NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

"Confessions of a Matchmaking Mother" is an Interesting Novel.

A. R. NASON WRITES A WESTERN STORY

"To the End of the Trail" Suggests the Space and Freedom of Colorado Ranch and Mining Life—Good Things in Magazines.

How many mothers would care to undertake the laborious task of finding suitable husbands and successfully marrying eight daughters? This is successfully accomplished in Lillian Campbell Davidson's novel, entitled "Confessions of a Matchmaking Mother." Mrs. Dermot, a widow with eight daughters and a small income, meets such a task boldly and skillfully. The is wonderfully successful, as the daughters, as they return from school marry one after the other, in due succession, men not only of fair means and good position, but men who marry and are married for love. Among the eight daughters there is great diversity of temperament, giving naturally much opportunity for variety in the choice of suitors. Probably the most unpleasant of all is the curate. But the daughter is suited and though the mother is reluctant in visiting them, she is contented with the match. The incidents bringing about the marriage between the Womping "madcap" and the supposedly sedate banker are very amusing, but not more so than the experiences of the practical lawyer in his winning the girl addicted to romance. The readiness with which she improvises a scene with a mad dog—simply a playful puppy running to meet them—and the promptness with which he met with financial reverses because the girl thought him too rich, are indeed interesting. The story is enlivened by the experiences of one of the daughters—a flirt. It is an interesting novel, charmingly telling nine love stories—the widow finally marrying an old sweetheart who persuades her that her life would be unbearably lonesome with no daughters at home. The story leaves her happy as a governor's wife in Australia, but planning, as soon as his term of office expires, to return to England and assist in selecting husbands for her grand-daughters. Published by J. F. Taylor & Co.

"To the End of the Trail" is a novel of the west which suggests the space and freedom of Colorado ranch and mining life. Its author is Frank Lewis Nason, a mining engineer of wide experience. The characters of his book are active, strenuous people, whose portraits are drawn with exceptional life-likeness—Chase a prospector, who, as a tramp hires out as a goat herder; Peter, an old German miner, who loves both the weak and the strong and vainly strives to turn aside the doom of both; the Big Swede, a woman of the camp; and Ingalls and his wife. The story centers around Ingalls, a goat ranger and the herder, Chase. Ingalls is conceited and weak and is easily worked by any and every clever talker, while Chase is a man of strength in every way—a strength that forces him forward at whatever he undertakes. Peter furnishes a very amusing, but sound philosophy, and the illustrations he uses from real life by his ready eye and active brain, though many times humorous, furnish him a force to his arguments. His appearance is always welcomed with pleasure. The story is full of swift, significant action, convincingly realistic, thoroughly well written, and increasing in interest up to its dramatic climax. Published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

"The Brook Book," by Mary Rodgers Miller, lecturer on nature study at Cornell university, is a book that will interest every lover of nature. To the nature students a brook is one of the most living and companionable features of the wild landscape, and few people, even the most ardent nature lovers, realize what an endlessly interesting study its changes and its throbbing life afford. Mrs. Miller follows a typical stream through the year; the activity and bustle of its waters and their inhabitants in the spring; the gradual warming of the water and awakening of the swarm of insect life; the hot days of summer when the fish go into deep holes for coolness; the coming of winter and the ice-covering, which sheets the edges of the stream and glasses the rocks. It is a subject which the author, well known as a teacher, lecturer and writer of nature, handles with much ability. Doubleday, Page & Co., publishers.

"My Lord Farquhar," by Thomas Emmet Moore, cannot better be characterized than in the words of William H. Venable, author of a "History of the United States," "A Dream of Empire," and a well known literary critic: "I have read Tom Moore's forthcoming novel, 'My Lord Farquhar,' and consider it a most lively and entertaining romance. The story is written in a crisp and delightful literary style, and is full of dramatic action. While in no sense an imitation of any other author, it is somewhat in the vein of Egerton Castle's masterpiece, 'The Pride of Jennico.' Adventures in love and war constitute the chief elements of the tale. There is every reason to expect that Mr. Moore's exciting fiction will have a 'run' with novel readers everywhere. May the author become rich and famous." Published by the Abbey Press.

The frontispiece of the current number of Donahoe's Magazine not only reveals a delightful bit of landscape, but supplies as well the inspiration of a beautiful poem, "For Love's Sake," by Susan L. Emery. In this issue there are some very timely topics presented for the consideration of the thoughtful. Among them, "Higher Education in Greece," by Rev. Daniel Quinn, D. D., of the Archaelogical school, Athens, Greece; "The Philippine School Scandal," and "The Boer Fight for Freedom," the last a handsomely illustrated appreciation of Michael Davitt's history of events in the South African republics. A portrait group of twelve American students, including Archbishop Riordan, the late Archbishop Corrigan and Dr. McGlynn, the first to enter the American college, Rome, is an interesting feature of the study of Archbishop Corrigan's career.

The "hard lot of a farmer" is one of the commonplaces of political discussion, but few people realize the extent to which the farmer has been aided by science within the last decade. In Scribner's Magazine for June the remarkable results of the Agricultural Experiment station work is described for the first time in a popular manner by W. S. Harwood. He shows that a revolution in methods has been accomplished through the researches of 1,000 trained scientific men and that whole regions of the United States have turned to raising new products through the lessons taught by these stations. The article, which is fully illustrated, is a glimpse into "a book of practical magic."

The World's Work for June contains three articles of unusually timely importance. One of them by G. W. Ogden explains in picturesque detail "Why the Price of Beef is High." Arthur Goodrich, with the aid of thirty remarkable pictures, forecasts the future of American shipping, and Henry Harrison Lewis, who has lately returned from Cuba, writes an almost sensational story about conditions in the newly-freed island. A considerable portion of the magazine is taken up with crisp, important articles on educational subjects. Among these are a discussion of the Rhodes scholarships for Americans by Prof. H. Morse Stephens of Cornell, who is also a graduate of Oxford; a striking article by Franklin Matthews describing the methods New York State is already applying to educate its citizens; the vivid story of a public school teacher's day's work with all its humor and petty difficulties described; a concise discussion of a model school by Dean Russell, of the New York Teachers' College, and an illustrated story of plans already carried out for the beautifying of schools by Bertha D. Knobe. Besides these are short articles giving the personal experience of a typical city school superintendent and those of a teacher in the Philippines. London as it is when King Edward is crowned is described by Chalmers Roberts. The striking personal story of the greatest peach grower in the country is told by Mr. Hale himself and handsomely illustrated.

The Popular Science Monthly for June opens with a symposium on four modern sciences, statistics, political economy, psychology and sociology, written by those who are among the leaders in the recent development of these sciences, the Hon. Carroll D. Wright and Professors Roland P. Falkner, E. A. Pace and Lester F. Ward. Professor A. C. Scott contributes an elaborately illustrated article explaining how microscopic objects can be shown with the stereopticon. Mr. M. O. Leighton gives curious statistics showing the commercial value of human life as determined by suits for damages. The number contains articles on instinct by Douglas A. Spalding, on sugar and the sugar beet by Dr. John Waddell, on the physicist, Tait, by C. K. Edmunds and on the American University by Professor Cattell, the editor. The causes of volcanic eruptions and other timely topics are discussed in the shorter contributions.

Appropriately, Everybody's Magazine for June begins with a character sketch of Edward VII. This is an entertaining account of His Majesty's personality, mode of life, peculiarities and virtues, written in an interesting vein by Chalmers Roberts, and illustrated with innumerable photographs of the king, the queen, and their palaces. Most Americans will read with interest the curious article, "Did Columbus Discover America?" based on the investigations of Henry Vignaud, which exposes Columbus' claim as the original discoverer of America. In "Should Christians Buy the Holy Land?" Arthur S. Greene advocates a new crusade on Christian principles for the acquirement of Palestine. An important contribution is "Plant Making in a Dutch Garden," in which E. P. Lyle, Jr., describes the astonishing labors of Prof. De Vries, who has added two leaves to the clover, and created a new chrysanthemum. A simple and intelligent explanation of J. E. Hashke's method of cutting steel with an electric current is given in "Science and Burglary," by C. H. Dennis, and Adele Marie Shaw contributes a virile character sketch of William Phips, who figures as "The First Self-made American."

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BIG FOURTH OF JULY SHOW

Dr. Holmes Tells of Arrangements Being Made for Celebration at Sheridan.

Dr. Horace P. Holmes has returned from a trip to Sheridan, Wyo., bringing the report of plans for a great Fourth of July exhibition to be held there. The Iowa State band has been engaged for the occasion. There will be a balloon ascension. A roping and tying contest will be held, in which the cowboys will show their dexterity with the lariat in catching and holding cattle for the branding. Seven hundred Crow and Cheyenne Indians from the Crow agency will be present and give a genuine war dance. An oldtime stage holdup will be exemplified, using an oldtime Black Hills stage coach.

The event of the day will be a representation of the Custer massacre as graphically depicted as careful management and attention to historical details can make it. This latter feature is under the management of Hon. O. P. Hanna, a scout with General Custer as early as 1872, now state representative, and a piece of ground has been chosen very closely resembling the ground on which Custer took his last stand. The battle will be fought between the Indians from the agency and four companies of troops from Fort McKenzie, and Mr. Hanna is giving the plan especial study that it may be exact in every feature. It will be an exhibition well worth going a long distance to see.

Some Words with "Taxpayer."

OMAHA, June 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: In last Monday's Bee "A Taxpayer for thirty years" writing under date of May 31, apparently objects to the city council appropriating $2,500 for illuminating the business streets during the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities and asks if it is not a large sum to be wrung from the laboring classes who receive no benefit whatever. In answer I will say that it is a merchants' boom just as much as it is a boom for every resident of every property owner in the city. This cause is liberally subscribed to, both for the street parade and for memberships by merchants, railway, gas and electric railway companies, who also pay their proportion of taxes. All property owners and all classes receive a benefit from this boom just as direct as the merchants, the street railway or other like companies.

Coming at a time when Omaha most needed their help Ak-Sar-Ben more than any other attraction has made it possible for the merchants to use more buildings and employ more people to live in houses and consume more goods, again giving employment to more people to help pay taxes and so continue in the making of a great city.

It would not be unreasonable for the city council to appropriate $5,000 or more for the use of Ak-Sar-Ben.

Now Mr. Taxpayer, stop and think of what the value of your property would be without Ak-Sar-Ben, without the merchant and his employes. We may assert that Omaha would lack at least 25 per cent of our present population and that the other 75 per cent woul receive 25 per cent less in earnings and still find a great lack of steady employment.

In closing I would say to the "Taxpayer for thirty years" should he be intimate friend or brother, that with his sentiments he is not needed in Nebraska and would suggest the graveyard as a most congenial place for him. If Mr. Taxpayer was sincere why did he not subscribe his own name? Respectfully yours, O. B. WILLIAMS.

SHRINERS IN A LONG RACE

Running from Coast to Coast in Order to Land First.

COMPETITION GROWS OUT OF PIQUE

Imperial Potentate Shaeffer Deserts His Temple and His Fellow Lulus Get on Their Ear About It.

A race across the continent was not one of the features contemplated by Shriners in the east when they made their arrangements to go to San Francisco, but such a contest is this week in active progress just the same. On two special trains, over different routes, two parties of the famous Lulu temple of Philadelphia are pitted against each other in an endeavor to be first on the golden shore. In order to win, the party which passed through Omaha yesterday will make the entire run in eighty-nine hours, time unprecedented for delegations.

The cause of this notable struggle is also the explanation of the failure of Philip Shaeffer of Philidelphia, imperial potentate, to pass through Omaha yesterday morning, as had been expected. At the last minute Mr. Shaeffer and a score of his temple fellows decided to go west with McGee's imperial special, which started at New York City, carrying several imperial officials from that state and other Shriners.

This special left New York last Saturday night and Shaeffer and his party were on it, having run up from Philadelphia. The train took the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern into St. Louis, not going to Chicago, and the Missouri Pacific from there to Kansas City. Thence it goes via the Burlington to Denver and over the Denver & Rio Grande westward to a Southern Pacific connection, which road will land it in 'Frisco.

Other Lulus Get Sore.

Meanwhile the balance of Lulu temple, and by far the larger portion of it, did not leave Philadelphia till Tuesday last, coming via Chicago and Omaha. Piqued at the action of their fellows in deserting them, this band resolved to beat them to 'Frisco despite their big start. The Chicago & Northwestern and Union Pacific railways were eager to accept the plan, as they, too, would have liked to carry Shaeffer and the rest, and did not relish their going the other way.

So while Shaeffer and party were making long stops at all important cities the other Lulus hustled right through, with the result that at the Missouri river the two are on an equal basis, and that if each carries out its present program the Omaha party will be considerably in the lead at the Rocky mountains.

S. A. Hutchinson, general excursion agent of the Chicago & Northwestern railway, was in charge of the Lulus who came through yesterday. When the special pulled in at 10:10 a. m. Mr. Hutchinson said:

"Now we'll stay here just fifteen minutes, and then hustle on to Salt Lake City. We'll beat those other Lulus into 'Frisco twenty-four hours, and we will make the entire journey from Philadelphia in just eighty-nine hours. That means some phenomenal running from here on, for we are none too far up on that fast a schedule now."

Well Pleased with Prospect.

Mr. Hutchinson is well known in Omaha, having lived here as assistant general passenger agent of the Union Pacific railway. His train yesterday comprised four cars and it was pulled by one of the monster engines. "That animal will take us along all right," said Mr. Hutchinson. "We can do tricks with time with such a locomotive, and the men have orders to cut loose."

Like all the Shriners that have preceded them, the Lulus are jolly good fellows. During their brief stay here they were regaled with claret punch as fast as they could drink it. There were fifty of the Shriners in the party, besides a great many women. The local men who met them at the station were: W. S. Wedge, H. Hardy, Alfred Oleson, Gustav Anderson, M. A. Hall, B. E. Wilcox, W. B. Woodman, F. S. Brownlee, W. S. Summers, E. Haney, Cadet Taylor. There was not enough time to suit either party, but that only made things the jollier.

CASES IN SUPREME COURT

Large Number Argued and Submitted and Long List of Actions Dismissed.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, June 5.—(Special.)—The following cases were argued and submitted:

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company against Krayenbuhl, error, Merrick; Doering against Kohout, appeal, Thayer; Deering against Walter, error, Butler; National Fire Insurance company against Eastern Building and Loan association, error, Douglas; Bowditch against Linn, appeal, Dawes; O'Shea against Kavanaugh, error, Platte; Allyn against Cole, error, Custer; Clearwater against Garfield, error, Antelope; Hood against Blair State bank, error, Washington, two cases; Leach against Harbough, appeal, Antelope; Meek against Lange, error, Clay; Elder against Webber error, Clay; Peil against Adams, error, Dawson, O'Donnell against Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad company, error, Lancaster; Klein against Pederson, error, Lancaster; Reed against Hopkins, error, Douglas; South Omaha against Burke, error, Douglas; Ketelman against Chicago Brush company, error, Douglas; Kyner against Laubner, error, Keith; National Black River bank of Proctorville, Vt., against Wall, appeal, Sherman; Sherman County Irrigation and Water Power company against Drake, appeal, Sherman; Parker against Taylor, error, Lancaster; Campbell against Cawlewicz, appeal, Sherman; Carter against Leonard, appeal, Cass; Siburian Mineral Spring company against Kuhn, error, Douglas; Punteney against Mitchell Mining company against Northwell, error, Douglas; Franklin County bank of Hildreth against Everett, error, Franklin; Solomon against Solomon, appeal Douglas; Helm against Byfield, appeal, Red Willow; Omaha Savings bank against Broonstra, appeal, Douglas; Link against Reeves, error, Douglas; Tyson against Omaha, appeal, Douglas; Browne against Palmer, appeal, Douglas; Equitable Trust company against Omaha, appeal, Douglas; Dexter against Citizens' National bank of Norfolk, error, Madison; Humphrey against Humphrey, error, Cass; Peerke against Shinn, error, Douglas; McCook Irrigation and Water Power company against Crewes, appeal, Hitchcock; Western Travelers' Accident association against Holbrook, error, Douglas; Dempster Mill Manufacturing company against Lofquist, error, Phelps; Royal Highlanders against Scoville, error, Hamilton; Bennett against Bennett, error, Boyd; Gloe against Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad company, error, Lancaster; Battelle against Douglas county, error, Douglas; Zimmerman against Kearney County bank, error, Kearney; Hanson against Anderson, error, Kearney; Hartford Fire Insurance company against Hon, error, Lancaster; Ellison against Ellison, appeal, York; Schwartz against State, error, Pawnee; State against Loechner, error, Douglas; Williams against Auten, error, Saunders; Union Insurance company of Lincoln against McCullough, error, Dawson; Merrill against State, error, Clay; Biester against State, error, Fillmore; Darrah against State, error, Scott's Bluff; Randolph against State, error, Merrick.

The following causes were affirmed:

Bealer against Rankin, error, Gage; Admire against Irish, appeal, Antelope; Brevoort against Echerman, appeal, Douglas; Honey against Reed, error, Nuckolls; Eastern Banking company against Pierce, appeal, Phelps; Davis against Marley, appeal, Lancaster; Bennett against Morrison, error, Boyd.

The following causes were dismissed:

Nash against Omaha, appeal, Douglas; Wordman against Omaha, appeal, Douglas; Tillson against Omaha, appeal, Douglas.

The following miscellaneous orders were made:

Fay against Chicago, Burlington & Quincy company, error, Sheridan, hearing on motion continued to September 16, trial of cause continued to October 3; Concordia L. & T. company against Helgren, appeal, Phelps, hearing on motion and cause continued to September 17; Wagar against Hamer, error, Kearney, hearing of cause continued to September 16; Admire against Irish, appeal, Antelope, redemption shown appeal dismissed; Canon against Farmers' bank, Cook, error, Johnson, hearing of cause continued to June 17; Dempster Mill Manufacturing company against Lofquist, error, Phelps, leave to amend petition in error; State ex rel Bee Building company against Savage mandamus, hearing ordered for July 8 at 9 a. m., relator to serve and file briefs in twelve days, respondent twelve days thereafter; motion of M. F. Harrington for leave to intervene, sustained; Leigh against Decker, appeal, Cass, submitted on motion to recall mandate; Decker against Decker, appeal, Cass, submitted on motion for leave to file additional motion for rehearing, to file briefs and to vacate former ruling on motion for rehearing; Brewster against Flanagan, appeal, Lancaster, suggestion of death withdrawn, appeal dismissed; McCormick Harvester Machine company against Scott, error, Greeley, submitted on motion for leave to file second motion for rehearing; Bourke against Boyd, error, Douglas, order recalling and correcting mandate; VanAuken against Misner, appeal, Saline, order of revivor; McCormick Harvester Manufacturing company against Preitauer, error, Dawson, submission vacated, leave to defendant in error to file briefs, briefs filed cause submitted on merits; Marvel against Marvel, error, Hamilton, leave to file amended petition in error; Lemert against Guthrie Bros., error, Nuckolls, motion to strike briefs of defendant in error overruled; Royal Highlanders against Scoville, error, Hamilton, leave to defendant in error to file briefs, leave to amend petition in error; DeWolf against Bennett, additional deposit of $500 ordered to be made in ten days dismissed; Burnett & Eno Investment company against McClain, appeal, Custer, dismissed; Barnes against Boston Investment company, error, Butler, motion to quash bill of executor continued to June 17; Parak against First National bank, Schuyler, error, Colfax, submitted on motion to strike transcript and to dismiss; State ex rel Wright against Savage, submitted on motion for new trial; State ex rel Blessin against Davis, original, submitted on motion for order of reference and for order requiring relator to make answer more definite and certain; Force against State, error, Dawes, submitted on objection to service of motion; Farmers' & Merchants' Insurance company against Collins, error, Boyd, motion to quash bill of executor sustained; Duff Grain company against Jones, error, Otoe, submitted on motion to quash bill of executor and to strike additional transcript; State ex rel Prout against Nebraska Home company, hearing on demurrer continued to June 17, relator to serve and file brief by June 5, respondent to serve and file briefs by June 14; Seeman against Brun, error, Cuming, submitted on motion to dismiss, plaintiff in error to file counter showing within five days; German Mutual Fire Insurance company against Holmes, error, Adams, continued to June 17, leave to plaintiff in error to make counter showing; Shull against Barton, error, Saline, advanced for rehearing at September term; Rice against Allen, appeal, Holt, submitted on motion to allow supersedeas; State ex rel Brockett against Alliance, error, Box Butte, advanced for hearing June 17; McCoy against Lane, error, Douglas, leave to amend petition in error; Pekin Plow company against Wilson, error, Lancaster, submitted on motion for leave to plaintiff in error to file brief; New Thomson Houston Electric Light company against Johnson, error, Douglas, leave to plaintiff in error to amend petition in error in ninety days; Guthrie against Treat, error, Nuckolls, leave to plaintiff in error to file briefs instanter; Tunnicliff against Fox, error Douglas, time heretofore allowed plaintiff in error in which to serve and file briefs extended fifteen days; Ulrich against McConaughy, error, Hamilton, leave to plaintiff in error to serve and file briefs on rehearing within forty days; Becker against Breen, error, Douglas, time heretofore allowed plaintiff in error in which to serve and file briefs extended thirty days; Butler against Chamberlain, error, Johnson, advanced; Shafer against Omaha, appeal, Douglas, dismissed; Orr against Omaha, submitted on application for extension of time in which to file motion for rehearing; Ure against Buen, appeal, Douglas, submitted on motion for judgment on opinion filed May 21; Merrill against Wright, appeal, Douglas, advanced.

Attorneys admitted: Charles E. Morgan, Douglas county, on motion of James H. Adams; Isidor Ziegler, Douglas, on recommendation of Bar commission.

New Schedule for Union Pacific.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 5.—(Special.)—The Union Pacific will put out a new time table next Sunday, at which time the old line from Allen Junction to Carbon will be abondoned, together with Carbon and Allen Junction stations. The old line from Hermosa to Laramie will also be abandoned Sunday, all trains being run over the Tie Siding-Laramie cut-off on and after that date.

Absorbed by the Rock Island.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., June 5.—An official order has been issued effective June 1, by which the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern railway is absorbed by the Rock Island routs. The former road henceforth will be known as the Iowa division of the Rock Island. President Ives of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern says the present local officials will continue until a full readjustment is completed.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Republicans of the Second ward will hold a caucus for the purpose of naming delegates to the state and judicial conventions at 1433 South Sixteenth street Friday evening, June 6.

The personal damage case of Jesse Homan against Swift and Company has been dismissed from the federal court upon motion of the attorneys for the plaintiff. Ten thousand dollars was sued for.

Records at the health office show that during May seventy-six boy and fifty-six girl babies were born in Omaha, making a total of 132. Out of this number there were two pairs of twins and five colored infants.

Word has been received at the headquarters of the Department of the Missouri that Colonel Dallas Blache, U. S. A., retired, who formerly served as chief surgeon at Omaha, died Wednesday at San Diego, Cal.

A meeting of the First Ward Republican club will be held Friday evening, June 6, at Lincoln hall, corner Sixth and Pierce streets, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the state and judicial conventions.

The United States transport Hancock, which sailed with the Ninth infantry from Manila May 27 enroute to Madison Barracks, N. Y., brings to the United States Major General Lloyd Wheaton and Brigadier General Simon Snider.

Wenzel Hoffman is endeavoring to convince a jury in Judge Slabaugh's court that he is entitled to $600 from Constable Alvin E. Hensel and his bondsman because the constable, it is said, wrongfully levied on some of his personal belongings.

Mrs. J. H. Whitman, formerly Mrs. Little, the police matron, has not only lost the soldier husband to whom she was married a few days ago, but is also out $40 in cash and a gold watch, which, it is said, her gay deceiver took with him when he decamped for parts unknown.

In Judge Fawcett's court the case of Caroline Conrad against the City of South Omaha is on trial. Mrs. Conrad, who is 65 years old, says she fell into a hole in the sidewalk on N street, near Sixteenth, and sustained injuries from which she has never recovered. She wants the city to pay her $5,000 damages.

In Judge Estelle's court the case of John T. Cathers against Phoebe H. R. E. Linton is on trial. Mr. Cathers has a claim against the defendant for attorney's fees amounting to $5,185.70, on which he is endeavoring to secure a judgment. The services, it is alleged, were given in securing a decree of foreclosure for a mortgage amounting to $35,648.

William Graves was bound over to the district court by Police Judge Berka yesterday on a charge of assault to do injury. Graves and a neighbor, K. J. Atkinson, had a fight on the morning of May 23, in which Graves cut Atkinson with a pocket knife, it requiring twenty-two stitches to close the wounds. Graves made no defense yesterday morning.

Seven women from a neighborhood on South Tenth street called at the city attorney's office yesterday and asked to have one of their neighbors placed under bonds to keep the peace. They were told that the city prosecutor at the jail building would probably furnish them the relief they sought, but they declined to go there, saying they were afraid their names would get into the newspapers. The woman whose activities they wished restrained, it was alleged, had slapped one of the complainants.

Huge piles of folders, containing the examination questions to be propounded in the Third and Eighth grades, inclusive, of the city schools, reached the superintendent's office yesterday, and are being jealously guarded by the young woman clerk. A few years ago a printer's devil appropriated a pocketful of the slips, to the end that a half-dozen of his personal friends in the schools passed the tests with phenomenal marks. This year the slips are being watched as carefully as though they were greenbacks.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

County and City Assessors Are Closing Up Their Work.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Addition to Hawthorne School Will Do Away with Rented Rooms in Eastern District—Magic City Gossip.

Tax matters are coming to a focus and in a few days returns from both the county and city assessors will be published. The county assessors will complete their work on June 10 and turn in reports, while the city assessment under Tax Commissioner Fitzgerald will not be finished until June 15. The county assessors will make a direct report to the clerk and the county commissioners, while the city assessors will submit a statement to the mayor, council and a board of review. Under the charter the mayor and the treasurer each has the right to appoint one member of the board of review and the tax commissioner makes the third member.

As soon as the city assessment is completed the board of review will meet and equalize the assessment. Treasurer Howe has not signified his preference for any person on the board and as far as known Mayor Koutsky has not done so. The board will consider the assessment of individuals, receive and act upon complaints and will have the authority to make any changes deemed necessary.

When the final action of the board is made the tax books for the city will be made up and then when the total valuation is announced the levy will be made. As for the valuation, that is mere conjecture, as until the figures are turned in even the tax commissioner himself cannot tell what the total will be. It is hoped, however, that the valuation this year will be larger than it has been in the past in order that the levy may be reduced.

In a few days the assessors will be in a position to give figures and then comparisons may be made.

Wants Chemical Engine.

While at the present time the city fire fund is depleted and the fire fighters will have to go without money for a month or so, there will soon be a fund to draw from and then some recommendations for improvements in the service will be made. In the first place Chief Etter wants some new hose. As hose is badly needed the council will doubtless grant the request. Then the chief will ask, or rather suggest, that the city purchase a chemical engine. This engine, he says, could be stationed at No. 1 fire hall and make runs to gasoline stove explosions, etc., and do a great deal of work now left to the heavier apparatus of the department. While the levy as permitted by charter is not sufficient to maintain the department as it now is, some think that the finance committe can find some way to secure the needed improvements.

Preparing for Pupils.

President Miller of the Board of Education said yesterday that the two rooms to be built as an addition to Hawthorne school would do away with a number of rented rooms in the eastern portion of the city and would give a great deal better satisfaction to all concerned. It is estimated that the two rooms, which will be constructed on the rear of the present building, will cost about $4,000. With the furnishings the cost may run as high as $5,000. However, there is money on hand to pay for the addition, as at the present time the district is in fairly good shape financially.

There is some talk of one or two additional rooms at Lowell school, but President Miller and some of the other members of the board do not think that the expenditure is warranted at this time. An effort will be made to have the new rooms at Hawthorne ready for occupancy by the time school opens in the fall.

Continuing Improvements.

Officials of the Nebraska Telephone company were in the city yesterday making plans for the construction of a number of additional cables. It is the intention of the company to place all of the principal lines in the business part of the city in cables this summer. These cables will also be extended so as to take in quite a portion of the residence districts. It is reported that for the improvements under contemplation the company will spend something like $75,000 for material and labor. At the present time a number of linemen are working on the cables already in course of construction. The idea is to do away as much as possible with overhead wires and thus give better service in case of storms.

Waiting for Material.

The bridge builders working for the Elkhorn in the northwestern part of the city are being held back some by lack of material. The viaduct at Thirty-sixth street should have been completed long ago, but it is impossible to secure the steel. Some of the material is here, the piers and approaches have been constructed and everything is ready for the bridge builders. The force is now working on the steel bridge across the tracks near the boulevard. Unless material arrives rapidly the Thirty-sixth street county road viaduct will not be finished before fall.

Williams Brought Back.

Alexander Williams, colored, is in jail here, charged with stealing a sack of money from John Carlow. About three weeks ago Williams, who was working at the Carlow cafe, suddenly departed with a sack of coin, said to contain $42. From here Williams went to Sioux City, where he was arrested a week ago at the request of Chief Briggs. For some reason Williams was turned loose before papers could be secured and he came back to Nebraska. Last night he was captured in Omaha and will be compelled to face the charges filed against him.

Few Men Idle.

Inquiry at the packing houses yesterday afternoon brought forth the information that few men were idle at this time. One of the heads of an important department at Armour's said that a good man was never turned away. He did say, however, that a few "soldiers" were refused employment every day or so. By that he meant men who work a day or two and are dilatory and do not earn their money. The same expression was made by those in authority at the other packing houses. There is, it is stated, just as much work at the packing houses now as at the same time last year and the same number are being employed.

Magic City Gossip.

The street force worked yesterday on Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets from K to S streets.

Maccabee lodge No. 29 gave a dancing party at the hall, Thirty-eighth and Q streets, last night.

The regular monthly meeting of the general committee on arrangements of the international convention of the Disciples of Christ, to be held in Omaha in October, met at the Christian church last night and considered matters of importance.

GREAT WORK OF RAILROADS

James J. Hill Places It Next to Agriculture in Commercial Expansion of Country.

CHICAGO, June 5.—One of the largest and most enthusiastic gatherings ever assembled in the main banquet hall of the Auditorium was present tonight at a dinner of the Illinois Manufacturers' association. James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, was the orator of the occasion and he closely held the attention of the association's 400 guests. His subject was, "Commercial Expansion," the banquet being in the nature of a celebration of the prosperity pointed to by the organization as a result of an expansion policy.

Special significance was given to the topic because "Commercial Expansion," was the keynote of resolutions adopted by the Illinois manufacturers and wired to president McKinley at a time when the national government was said to be hesitating and in doubt as to what policy to pursue regarding the new island accessions. Mr. Hill said in part:

The commercial expansion of a nation is the best index of its growth. Commercial growth is both domestic and foreign. Following the civil war came a period in the history of our country of international development which has been the wonder of the world. Since the close of the war in 1865 the enormous territory west of the Mississippi has grown from frontier settlements into great populous and wealthy states.

Considering the question from a broad national standpoint the next interest in importance to agriculture is the railroad interests of the country. I think I am safe in saying that next to the Christian religion and the common schools no other single work enters into the welfare and happiness of the people of the whole country to the same extent as the railway; no other work could have made it possible to occupy the enormous stretches through the interior of our country and people them with towns and villages.

In a country as large as ours, carrying an enormous undertaking, large amounts of capital are necessary and this capital can be more readily furnished by corporate ownership than in any other way. The only serious objection to so-called trusts has been the method of putting them, not for the purpose of manufacturing any particular commodity in the first place, but for the purpose of selling sheaves of printed securities which represent nothing more than food and prospective profit to the consumers. If it is the desire of the general government through congress to prevent the growth of such corporations, it has always seemed to me that a simple remedy was within their reach. Under the constitutional provision allowing congress to regulate commerce between the states all companies desiring to transact business outside of the state in which they are incorporated should be held to a uniform provision of federal law, that they should satisfy a commission that their capital stock was actually paid up in cash or in property at a face valuation, just as the capital of the national banks is certified to by the comptroller of the currency. With that simple law the temptation to make companies for the purpose of selling prospective profits would be at an end, and at the same time no legitimate business would suffer.

EAGER TO LET DOWN BARS

Members of Young Men's Republican Club Want No Age Limit.

CANNOT CARRY OUT THEIR DESIRES

Constitution Prevents Action Because of Lack of Attendance of Those Necessary to Cast Needed Votes.

The Young Men's McKinley club which held its regular monthly meeting at the Millard hotel Wednesday night, is confronted by a peculiar difficulty: It is unable to amend its own constitution. The objectionable clause is as follows: "To amend this constitution a two-thirds vote of the club shall be necessary." There was no doubt in the minds of those at Wednesday night's meeting that "a two-thirds vote of those present" was intended by the drafters instead of "a two-thirds vote of the club," but the objectionable words are there, and the question now is, how to get them out. The club has a membership of 175. At Wednesday night's meeting forty-five were present, which is an average attendance.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Frank Crawford. C. J. Phillips moved to amend the constitution by striking out the age limit. As the constitution now stands, only republicans between the ages of 18 and 35 are eligible to membership, and Mr. Phillips wanted to throw the bars down entirely in this respect by removing the age restriction. He was reminded that if the meeting voted unanimously for it the change could not be made. H. A. Whipple moved that a committee be appointed to re-draft the constitution, but it was decided that a redrafting would amount to an amendment. E. M. Martin wanted a committee appointed to suggest changes in the constitution. Dr. H. A. Foster, who helped draft the instrument, said the word "club" in that connection was a typographical error. H. P. Leavitt was in favor of giving a smoker, thereby getting enough of the members out to strike out the word "club." Charles Pritchard thought the fundamental law should be entirely rewritten. John G. Kuhn admitted that he had been secretly gloating over the presence of that word, since he was in favor of keeping the organization a young man's club. However, he thought it would be possible to get a two-thirds vote of the entire club by sending to the members double postal cards, requesting a vote by mail. Charles McDonald, the secretary, said the entire instrument seemed to have been remodeled and edited by the stenographer who copied it upon a typewriter.

Judge Berka said the meeting was attaching entirely too much importance to the constitution, and that there seemed to be a disposition to exalt the creature above the creator. Speeches were made along similar lines by I. Ziegler, P. A. Wells, E. C. Hodder and others, and finally, upon motion, the chair appointed a committee of five to suggest alterations in the constitution, and to report at the next meeting. This committee was appointed: H. A. Foster, O. S. Erwin, Daniel Riley, S. W. Smith and H. A. Wallche.

Nelson C. Pratt was called upon to speak, and was greeted by hearty applause, but as the hour was late he excused himself with a few brief remarks. He felicitated the club upon its choice of a name, saying that the name McKinley stood for all that is good and great in republicanism. He closed by admonishing the club to uphold the army, whether at home or abroad.

The chair announced as a topic for discussion at the next meeting Senator Hoar's speech delivered in the senate two weeks ago on the subject of the Philippines.

Kansas Prohibitionists Meet.

HUTCHINSON, Kan., June 5.—Kansas prohibitionists met in state convention here this forenoon, with 100 delegates present. An entire state ticket will be placed in the field. There are three candidates for governor and two for attorney general. The platform denounces the dominant state parties as being afraid to deal with the liquor question, and condemns the state officers as being afraid to enforce the law.

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