NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs.

Expert watch repairing, Leffert, 409 Bway.

Officer is selling dwellings cheap, 419 B'y.

Harmony chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will install officers this evening.

Cut prices on art calendars and blotters for New Year's gifts. Alexander & Co.

Judge J. E. F. McGee returned yesterday morning from a trip to Washington, D. C.

We are headquarters for glass of all kinds. See us before you buy. C. B. Paint, Oil and Glass Co.

If you want something delicious try a ping pong nut Sunday at S. E. Whaley & Co., the druggists, 416 Broadway.

At the meeting of Court of Honor this evening the newly elected officers will be installed, after which refreshments will be served.

One of the newest drinks of the east, and something that has become very popular, is the oyster cocktail. Try it at the drug store of S. E. Whaley & Co., 416 Broadway.

Anton Brock, a laborer living at 2203 South Sixth street, was struck by a motor on South Main street, near Twelfth avenue, last evening and seriously bruised. He was removed to his home in the police ambulance.

Clarence Virtue and Lida Van Kirk, Charles A. Moore and Anna L. Hostetter, all of Silver City, Ia., were married yesterday afternoon by Rev. G. W. Snyder at the parsonage of St. John's English Lutheran church.

Hon. J. W. Ragsdale, United States consul at Tien Tsin, China, who arrived in Council Bluffs Wednesday morning with Hon. W. E. Bainbridge, second secretary of the American legation at Pekin, China, will leave for Des Moines today to visit relatives and from there will proceed to Washington, D. C., with Mr. Bainbridge.

The road house on the Crescent City road of the city limits, owned by Mrs. Emma Metcalf, was destroyed by fire at an early hour Wednesday morning. The loss is estimated in the neighborhood of $10,000, partly covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin and started by people living in the neighborhood who complained of the character of the place.

F. W. Rickman, the young man who two days ago returned and had cancelled the marriage license he had secured to wed Miss Lulu Woodford, at which time he told Deputy Baird that he would be back after another before long, was as good as his word. Yesterday he procured a license to wed Miss Altha B. Millis and the ceremony was performed without any hitch by Elder J. H. Fairchild.

Frank Kuman, the young man arrested on suspicion of having stolen a horse, saddle and bridle, which he was trying to sell for $10, was taken back to South Omaha yesterday afternoon. T. J. Cooley of the Omaha Packing company of South Omaha identified the horse as one stolen from the yards there Monday afternoon. Kuman's right name is said to be Shurman. He admitted stealing the animal and consented to accompany the officers across the river without requisition papers.

Beginning Saturday, January 3, C. E. Whaley & Co., the druggists, 416 Broadway, will give a beautiful souvenir spoon with every hot chocolate drink at their new fountain. They have 300 of these spoons and will give them out from day to day until all are gone. They have one of the fountain experts of the country engaged for the occasion, Mr. T. Blake, who for a number of years presided over the fountain at the W. H. Bennett company store in Omaha. If you want to see what these spoons look like just keep watch of their show windows.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Reid, 128 Main St.

Jolly Farewell to Old Year.

Watch night services were held last night at St. Paul's Episcopal church, the First Baptist church, the Broadway Methodist church, Trinity Methodist church, First Presbyterian church and the Fifth Avenue Methodist church.

New Year's eve social affairs included the dance given by the Rowing association in the Grand hotel, entertainment for Odd Fellows and Rebekahs by Rebekah lodge No. 3 in Odd Fellows' temple, entertainment of Ideal club at the residence of Mrs. T. B. Metcalf, entertainment of Tuesday History club at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Cleaver and entertainment of Broadway church choir at the home of Miss Ranck.

A number of social events are on the calendar for today. Rev. Henry DeLong will celebrate his fifty-sixth New Year in Council Bluffs by entertaining at a 12 o'clock dinner a number of ministers and friends interested in his work at the mission building on East Broadway, which will be followed by a dinner for the children of the Industrial school. The Trades and Labor assembly will give its second annual ball in the new Maccabee hall. The Danish Brotherhood will celebrate New Year with a dance and entertainment in Grand Army hall. The Crescent club will entertain its members and friends at a dance in Royal Arcanum hall and has arranged for a motor to leave here at 12:20 a. m. for the convenience of its guests from Omaha.

In addition to these affairs there will be the usual number of private receptions and family gatherings. The attraction at the New theater will be "Pudd'nhead Wilson," matinee and evening.

Another Heating Stove Free.

The first heating stove given by William Welch to his coal customers was awarded to the Christian home. Another has been put up on the same plan, and during the next thirty days will be given away free to one of his customers. Before ordering your coal call at 16 North Main street or 'phone 128.

Real Estate Transfers.

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

Susanna C. Dodge and husband to J. A. Goehring and wife, se¼ nw¼ 29-76-33, w. d. ..... $ 1,200
John Joseph Pearon to Theodore Wollstein, w 22 1-3 feet lot 4, block 7, Bayliss 1st add, w. d. 7,500
Orlon J. Allard to J. Simon, lot 8, block 8, Mynster's add, w. d. 1,700
Iowa Townsite company to Max J. Lehman, lots 22 and 23, block 1, Great Western add to Minden, w. d. 200
H. F. Knudson and wife to Flora B. Ferguson, lot 7 and s 10 feet lot 6, block 15, Howard add, w. d. 750
Council Bluffs Savings bank to Nettie E. Allison, part lot 7, in original plat; lot 54 and part lot 1, block 3, Stutsman's 1st add, w. d. 1,200

Total six transfers $12,750

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Walter Hodgson, Council Bluffs	21
Elizabeth Woodruff, Council Bluffs	18
Ira Graybill, Pottawattamie Co., Ia.	24
Marie Lindermann, Pottawattamie Co.	20
F. W. Rickman, Council Bluffs	21
Altha B. Millis, Council Bluffs	17
Charles A. Moore, Silver City, Ia.	23
Anna L. Hostetter, Silver City, Ia.	23
Frank J. Capell, Council Bluffs	23
Adele S. Meyers, Council Bluffs	20
Clarence Virtue, Council Bluffs	26
Lida Van Kirk, Sioux City, Ia.	27

New Theater
THURSDAY, JANUARY 1.
PUDD'NHEAD WILSON
SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S MATINEE AT 3 P. M.
Prices—Matinee, 25c and 50c. Night, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.

LEWIS CUTLER
MORTICIAN.
38 Pearl St., Council Bluffs. 'Phone 97

PAST YEAR PROSPEROUS ONE

Business Activity Greater Than Any Yea in History of Council Bluffs.

RECORD FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Some Statistics of What Has Been Accomplished During 1902 in the Way of Material Progress in City.

When the clock on the Bloomer school house tolled the midnight hour last night it sounded the passing of a year which in the history of Council Bluffs will go on record as the most prosperous it has enjoyed and the ushering in of a new year which indications point to being equally prosperous.

Not only have public improvements kept pace with private enterprise, but the development of the city along all lines has surpassed all former records. Handsome business blocks have replaced the old-time frame buildings, landmarks of the city when it was a frontier town; elegant residences have been built in every section of the city until the year closed with improvements, public and private, estimated to aggregate at least $1,000,000.

The last year has seen the advent into the city of another great railroad system. The Chicago Great Western has expended during the last twelve months thousands upon thousands of dollars for its right-of-way and for its terminal buildings in this city. Other railroads centering in Council Bluffs have also expended large sums for improvements within the city limits, and to which must be added the large expenditure of the motor company in improving its resort at Lake Manawa and its general street system in this city and between Council Bluffs and Omaha.

Merchants Have Banner Year.

For the retail and wholesale merchant 1902 was a banner year, and it was the same for the many large wholesale agricultural houses on Implement row. The banks have had a most prosperous twelve months, as evidenced by their December statements. Never in the history of the city has the volume of business in the real estate market reached the magnitude it did during 1902, and more business buildings and private residences were erected during the last twelve months than ever before.

The indebtedness of the municipality has materially decreased, and the city starts out on the new year with its finances in better shape than for many years past.

Several new manufacturing enterprises have located in the city, and several large implement houses have established headquarters here for this section of the country during the last twelve months. The public schools have enjoyed an era of marked prosperity along with everything else, and the year closes with the largest enrollment of pupils in the history of the city.

Record of Public Improvements.

Public improvements in Council Bluffs during 1902 kept pace with the times, and today this city is one of the best paved towns in western Iowa. During the last twelve months approximately 60,000 square yards of vitrified brick pavement were laid at an average price of $1.75 a yard. The streets thus improved during the last year were as follows:

North Eighth street from Broadway to Mynster, 1,891.5 yards; Des Moines top and Council Bluffs base.

First avenue from Pearl to Eighth street 6,099.92 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs bottom.

Willow avenue from Seventh to Eighth streets, 1,979.06 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

South Eighth street from Broadway to Seventh avenue, 10,406 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

South Seventh street from Broadway to Fifth avenue, 12,047.66 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

Fifth avenue from Main to Eighth street, 4,421 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

Sixth street from Eighth avenue to Sixteenth avenue, 11,000 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

Ninth avenue from Main to Sixth street, 1,250 yards; Des Moines top and Council Bluffs base.

Tenth avenue from Fourth to Main street, 910 yards; Des Moines top and Council Bluffs base.

Ninth street from Broadway to First avenue, 1,560 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

Pierce street from North avenue to Oak street, 5,550 yards; Galesburg top and Council Bluffs base.

Owing to the demand for brick being in excess of the supply only about a mile and a half of brick sidewalks were laid during the last year, although contracts had been let by the city for nearly six miles. In addition to the paving and permanent sidewalks the city erected a new bridge over Indian creek at the intersection of Main and Mynster streets at a cost of $6,000, expended nearly $1,000 on the bridge at North First street and contracted for a new bridge at Twenty-third avenue.

Record Real Estate Transfers.

One of the most notable features of the last year and one of the particular striking evidences of the general prosperity which prevailed in Council Bluffs and Pottawattamie county was the remarkable activity of the real estate market. The sale of farm land and the prices obtained were unprecedented in the history of this county. Never before has there been such a volume of real estate business in this section of the state and the remarkable feature of it all was that the sales were bona fide transactions, the majority being cash sales. That the advent of the Great Western railroad into this county and city necessitating the purchase of its right of way, increased the sales is not disputed, but this was but a minor feature of the year's transactions. The total transactions for the twelve months just passed represent almost $5,000,000, of which amount $3,500,000 is credited to the first six months of the year. In the month of March, the banner month by long odds, the transactions reached the sum of $1,353,080.61. During the year 2,846 deeds were filed for record, the total consideration amounting to $4,888,501. The transactions and considerations, divided into months, were as follows:

	Deeds Filed.	Consideration.
January	207	$ 353,543.03
February	266	599,472.83
March	447	1,442,929.73
April	340	631,250.91
May	272	337,664.51
June	179	310,103.17
July	184	227,182.03
August	165	161,671.44
September	175	187,748.48
October	202	318,543.59
November	187	205,945.71
December	161	218,418.53
Totals	2,846	$4,888,501.00

Increased Postal Receipts.

The business at the postoffice has shown a steady increase during 1902 and the receipts for the last twelve months amounted to close upon $120,000. In addition to its local business the Council Bluffs postoffice is the remittance station for sub offices in twenty-three counties in western Iowa. Four rural routes are also connected with this office and, besides the postmaster and his deputy, fourteen clerks are required to handle this business. Fifteen mail carriers are employed for the city distribution of mail. Owing to the continued increase of business it will be necessary to call upon the department for additional help this year. The receipts for the last year by months were as follows:

	Local Business.	From Sub-Offices.
January	$ 5,328.66	$15,326.99
February	5,479.55	316.89
March	5,946.01	458.95
April	4,861.96	16,633.08
May	5,135.54	233.44
June	4,763.70	246.52
July	4,736.78	11,843.49
August	5,091.85	249.39
September	4,820.00	88.46
October	4,775.82	10,976.58
November	5,639.54	145.43
December	5,002.91	24.31
Totals	$61,587.82	$56,541.63
Total receipts for year		$118,129.45

Fire Losses Small.

The fire loss during 1902 was remarkably small and, although the department responded to seventy-three calls during the twelve months, the total damage sustained is estimated at about $9,000, the greater part of which was fully covered by insurance. This speaks much for the efficiency of the fire department. The Council Bluffs fire department maintains four engine houses, and comprises nineteen men, of whom John L. Templeton, a veteran fire fighter, is chief. During the last year the department purchased several new horses, 1,000 feet of new hose and all four of the engine houses were thoroughly renovated and repainted.

The calls responded to during the year were as follows: January, 4; February, 7; March, 7; April, 17; May, 4; June, 4; July, 3; August, 2; September, 5; October, 3; November, 7; December, 10.

Criminal Statistics.

The city during the last year was comparatively free from crime of a grave nature. The number of arrests was about the same as in 1901 and most of the cases were for minor offenses, although there was about the usual number of burglaries. During 1902 the police department made 1,311 arrests, as against 1,321 in the previous year. The arrests during each month of 1902 were as follows: January, 65; February, 100; March, 52; April, 85; May, 157; June, 154; July, 148; August, 124; September, 106; October, 114; November, 110; December, 101.

Health Statistics.

But for the epidemic of smallpox, which was prevalent almost everywhere last winter, Council Bluffs would have had a good health record for 1902. As it was the number of cases of contagious diseases reported to the Board of Health was greatly in excess of that for 1901. In addition to smallpox there were many cases of measles, as compared with the previous twelve months. The death rate, however, was smaller than for several years past, despite the large increase in the city's population. The number of contagious diseases reported to the Board of Health for 1902 was 413, as against 277 for 1901.

The mortuary statistics obtainable are not the most accurate, as many cases are never reported to the city clerk. For the last year 318 burial permits had been issued, as compared with 383 for 1901, 344 for 1900 and 336 for 1899. These permits do not include those issued for persons outside the city. The number of deaths reported each month was as follows: January, 37; February, 24; March, 35; April, 20; May, 30; June, 22; July, 25; August, 31; September, 24; October, 23; November, 31; December, 16.

Marriage License Clerk Busy.

Council Bluffs sustained during 1902 its reputation as a veritable Gretna Green for marrying couples and the records of the clerk of the district court show there were issued 650 licenses to wed during the last twelve months, being four less than issued in 1901. Divided in months they were as follows: January, 46; February, 46; March, 48; April, 47; May, 43; June, 66; July, 46; August, 47; September, 55; October, 85; November, 65; December, 56.

While the record of marriage licenses issued shows that Cupid was not in any way idle during 1902, the docket of the district court reveals the fact that the number of divorce cases was above the average. For the four terms of court seventy-three divorce suits were filed in Council Bluffs and eleven in the court at Avoca, making a total of eighty-four. In the suits filed in Council Bluffs the women appear as plaintiffs in fifty-one and the men in twenty-two.

Cost of Caring for Poor.

The expenditure by the county for the care of the poor in 1902 was slightly in excess of 1901. During the last twelve months there was expended for this purpose $21,242.79, as against $20,175.02 in 1901. The levy for the county poor fund realized $12,952.62, the difference being made up by transferring of money from the county general fund. The expenditures by months were as follows:

January	$2,279.37	August	$1,204.40
February	1,475.41	September	2,819.33
March	1,845.31	October	1,051.45
April	2,041.68	November	1,969.91
May	1,196.68	December	1,352.95
June	2,063.12		
July	1,222.93	Total	$21,242.79

Showing of Banks.

The showing of the four banks of the city, according to the December statements, was most flattering, and were as follows: Total assets, $5,242,356.84; total deposits, $4,460,856.56; cash resources, $1,880,592.09; total capital, $500,000; surplus and profits, $156,490.28.

The books of County Treasurer Arnd show that the tax collections for 1902 were greater than for the previous year. There was collected $636,956.73, of which the city's share was $170,820. In 1901 the total collections amounted to $615,812.47, of which the city received $143,014.60.

Showing of City Finances.

A statement prepared by City Treasurer True evidences the agreeable fact that the finances of the municipality are in better shape at present than they have been for many years. At the close of 1902 the city indebtedness is less by $590 than it was ten years ago. It is now $361,500, as against $873,466 in 1892. The annual interest charge has been reduced from $35,181 to $17,640. This has been effected by rigid economy in the administration of the several municipal departments and by the curtailment of civic expenses generally.

N. Y Plumbing Co., telephone 256.

Hours at Postoffice.

Postmaster Hazelton announces that these hours will prevail at the postoffice today: Stamp window, general delivery window and money order department, will be open from 8 until 11 a. m. Carriers will make but one delivery, leaving the office at 9 a. m. There will be a business collection made in the afternoon, carrier leaving the postoffice at 1 p. m.

The public library will be closed all day.

Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son.

The Signal of Distress.

Whites of eyes and skin yellow show liver trouble and jaundice. Dr. King's New Life Pills cure or no pay. Only 25c. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

TEACHERS NOT SO NUMEROUS

Attendance at State Association 400 Less Than Last Year.

BIG ZINC COMPANY INCORPORATES

Inebriates from Northeastern Iowa to Be Sent to Independence—Large Number of Walsh Singers in City.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The State Teachers' association was fairly started today. The first meeting of the association proper was this evening, when the president, C. E. Sheldon of Indianola, presented his address reviewing the school work in the state, and there was an address on school matters by Superintendent Schaeffer of the department of education in Pennsylvania. In the afternoon a dozen round table meetings were held in as many different places. The enrollment at the convention is estimated to be about 700, as against 1,100 last year. The educational council reported to the general association on the topic of "The Sequence of Studies," which had been considered by the council two previous years. The report covered the entire ground of order in which studies should be followed up in all educational work. The report on the teaching of English was considered by the council for the first time and the report approved for reference next year. The council decided upon taking up next year for discussion the subject of the salaries of those in the teaching profession and generally inaugurating a movement for better pay for teachers. This will be brought to a head at the session next year just before the legislature meets, and an effort will be made to secure some desirable legislation.

Academy of Science Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Iowa Academy of Science was concluded this morning at the state geological rooms. The attendance was somewhat disappointing. Professor H. E. Summers of Ames presided. The most important action taken was in reference to a change in the time and place of holding the meetings. On recommendation of the executive committee it was decided to recommend to the council that the annual meetings be held in May, and that they be held at the various colleges and universities of the state in rotation. It is planned also to have at each meeting a popular lecture. This recommendation will probably be adopted. There was disappointment that Professor Macbride was not present at the meetings, as he arrived too late, but he will lecture this evening. A report of the committee on food adulterations was read, also papers by B. Shimek, Alfred N. Cook, J. B. Weems, Alice W. Hess, E. C. Myers, T. C. Frye and B. H. Bailey.

Big Zinc Company Organized.

The articles of incorporation of the Hawkeye Zinc and Lead company of De Witt, Clinton county, were filed with the secretary of state today. The company is capitalized for $250,000, and the incorporators are G. W. Wallace, H. H. Allen, F. L. Hixley and others. The purpose is to open up zinc mines in this and other states.

The Genoa Bluffs Creamery company of Iowa county was incorporated with $4,000 capital; H. M. Rathjen, president; George R. Howard, secretary.

The Midway Coal and Iron company of Oskaloosa was incorporated with $12,000 capital by Daniel Regel, E. Z. Ross and others.

The North Angus Town Lot and Coal company of Cedar Rapids filed notice of reincorporation for twenty years.

Smallpox Cases Heard From.

The secretary of the State Board of Health today received notices of cases of smallpox in two places heretofore free from the disease. From Logan, Harrison county, five cases were reported, and from Scott township, Poweshiek county, three cases were reported. But few new cases were reported from districts known to be infected.

Divide the Inebriate District.

The State Board of Control has issued an order dividing the northern half of the state into two districts for the disposal of the inebriates. This has all been in the Cherokee district. Now it is ordered that those from the northeastern part of the state shall go to the hospital at Independence. The district includes the counties of Hardin, Franklin, Mitchell, Floyd and Marshall and all counties east of these named.

Des Moines Postoffice Business.

The postmaster at Des Moines today figured up the business for the month and the year and it was found that the receipts for the year aggregated $422,651.84, as against $352,751.03 last year, a gain of 19.84 per cent, which is regarded as an excellent gain. There has been for fifty consecutive months a steady gain each month over the preceding month, without a decrease at any time. There are 1216 rural mail carriers who are paid from the Des Moines office and some time during the next week they will receive a total of $61,198.92.

Opening of the Elsteddfod.

The annual Iowa Elsteddfod was opened here this evening. There are about 300 persons from other parts of the state in the city to attend. The program extends over two whole days. There are two leading choirs in attendance to compete for the grand prize, one from Ottumwa and one from Williamsburg, each with seventy members. There are also a number of contestants from Hedrick, Colfax, Iowa City and other places. This afternoon there was a meeting at Plymouth church and a banquet in the evening. This is the first time the Elsteddfod has been held in Des Moines.

SUES FOR HEAVY DAMAGES

Fort Dodge Teacher Asks $10,000 from One of Leading Merchants of that City.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Lucy Taff, a school teacher of Fort Dodge, today filed a suit for $10,000 damages against R. A. Schroder, one of the prominent merchants of this city. Suit is on two separate counts, for $5,000 each. Plaintiff alleges that while she was in Schroder's store she was accused of larceny by the defendant. This the plaintiff denies and asks $5,000 damages for injury to her good name and character. She also sues for $5,000 damages for alleged injury done her person by defendant. The suit has caused a sensation here on account of the prominence of both parties.

Mayor of Coggon Insane.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—H. M. Sheldon, mayor of Coggon, who disappeared nearly a month ago, has been found at Anamosa. He wandered away when temporarily deranged. He had been as far as Georgia. The rumors of criminality are untrue.

Beller Waives Examination.

VINTON, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Dr. O. B. Beller, who is charged with sending obscene and threatening letters to his former fiancee, Miss Della Hill, and with having deposited a satchel filled with dynamite near her residence, was today arraigned in justice's court and waived examination. He was held to await the action of the grand jury, his bond being fixed at $1,000. It is claimed by the government detectives who have been prosecuting the case that his marriage yesterday to the young woman who had furnished the most damaging evidence against him will not prevent them from getting her story before the court.

ELEVATOR AT FT. DODGE BURNS

One Hundred Thousand Bushels of Oats Destroyed in the Building.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—The big elevator of the Great Western Cereal company's mills at this point was burned to the ground this evening. One hundred thousand bushels of oats and a large quantity of valuable machinery were destroyed and the loss will reach from $75,000 to $100,000, fully covered by insurance.

The cause of the fire is a mystery. It was probably started by a chance spark from the machinery. The flames, fanned by a strong south wind, spread rapidly. The elevator is connected with the main mill building by a closed passageway, and for a time the mill building proper was endangered, but plucky work by the firemen and mill employes, armed with hose with which the mill building is fitted, confined the flames to the elevator, the loss on which will be total.

A. C. Heath, one of the managers of the mill, stated this evening that the elevator would probably be rebuilt, but the mill will necessarily be shut down and seventy-five men are thrown out of employment.

Found with Stolen Goods.

CLINTON, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Frank Pierson, aged 20, who resides at Delmar, a little town in this county, and John Connors of Sioux City, have been arrested here on the charge of having broken into the residence of Dr. E. C. McMeel and the Davis store at Delmar on Christmas night. Circumstances pointed to the young men as being the burglars, and, armed with a search warrant, the sheriff searched their room and found the stolen articles. They were brought to this city and given a preliminary hearing. Each waived examination and was bound over to the January grand jury.

Ex-Governor Boies Recovering.

WATERLOO, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Ex-Governor Boies is greatly improved. His condition is such now that he is able to be out and will fully recover.

SHE HAS NO TIME TO SPARE

Woman Testifies Concerning Effort to Work Way Through Point Loma School.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 31.—The cross-examination of Miss Matilda Kratzer, who testified that she was overworked as house maid at Point Loma, was commenced when the Tingley-Times trial was resumed this morning.

She said that money was not paid for the maintenance of herself or her mother, and that she expected to do some work in return for education. She was certain that fifteen minutes twice a week was all the time she had to practice on the piano.

Giving account of her time from morning to night, the witness justified her original statement that she was kept busy. Mrs. Kratzer said again that her own Greek robe was made of cheese cloth. The robes were cut, she considered, fairly high in the neck —"from the base of the neck," she said. "The arms were bare from a point about midway between shoulder and elbow."

The plaintiff introduced a letter written by Miss Kratzer to Mrs. Tingler after she had left Point Loma. In this letter Mrs. Kratzer expressed thanks for kindness extended to her mother, her sister and herself, saying that she would always remain a theosophist and signing herself "Lovingly."

On direct examination the witness said to her that both she and her sister could go back to the institution at any time, but that her mother could not unless she would sign a contract, because she had been inclined to "lay down the law." This conversation took place in Mrs. Tingley's room on the morning Miss Kratzer left, she having been called there by Mrs. Tingley.

Willis Freeman of Auburn Park, Chicago, was next called by the defendant. He is a young man and went to Point Loma in October, 1900, and remained there until April, 1901. He went there from Jamaica, L. I. Arriving at the Point, he went to the homestead, where he remained a few hours, and then went by direction to the colony, where he was quartered in a tent.

His mother was an inmate of the colony for about five months. Mrs. Freeman took up her residence in the colony about a month after witness went there.

Describing his duties, witness said he stood guard, tended the herd of seven cows, scrubbed floors and cleared the tables.

HE QUELLS A SMALL MUTINY

Officer of Marines Subdues Riotous Court-Martial Prisoners by a Few Calm Words.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—An officer of marines quelled an incipient mutiny in which two naval prisoners were the chief actors, on board the Southern Line steamer Plymouth during last night. On board were twelve general court-martial prisoners who were being taken from the Brooklyn navy yard to the naval prison here to serve out their terms. An escort of marines accompanied the men.

Two of the long-time prisoners were unshackled and sent below in charge of two marines. The prisoners disarmed their guards of their revolvers and began a general fusillade. The officer in charge appeared, only to be confronted by one of the men with a drawn revolver. The officer said:

"Now, don't do anything foolish," and his words had the effect of bringing the unruly men into submission. The men were reshackled. Ten shots in all were fired. The prisoners were landed at Fall River and brought here by train.

THREE FIRST CHOICES WINNERS

Public at New Orleans Races Are Fortunate in Their Selection of Favorites.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—Melbourne, Eclipse and Potheen were the winning favorites today. The latter was run up to $1,000 and sold to Ed Trotter. Jockey Pickering will be permitted to ride after January 1. Weather cloudy and cold; track heavy. Results:

First race, one mile: Melbourne Eclipse, 102 (Redfern), 7 to 5, won; Memphian, 105 (Booker), 5 to 1, second; Spec, 109 (Scully), 4 to 1, third. Time: 1:46 3-5. War Cry, Mauser, Showman, Fair Lass, Pirate, Roll Call, King's Sister, Sleepy Head and Pastoral also ran.

Second race, six furlongs: Pyrrho, 108 (Fuller), 12 to 1, won; Alpaca, 104 (McCafferty), 30 to 1, second; Zack Ford, 107 (Donnegan), 30 to 1, third. Time: 1:18. Fake, Ben Mora, Moroni, Brown Veil, Criterion, Doctor Charff, James Fitz and Frank Kenny also ran.

Third race, one mile and a half: Potheen, 98 (Redfern), 1 to 2, won; Erne, 98 (Graham), 4 to 1, second; Georgia Gardner, 104 (Scully), 15 to 1, third. Time: 2:42 3-5. Ginspray, False Lead, Judge Durelle, Simoon and Eminence also ran.

Fourth race, one mile: Honolulu, 100 (Helgerson), 7 to 2, won; Harry New (Otis), 9 to 5, second; Hargis, 99 (Redfern), 6 to 5, third. Time: 1:45. Hanover Queen also ran.

Fifth race, six furlongs and a half: Bard of Avon, 101 (McIntyre), 5 to 1, won; Jerry Hunt, 101 (Donnegan), 20 to 1, second; Lady Alberta, 97 (J. Walsh), 8 to 1, third. Time: 1:24 1-5. Stratton, Inspector, Shea, Sister Kate, Echodale, James J. Corbett, Belvino and Jane Holly also ran.

Sixth race, six furlongs: Daddy Bender, 103 (Otis), 20 to 1, won; Marco, 96 (Fuller), 10 to 1, second; Tom Maybin, 107 (Redfern), 3 to 5, third. Time: 1:17. Jim King, Floyd K, Brookston, Flora Levy, Pride of Galore, Springstead and Orpheum also ran.

COLUMBIA WINS THE TOURNEY

Becomes Victor in Quadrangular Contest at Chess with Yale, Harvard and Princeton.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The eleventh quadrangular college chess tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton came to an end tonight. Columbia, with half a point in the lead, broke even in her games with Yale in the final round and thereby won the tournament, the representatives of the blue remaining 1 point behind. The final score:

	Won.	Lost.
Columbia	7½	4½
Harvard	6	6
Yale	7	5
Princeton	5½	8½

The individual final scores are:

	Won.	Lost.
Sewall	1	2
Keeler	2	1
Tucker	3	0
Barnhill	1½	1½
Sawin	1	2
Adams	2	1
E. Hull	2	1
N. Hull	2	1
Rice	2½	½
Bridgeman	1½	1½
Clerk	1	2
Carr	1	2
Richardson	1½	1½
Hankinson	½	2½
Bissell	0	3
Pilgram	1½	1½

Latonia Jockey Club Stakes.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 31.—The Latonia Jockey club stakes for the next spring meeting and fixed events for 1904 close tomorrow, as follows:

Chipsetta, 2-year-old fillies, $1,000 added.

Harold, 2-year-old colts, $1,000 added.

Cincinnati Trophy, 2-year-olds, $2,000 added.

Brewers' handicap, 3-year-olds and upward, $1,250 added.

Merchants' selling, 3-year-olds and upward, $1,250 added.

Decoration handicap, 3-year-olds and upward, $1,500 added.

Cincinnati Hotel handicap, 3-year-olds and upward, $1,250 added.

Cincinnati steeplechase handicap, 3-year-olds and upward, $1,000 added.

Latonia Derby (for 1904), $2,500 added.

Latonia Oaks (for 1904), $1,250 added.

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