NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

GUILTY OF LIQUOR NUISANCE

Jury Stays Out a Whole Day in Case of Pleas Lowe of Neola.

FIRST CONVICTION OF SORT IN YEARS

Jury Considers Verdict in Case of Lloyd Forgraves, Charged with Murderous Assault.

In Judge Macy's division of the district court yesterday a verdict of guilty was returned at 1:30 in the afternoon in the case of the State against Pleas Lowe, charged with keeping a liquor nuisance at Neola. The jury had been out about twenty-four hours. This is the first conviction on a charge of this kind in this county in many years.

The trial of the case against Lloyd Forgraves, charged with assault with intent to commit murder, was finished and the case submitted to the jury about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. In this case the state had to proceed without the testimony of Ed Zimmen, the colored man on whom the assault was committed, as he had fled the jurisdiction, but Officer Ed Smith, who was first on the scene after the assault, gave strong testimony for the state, identifying the knife with which the negro was slashed. Late last night a verdict had not been returned.

The assignment for today in Judge Macy's court is the State against Emil Snyder and Mrs. Minnie Kilanoski, charged with violation of marriage vows. The husband of Mrs. Kilanoski and her sons are the prosecuting witnesses. Snyder was a boarder at the Kilanoski house.

Judge Macy has under consideration a motion for a new trial in the case of Roy Williams, the Neola young man found guilty a couple of days ago of keeping a house of ill repute. In this motion Williams' attorneys set up that the jury had taken into consideration outside matter in reaching its conclusion. In the trial the defendant did not go on the stand in his own behalf and this was remarked on by one of the jurymen as soon as the jury retired. News of this reached the ears of the defense and ten of the jury went on the stand and said it was true comment had been made on this matter. Judge Macy had instructed the jury that the fact that the defendant did not testify was not a question to be considered.

Davis sells paint.

Sues Motor Company for $5,150.

Hans Peterson of Hazel Dell township began suit in district court yesterday against the motor company, asking damages of $5,150, as the result of a collision he had with a street car on Upper Broadway four weeks ago. Peterson says in his petition he was driving along Broadway near Second street with his family in the buggy. He relates that he turned his team across the tracks to go north on Second street and that as he did so the car struck the vehicle. He says he was thrown out and severely crippled and bruised, sustained internal injuries and a strained back. He charges that the motorman was negligent and that the car was running at a higher rate of speed than eight miles an hour and for this reason was beyond the control of the motorman. Peterson asks $5,000 on account of his personal injuries, $100 on account of medical services and $50 for the buggy.

Prize waltz, Hughes' hall, tonight.

Funeral of J. C. Shermerhorn.

The funeral of J. C. Shermerhorn will take place from the residence, 807 First avenue, at 10 o'clock this morning and the body will be taken on the 11:30 train on the Rock Island to Winterset. Bluff City Typographical union will attend. The pallbearers will be: W. H. Treynor, E. B. Gardner, D. M. Nicoll, Spencer Smith, C. S. Lefferts and J. R. Dietrich. Mr. Shermerhorn had been a resident of Council Bluffs since 1869. Shortly after coming to the city he secured employment with the Nonpareil and was twenty-two years night foreman. He became a one-third owner of the paper in company with John Chapman and George Mills. In later years he has been owner of the Franklin Printing house.

Missionaries from Omaha.

A series of meetings to run the balance of the week and over Sunday was begun at the DeLong mission last night. Dr. Trennor and Mr. Baird, both of Omaha, are conducting the meetings. It has been decided not to give a Christmas dinner at the mission this year. Instead, donations of money and provisions to make the poor happy will be received and distributed. Missionary Davies of Mason City is now here raising money to pay Rev. Henry DeLong's salary.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Name and Residence.	Age.
R. Leonard Roberson, Pottawattamie Co.	42
Alice R. McCalligan, Pottawattamie Co.	32
William Foster, Cincinnati, O.	31
Fannie Robinson, Omaha	28

A Christmas Gift.

The Bee has decided to give to the most popular working girl or woman in Council Bluffs, who earns her own living, a Christmas gift of a box at the Dohany theater on Christmas night, at which time the attraction will be "For Love's Sake," one of the best melodramas that has appeared here in many years. The two Iowa girls, Mabel and Ethel Strickland, have prominent parts in the play. The contest is to be decided by the readers of The Bee, who can vote for their choice upon the attached coupon. The contest closes Tuesday, December 24, at 5 p. m. The successful one in this contest can invite three of her friends to occupy the box with her. A coupon will be printed each day. Cut them out, vote your choice and deposit your ballots at The Bee office. The vote will be published daily. Subscriptions paid in advance one vote for each cent.

ONE VOTE FOR

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Theater Box, Dohany Theater, Christmas Night, 1901.

THE VOTE.

Lizzie Hickey, Wollman's	340
Mrs. Annie Lunkley, Boston Store	230

LEWIS CUTLER
Funeral Director
(Successor to W. C. Estep)
26 PEARL STREET. 'Phone 97.

FARM LOANS 5 PER CENT
Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casady, jr., 336 Main St., Council Bluffs.

STILL ARGUE MINING SUIT

Baldwin's Address Draws a Bigger Crowd than Ever—Judge and Jury Much Fatigued.

The marked feature of the Doyle-Burns trial yesterday was the presence to hear the address of John N. Baldwin on behalf of Doyle of far more people than the seating capacity of the courtroom would accommodate. Many stood in the aisles and around the rear of the room, while nearly all of the available space within the court railing was taken by spectators. Attorney Hughes for Doyle and Congressman Smith and Senator Patterson for Burns all had good-sized audiences outside of the railing, the seating capacity being taxed at times, but the largest crowd yet drawn by the famous trial was present in anticipation of an address by Mr. Baldwin.

Senator Patterson did not finish his address until after 2 o'clock. He had expected to finish by noon, but at that hour he announced to the court that he would require some time yet. Judge Green directed him to proceed and the noon recess was reduced from two hours to one, the senator continuing at until 12:30 and resuming at 1:30.

During the forenoon Senator Patterson reviewed the stock transactions, tracing the stock issued to Burns for the three claims in controversy and showing Doyle's acquiescence in all matters in this connection without protesting or claiming any interest. Senator Patterson spoke in detail on various letters written by Burns to Doyle during the time it is now claimed the former had in his possession stock now claimed by Doyle. In these letters Doyle referred to his affairs and to the possibility of his having to call upon Burns as a friend for help, but in none of them did he ask for the stock now claimed, nor for any of the dividends received upon it by Burns, amounting to upward of $60,000.

Mr. Baldwin began his argument for Doyle about 2:30 and was but fairly under way at the hour of adjournment at 5 o'clock. Hesitating to adjourn at that hour, Judge Green asked Mr. Baldwin if he thought he could finish today, and the reply was he certainly would. Mr. Baldwin referred early in his remarks to the confinement of Doyle in jail at Colorado Springs for his violation of the injunction granted by the Colorado court preventing him from prosecuting his suit here. In this connection Mr. Baldwin indulged in something of a flight of eloquence and charged that the Colorado judge who had held Doyle in jail had been driven from the bench. Some objection was made to this as being matter outside the record, and Baldwin, addressing himself to Senator Patterson, replied: "You have been before this jury two whole days; it's my turn now." Mr. Baldwin spoke at some length on the amount of work done on the several claims by Doyle and how this compared with the work done by Burns.

The jury in this case was sworn five weeks ago last Tuesday and it is evident to all in the courtroom that the jurors are growing tired and restless. Judge Green, who has presided during the trial, also complains of being worn and tired. He is not enjoying good health on account of sleepless nights and the the strain is especially hard on him.

During the progress of the arguments Judge Green has been working on his instructions to the jury and has them practically finished. If Mr. Baldwin finishes his address this afternoon it is probable the court will deliver its charge to the jury and thus submit the case. The trial has taken up an entire term of the district court.

Davis sells glass

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 Broadway.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs
Stockert sells carpets and rugs.
Metz beer at Neumayer's hotel.
Drs. Green, office 303 Sapp block.
Welsbach burners. Bixby & Son.
Wollman, scientific optician, 409 Broadway.
Dr. Stephenson, Baldwin block. Elevator.
Missouri oak body wood, $5.50 cord. Wm. Welch, 23 N. Main st. Tel. 128.

Another shipment of elegant pictures just in. Alexander & Co., 333 Broadway.

D. W. Butler, a leading farmer of Valley township, was in the city yesterday.

The leaders of the Salvation Army solicit funds for a Christmas dinner to the poor.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Education will be this evening at the call of President Hess.

To keep your hubby home nights get him a portable billiard and pool table at Petersen & Schoening's.

Hon. W. H. Freeman of Oakland, member-elect of the legislature from this county, was in the city yesterday.

Over the garden wall the sweetest gift of all—Opera Bonbons, you can bet. Woodward's, now, don't forget.

Coal has gone up, but Woodward's Opera Bonbons still sell at 60 cents per pound, while the eastern dealers get $1 for them.

Maccabees are to report at the hall in the Merriam block at 1 o'clock this afternoon to attend the funeral of Andrew Anderson.

T. B. Lacey, jr., who underwent a serious surgical operation, is improving slowly, but will be compelled to stay in bed several weeks.

The finest gifts you can make is in furniture. See the extensive line carried by Petersen & Schoening, Merriam block. They can please you.

Remember that next week Christmas comes. Get in your laundry work early to the Bluff City laundry, 32 North Main street, and avoid the rush.

The funeral of Cyrus E. Weaver will be from the residence, 108 Elliott street, at 2 this afternoon, Rev. Clark officiating. Burial will be in Fairview cemetery.

Somebody broke into J. L. Kaier's store at 1601 Broadway Wednesday night and took four hams, a souphone and four pieces of boiling meat, also a quantity of tobacco.

Special prices given on candy to teachers and Sunday school societies. We have 50 different varieties of candies to select from. Bartel & Miller, 100 West Broadway. Tel. 339.

On account of sickness "Knobs of Tennessee," advertised to appear at the Dohany theater Sunday night, has been cancelled and in its place the Tom Lennon company will fill the date.

Arthur Olson has returned to the city after six months in the east and has taken a situation with his brother, V. E. Olson. Mr. Olson visited the Pan-American exposition and several eastern cities.

Members of Hawkeye lodge No. 184, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, are to meet in Odd Fellows hall at 1 this afternoon to attend the funeral of Andrew Anderson. Other lodges of the order are invited.

The funeral of Andrew Anderson will be from the Swedish Lutheran church at 2:30 this afternoon and burial will be in Fairview cemetery. The members of Hawkeye lodge No. 184, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will attend.

R. Leonard Roberson and Alice R. McCalligan, both of this county, were married by Justice Ferrier yesterday. The justice also performed the marriage ceremony for William Foster of Cincinnati and Fannie Robinson of Omaha.

Hans Henry Vogt, aged 58 years, died of heart failure at his home at Crescent at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, after an illness of two days. He leaves a wife, eight daughters and seven sons. The funeral will be from the residence at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon and the body will be placed in Reel's cemetery.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

Base Ball Hearing Goes Over.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The argument on the Freedman-Spalding base ball injunction which was to have been heard today by Justice Scott of the supreme court was adjourned until tomorrow. The reason for the adjournment was that Delancey Nicoll, counsel for Freedman, was absent from the city.

CUMMINS NAMES OFFICIALS

Governor-Elect Announces Seven of His Appointments.

JOHN BRIAR TO BE HIS SECRETARY

Rights in Ice Fields Are Determined—State Wins an Appeal—Supreme Court Decisions — Various Notes.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—A. B. Cummins, who has been busy the last two weeks considering the applications for appointment to positions, this morning made announcement of the appointees to positions in his own office, which appointments will be made at the beginning of his term. The list is as follows:

Pardon Secretary—Burgess W. Garrett, Decatur county.

Secretary to the Governor—John Briar, Polk county.

Pardon Clerk—Ernest O. Patterson, Adair county.

Requisition Clerk—Rufus H. Harvey, Polk county

General Clerk—A. S. Carper, Polk county.

Stenographer—Isabelle Wilson, Appanoose county.

Usher—William Coalson, Polk county.

The appointment of Major Carper of this city, who is an old soldier and prominent in Grand Army work, will not go into effect until April 1 next, and in the meantime E. P. Davies of Davis county will fill the office. The stenographer and usher, who now fill the same offices under Governor Shaw, are retained but temporarily. It is understood others will be appointed in the spring. Patterson, the pardon clerk, also fills that position under Governor Shaw, but is retained permanently. There was a spirited contest over pardon secretary, and for a time it was believed George A. Newman of Black Hawk county would be appointed, as he was urged by the Grand Army of the Republic, but Garrett had strong influences from the southern part of the state. It is one of the most important positions to be filled. The selections for secretary and requisition clerk have been known some time. Other positions within the gift of the governor will be announced soon.

Rights in Ice Fields.

The Iowa supreme court today, in the case of Becker & Azmeyer against John Hall, from Lee county, defined the rights of the icemen in fields of ice on public waters. It appears that the plaintiffs were in possession of a certain ice field on the government canal at Keokuk when the defendant interferred. An ice war broke out which ended in an injunction restraining Hall from interfering with the plaintiffs. Both parties had previously staked off portions of the bank to hold for ice rights. The Iowa court lays down the rule that rights cannot be held in this way, but after a person has taken possession of an ice field and is actually engaged in cutting ice or about to do so and is prepared to cut ice, then do the rights begin. One in actual possession of an ice field cannot be disturbed by a rival, but an ice field cannot be held by claiming right before there is any ice.

State Appeals and Wins.

The state won an appeal case in which it was sought to establish a rule regarding the rights of physicians in divulging professional secrets in criminal cases. In a case against Gus Grimmell from Greene county, accused of murder, a doctor refused to testify as to what he learned and heard while attending the victim of the murder. The lower court upheld him in this. Now the supreme court says that the statute exempting a professional man from testifying to professional secrets cannot be construed to protect a criminal, and after the death of the person most interested the doctor cannot fall back on his rights and refuse to testify. The case is reversed, though, of course, the defendant is acquitted and cannot be tried again.

Supreme Court Decisions.

The following are the decisions of the supreme court entire:

S. H. Summers against Des Moines Insurance Company, appellant; from Wayne county; Judge Towner; affirmed.

State against Fred Height, appellant; from Linn county; Judge Thompson; reversed.

Sylvester Handley, appellant, against Sylvester Handley et al; from Adair county; Judge Applegate; action to quiet title; affirmed.

Gaar, Scott & Co., appellants, against Louisa Stoltz; from Dickinson county; Judge Quarton; action on judgments; modified and affirmed.

John Minton against John Ozias et al, appellant; from Buchanan county; Judge Platt; action on appeal bond; affirmed.

M. L. Kinney, appellant, against J. G. Newbold, administrator of estate of Jacob S. Kinney; from Henry county; Judge Withrow; action on final report; affirmed.

C. H. King against Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company, appellant; from Wapello county; Judge Sloan; action for damages; affirmed.

Henry Becker et al against John Hall, appellant; from Lee county; Judge Bank; affirmed.

State, appellant, against Gus Grimmell; from Greene county; Judge Elwood; murder; reversed

Charles H. Good against John R. Zook and Brethren in Christ Church, appellants; from Polk county; Judge Prouty; action to set aside bequests; reversed.

New Corporations.

The Hawkeye Lumber company of Oskaloosa has been incorporated; capital, $200,000; William and Ralph Burnside and H. S. Howard, incorporators.

The Marshalltown Biscuit company has been incorporated; capital, $20,000; N. A. Evans, president; A. F. Balch, secretary.

The Liscomb Cheese company has been incorporated; capital, $5,000; H. E. Sloan, president; W. S. Robbins, secretary.

The Eldon & St. Louis Railroad company has been incorporated, with headquarters at Eldon; capital, $100,000; S. H. Sawyers, president; J. E. Houghland, secretary.

The Northern Lumber company of Forest City has increased its capital stock from $100,000 to $250,000.

The Danville Mutual Telephone company has been incorporated in Des Moines county; capital, $3,500; John Shepard, president; W. M. Irwin, secretary.

Banks Temporarily Closed.

News of the temporary closing of the two banks owned by the late Henry Hospers of Sioux county has been received here. Mr. Hospers owned the Bank of Orange City and the Bank of Maurice, both private banks, and it was generally supposed that he had an estate worth at least $250,000. After his death the banks were continued for a short time, but it is now announced that they have been closed pending settlement of the estate. Other bankers have stepped into the field and it is believed the two banks will not reopen. It is also found that his estate was not in as good condition as had generally been supposed.

Aged Man is Failing.

Today Noah Brockway Bacon of Des Moines is 102 years old. He lives with his son, E. F. Bacon, and is in such feeble health that no reception can be had as in previous years. Mr. Bacon has failed rapidly during the last four months. The last time he left his room was during state fair week. Neighbors and friends today called at the house to extend their sympathies in his illness, but no formal affair was arranged. Relatives fear that Noah Bacon will not survive many days.

Teamster is Missing.

Bruce Martin of South Des Moines is missing. He is a teamster. He did not return to his home last night and this morning his wife and son began a search. They went to a house on Center street, where he has been known to visit over night, but he had not been there. They fear he has been caught out in the cold of last night and possibly frozen to death. The police began an investigation this morning, but up to a late hour had found no trace of Martin.

Jumps from Train.

While Joe Cook, accompanied by his brother, were on the train starting east for treatment for mental failure, he jumped from the train near Ortonville and sustained fatal injuries. Cook was a prominent and popular stockman of Adel and a successful horse shipper. His brother is a leading merchant of Adel. It was a case of deliberate suicide.

SAY THIELE WAS INSANE

Doctors Testify that Alleged Murderer Labored Under Great Mental Strain.

RED OAK, Ia., Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—In the Thiele murder case, which is being tried in district court, the day was spent in hearing evidence for defense. An attempt was made to show that Thiele was laboring under great mental strain and was insane at the time the murder was committed. Many witnesses testified that he acted queerly and was greatly wrought up over his domestic troubles. G. W. Farrens of Decatur, Neb., was one of the witnesses. Thiele had worked on his ranch just before the murder, coming directly to this county from there. Dr. Kreidler and Dr. W. S. Reiley testified they thought he was suffering from emotional insanity at the time the deed was committed. Other doctors will testify tomorrow.

CABOOSE LOSES TRUCKS

Conductor Fails to Notify Engineer and Train Travels Eight Miles Without Them

INDEPENDENCE, Ia., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—When freight train No. 83 pulled into the yards here the caboose was discovered to be off the track and the trucks of one end gone. The engineer was much surprised to find his conductor and rear brakeman missing and began to wire to Winthrop, where they were located. The trucks had left the caboose near Winthrop and the men had hustled out and back to the station to notify the dispatcher. The engineer had not received the signal to stop and had gone on to Independence. The caboose had traveled the entire eight miles on one pair of trucks. Much damage was done to the track. Conductor Lucas and his brakeman walked to Independence.

NEARLY FROZEN WHEN FOUND

Miller is Assaulted at Shenandoah and Suspects Are Under Arrest.

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—A man giving his name as Miller of Beardstown, Ill., was assaulted here last night and seriously injured. Nine gashes were cut in his head. He was out all night and nearly frozen when found. Three young men, Irwin, Mason and Dennis, are under arrest on suspicion.

Horticulturists Elect.

RED OAK, Ia., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The Southwestern Iowa Horticultural society closed its session in this city this forenoon. Officers were elected as follows: President, J. H. M. Edwards, Logan; vice president, A. F. Collman, Corning; secretary, W. M. Bomberger, Harlan; treasurer, O. H. Barnhill, Shenandoah. Directors: First district, Henry Field, Shenandoah; Second district, H. D. Bullock, Nodaway; Third district, A. F. Collman, Corning; Fourth district, C. H. Deur, Missouri Valley; Fifth district, James McGinnis, Griswold; Sixth district, A. L. Plummer, Ivy.

The visitors were highly pleased with the meeting and with the treatment accorded them by the citizens of Red Oak. The society is growing and each year is doing more to develop fruit growing in this part of the state. Mills county is the leading county in southwestern Iowa in fruit growing, having shipped about 200 carloads of apples this fall. Secretary Bomberger is endeavoring to perfect an organization for business purposes of the orchardists in this part of the state.

The society will meet next year at Clarinda.

Ice Rises Two Feet in River.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—After teams began crossing on the ice bridge here the river rose over two feet, breaking the ice loose from the shore and practically putting a stop to all crossing except by footmen for several days.

SCHEME FOR CONSOLIDATION

John L. Webster's Plan is to Be Submitted Next Week.

COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN TO ACT UPON IT

After Scheme is Worked Out It is to Be Placed Before Mass Meeting of Citizens for Final Consideration.

John L. Webster, to whom was referred the work of preparing a tentative plan for the consolidation of the cities of Omaha and South Omaha and their separation from Douglas county, states that he will have his plan ready to report some time next week. When the matter was first placed in his hands he thought he would have a report ready to place in the hands of the subcommittee this week. A case came up in the federal court which has kept him busy for several days and the report has not yet been prepared.

As soon as the report is placed in the hands of Judge Woolworth, the chairman of the subcommittee, a meeting of that body will be called for its consideration. Such suggestions as commend themselves to the majority will be incorporated in the plan prepared by Mr. Webster.

The report will then be referred to each member of the committee of fifteen. As soon as they have considered the matter to their satisfaction a meeting of the committee will be called by Chairman Green at which final changes, if any, will be made and the plan will be submitted to the people at large.

In addition to the preparation of the report the committee of fifteen is expected to form some sort of an organization through which the report may be referred to the voters generally. This organization is the subject of considerable thought on the part of the members of the committee, as they realize that upon the success of the plan recommended will depend in a great measure the fate of the consolidation scheme.

It is believed that the report of the committee of fifteen will be submitted to the public at a mass meeting, after the manner of the one creating the committee, and at that time the permanent organization recommended by the committee will be formed.

With the coming of the holidays it is not believed that the mass meeting can be held much before the last week in January or the first week in February, as the committee of fifteen desires, if possible, to submit a complete plan, which before its submission will have been passed upon by the best legal authorities in the state as to its constitutionality and by the most experienced public men as to its desirability.

UNPRECEDENTED ATROCITIES

Chaffee Says History Affords No Parallel to Treacherous and Ignorant Filipinos.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—"History affords no parallel of a whole people thus practically turning war traitors, and in the genius of no other people was ever found such masterful powers of secrecy and dissimulation; but it is needless to say that no powerful state was ever erected or ever can be created on such immoral and unenlightened foundations."

This statement is made by General Chaffee, military governor of the Philippines, in a review of one of a number of court-martial cases in the islands, the records of which have been received at the War department.

The case which brought forth this comment from General Chaffee was one wherein seven natives were tried jointly on a charge of murder. The accused are soldiers of the insurgent army, and after defeat by the American army in the field abandoned even the show of open opposition such as half uniformed guerrilla bands make and took up their residence at Tay Tay, in Luzon, a place protected by an American garrison.

PENSIONS FOR WESTERN VETERANS.

War Survivors Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The following pensions have been granted:

Issue of November 30:

Nebraska: Original—George A. Morgan, Belvidere, $6. War with Spain—Axel Carlson, Fremont, $6. Increase, Restoration, Reissue, Etc.—Philo H. Miller, Bennett, $14.

Iowa: Original—Alfred E. Puffer, Des Moines, $10; Arthur Bromley, Eagle Grove, $12; James Cooper, Cedar Rapids, $6; Michael McCoy, Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown, $8. Increase, Restoration, Reissue, Etc.—Joseph Whitney, Prairiesburg, $10; Joseph T. Walker, Hamilton, $12. Original Widows, Etc.—Elizabeth Gilman (special accrued December 3), Jewell, $8; Catherina Bradley, Kelterton, $8; Elizabeth Johnson, Holly Springs, $8.

South Dakota: Original Widows—Margaret Cahill (special accrued December 3), Albee, $8.

Colorado: Original Widows, Etc.—Lena C. Gillette (special accrued December 3), Colorado Springs, $8.

Ends Celebrated Criminal Case.

DENISON, Tex., Dec. 19.—W. R. Gaines, a fireman on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, was killed this morning at Shecotah, I. T., in a wreck and a celebrated criminal case was ended. Gaines shot and killed Charles Koch, a brother-in-law. Before Koch was killed he and his wife inherited a large sum of money, Gaines being already well-to-do. Gaines was convicted of the murder of Koch and given a life term. A new trial was secured and Gaines was again given a life sentence, but secured a third trial. The third trial resulted in a hung jury, and the fourth was to have taken place in February. All of Gaines' money and most of his wife's has gone into fighting the case and he had to go to railroading to earn a livelihood

A Merry Christmas to All!

The Largest Crockery Establishment in the West.
Prices the Lowest.

W. A. MAURER

Retail, 342 and 344 Broadway, Council Bluffs.

We Are Direct Importers from England, France and Germany and Save You the Middleman's Profit.

Holiday shopping here is an easy matter, our stock is so large and the variety is so great, and is full of pretty and dainty things that will suggest themselves to you as a suitable Xmas or New Year's gift. Our line of Haviland China is the largest ever shown and the best ever offered. We have thirty-two distinct lines to select from. We have tried to please all tastes, and pocketbooks as well. Just think of buying a Haviland salad dish, clouded gold edge and dainty floral decorations, at 75c, and other goods equally as low in proportion.

Cut Glass

We are selling Cut Glass at what others pay for it. The quality is of the finest, the cutting of the latest.

A 10-inch Fruit Dish, deep cutting, elegant in design, at 7.75
Medium sizes at 2.50
We have just opened another lot of our especially cut Tumblers, which we offer at, per doz. 3.60
Nice clear glass, exceptionally well cut.

Dinner Ware

We have over 50 lines of goods, from which you can select anything you want from a cup and saucer to a full dinner set. We have also some special values in full Dinner Sets, which we are closing out.

Come and see them if you intend buying anything in this line.

Just Another Word

and this is that the little girl may get a BIGGER DOLL FOR XMAS.

We will repeat our usual custom and close out every doll in our wholesale department at actual wholesale price. We will sell you a single doll at the price a dealer pays by the dozen. This line includes the brass head or Minerva dolls and the genuine Kestner dolls—the finest made. Also all Children's Dishes, etc., on the same basis.

Silverware

in Novelties and Wares for the table.

We offer you the productions of the best makers at from 20 to 33⅓ per cent less than elsewhere. Our stock is large and complete, including a full line of Sterling Silver Mounted Genuine Ebony Goods and Traveling Sets, put up in leather cases. Just the thing for gentlemen.

Just One Word

About the most popular line in our stock. They do not need advertising, but perhaps you have not seen them. "Our list contains many names that we would like to remember, but there are so many we cannot afford to pay much for them, but we want something nice." We have it, and when you come in look at

The lines of Bisque Lace Figures from 25c to 60c
Imported Bronze Figures from 25c to 60c
Cameo Pieces, all kinds and shapes and designs, 25c to 60c
Bon-Bon or Olive Dishes from 25c to 85c
Fancy Plates from 15c to 50c.

And many others which the limited space will not permit us to enumerate.

DO YOUR XMAS SHOPPING NOW, WHILE TRADING IS EASY.

Beer Steins

One of the most decorative features in the dining room from 10c to $10.00 each—from the grotesque to the most artistic, including the Musical Steins.

We have this year imported a line of Pottery from Sweden and Russia; the quaint productions of these countries are attracting attention.

Bric-a-Brac or Fancy Pottery from the tasty little flower holder to the finest Paris production.

10c Goods

A counter full of them. Any of them cheap at 25c. Also, all kinds of Glassware, Fancy Water Sets, 4-piece Tea Sets, Cheap Fancy Cups, Mugs, Salads, etc., less than elsewhere.

Kodaks

from 80c upwards.

Eastman line and others. Also full line of supplies.

Cutlery

From the cheapest kitchen to the finest Silver, Pearl or Ivory goods, including a full line of Carvers.

Japanese Goods

An unusually attractive line and excellent values in Sugars and Creams, Salads, Baking Dishes, Vases, etc.

Lamps

Everything conceivable in this line from 25 cents to $50 each.

Visitors and Purchasers Equally Welcome

A Merry Christmas to All!

Woman's Work in Club and Charity

If a satisfactory rate can be secured there will be a called meeting of the officers and chairmen of standing committees of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs at Lincoln the first week in January. As the State Federation is to co-operate with the Nebraska Kindergarten association in furnishing the program of the State Teachers' association of January 3, there will be something more than the usual opportunity of stimulating interest among the women of the state, for this program promises to attract many club women in addition to the regular attendance of teachers. The special work of such a meeting would be to discuss plans of work with the newly appointed committee women and the extension of club interest over the state.

A number of clubs are planning special programs for the year, when some of the state officers will be invited to attend. January 22 is to be Hostess day, with the Ashland club, and the state president will be the guest of the occasion. On January 25 the Fremont club will give its Visiting day program. Mrs. Draper Smith, Mrs. Bushnell of Lincoln and Mrs. Belle M. Stoutenborough of Plattsmouth will be present and address the meeting. Sorosis club of Central City will entertain the state president on January 8.

Mrs. Philip Moore of St. Louis, chairman of the Louisiana purchase conference, has been notified that Nebraska will not send a representative to the meeting of the conference to be held in St. Louis January 20-22. This decision was reached after a conference of Nebraska women held recently in Omaha. At the Wayne meeting a committee composed of the presidents of the clubs of the state, with Mrs. George Tilden of Omaha as chairman and Miss Anna Miller of Lincoln as secretary, decided that Nebraska would favor the erection of a statue of Jefferson as a suitable memorial to the Louisiana purchase, to be erected in the state contributing most liberally to the fund. While the committees' choice of the projects submitted was the industrial school, which would necessitate an endowment of at least $150,000, the women felt that as their contribution to the fund must necessarily be small, their recommendation should be consistent with their ability to support. In view of the fact that Nebraska was one of the seven states represented at the Kansas City meeting, and so understands the work proposed, and that its ability to contribute to the project is so well defined in its own organization, the committee deemed it advisable not to send a delegate to the St. Louis meeting, but to apply the expense of such a delegate upon the contribution to the fund. The executive committee of the state federation has retained the club presidents of the state as a committee to see that Nebraska's share of the money is raised.

"Samuel Johnson" is the subject being studied by the English literature department of the Woman's club and on January 9 Rabbi Simon will address the department upon Johnson's work.

The extension work of the Young Women's Christian association has been especially active of late, a number of the bright women of the city having contributed materially to the interest of the noon song service among the young women in the factories by addresses on subjects appropriate to the season. At the south branch preparation is in progress for a Christmas social this evening, a special program of music and other features having been arranged. There will be no class meetings during the holidays. The members of the Sunshine club will entertain their mothers at their Christmas meeting Saturday afternoon. All the old members of the club and their mothers are invited. Refreshments will be served and a program given.

Columbus guild of St. Peter's parish is planning a Christmas party to be given at Metropolitan club on Friday, December 27.

There has been considerable informal discussion among the women since Monday's meeting of the Woman's club regarding the feasibility of parking the Nineteenth street site proposed for the new market house. Many feel that such a plan would not only add materially to the neighborhood and prevent undesirable buildings going in there, but would provide a very desirable rest spot near the business part of the city.

At Tuesday morning's meeting of the board of directors of the Woman's Christian association Mrs. P. L. Perine was elected chairman of the executive committee of the Old Ladies' home and Mrs. Fred Clarke clerk of the home. The other three members of the executive committee will be elected from the association members at the next meeting. The following committees were also appointed: Admission—Mesdames G. W. Clarke, W. B. Taylor and E. M. Gilbert; all applications for admission will have to be made through the chairman, Mrs. Clarke. Visiting Committee—Mesdames Isaac Carpenter, O. H. Pratt, Boltz and Clabaugh. Devotional—Mrs. O. H. Pratt. House and Home Committee—Mrs. C. L. Chaffee and Mrs. W. B. Taylor. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 7, at the Young Men's Christian association.

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