NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs.
Stockert sells carpets and rugs.
Gas fixtures and globes at Bixby's.
Fine A B C beer, Neumayer's hotel.
Wollman, scientific optician, 409 B'way.
W. J. Hostetter, dentist, Baldwin block.
Leffert, jeweler, optician, 236 Broadway.
J. A. Snow, auctioneer, B'way, opp. P. O.
Born—To Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Woodbury, a son.
E. A. Wickham returned yesterday from Mississippi.
Myrtle lodge No. 12, Degree of Honor, will meet tonight.
City Engineer Etnyre has gone to Chicago on business.
W. F. Graff, undertaker and disinfector, 101 South Main street. 'Phone 506.
Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 721 Broadway. 'Phone 157.
Morgan & Klein, upholstering, furniture repairing, mattress making. 122 S. Main st.
C. P. Swiler is home from Beatrice, Neb., where he was called by the death of his mother.
Twenty per cent discount sale on frames and framed pictures. Alexander & Co., 333 Broadway.
John L. Merkel of New York is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Merkel, Washington avenue.
The Woman's Relief corps and the Independent club will meet this afternoon with Mrs. Talbot, 356 Benton street.
A want ad in The Bee will bring results. The same attention given to a want ad in Council Bluffs as at the Omaha office.
William Corrigan and Lillie Wagner, both of South Omaha, were married in this city yesterday morning by Justice Ferrier.
Nine babies are cared for daily at the Associated Charities' creche. The institution is in need of clothing for the little ones.
I. C. Brackett has received word of the death of his mother, Mrs. Hannah A. Brackett, in Greenfield, Mass., at the age of 87 years.
The revival services in the Epworth Methodist church are attracting large congregations. Services are daily at 2:30 and 7:30 until further notice.
Mrs. Edward Anderson, 216 South First street, will entertain Unity guild of Grace Episcopal church this afternoon at a Lenten tea at her home.
Mrs. J. P. Greenshields has been chosen president and Mrs. G. G. Baird secretary and treasurer of the local branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance union.
A sneak thief got away with a $5 derby hat from Metcalf & Metcalf's store on Pearl street yesterday afternoon and did not even leave his old one in exchange.
The case against E. E. Minnick, charged by J. Walker with cheating by false pretenses in connection with the sale of patent gasoline lamps, was continued in police court yesterday until Thursday.
Part of the evidence in the suit of Daniel Carrigg against the Union Transfer company was taken in the superior court yesterday morning and the case was continued until this afternoon. Carrigg sues to collect $2,500 rent alleged to be due.
Albert Bettles, the escaped prisoner from the Lancaster county jail at Lincoln, Neb., under arrest here, said yesterday that before returning to Nebraska, even on requisition papers, he would institute habeas corpus proceedings to secure his release. The offense for which he was serving a sentence, he claims, was not extraditable.
"Ten Nights in a Barroom" never grows old. There runs through it a vein of pathos peculiarly touching and sweet. It speaks the universal language of the heart. It is more than a play. It is a moral classic. It argues for one of the greatest themes that can engage the mind. Notwithstanding its frequent production it is seldom that one sees the play as it is now presented by Busby Bros.' colossal spectacular company. It is like meeting an old friend after many years. It will be at the Donany theater tomorrow night, with Saturday matinee.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

Pictures and music, Cong'l church tonight.

ESTATE OF CAPTAIN KIRSCHT.

Will Disposing of Thirty Thousand Dollars is Probated.

The will of Captain Leonard Kirscht, who left an estate valued at $30,000, was filed for probate yesterday afternoon in the district court. After making special bequests of $2,500 to his daughter, Mary Kirscht, and $100 to each of his grandsons, Leonard and David Stubbs, the testator leaves his property, both personal and real, to his wife, Mrs. Henrietta L. Kirscht, in trust for his four daughters, Mary Kirscht, Mrs. Lizzie Clark, Mrs. Emma Butler and Mrs. Kate Cowdroy. The widow and daughter are given the right to occupy the family residence on Glenn avenue during the widow's lifetime. The widow and daughter, Mary Kirscht, are made executors without bond.

20 per cent discount sale on frames and framed pictures. Alexander & Co., 333 B'way.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

H. A. Terry and wife to Orvel E. McClure, lots 7 and 8, block 170, Crescent City, w d	$ 50
Orvel E. McClure to S. C. Foote, lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 170, Crescent City, w d	200
Egidius Fries and wife to Henry Sill, lots 10 and 11, block 16, town of Minden, w d	560
Walter I. Smith and wife to A. T. Flickinger, lots 16 and 19 to 30, block 25, Brown's subdiv, s w d	1,500
W. A. Allensworth and wife to Alva Gay, e½ nw¼ 12-74-41, w d	3,350
Horace E. Gould to Joseph Jensen, lot 12, block 3, Bayliss' 3d add, w d	40
Daniel Hayes and wife to Ellen E. Mudge, lot 19, block 4, Sackett's add, w d	1
Mary Ann Lacy to Sarah E. Macrae, n 27 feet lots 8 and 17; s 23 feet lots 7 and 18, block 2, Glendale add, w d	1,000
Total, eight transfers	$6,511

Davis sells glass.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
William Corrigan, South Omaha	23
Lillie Wagner, South Omaha	23
J. H. Graves, Omaha	29
Josephine Carter, Wellsville, Kan	21

DeLong's stationery department is right.

Bare Facts

We lay bare to the people of Council Bluffs and vicinity the facts that should appeal to their judgment. There is no better shoe made in the world than the celebrated

HANAN SHOES

These shoes cost a little more than some other brands, but the value is there. They are made from the best material and by high priced, skilled workmen. Five dollars buys a pair of these up-to-date, stylish, well wearing shoes. For the best always go to

SARGENT'S

Look for the Bear.

FARM LOANS

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

LEWIS CUTLER

Funeral Director

(Successor to W. C. Estep)

88 PEARL STREET. 'Phone 97.

MOFFET'S GOODS ARE SEIZED

Accident Insurance Swindler Omits to Pay His Board.

HIS WIFE RESISTS THE CLAIM

Among Property Held by Constable is Walking Stick with Trick Appliance for Causing Bogus Injuries.

Gilbert J. Moffet, insurance swindler, who was taken to the penitentiary at Fort Madison Wednesday night, failed to settle his board bill before leaving for his compulsory retirement from public life for one year and a day. Since the day that the runaway engine from the Rock Island railway's roundhouse dashed into a Wabash passenger train, which accident formed the basis for one of Moffet's bogus accident insurance claims, this versatile individual roomed and boarded at the boarding house conducted by Mrs. Anna Kelley on First avenue. It was here that he was arrested by the federal officers.

Moffet's failure to bleed the accident insurance company evidently left him short of funds, as Mrs. Kelley claims that when he left her place, although not of his own free will, he was indebted to her in the sum of $30. After Judge McPherson of the federal court sentenced Moffet to one year and a day in the penitentiary Mrs. Kelley, fearing "that he was about to remove permanently out of the county," brought suit in Justice Ferrier's court for the amount of her board bill and attached his trunk and other belongings.

When Mrs. Moffet arrived from Denver to see her husband she attempted to take possession of his belongings, but found that they were already in the hands of the constable of Justice Ferrier's court. She at once decided to resist Mrs. Kelley's suit and employed an attorney to look after her interests. Yesterday the case was taken at her instance on a change of venue from the court of Justice Ferrier to that of Justice Bryant, where it will be heard Tuesday.

Trick Walking Stick.

Among the articles attached by the constable was the identical cane or walking stick with which Moffet is alleged to have worked a number of bogus claims for injuries. This is the cane which in place of having an ordinary ferrule is provided with a screwdriver at the end. Moffet's practice was with this cane with the screwdriver ferrule to loosen a screw on the floor of a street car or railway coach until the screw projected some distance above the floor. The screw once raised, Moffet would rise hastily from his seat, stumble over the screw and injure himself. That is, he would pretend he was seriously injured, would repair to his home, bandage his injured member, either his leg or wrist, so tightly that it would become inflamed, and then send for a doctor. Of course the raised screw was there in evidence as negligence on the part of the street railway or the steam railroad company and the officials would compromise any claim he might make for damages. The stick or cane that worked this scheme so successfully for several years is now on exhibition in Justice Bryant's office and is being held as one of Moffet's assets, attached for Mrs. Kelley's board bill.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Reed, 541 Broad'y.

UNITED STATES COURT OPENS.

Prospects of Heavy Term Are Soon Diminished.

United States court opened with the prospect of the term being an unusually heavy one, owing to the large number of damage suits on the docket, but one after another has been disposed of out of court or continued, until the bottom finally fell out of the assignment yesterday morning, when the case of Lucius Wells against James A. Patton had to be continued over until next term after the jury had been impaneled.

Lucius Wells moved to file an amendment to his original petition and was sustained by Judge McPherson, who at the same time overruled the motion of the defendant to strike out the amendment. The plaintiff's amendment to the original petition made necessary by the answer filed by Patton Wednesday sets out in addition to the allegations already made that Patton, while cashier of the then First National bank of this city, which was deeply interested financially in the reorganization of the local gas company and the disposal of its stock, entered into a verbal agreement with him (Wells) to pay him for his services in assisting to effect this reorganization and sale of stock. Further, Wells alleges that he was induced to act and serve as president of the bank, of which Patton was then cashier, on the understanding that he was to receive compensation for such services. Wells in his amendment alleges that his services were at least worth $5,000, and he now claims this sum in addition to the $5,000 for which he originally sued for his assistance in reorganizing the gas company and helping dispose of its stock.

The court, permitting Wells to amend his petition, gave the defendant the right to ask for a continuance, despite the fact that a jury had already been impaneled. Patton availed himself of this privilege, and on his motion the case was continued until the next term and the jury was discharged. Judge McPherson then adjourned court until this morning.

Three Coming Company Cases.

Unless a continuance is asked for Judge McPherson expects to take up this morning the three cases against the Council Bluffs Canning company, in which the Grand Island Canning company, Claudius Thomas and John S. Collins are plaintiffs.

The suit of the Grand Island company is to recover $4,400 alleged to be due on rent of a building in which the defendant company carried on its business two years. John S. Collins and Claudius Thomas each seeks to recover 15,000 shares of stock alleged to have been invested in the business when the stock company was incorporated.

The three suits are the final chapters in the litigation between the Council Bluffs Canning company and the Grand Island Canning company which has encumbered the federal courts a number of years.

Master in Chancery Ross yesterday heard the matter of the claim for preference of the claim of the Hines Lumber company for $10,000 worth of ties furnished the Omaha & St. Louis railroad before the appointment of the present receivers. He will report his findings to the court.

FOR RENT...

THE BENO STORES

No. 29, 31, 33, 35 Pearl St.
No. 28, 30, 32, 34 Main St.

These stores in the center of the city and occupied for many years by

John Beno & Co.,

the largest retail dry goods and clothing dealers in western Iowa, who have removed to more extensive quarters in the Eiseman building.

Rent very low to desirable parties on long lease.

E. H. SHEAFE & CO

RENTAL AGENTS.

5 Pearl Street, - - Council Bluffs.

CITY COUNCIL GOES TO OMAHA.

Inspection of Electric Lighting System is Set for Tonight.

Mayor Jennings has issued a call for the city council to meet this evening as a committee of the whole for the purpose of taking a trip through Omaha to inspect the electric lightings of that city.

Since it became known that the council was contemplating doing away with the electric light towers under the new contract with the Citizens' Gas and Electric Light company, which will go into force May 25, many people have expressed their opposition to such a plan. While it is generally admitted that the towers are more or less a menace to the public safety it is contended by those who are opposed to their removal that a greater area can be illuminated by them than by almost twice the number of lamps at present in use.

There are nine towers in the city, each holding four arc lights. Six of these towers are the property of the electric light company, while the other three belong to the city. Those in a position to know say that the new style of lamp to be used under the new contract will not be effective at the height of these towers, as they do not cast the rays down in the manner of the present open arc lamps. The present form of lamp cannot be retained on the towers, as they are fed by a direct current, while the new lamps for which the city contracted are fed by an alternating current and the company will not be able to furnish both kinds of current.

Between Two Fires.

The aldermen are in a quandary as to what to do in the matter. If, on the one hand, they retain the towers the new lamps, it is claimed, will prove of little value for illuminating more than a limited area in their immediate vicinity, while, on the other hand, if they do away with the towers they will be obliged, in order to anywhere near properly light the city, to use a much larger number of lamps. The latter course will mean an increased expense of anywhere from $1,800 to $3,500 for the yearly rental of these extra lights.

At the time the contract was entered into by the city with Thomas Bowman all these matters were fully explained to the city council, but the aldermen had made up their minds that they wanted the new pattern of enclosed lamps with alternating current and would not consider any other. The Citizens' Gas and Electric Light company, to which Bowman assigned his franchise and contract, however willing it might be to retain the old style of lamp, cannot do so, as it has made all the necessary arrangements for the installation of the enclosed lamps fed by an alternating current.

The object of the visit of the aldermen to Omaha tonight is to inspect the electric lights there and ascertain the area each lamp will illuminate and thus form some estimate of the number of lights it will be necessary to have in this city. The lamps in use across the river are the same as called for under the new contract here.

Davis sells paint.

TO SECURE SMITH SORGHUM PLANT.

Committee Gets Half of the Needed Two Thousand Dollars.

The committee of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association appointed to solicit funds to secure the needed $2,000 to insure the removal of the Smith sorgum plant from Hastings, Neb., to this city has succeeded in raising over $1,000. The committee is meeting with much encouragement and confidently expects to secure the balance of the needed amount within the next two weeks.

To Insure Schoolhouses.

The Board of Education will meet in adjourned regular session this evening to act in the matter of insuring school buildings. The committee on grounds and buildings is expected to make a report as to the title of the district in the several pieces of school property which the board was authorized by the vote of the people at the recent election to sell and place the proceeds of such sales in the schoolhouse fund.

TO HAVE NEW COURT HOUSE

Plymouth County, Iowa, Lets Contract for Building to Lemars Firm.

LEMARS, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—The contract for building a new court house for Plymouth county was let today to Elaw Miller of this city. His bid was $72,300. Rowles & Bailey of Omaha bid $77,702 and the Northern Building company of Minneapolis $77,641. The building is to be of Portage red sandstone and the contract calls for its completion by December 1. F. W. Kinney of Austin, Minn., is the architect.

COMPANY GOES TO STUART

Could Not Be Organized at Atlantic Owing to Political Friction.

DES MOINES, March 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Stuart will get the company of the Iowa National guard which was to have been organized at Atlantic, but failed because of trouble over the examining physician. Mayor Graham, Dr. Tanner and P. L. Sever visited the adjutant general today and assured him of a company of at least sixty persons. Sever will probably be captain of the company and organization will be effected at once.

Osceola County Teachers.

SIBLEY, Ia., March 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A two weeks' session of the Osceola County Teachers' institute is in progress. County Superintendent Redmond is conductor. The instructors are: Mrs. Mitchell of Des Moines, Prof. Storm of Cherokee, Prof. Johnson of Sibley and Mr. Longley of Cedar Falls. The attendance is 110. Prof. Storm lectured tonight on "A Dangerous Doctrine." President Seerley of the State Normal school will lecture Tuesday evening on "The Spirit of True Education." Drs. Hough, Neill Hill and Heetland will lecture on physiology.

Busy Term for Osceola.

SIBLEY, Ia., March 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A busy term of the Osceola county district court is in session, with Judge Gaynor on the bench. Numerous liquor cases are to be heard, nine liquor injunction cases are on the docket, and several heavy damage suits are to be tried.

New Bank at Fort Dodge.

FORT DODGE, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—The Security Savings bank of Humboldt has been organized, with a capital of $20,000. It is expected the new bank will be ready to open its doors April 15.

Sale of Big Farm.

ONAWA, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—The 400-acre farm of Warner H. Peak has been sold to an Illinois farmer for $20,000.

BYERS ISSUES REQUISITION

Iowa Militia Wants Clothing to Replace That Turned Over to Government.

LARGE ERROR IN ACCOUNTS OF ORPHANAGE

Former Resident of Manchester Accused of Bigamy—Locates Runaway Wife—S. M. Cole of Nebraska Commits Suicide.

DES MOINES, March 21.—(Special.)—Adjutant General Byers this morning issued a requisition on the War department for $50,000 worth of clothing and army equipment to supplant that which was turned over to the government at the time the four regiments of the Iowa National guard were mustered into the volunteer service at the beginning of the Cuban war. The Iowa guards were well equipped with clothing, which was according to the regular army standard. As soon as the regiments entered the volunteer service this clothing became the property of the United States. The requisition today corresponds to the inventory taken at that time and receipted for by the government.

The list includes 2,067 trousers, 1,984 blouses, 279 non-commissioned officers' blouses, 1,767 overcoats, 785 infantry blankets, 1,866 company hats, 1,341 leggings, 69 trumpets and 46 music pouches. The value of the total aggregate nearly $50,000. It is anticipated that there will be no trouble in securing these goods from the government to replace those turned over by the state of Iowa. Other similar requisitions, though for smaller amounts, have been honored and it is believed this will be.

The resignation of Charles B. Rose, as second lieutenant of Company M, Fifty-first regiment, Red Oak, was received by the adjutant general today. He resigns because of removal to Colorado.

Fails to Get the Money.

A peculiar error has been discovered in the matter of handling the accounts of state institutions at the time the change was made from the old trustee system to that of the single Board of Control. Superintendent Gass of the Iowa Soldiers' Orphans' home at Davenport has found out that the money due that institution for the month of July, 1898, had never been credited to the home. That was the month when the change was made. In transfering accounts one month was overlooked. The money has been collected and is in the treasury, but the warrants had never been drawn by the auditor for the home. The sum involved is $4,430.55. Now Superintendent Gass wants to get the money, but the Board of Control has no authority to go back and make corrections in accounts previous to the time of its taking control.

The attorney general will be asked to decide what legal steps may be necessary to get the account straightened, and it is probable that he will recommend that the money be placed to the credit of the institution to be used in whatever way the board may decide. The fact that the orphanage has run along nearly two years without missing such a large sum indicates that it has not been hard pressed for money.

Accused of Bigamy.

Robert Hewett, formerly a resident of Manchester, is under arrest in Cleveland, O., accused of bigamy. Hewett some years ago married the daughter of Mrs. Margaret Williams and afterwards, without taking the trouble to secure a divorce, he married his mother-in-law and came to Manchester to live, where he remained several years. He recently went to Cleveland, O., where his first wife was and she caused his arrest for bigamy. Wife No. 2 returned to Manchester last week, and she was arrested and taken before the local board of insanity and declared insane. She is now in the State Hospital for the Insane.

Banquet Drinks on the Side.

The Des Moines men who were at one time members of the Greek college societies have an organization and on the evening of April 9 they are to give a banquet, which will have one feature novel in banquets. The liquid refreshments are to be left off, the regular menu and those who wish drinks will be expected to pay for them on the side. This was done as a concession to the large number of temperance men in the association, who refused to join in a banquet if they were to be required to pay for wines and other liquors which they would not use. There are about 125 members of the association and they were very nearly equally divided on the question of using wines at the banquet.

Locates Runaway Wife.

J. W. Kramer, a prosperous farmer of Dallas county living near Desoto, has located his runaway wife near Sloan, where he says she is living with a man named Kroll to whom she had not been married. Kramer went out to sell patent medicines. His wife went to Illinois last fall and then Kroll disappeared. Kramer has located them near Sloan and is planning to cause them trouble.

New Corporations.

The Iowa Implement Supply company of New Hampton has been incorporated with $20,000 capital, by O. V. Eckert, D. A. Lyons and others.

The Shenandoah Poultry House company has been incorporated, with $10,000 capital, by D. S. Presse, O. T. Rankin and others.

The M. Constant company of Council Bluffs has filed incorporation papers with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $10,000, and incorporators, M. Constant, George G. Bell and Herman Blerdorf.

Nebraska Man a Suicide.

S. M. Cole, a farmer of Gage county, Nebraska, who had rented a farm in Madison county, twenty miles from Des Moines, and was moving his goods there, for some unaccountable reason committed suicide the forepart of the week. He had bought a farm of Mr. Worrington and was moving his effects from Beatrice, having them unloaded at Van Meter. An employe had accompanied him and was helping move the goods into the house on the farm when Mr. Cole went upstairs and shot himself. Cole lived nearly a day after doing the shooting, declared that he had done it himself and refused to give any reason therefor. His wife and two children were to join him this week.

Court House Quarantined.

The county court house was this afternoon closed and the doors locked and a strict quarantine ordered by the local health board on account of smallpox. The old building will be again subjected to thorough fumigation and will not be reopened until all who have been exposed to smallpox have passed danger. Action was taken on petition by the county courts and the employes at the court house.

Old-Time Boats Sink.

MUSCATINE, Ia., March 21.—Two old-time river boats, the Kate Keen and the Nola K, have sunk to the bottom of the Mississippi loaded down with ice and soaked with water. An attempt will be made to raise them as soon as the river becomes lower. They are both the property of Captain Hysell and have been in service since the '60s.

Cattle King Found Dead.

EMMETSBURG, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—Michael Jackman, for many years a big cattle king of this section of Iowa, was found dead in bed yesterday morning. He retired as usual Tuesday night. Apoplexy is given as the cause of his death. He was a member of the original Irish colony that first settled in this county in 1856. He became quite wealthy and leaves a large estate and a large family among which to divide it.

HARD FIGHTING FOR BRIDGE

Railway Workmen Make Strong Effort to Save Structure at Fort Dodge.

FORT DODGE, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—For three days fifty workmen have been fighting to save the new bridge of the Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad over the Des Moines river, near this city, from being carried out by the ice. The ice began to move on Sunday and since that time the bridge has been in danger. Only the strong efforts on the part of the workmen have succeeded in preventing a loss of thousands of dollars to the company. The bridge was caught in an unfinished condition by the ice when it commenced to go out. The workmen have been busy all winter in adjusting the steel piers, but were kept back by lack of material, and only a few piers were in position and the remainder of the bridge was supported by a temporary false work, resting on the bottom of the channel.

In expectation of the going out of the ice the workmen had driven a row of piles above the bridge and it is this alone which saved the structure. The bridge now stands intact, with the exception of the false work under one span, which was carried out, in spite of all the efforts of the men on guard.

The ice came down in great masses and was hurled with tremendous force against the piles by the current and the men were in several cases compelled to use dynamite in order to break it up. The ice has all gone down the river and the danger is over, although the water is still very high.

DUCKS AND GEESE GALORE

Residents Near Clinton Cannot Sleep for Noise Made by Wild Fowls.

CLINTON, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—Since cold weather returned thousands of ducks and geese have settled in the river here and at night they are so numerous that the residents of the city near the river say they cannot sleep on account of the noise.

From dark until daylight the quacking continues without interruption and the oldest residents of the city say they have never before seen ducks so numerous, even in the early history of the country. The cold weather caught the ducks in their northern flight and they have settled in the river in vast numbers. Hunters are bagging them by the hundred and all of the wholesale and retail meat dealers are overstocked and cannot purchase half of the ducks offered. Many geese have also been slaughtered.

WILL HAVE BIG ELEVATOR

Nebraska and Iowa Grain Firm to Make Missouri Valley Headquarters.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—A valuable concession was granted by the city council on Tuesday to the Updike Grain company. The firm operates a series of elevators in Nebraska and Iowa and will erect here a large storage elevator of 1,000,000 bushels capacity.

All wheat bought at its elevators will be shipped here to be cleaned, graded and stored. The city council at the meeting vacated part of a street in order to give the concern trackage and also agreed to remit all taxes on the elevator for a term of ten years. The estimated cost is $80,000.

CONTINUATION OF FIGHT

Neither Railroad Officials Nor Strikers at Cedar Rapids Willing to Give In.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., March 21.—Efforts to effect a settlement of the differences between the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern and its employes have signally failed, and now it is apparently a fight to the finish.

Vice President Robert Williams received a committee representing the Cedar Rapids Federation of Labor and bodies of machinists today. The conference lasted for two hours and resulted in a determination of both company and men to make no concessions so far as the introduction of the piece work system is concerned.

Druggist Pleads Guilty.

FORT DODGE, Ia., March 21.—(Special.)—O. F. Oleson, druggist of Badger, pleaded guilty to an indictment returned by the grand jury and was fined $300 and costs on Tuesday for running a liquor nuisance. The total sum paid by the drug company was $361.95.

Wheels! Wheels! Wheels! now they go! Ride a Bee wheel and be in the swim.

RUSSIA MAKES LIGHT OF IT

Says the Tien Tsin Incident is Commonplace and Can Be Settled.

BRITISH PRESS MAGNIFY IMPORTANCE

Officials Express No Doubt Affair Will Be Settled by Diplomacy to the Satisfaction of Both Parties.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 21.—A semi-official statement has just been issued to the effect that a commonplace incident at Tien Tsin has been terribly exaggerated by the British press, until it has almost assumed the gravity of a casus belli. According to the statement the trouble was due to British troops trying to forcibly possess disputed territory. The statement recites that the matter is manifestly a question for diplomatic treatment, and the Russian government has no doubt but that it will be amicably settled to the satisfaction of the governments at London and St. Petersburg.

NEW YORK, March 21.—A special to the Herald from Tien Tsin says: It now transpires that at the very moment of Count von Waldersee's arrival here General Wogack, acting upon instructions from the Russian imperial government, made a formal demand upon General Campbell for the withdrawal of the British troops from the disputed territory. He further demands an apology from the British commander for the alleged trespass of his force.

Up to the present time General Wogack has received no reply, excepting a simple acknowledgment of the receipt of his demand, which, it is said, is couched in language which resembles an ultimatum.

Waldersee Prevents Bloodshed.

BERLIN, March 21.—The correspondent of the Associated Press has learned that Count von Waldersee, during his stay in Tien Tsin yesterday, succeeded in his mission, which consisted merely in preventing bloodshed among the allied troops. Beyond this, it is stated in official circles, Germany will remain perfectly neutral.

According to Russian accounts which have reached Berlin the question at issue in Tien Tsin is not controversial, and the Russian claims to the territory where the trouble occurred are indisputable. Besides the Russian flag was exhibited on the boundary marks, which the British soldiers did not respect.

PARIS, March 21.—2:30 p. m.—The French Foreign office has as yet received no dispatches regarding the Anglo-French or Anglo-Russian trouble at Tien Tsin. Officials are hopeful of a conciliatory settlement for what they regard as not being a serious difficulty.

Cablegrams received here from Pekin are very cheerful regarding the rapid progress of negotiations there during the past week. The American proposal to arrange for demanding joint damages from China is being favorably discussed by the powers. There appears to be a prospect for the adoption of this proposition, although with some modifications from its original form.

Feeling in Paris favors an agreement among the powers respecting the amount each state shall demand, and then the presentation of these amounts to the Chinese government as one sum. It is thought the claims of individuals and societies, however, should be adjudged by commissions sitting in the respective legations and presented separately.

Take More Hopeful View.

LONDON, March 21.—The more staid afternoon papers, with recollections of the earlier Chinese exaggerations, decline to credit the sensational stories from Tien Tsin and Shanghai. They believe the Tien Tsin difficulty will be readily solved by diplomacy. In regard to the suggestion in the Shanghai dispatch that the squadron has designs on Corea the papers think it highly improbable that Russia has any present intention of risking a naval war with Japan, which they consider would unquestionably follow any forward movement of Russia in the Hermit Kingdom.

The Japanese minister, Hayashi Tadasu, in an interview today, does not attach any importance to the dispatches from Shanghai and Kobe. He says that if Russia had any important designs on Corea it would require an army and not a fleet. The minister had no information regarding the reported mobilization of the Japanese fleet.

Robert R. Watts of Salem, Mo., writes: "I have been troubled with kidney disease for the last five years and have doctored with all the leading physicians and have tried all remedies suggested, without any relief. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and less than two bottles completely cured me and I am sound and well. Meyers-Dillon Drug Co., Omaha; Dillon's drug store, South Omaha.

To Cover Western States.

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