favor of issuing bonds to aid the construction of the proposed extension. After the result of the conference of the board of directors is made known another meeting will be held in the village and the village board requested to call an election for the purpose of voting bonds.

The line of the proposed extension has not been fully decided upon, but at the present time the route most generally believed to be the one which will be settled upon is from Twenty-fourth street and Ames avenue north to the south line of Miller park, thence west to Thirtieth street and thence directly north to the main street in Florence. Those who believe that this route will be chosen say that the company will endeavor to secure from the Omaha city council the right to use the bicycle track along Thirtieth street for its tracks rather than to use the center of Thirtieth street.

The proposition under consideration does not contemplate a line from Omaha to Forest Lawn cemetery, that tract of ground being about half a mile from the proposed route. This line will come up for consideration independent of the Florence line if it is decided that the latter will be constructed.

FOR LODGE HEADQUARTERS

Simpson Hall Block on Fourteenth Street Offered to A. O. U. W. Temple Association.

The Simpson hall property on the west side of Fourteenth streeet, just north of Douglas, has been offered to the Ancient Order of United Workmen for its permanent headquarters at the price of $23,000. The offer has been made by the George P. Bemis Real Estate company to William A. Wyatt, president of the Ancient Order of United Workmen Temple association.

The Simpson building is of three stories and basement and has a frontage of forty-four feet on Fourteenth street and a width of seventy-six feet on the alley. It cost $26,000 to build and the ground is said to be worth at least $10,000.

Deserted on Wedding Day.

Olive Quigley has petitioned the district court for a divorce, asserting that her husband, William, deserted her on their wedding day, August 25, 1900. She claims that William is making enough wages at one of the packing houses in South Omaha to support her and her child and she asks the court to compel him to provide for them.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

H. Hollander, the man arrested about a week ago for having received the lead insulated copper wire which had been stolen from the Thomson-Houston Electric Light company by two boys, was fined $20 and costs by Judge Learn yesterday afternoon. Hollander went to jail and his case was appealed to the district court.

August Rolle, when assisted by charity yesterday, helped himself to more than was given to him and in consequence was arrested later in the day on a charge of petit larceny. He was given a pair of shoes in the office of the Associated Charities and it is asserted that on his way out he stole an old jacket. It was found in his possession.

Sparks escaping from the cupola in the furnace room started a fire at Paxton & Vierling Iron works Wednesday evening. Night Watchman J. H. Dunn discovered the blaze a little after 7 o'clock and immediately turned in an alarm. When the firemen arrived they found the ceiling was ignited near the furnace and the fire had burned through the second-story floor. The flames were soon extinguished and the loss was slight.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

A. Holtz of Wymore is at the Millard.

F. Sonnenschein of West Point is at the Millard.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bertrand of Boone, Ia., are registered at the Millard hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Kiefer, jr., of Bostwick, Neb., are guests at the Millard.

J. M. Jack, Charles Roll and J. Worley of Dorchester registered at the Murray Wednesday.

C. H. Scott of Lincoln, C. K. Cherry of Schuyler, L. C. Gilbert of Exeter and M. J. Hughes of West Point are at the Iler Grand.

Nebraskans at the Merchants: F. P. Olmstead of Hastings, W. J. Marrs of Archer, D. W. Forbes of Butte, G. W. Heine of Hooper, Thomas Shells of Lincoln, W. G. Baker of Norfolk, Bayard H. Paine of Grand Island and J. W. Waggener of Dawson.

POPPLETON'S FIERY ACTION

His Expressed Antipathy to Taxpaying is Widely Discussed.

FUSILADE OF UNCOMPLIMENTARY SHOTS

Members of Council Denounce Poppleton and Commercial Club Declines to Take Responsibility for His Conduct.

W. S. Poppleton's sensational denunciation of the city council for its decision on the tax levy is the chief topic of comment in business and official circles.

Conservative taxpayers, despite their anxiety for the lowest consistent levy, do not hesitate to condemn the explosive methods of Poppleton. Members of the city government go further and boldly envelope Poppleton in a saturnalia of caustic criticism. Some of the opinions would not look well in print. But in the face of it all, Poppleton strikes back in defiance, as much as to say: "I'm glad of it, and I'd do it again if I had the opportunity."

"The attack made upon the city council by W. S. Poppleton," said Myron D. Karr, president of the council, "was cowardly and unwarranted. Through the courtesy of the councilmen Mr. Poppleton and several of his associates were permitted to come within the enclosure reserved for the use of members. When the levy ordinance was passed he took an unfair advantage of the privilege extended him, jumped to his feet, ignored the chairman and offered an open insult to the council. He attempted to break up the meeting, but failed in this. The councilmen were not injured in the least by the departure of Mr. Poppleton and his crowd.

Poppleton is Sensational.

"The methods employed by Mr. Poppleton are sensational. He ignores law and order and attempts to force his views on other people against their will. In such actions he is not supported by the Commercial club or by any sober-minded citizens. I have been assured by President Pickens and many members of the Commercial club that Mr. Poppleton's rash actions do not have the sanction of that body. Only a few members of the committee named to consult with the council concerning the levy were present at last night's meeting.

"The official committee treated the councilmen in a courteous manner. The members discussed proposed reductions in the levy and were very reasonable in their requests. After all the favors the councilmen have granted the club they certainly merit considerate treatment at the hands of that organization. Much expense was incurred last year at the request of the Commercial club. A street leading to South Omaha was paved at the request of that body and many other improvements were made because the club desired them.

"A meeting of the council and the Commercial club committee has been arranged for next Tuesday and the councilmen expect to have an assurance from this committee that Mr. Poppleton's actions do not have the sanction of the men who compose that committee and that the ranting of Mr. Poppleton is not an official expression of the club."

When asked this morning if his action in the council chamber was not a little hasty and ill-advised, Mr. Poppleton answered: "No, sir. I would do exactly the same thing again if I had the opportunity. The taxpayers of this city wanted a 31-mill levy and the council paid no attention to their demands. A levy of 3 mills in excess of what was necessary was levied and further protests will be heard from the property owners."

He Lacks Endorsement.

In reply to an inquiry as to whether Mr. Poppleton voiced the sentiments of the Commercial club, Charles H. Pickens, president of that organization, said:

"The club certainly does not stand behind Mr. Poppleton in his denunciation of the council. Any expression he gave was merely personal. I understand that there were few members of the Commercial club in the committee which waited upon the council. It was a citizens' committee and not a delegation authorized by the club to wait upon the council."

Councilman Hascall is particularly indignant over the attack made upon him and his associates by Mr. Poppleton. "But it is nothing new," he exclaimed in discussing the matter. "This same gang is up before the council every year and in the past they have frequently intimidated the councilmen and forced them to make a levy far below waht was necessary to meet the expenses of the city. The kicks all come from these fellows who have either grown rich in Omaha or have inherited wealth which was accumulated here in the city.

"They hold unimproved property and let the money of somebody else build up adjoining districts and enhance the value of their holdings. They permit the city to lay paving and make other improvements which are of great benefit to them. Then they attack the validity of taxes levied and avoid paying for the benefits which have been conferred upon them.

"In this instance it was a case of a defeated candidate for mayor trying to run the city as he pleases. But he found a council that was not afraid to provide for the necessary expenses of the city in spite of the protests who are wealthy, but never pay any taxes unless they are compelled to."

For driving out dull, bilious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, Prickly Ash Bitters is a golden remedy.

MANNWILER IS BOUND OVER

Held for Trial in District Court on Charge of Decoying.

Henry Mannwiler was yesterday bound over to the district court under $1,000 bonds for the alleged decoying of Bertie Moore out of the state. Joseph Beankey, whose hearing on the same charge was conducted with that of Mannwiler, was discharged.

In giving his decision Judge Learn recalled the principal points of the evidence showing that Mannwiler had admitted that Beankey was in his employ and that the deal by which Miss Moore was sent to Deadwood was worked up between Beankey and Hawk, who was said to be a stranger to both. Then, at the close of the hearing, Hawk was put on the stand to testify that he had known Mannwiler for about two years and Beankey for about a month. The judge expressed the opinion that the transaction was done through Mannwiler's office and that there was a supposition, at least, that he had a share in it. The suspicion against him was such that he believed it needed further investigation in the district court.

As for Beankey, the judge stated that he had been impressed with the apparent honesty with which he had told his story and he believed that he had acted innocently in the matter. The decision of the judge appeared to give general satisfaction, for many, especially the women in attendance, were heard to say "Good" when it was announced.

The feature of the hearing of the morning was the little bout between Judge Eller, the attorney for the defense, and Detective Drummy, who was acting as court officer at the time. Beankey had referred to a book in which he had noted the name, the address and the telephone number of Hawk and the prosecutor had sent the officer to the jail officer for the book which had been taken from Beankey's pocket at the time of his arrest. The attorney for the defense first objected to the prosecutor examining the book before he had had a chance to look it over.

The real trouble came after the book had served its purpose. Judge Eller asked for the book and said he was going to keep it. Drummy demanded it and the attorney refused to give it. Some words passed and the officer wrenched the book from the attorney's hand. Later, during the hearing, the attorney addressed the court on the matter and denounced it as an indignity which he had suffered and said the officer would have to answer for it later. Judge Learn upheld the action of the officer in returning the book to its place.

MAYOR WANTS MORE TIME

Chief Executive Will Take No Action on Levy Until Next Week.

Mayor Moores has announced that he will take no action on the levy ordinance until next week. "I have a whole week to consider the appropriations for different departments and see no reason why I should be in any hurry to approve or veto the measure," said the mayor. "All the estimates will be examined carefully and reductions will be made in case I think they will not impair the work of various departments."

In case the mayor sees fit to veto any section of the ordinance he must veto the entire measure. Unlike an ordinary appropriation ordinance, the levy ordinance cannot be altered without redrafting and resubmitting it.

The increased appropriation which is asked for the police department will make it possible to hire additional patrolmen. Mayor Moores believes that at least ten policemen should be provided for suburban districts.

SECURES LARGE JUDGMENT

Omaha Savings Bank Gets a Decision in Its Case Against the Taylor Estate.

Judge Estelle has made a decree in the case of the Omaha Savings bank against George C. Martin, administrator of the estate of Joseph H. Taylor, ordering judgment against the defendant for $8,729.72. The amount is recovered on a note for $5,000, executed in 1888, and secured by a mortgage, which the court orders foreclosed if the judgment is not otherwise satisfied within twenty days.

Had to Conquer or Die.

"I was just about gone," writes Mrs. Rosa Richardson of Laurel Springs, N. C., "I had consumption so bad that the best doctors said I could not live more than a month, but I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by seven bottles and am now stout and well." It's an unrivaled life-saver in consumption, pneumonia, la grippe and bronchitis; infallible for coughs, colds, asthma, hay fever, croup or whooping cough. Guaranteed bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Kuhn & Co.'s drug store.

FRED METZ, SR., MAY RECOVER

Patient is Rallying from Lingering Illness and There is Hope.

The condition of Fred Metz, sr., is said to be much improved. He is resting comfortably and his pulse and temperature are more nearly normal than during the greater part of last week. The attending physician now has hopes of his recovery.

CAPTAIN OF FIRE DEPT.

Capt. H. H. Thomson Advises the Use of Dr. Greene's Nervura.

This Wonderful Body Builder and Strength Restorer Should Be Used Now.

CAPT. H. H. THOMSON OF MINNEAPOLIS FIRE DEPT.

No occupation in the world requires more perfect nerve force and physical strength than is demanded of its members by a modern fire department. The members of this branch of the public service must be ready at all hours of the day or night, and in all degrees of heat, cold or exposure, to answer the call of the public, and protect life and property. At all times they must have bodily strength and a clear brain. Without this we would never hear of the wonderful feats of bravery and rescue performed by them. Nothing in the world will build up strength like Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. Captain Thomson's strong statement, which we publish herewith, carries weight, and is echoed everywhere by those who rely on Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, when disease attacks them, or they get run down in health which is so easy at this season of the year. There is no medicine in the world which will ward off attacks of the fatal grip, which is now so prevalent, and there is nothing which will drive it away so quickly or reinvigorate the body as well after the grip, as this famous remedy. Captain Thomson, whose address is 2406 Lincoln St., North East, Minneapolis, Minn., says;

"I am a great believer in the wonderful curative powers of Dr. Greene's Nervura Blood and Nerve Remedy. It has been used in my house for years as a body builder, strength restorer and general family medicine. It never fails to give beneficial results. It strengthens the nerves and purifies the blood. As a health builder, I believe there is no medicine equal to Dr. Greene's Nervura Blood and Nerve Remedy."

Remember that Dr. Greene's Nervura Blood and Nerve Remedy is the prescription of a regular physician, Dr. Greene, who can be consulted absolutely free of charge either by mail or calling at his office, 35 W. 14th St., New York City. Consultation is absolutely free of charge. If you cannot call upon him at his office, write him a letter, telling all about your case, and you can be treated just as well at home as if you called in person. Remember his advice is absolutely free.

WHEN THE QUEEN WEDS

Program for Thursday's Hymeneal Proceedings at The Hague.

WILHELMINA AND GROOM ARE CHEERED

Fifty Workmen's Societies Parade with Bands and Floats Before the Palace, the Royal Pair on Balcony.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 6.—Fifty workmen's societies, with bands of music and five triumphal cars, marched past the palace this afternoon in honor of the approaching marriage of Queen Wilhelmina. The queen and her future husband, Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, remained on the balcony in spite of the severe cold. They were both acclaimed. Enormous crowds welcomed the young couple and the queen mother during their afternoon drive. This evening there will be a soiree at the palace. The program for tomorrow is as follows:

At 11:15 a. m. the minister of justice and the witnesses of the marriage will assemble in the white room of the palace. At 11:30 a. m. the civil marriage will occur in the presence of the nearest relatives. After that the royal party will proceed to the church in procession. After the religious service the royal party will return in procession to the palace, where Queen Wilhelmina will hold court and receive the royal family and representatives of royal families.

At 2 p. m. there will be a luncheon and at 4:15 p. m. the couple will start on their honeymoon.

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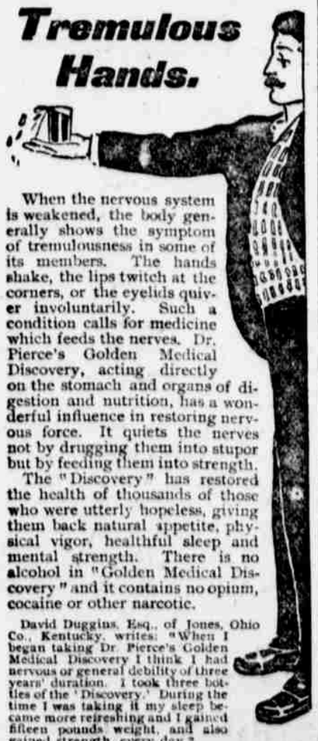
Birth Record.

The following births were reported to the city health commissioner for the twenty-four hours ending at noon Wednesday: Joe Pellican, 1518 William, boy; William Leonder, 319 Webster, girl; Matthew Nechwatal, 2213 South Fourteenth, girl; Charles Cassan, 1462 South Thirteenth, girl; Edwin Meredith, 1608 Izard, girl.

Tremulous Hands.



When the nervous system is weakened, the body generally shows the symptom of tremulousness in some of its members. The hands shake, the lips twitch at the corners, or the eyelids quiver involuntarily. Such a condition calls for medicine which feeds the nerves. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, acting directly on the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition, has a wonderful influence in restoring nervous force. It quiets the nerves not by drugging them into stupor but by feeding them into strength.

The "Discovery" has restored the health of thousands of those who were utterly hopeless, giving them back natural appetite, physical vigor, healthful sleep and mental strength. There is no alcohol in "Golden Medical Discovery" and it contains no opium, cocaine or other narcotic.

David Duggins, Esq., of Jones, Ohio Co., Kentucky, writes: "When I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery I think I had nervous or general debility of three years' duration. I took three bottles of the 'Discovery.' During the time I was taking it my sleep became more refreshing and I gained fifteen pounds weight, and also gained strength every day."

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Oratorical Aldermen

Samples of Eloquence Tapped by Chicago Councilmen.

At a late session of the city council of Chicago the question of permitting saloons to remain open all night was discussed with great vigor and much eloquence. The saloons of the Big Windy are uncommonly well equipped both by study and experience, to illumine that problem, and the light they turned upon it transformed a dry topic into a picturesque spectacle. Much of the eloquence thrown out in large chunks tends to justify the claim that the aldermen are poorly paid and ought to be given $5,000 a year—to keep out of office.

But the speeches—here are samples culled from the Times-Herald:

Alderman Carey of the Twenty-ninth ward easily shared the honors of the evening with his friend Smulski of the Seventeenth. Carey, who had been waiting since the beginning of the debate with feverish impatience to catch the eye of the mayor, started out by making a confession that was received with horrified surprise by some of his political associates, who shivered at his weakness. He spoke entirely without notes, or, as he calls it himself, "impromptoo."

"I am a temperance man," said Mr. Carey, "and I don't touch drinks nor liquors, spiritual nor intoxicating, in no shape whatever. Therefore I am not bitter as I approach this question. I never met a saloon keeper yet who wasn't the soul of honor. Some of these easy speakin' people here tonight has been telin' us that crooks are sheltered and protected in barrooms. I denounce this untruth. Why, friends, just think a minute. Who is it that gets held up most among our citizens on account of carryin' home their money sacks late at night? The saloon keepers. Who is it that pays the cash that helps to support our police force? The saloon keepers. And, once more, who is it that gets locked up in their own iceboxes by burglars and midnight marooders generally? The saloon keepers.

"Was you ever held up in your icebox? No. Was I? No. It's the saloon man every time what has to bear the brunt of these things. Now, friends, while we are on this question we might as well talk straight. I for one don't believe in hiding lights under bushels. You know and I know and all the world knows that it's a medical fact that nobody begins to get good till after midnight. Suppose you go to a dance or a party of the middle classes and the middle classes is just as good as the clubs on Michigan avenue or Jackson boulevard. At them dances it is a sure thing that there is a bar attached. Well, as I say, folks don't begin to get good till after midnight. It isn't human nature. The only people that don't feel that way are them that have no blood in their veins and couldn't stay awake till midnight if they tried.

"Now, suppose you was a candidate for alderman in the great campaign that's comin' off this spring and a little dance was being given in honor of you. Well, you go to the ballroom at one minute past 12 and find the bar closed. I know what you'd do. I know what any right thinkin' man would do. You'd drop dead on the floor. That's what.

"I didn't come here tonight to talk for saloon keepers nor to ast favors for saloon keepers. But they must have what's their doo. I believe in the great personal liberty in this broad land. I want to see every man and woman in this city who wants to take a drink after midnight and who is decent about it get the chanct to have it. I vote for the repeal of the midnight closing ordinance."

Alderman Smulski was hardly less emphatic. He seemed to have a greater flow of words and a more vivid imagination than "Tom," and he roused his friends in the gallery to frenzied enthusiasm. Here is an extract from his oration:

"This midnight closing business has been a grave question ever since the dawn of creation. Take the case of Noah's Ark, which was the first midnight saloon in the world. Noah was human; so am I, so are you; and yet he might have been a good feller for all that. Now, the peace and good order of our city is not threatened by the saloons. That is nonsense. I take my stand under the grand old stars and stripes and stand for personal liberty. The saloon keeper has as much right to personal liberty as any man in the world. He pays his taxes and he is a member of a legitimate profession. Liberty is sweet to man, woman, and child, and even the lower classes of animals."

Here Alderman Nelson interposed. "I want," he said, "to ask the gentleman a question about this personal liberty that he talks so much about. What about the personal liberty of the poor wretch who is thrown out of a saloon into the gutter and taken to the police station when the man who is responsible for his condition escapes?"

This was an easy one for Mr. Smulski. "That ain't no question," he said, "and not being no question I refuse to answer it. The alderman don't know what he's talkin' about." This bit of repartee made the gallery howl with delight, and Mr. Smulski sat down, happy in the noisy admiration of his loving friends.

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