

LAST KIND ACT KILLS HER

Invalid Mother Bakes Cake for Daughter and Exertion Proves Fatal.

POOR GIRL LEFT IN PITIFUL PLIGHT

Without Sufficient Means Young Woman is Confronted with Sad Task of Laying Away Mother's Body.

One of the saddest stories to be told during the Yule-tide season in Omaha was that of Thursday afternoon by Miss Nona Bunker at the undertaking rooms of Bruley & Dorrance, where the body of the girl had supported her invalid mother for several years.

Thursday Miss Bowker was 15 years of age and Wednesday night the mother, whose name was Mrs. Belle Russell, insisted on making a cake for her daughter and only child. The girl, knowing the weak condition of her mother, remonstrated with her, but it was unavailing.

Mrs. Russell was afflicted with nervous prostration for five years and the effort of Wednesday night proved too much, so the doctor said.

Mrs. Russell's second husband left her some months ago and his whereabouts are not known. It has taken all the girl's earnings to provide for herself and mother.

Miss Bowker broke down Thursday afternoon when she told several reporters she did not know how she would be able to bury her mother. She has an uncle in Iowa, but he has telegraphed that his home has been visited with affliction and he is in no condition to offer assistance.

Coming as it did on her birthday anniversary, within a few days of Christmas, the bereaved girl feels she has lost all she had in the world through the death of her mother.

It was suggested to her that if the matter was made known through the newspapers there would be some charitably inclined persons who would be glad to help a devoted daughter bury her mother and at the same time cheer her in her hour of sorrow.

Miss Bowker has worked for some time at the Model Steam Laundry and is spoken of as a good, hard working girl. She lives at 1811 Lake street.

EIGHT LITTLE ONES DESTITUTE

Children Left Motherless and with Invalid Father.

Eight little children, brothers and sisters, the eldest but 12 years of age, the youngest a few months, motherless, homeless, penniless and with an invalid father unable to turn a hand for their sake—this is one of the causes which prompted Rev. A. W. Clark of the Omaha Child's Saving Institute to appeal for public aid through The Bee and other local papers.

"Within a few hours after the appeal was made," said Mr. Clark, "I received one \$15 check, another \$5 check and substantial promises of additional aid. We feel certain the good people of Omaha who have so nobly helped care for such cases of destitution, will come to the rescue in the present case just as they always have done."

The eight little ones just committed to the care and protection of Mr. Clark and his corps of assistants at the home, represent one of the saddest cases that has ever come to their attention. The eldest is a girl. Their mother died a short time ago, taking to the grave with her the ninth little one born to this destitute household. The father lies a helpless invalid in the care of other charitable people, unable to respond, in the slightest degree to the pressing and pitiable needs of his children. The matter came to the attention of Mr. Clark and it was but a short time before he had the little ones at the institute.

Mr. Clark had a photograph taken of the children in a group. The eldest, the girl, 12, occupies a chair, holding the babe of a few months, a chubby little tot, on her knee and the other brothers and sisters are standing closely together. The whole presents a vivid picture of distressing pathos and constitutes an irresistible appeal to the charitable side of any person's life.

"We shall keep the little ones and do the best for them we possibly can," said Mr. Clark.

PITIFUL CASE OF DESTITUTION

Mother with Five Children Unable to Work Left Without Husband.

Only 27 years old, but the mother of five children, the oldest of whom is 10 and the

KICK AND SCREAM

Baby's Awful Suffering from Eczema.

Could Not Hold Her. She Tore Her Face and Arms.

Cuticura Saved Her Life. So Mother Says.

"When my little girl was six months old, she had eczema. We had used cod liver oil and all kinds of remedies, but nothing did her any good. In fact, she kept getting worse. I used to wrap her hands up, and when I would dress her, I had to put her on the table for I could not hold her. She would kick and scream, and when she could, she would tear her face and arms almost to pieces. I used four boxes of Cuticura Ointment, two cakes of Cuticura Soap, and gave her the Cuticura Resolvent, and she was cured, and I see no traces of the humor left. I can truthfully say that they have saved her life, and any one suffering as she did, I should advise them to give Cuticura a trial." MRS. G. A. CONRAD, Lisbon, N. H., Feb. 7, 1898.

Five years later, viz., Feb. 23, 1903, Mrs. Conrad writes:

"It is with pleasure that I can inform you that the cure has been permanent as it is now six years since she was cured, and there has been no return of the disease since, and I have advised a lot of friends to use the Cuticura Remedies in all diseases of the skin. Instant relief and refreshing sleep for skin-tormented babies, and rest for tired, fretted mothers, in warm baths with Cuticura Soap and gentle anointings with Cuticura Ointment, the great skin cure and purifier of emollients, to be followed in severe cases by mild doses of Cuticura Resolvent. This is the purest, sweetest, most speedy, permanent and economical treatment for itching, disfiguring, itching, burning, bleeding, scaly, crusted and pimply skin and scalp humors, eczema, rashes and irritations.

Sold throughout the world. Cuticura Resolvent, the

MEN'S GLOVES

Our "Nebraska" special kid gloves at \$1.00, in which we give you \$1.25 value, also several leading makes whose names are quite familiar to all.

See our special line at 1.00

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Christmas Gift Perplexities Dispelled Here

Quickly and economically. Gift things aplenty for all. If you want something for man or boy, you'll find it here. If for a woman or girl, it is here. The displays are inspiring. They promote real Christmas enthusiasm.

WHY NOT THE GIFT OF A MAN'S SUIT OR OVERCOAT?

Nothing could express to a greater degree your sincere regard than to present "him" with a suit or overcoat. And if you would have it the best sterling quality for money expended, see to it that a "Nebraska Label" identifies it. You can pay as modest a sum as \$10; on up until you reach \$35. You have a choice of a large variety of high grade fabrics in selecting what you know will conform with his personal desires as to fabric and pattern.

Hats for Men

Our great variety of \$2 hats, which equal the average \$3 value, should be of interest—all proportions—colors—blocks. Our opera hat gives more than ordinary satisfaction, its silk is of the best, its springs are guaranteed and imported, all proportions. 6.50

We sell a fine silk hat for 5.00

Men's and boys' caps, 35c, 45c, 1.50

Men's Seal Caps at special prices, \$3.50 \$4.50 8.75

Men's House Coats and Lounging Robes

Give him a house coat or robe, plan for his comfort, he'll appreciate it. A house coat or robe is the gift of thoughtfulness. It's very easily bought here as we've splendid sorts at \$3.50, \$4.75, \$5.75, \$6.90, \$7.90 and 10.50

Robes at \$1.90, \$2.90, \$3.90, \$4.90, \$6.90 7.90

Men's Neckwear

Our holiday display of Neckwear embraces all the leading shapes in a great variety of special fabrics and patterns, from 15c to \$1

SPECIAL—Men's large folded English squares, tying as ascots or four-in-hands, of extra fine quality silk, in all neat and fancy colored effects—worth 75c—tomorrow at 45c

BOYS' SUITS & OVERCOATS

GREAT REDUCTION OF PRICES

They are certainly most desirable and practical as gifts. Observe the following reductions—then come early and make your selection.

\$6.00 Boys' Suits for \$3.00 Sizes 4 to 16 years

\$5 Boys' Overcoats for \$3.50 Sizes 7 to 16 years

Suits made of the very finest (positively none better made) Scotch chevriots and cassimeres, the finest of workmanship, the finest of trimmings and the best of styles, that sold up to \$6—all small lots—beginning tomorrow, on sale for 3.00

\$4.00 Boys' Suits for \$2.00 Sizes 4 to 16 years

Suits made of high grade strictly all wool chevriots and cassimeres—all seams reinforced and double stitched, guaranteed never to rip—fit perfectly—sold up to \$4—all small lots—tomorrow and as long 2.00 as they last—for 2.50

Suspenders

No matter how delicate they may seem or how elaborate they may be decorated, all are of practical usefulness. You can pay as high as \$3 for a pair of embroidered silk ones, with elegant sterling mountings, but WE HAVE TWO SPECIALS A silk, of solid or fancy colorings, in an individual box, at 50c Also a fancy webbing suspender in a separate box at 25c

Handkerchiefs for Men

We've boxed 6 white hemstitched handkerchiefs, neatly embroidered, any initial, for 50c. 50c. 75c. \$1.00 secures the finest of silk handkerchiefs, plain or with initials. 50c

Men's and Ladies' Slippers for Xmas Always Make Useful Presents

Men's Black Kid Opera Slippers, hand trimmed, at 1.00-1.25-1.50 Men's Wine Kid, Everet style, at 1.00 Men's Black and Tan Vici Kid Slippers, at 1.50-1.90 Ladies' Brown and Black Felt Toilet Slippers, also Black Fur Trimmed Julietts, at 90c

youngest a few days old, lying helpless and sick in bed, Mrs. James Nelson had to lie ten for twenty-four hours to her children's cry for bread. She was married when a little girl, but her devotion and sacrifice for her husband were doomed to reap a peculiar harvest. When she was taken sick her husband deserted her and with stony heart turned his back upon the little family. About two weeks ago word was received from Denver that the faithless husband had died there. The mother took in washings and in this way managed to support her family until her baby was born a few days ago. She could not work then and gradually provisions were consumed until Wednesday the children were eating sugar and water baked in a miserable little cook stove. A neighbor called the attention of the Bureau of Associated Charities to the circumstances and the case was investigated by Superintendent Morris, who provided for the temporary relief of the family.

SHOE BUSINESS ON PACIFIC COAST

Energetic St. Louis House Completing Arrangements for Strong Campaign in This Fertile Field. The Peters Shoe company of St. Louis is on the lookout for a number of A-1 shoe salesmen with established trade on the Pacific coast preliminary to undertaking an energetic campaign in the coast states. The Peters Shoe company is one of the younger concerns of St. Louis which has risen to the first rank in a very few years and now claims to make more fine shoes than any other house in the west, operating four large factories. This concern received a grand prize on its product at the World's fair, as well as a gold medal on the model factory in the manufacturers building.

Bon-bons, Omaha Candy Kitchen. Sterling silver, Frenser, 15th and Dodge.

Important Change of Time By Rock Island system effective Sunday, December 26, 1904, on and after which date train now leaving Omaha eastbound at 12:30, noon, daily except Sunday, will leave at 11:15 a. m. except Sunday, and train now leaving Omaha westbound at 5:15 p. m. daily, will leave at 4:15 p. m. daily. F. P. RUTHERFORD, D. P. A.

Lowest Holiday Rates Via "The Northwestern Line" To all system points in Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Nebraska and Wyoming. Round trip rate one and one-third fare east of Missouri river and to points on C., St. P., M. & O. in Nebraska and one fare plus 50 cents west, on sale Dec. 24, 25, 26, 31, Jan. 1 and 1 Good until Jan. 4.

City Offices, 1401-1403 Farnam St., Union Station, Webster Street Station.

Holiday Rates

Via the Missouri Pacific to points in Arkansas, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, etc. Very low rates for round trips. On sale Dec. 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1904, Jan. 1, 1905. Limit for return Jan. 4, 1905. For information, tickets, etc., call or address City Ticket Offices, southeast corner 15th and Farnam sts., Omaha, Neb. THOMAS F. GODFREY, Passenger Ticket Agent.

Yale Glee club at Boyd's, December 23.

Through Sleeper

From Kansas City to Hot Springs, Ark. without change via Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain route. Leaving Kansas City at noon, arriving in the Springs next morning. For full information address any agent of the company or city offices southeast corner 15th and Farnam sts., Omaha, Neb. THOMAS F. GODFREY, Passenger and Ticket Agent.

Xmas gift candy, Omaha Candy Kitchen.

DIED

YOUNG—Milton Hethold, aged 3 years 2 months 11 days, only son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Young, December 23, 1904. Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from family residence, 308 South Fifteenth street. Friends invited.

OGCO Chocolates. "All the world loves a lover," and he is doubly welcome when he brings. Sold everywhere in 10c, 30c and 60c boxes. Omaha Candy Co., Omaha, Neb.

Onimod Shoes \$3.50 and \$2.50. 100 NEW STYLES ALL THE BEST LEATHERS. IT'S UP TO YOU TO BUY THE BEST. Regent Shoe Co. 205 So. 15th Street.

TWELVE MILLION PACKAGES SOLD LAST YEAR. NONE SUCH MINCE MEAT. In 2-Pie 10c Packages with List of Valuable Premiums.

STATIONERY BOOKS. Commencing Thursday all prices reduced on Fancy Christmas Boxes of Stationery. Big cut. Books at 'Cut Prices. All 15c, 20c, 25c Toy Books at 10c. Calendars, Pictures, Diaries for 1905. Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens. Barkalow Bros. 1612 Farnam St.

Jewelry on CREDIT OMAHA CLOTHING COMPANY 1316 FARNAM ST. BOSS-10K. All the best Makes such as Elgin, Waltham and Hampden movements. \$1.00 A WEEK. FOR A FINE LADIES' OR GENTLEMEN'S WATCH CALL AND SEE US. CLOTHING, SHOES AND HATS. ON CREDIT. EASY TERMS TO ALL.

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A PERFECT CHRISTMAS DINNER. We have all the materials for a perfect dinner—the choicest goods that money can buy. Young and tender turkeys, ducks and geese, oysters that are clean and select, fish and game of every kind, Cape Cod cranberries, celery that is crisp white and nut flavored, queen olives, Jonathan apples, Malaga grapes and every fruit that the market affords. Veribest Mocha and Java Coffee, A. B. C. Pure Gold Japan Tea, A. B. C. Java and Mocha Coffee, A. B. C. Canned June Peas, A. B. C. Canned Wax Beans, A. B. C. Canned Tomatoes, A. B. C. Canned Beets, A. B. C. Canned Sweet Corn, A. B. C. Canned Cherries, A. B. C. Canned Peaches, A. B. C. Canned Apricots, A. B. C. Canned Pineapple, Nuts from every climate. Cheese of finest quality and that will satisfy the most discriminating. See us about your dinner. WILKE & MITCHELL, 40th and Farnam Streets.

OUR TRADE DEMANDS GOOD GOODS AND WE KEEP THEM. You can find at our store everything for the Christmas dinner, from the tender turkey to the rich cranberry sauce. W. D. Edwards & Co. 36th and Farnam Street.

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You Must Have Bread. For your Christmas Dinner—Nothing could be finer than— Otto Wagner's World Famous HARD ROLLS —AND— Whole Wheat BREAD. Telephone 1698. 17th and Leavenworth Sts. No Christmas is quite complete without a box of Kiplinger's Fine Havana Cigars. A good dinner is always made better by one of Kiplinger's cigars and a box of them as a gift will make any man sorry that Christmas comes BUT ONCE a year. O. D. Kiplinger 1223 Farnam Street