NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

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MINOR MENTION.

Davis, drugs.
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Stockert sells carpets.
Fine engravings at Leffert's.
Ed Rogers' Tony Faust beer.
See Borwick for Xmas goods.
Plumbing and heating, Bixby & Son.
Lewis Cutler, funeral director, 'phone 907.
Woodring Undertaking company, Tel. 339.
We sew new soles on your shoes for 75c. Sargent's Family Shoe Store.
For good picture framing go to Alexander's Art Store, 533 Broadway.
DIAMONDS AS AN INVESTMENT. TALK TO LEFFERT ABOUT IT.
All sizes of storm doors, storm sash, storm windows and weather strips, at Geo. Hogeland's.
Mrs. Flora Bell Bergen was granted a divorce in district court yesterday from Garrattt C. Bergen.
Men's felt lined overshoes, $1.50. Men's Boston pure gum overshoes, $1.50. Duncan & Dean, 32 S. Main.
We have ordered 1,000 gallons of solid packed oysters for Thanksgiving. Central Grocery and Meat Market.
A beautiful and ornamental gas burner, the Welsbach chick lamp, complete, $1.25. Stephan Bros., 529 West Broadway.
Winter term Western Iowa College opens Monday, Dec. 3. Send for catalogue. 'Phone for information. Both 'phones.
ONLY ONE PLACE TO GET THEM $3 FOLDING PHOTOS FOR $4.50. WILLIAMS, OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE.
Take a look in our window at Fisk's granite self-basting roasters: four sizes, $1.75, $2.00, $2.25, $2.50. Swaine & Mauer, 336 West Broadway.
Emma Willett has filed original notice of suit for divorce from William Willett on the alleged grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment.
I pay $12 per ton for cast iron; mixed, $10; stove, $8; rags, 75c per lb.; rubber, 7½c; copper, 14c per lb. J. Katelman, 802 Main, both 'phones 659.
Thanksgiving is not complete unless you have a box of bon bons—we have the best—or a pound or two of our pure home-made candy. Mucci, 218 W. Broadway.
The members of Tigredia temple, Pythian Sisters, will be entertained this afternoon at a kensington by Mrs. John W. Martin at her residence, 16 Knepper street.
High grade granite work, from the best Barre imported granites; lettering, carving and tracing. Fine monumental work a specialty. Sheeley & Lane, 327 East Broadway.
Your watch must have attention, if you want it to run right. Does yours need cleaning or regulating? I will guarantee to do either right if you bring it in. O. Mautte, 228 W. Bdway.
The Board of Supervisors adjourned yesterday until Saturday. Today, in company with the members of the Harrison county board, they will inspect the work being done on the Harrison-Pottawattamie joint drainage ditches.
Hot chocolate, 10c; hot coffee, 10c; hot tomato bouillon, 10c, hot clam bouillon, 10c; hot chicken bouillon, 10c; hot beef tea, 10c; hot malted milk, 10c; hot clam broth, 10c, and hot lemonade, 10c. Clark's sundae, 10c, served with cream and wafers. Clark Drug Co.
ARE YOU GOING TO PUT A FURNACE IN THAT NEW HOUSE? IF YOU ARE, LET US FIGURE WITH YOU ON ONE OF OUR HOT-AIR GREEN FURNACES. WE KNOW WE CAN SUIT YOU IN PRICE AND WORK. F. A. SPENCER, 153 WEST BROADWAY.
The case against Lawrence Curtis, charged with being implicated in the theft of two automobile lamps and other articles belonging to C. E. Kimball, was dismissed yesterday. It was shown by witnesses that the articles were given to Curtis by McCreary to dispose of for him.
Charles Brown, a youth of 18 years, was arrested yesterday, charged with the theft of a revolver and other articles from the rooms of guests at the Metropolitan hotel on Broadway. Brown, who claims to be from Little Rock, Ark., had been stopping at the hotel for several days. Burglar tools were found in his possession.
Henry Behrns of Underwood, Ia., was taken into custody yesterday on a charge of inebriacy preferred against him by his mother, who has filed an application asking the court to commit him to the state hospital for dipsomaniacs at Knoxville. He was placed in the county jail pending a hearing before Judge Green.
Have you voted yet? If not, come and help one of the young ladies to get that $35 diamond ring. They will appreciate your vote immensely. One vote with each cent's worth of candy purchased. Saturday will be the day to cast your votes. All our home-made candies will be only 10c a pound. Take home a stick of candy. Purity Candy Kitchen, C. C. Brown, 546 W. Broadway.
Did you ever notice if the glass on your picture was dull and smoky and perhaps a number of blisters in the glass? If you want to show off your pictures in proper style you must have a good clear glass. We handle only the best glass and can frame your pictures so that they will show up to suit your taste. Council Bluffs Paint, Oil and Glass company, Merriam block.
Charles O. Murphy and Miss Lulu Gaston, both of this city, were married yesterday afternoon in St. John's English Lutheran church, the pastor, Rev. G. W. Snyder, officiating. At the close of the marriage ceremony both the groom and bride were baptized into the church by Rev. Snyder. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy will make their home for the present at 516 South Fifteenth street.
What is the use of buying ready-made suits that get out of shape after you wear them a few days when you can get a tailor-made suit at Hicks' right up-to-date in style, a good fit, and at a very reasonable price? One of Hicks' suits will outwear three ready-made suits and will always look well as long as there is anything left of it. See Hicks about your clothes—it pays.
A number of rats, which infested the building occupied by the Associated Charities' creche, on Fourth street, met an untimely fate in the fire which recently did considerable damage in the basement of the house. The odor from the dead rodents has now made the building almost untenable and workmen are tearing up the floors in an effort to get rid of the dead and decaying pests.
Sewing machine supplies, sewing machines repaired, sewing machines for rent, or we can sell you one on satisfactory terms. S. M. Williamson, 17 S. Main.

See Stephan Bros. for the latest and best inverted burners. 529 West Broadway.

A. Metzgar & Co.
New Location of Wholesale Bakery.
516 Sylvester Street, Council Bluffs, Ia.
Home-made Bread a Specialty.
Visitors Welcome.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee November 22 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs:

John R. Drexel et al., trustee, to Abraham L. Reed, trustee, land in 1-15-42, d	1
Abraham L. Reed, trustee, et al to the Terminal Land company, land in 1-15-42, d	1
J. Leverand wife to H. G. Wise, lot 8, block 24, Ferry addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d.	100
County treasurer to A. J. Seaman, three-quarters interest in lot 12, block 12, Hall's addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., t. d.	6
County treasurer to A. J. Seaman, one-half interest in lot 7, block 2, Oak Grove addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., t. d.	1
County treasurer to A. J. Seaman, three-quarters interest in lot 3, block 22, Evans' Second Bridge addition to Council Bluffs, Ia., t. d.	—
Six transfers, total	$110

Council Bluffs, Ia., has the lowest lumber freight rates. Hafer has the lowest prices and the best assorted stock of goods.

All vehicles now on my sample floor will be closed out at cut prices for the next 30 days. I must make room for other goods. Now is the time to get good bargains at VanBrunt's.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Charles O. Murphy, Council Bluffs	24
Lulu Gaston, Council Bluffs	16
Charles F. Riesterer, Omaha	25
Marie Magdalena Meyers, Omaha	20
James Wisler, California Junction, Ia.	25
Elizabeth Hall, Council Bluffs	18

FIVE-CENT FARE AGITATION

Considerable Diversity of Opinion as to Its Advisability.

MANY RETAILERS OPPOSED TO PLAN

Real Estate Men Practically Unanimous in Its Favor and Are Backed Up By the West End Residents.

The Commercial club of this city has taken a hand in the agitation for a straight 5-cent fare on the street railway between Council Bluffs and Omaha. The club is desirous that all business men and others interested in the proposition attend the public meeting at the city hall next Wednesday evening, when the question is to be discussed pro and con and the sentiment of the citizens at large ascertained.

In a circular letter sent out yesterday by Secretary Reed of the Commercial club, he says:

The question of a straight 5-cent street car fare between this city and Omaha is to be threshed out at a public meeting to be held Wednesday evening, November 28, in the city hall. This matter is very important. Business men and citizens generally should be present and voice their beliefs with their reasons for same, whether for or against the proposed 5-cent fare. If interested in this question, please be present.

That there is a wide diversity of opinion on the advantage to be derived from a 5-cent fare is evident. Many of the business men of the city are unalterably opposed to it; others, while not favoring it, do not believe it would result in much harm to the retail business of the city, while quite a number are of the opinion that such a fare would be of considerable advantage to the city at large. On the one hand, it is contended that a straight 5-cent fare between the two cities would tend to divert more trade to Omaha than is the case at present. On the other hand, it is contended that a 5-cent fare would do much to build up the western part of the city by bringing over many families from Omaha to make their homes on this side of the river, where it is generally conceded that living is cheaper than on the other side.

Those opposed to the proposed 5-cent fare take the position that as things are the man or woman employed in Omaha has the advantage of a 5-cent fare through the coupon books and that this ought to suffice. Some business men even go so far as to say that they wished the fare between the two cities was 25 cents, as if this was the case much of the Council Bluffs trade which now goes across the river would probably stay at home. Others, however, say they do not believe a 5-cent fare would affect the local retail trade one way or the other.

Real estate men, as might naturally be expected, favor the proposed 5-cent fare, believing that it would tend to build up this city, especially the western part of it.

The agitation for the straight 5-cent fare, which was started by the West End Improvement club, has reached such proportions and appears to be of such general interest that it is expected the meeting next Wednesday night will bring out a representative gathering of all classes.

PROPOSES TO FORM NEW WARD

Councilman Peter Smith the Father of the Scheme.

Councilman Peter Smith of the Fifth ward is reported to have cocked and primed and ready to fire at the city council at its meeting next Monday night a plan to create another ward, to be known as the Seventh. The new ward, according to the plans of Mr. Smith, is to include those portions of the Fourth and Fifth wards which lie south of the Rock Island and Milwaukee tracks. So far no definite boundary lines have been decided upon, but roughly speaking the ward will be bounded on the south by the city limits, on the north by the Rock Island tracks, east by Main street and west by the Missouri river.

Councilman Knudsen, the member from the Fourth ward, is stated not to have any objections to having a portion of his bailiwick taken from him and is said to favor Councilman Smith's proposition. The matter has been talked over some by the members of the city council and it is stated there is no apparent opposition to Councilman Smith's proposition. An ordinance creating the new ward, it is said, will be presented at the council meeting next Monday night.

It is understood that there are several statesmen living in the district out of which it is proposed to form the new ward not only ready, but anxious to serve that constituency in the city council.

We will have a nice stock of fancy turkeys, ducks, geese, chickens, oysters, game and fish of all kinds for Thanksgiving. Central Grocery and Meat Market.

Indicted Parties Arrested.

Arthur Southwell, against whom an indictment was returned by the grand jury on the charge of assaulting Soren Thomsen with intent to inflict great bodily injury upon him, was taken into custody yesterday, and, being unable to furnish the required bond in the sum of $600, is behind the bars of the county jail. Thomsen lives at 1126 East Broadway, where he occupies, with his family, the upper portion of the building. According to his testimony before the grand jury, Southwell was moving some household furniture into the lower part of the house. Thomsen accused him of leaving the doors open, and this aroused the ire of Southwell, who knocked Thomsen down and kicked him several times, displacing several of his ribs. Southwell finished by dragging Thomsen, so the latter avers, out the yard by his thumb, and Thomsen has not been able to use the member since.

Two indictments were returned against Simon McGrew, Jr., who was taken into custody yesterday and committed to the county jail in default of bonds placed at $300. One indictment charges McGrew with the forgery of a check for $13.23 on the State bank of Neola, Ia., to which he is alleged to have signed the name of Powell Gilbo. The other indictment is in connection with the same transaction, and charges McGrew with uttering a forged instrument.

WE ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEE THE RADIANT HOME BASE BURNER NEVER TO CRACK. THE BEST IN THE WORLD. CALL AND SEE THEM. SKATES AND SLEDS FOR THE BOYS. PETERSON & SCHOENING CO., HDW. & FURNITURE, CO. BLUFFS, IA.

Hotel Clerks' Meeting.

The third annual meeting of the Hotel Clerks' association of Omaha and Council Bluffs will be held at the Grand hotel in this city on Monday evening, December 3. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected at this meeting. Following the business session the members of the association and a few invited friends will be guests at a dinner at which M. B. Park, chief clerk of the Grand hotel, will be host. William Anderson of the Her Grand hotel, Omaha, is president of the association, and H. B. Pates, formerly connected with the Omaha Hotel Reporter, is secretary.

There is no hot blast stove on the market today that is equal to the Boss Hot Blast. It has a front feed door, which makes it easy to put in the fuel and a big improvement over the old style of putting in the fuel at the top door and filling the house with smoke. You can remove the ashes without making a lot of dirt in the house with a nice big ash pan. The joints are all absolutely tight and smoke proof. Gives uniform heat day and night. Holds fire forty-eight hours. Will burn soft coal, hard coal, cobs and wood. The make-up is combined with excellence and beauty. Price, $12.00 and $16.00. D. W. Keller, 103 South Main street.

Combination gas and electric chandeliers and the celebrated Welsbach incandescent gas burners. Why not see us before you buy. We can certainly please you on price and quality of goods. Shephan Bros., 529 West Broadway.

INTERURBAN PROJECT NOT DEAD

President Dobbs Says Money is In Sight to Build It.

President W. J. Dobbs of the Council Bluffs, Tabor & Southern Electric Railway company is to the fore again with a statement that the project is not dead by any means, but has been merely enjoying a protracted slumber. This statement was made by Mr. Dobbs at Glenwood a few days ago while trying to interest the citizens of that town in the proposed electric road. The delay in getting the proposed road started on anything but paper has been due to the difficulty the promoters found in securing the needed financial backing. This difficulty, Mr. Dobbs is quoted as saying, has been overcome, and recently arrangements were completed with eastern capitalists to inspect the proposition, with assurances that they will finance it, if it proves to be as represented. Representatives of these monied men are expected here shortly to look over the field, and if they approve the project, bonds will be issued at once and the work of construction begun, says President Dobbs.

The franchise granted the Council Bluffs, Tabor & Southern Electric Railway company by Council Bluffs long ago became null and void from failure of the grantees to commence the work of construction within the time specified. There is little doubt, however, if the company should be in a position to build the road but that a new franchise would be granted.

Thanksgiving Sale

On all our high grade dining room furniture, 20 to 30 per cent discount on our entire line of buffets, sideboards, china cabinets, dining tables and chairs from now till Thanksgiving. Keller-Farnsworth Furniture Co.

MALONEY CIGAR CO., 30 PEARL ST., COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA., DISTRIBUTERS FOR THE ROBERT BURNS 10c CIGAR AND LITTLE BOBBIE, OLD TIMES AND ERRIS 5c CIGARS.

For imported wines and liquors and Budweiser beer, go to L. Rosenfeld, wholesale liquor dealer, 519 South Main street.

Street Railway Men Dance.

The attendance last night at the third annual ball of the Street Railway Employes' Relief association of Council Bluffs was so large that it made dancing somewhat of a difficult task, even in the large auditorium of the Masonic temple. It is estimated there were over 400 couples on the floor, who, despite the crush, appeared to enjoy the excellent program of dances, for which the music was furnished by Covalt's orchestra. Ed D. Carr officiated as master of ceremonies and J. H. Wilson performed the duties of floor manager.

You Must Look

At our superb stock of wall and ceiling decorative papers if you have the slightest notion of keeping in touch with the latest and best interior decorations. This is a model store in that line and you miss much if you keep away from here. Jensen & Nicholson, 238 West Broadway.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250. Night, 603.

A Lucky Thought.

To have your clothes cleaned instead of buying new ones. Give us a trial is all we ask and we are sure you will tell your neighbors how nice it was done. We dye lace, plumes, etc., to match samples. Council Bluffs Cleaning Co. and Rug Factory, 34 N. Main. Both 'phones 516.

GOVERNMENT SHORT ON REVENUE

Misgauging of Beer Tanks Cause of the Discrepancy.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Nov. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Federal authorities completed an investigation here today which showed that in the past two and a half years 515 barrels of beer had been sold from the Sioux City Brewing company without the government stamp. The federal license is $1 per barrel, and it means that the government is $515 short. The federal authorities sent detectives on the case, thinking that there was connivance between the brewing company and the revenue collectors, but J. F. Reed, revenue agent for Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Iowa, declared the discrepancy was the result of the misgauging of the measuring tanks and absolved the revenue collector.

Switchmen.

We have a new shoe for your work. Come in and see them. Sargent's Family Shoe Store.

Spuds! Spuds!

Choice early Ohio potatoes at 60c, delivered in five-bushel lots or more. Both 'phones 182. Bridenstine & Smith, 1401 S. 6th St.

Iowa City Churches Celebrating.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Iowa City Congregationalists and Methodists are preparing to hold notable celebrations. On November 25 and 26 the Methodists will lay the cornerstone of the $50,000 structure that is to supersede the fire-destroyed building on the same site. On the same days the Congregationalists will celebrate the golden anniversary of the organization of their church body in Iowa City. Among the notable orators of the occasion—which will be partly joint—will be Rev. Dr. Robert Forbes of Philadelphia, Rev. Dr. S. N. Fellows, one of the organizers and during fifty years a member of the upper Iowa conference, and Rev. Dr. H. H. Fairall, editor of the Iowa Methodist of the Methodist Episcopal church; Rev. Dr. M. A. Bullock of Lincoln, Neb., and Rev. Dr. George L. Cady of Dubuque of the Congregational church.

Are you having trouble with your hard coal stove? Just try a ton of our Cross Creek Lehigh and your troubles will end. Council Bluffs Coal and Ice Co., 'phone 72.

Dirt Causes Blood Poison.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Charles Strutz, a tailor of this place, is suffering from blood poisoning in his thumb. He went to Walnut one day this week and, in running to catch a train, fell and split his thumb. Some particles of dirt got into the wound, and he did not have it attended to until he reached Atlantic. It is possible that he might lose the thumb.

BUSSE TO HANG IN DECEMBER

Lawyers Exhaust Last Resource in Behalf of Condemned Man.

SUPREME COURT AFFIRMS SENTENCE

Inmates of Different State Institutions Have Over Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars on Deposit.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Louis Busse will be hanged at the Iowa state penitentiary at Anamosa on December 14, as a result of the action of the supreme court today in affirming the action of the district court of Linn county in dismissing the petition for a writ of habeas corpus for Busse. Busse was tried and convicted in the district court of Bremer county on an indictment returned in Butler county, where the murder was committed. He appealed to the supreme court and the court was evenly divided, three for affirming the action of the lower court and three for reversing it, the division being over the definition of manslaughter given by the lower court in its instructions to the jury. The supreme court being evenly divided, according to the Iowa law, the action of the district court was affirmed. The execution of Busse was set for April 20 and his attorneys asked for a writ of habeas corpus to take him from the sheriff at Anamosa on four grounds, first, that the indictment was returned by six instead of seven grand jurors; that the first date of execution, fixed for some time in 1903, having passed, the governor had no authority to fix another date because the supreme court did not enter a new judgment; that the supreme court, being evenly divided on the first appeal, raised the question of "reasonable doubt." The court today holds that the question of six instead of seven grand jurors is a question of error that can be raised on an appeal in the first instance, but not in a petition for habeas corpus for the release of the prisoner; that the opinion of the supreme court is ample authority for the governor to fix a new date, as the supreme court has no authority to enter a judgment in a criminal case and can only affirm or reverse the judgment of the lower court; and, finally, that the question of the supreme court being evenly divided, raising the question of reasonable doubt, is a question for juries trying facts and not for courts deciding questions of law. The crime for which Busse must hang was committed June 18, 1901. He was convicted of murdering his wife, the claim being that he struck her over the head with a chair and then saturated her clothes with kerosene and set fire to them. The date for the execution has been set four times, and it now made will be the first at the Anamosa penitentiary.

Casey Man Commits Suicide

Charles S. McMullen of Casey, Ia., a young man, committed suicide at the Savery hotel in this city today by stabbing himself through the throat with a penknife and hanging himself with a sheet from a steam pipe. McMullen is a young man, who had been studying law in the office of A. F. Fagen at Casey. He worked at one time in this city and is a son of Joseph McMullen, who lives just outside the city limits of Casey, and is engaged in the poultry business. No motive for the suicide is known. He has a sister living in this city at the corner of Fourteenth and Buchanan streets, the wife of a street car conductor. McMullen came to this city Tuesday from Casey and engaged rooms at the Savery. He stayed much of the time in his room. At noon today, when the chambermaid went to the room, she discovered the body. He had twisted a sheet into a rope and tied it to a steam pipe leading to the floor above, fastening it near the ceiling. He had evidently stood on a chair with the noose about his neck, stabbed himself through the throat and then kicked the chair from under him. The body has been turned over to the coroner.

Want Iowa History Taught.

State Superintendent Riggs has been asked by the Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief corps of Fairfield, Ia., to endeavor to have the histories used in the state give due and proper credit to the men from this state who were leaders in the civil war. Superintendent Riggs is giving the matter his support and has written to the publishers of school books for their co-operation. The Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief corps at Fairfield have passed resolutions asking that General S. H. M. Byers of this city prepare a supplement to be printed with the regular histories of the state in which the additional information is given.

Inmates Have Much Money.

A report made to the State Board of Control shows that the inmates of the state institutions have a total of $33,149.89 on deposit with the superintendents of the state insitutions. There are in round numbers a total of 9,000 persons confined in the state institutions. The greater amount of deposits are at the Soldiers' home at Marshalltown, due to pensions received. There is $12,824.98 on deposit there and $6,150.07 at the Fort Madison penitentiary.

Non-Fraternities Win.

In the election of officers of the senior class at the West High school in this city today the candidates of the nonfraternity students won. The election took several hours. The entire question of fraternities or no fraternities in the school, which has been a bone of contention between students and faculty and Board of Education for some weeks, was at issue. The victory is a victory against the fraternities.

Who Helped Charles Thomas?

The grand jury of Polk county is making some effort now to ascertain who accompanied Charles Thomas in disposing of the body of Mabel Scofield of Maxburg. The supreme court finally determining the guilt of Thomas yesterday, it is believed by the sheriff's office here that Thomas will disclose the name of the person who helped him dispose of the body in the river, all the evidence being that Thomas was seen in a buggy the fatal Sunday morning with another man and the body of Mabel Scofield between them.

Swift Case Tomorrow.

The trial of Rev. John H. Swift of Winterset, Ia., in the federal court for sending threatening letters through the United States mails will be heard tomorrow. He is alleged to have made charges against W. J. Cornell, a prominent Winterset banker, implicating a young woman of the town with him.

Former Omahan on Warpath.

Wildly shouting defiance, H. B. Moore, formerly of Omaha, held three big policemen at bay for several minutes yesterday afternoon after he had bodily thrown Deputy County Jailer Harry McLean out the window of Moss Levich's place at Third and Walnut.

Moore was finally overpowered and carted to the city jail. Here he engaged in another setto and was only landed in the bum cell after the liveliest tussle the police have had in many a day.

The difficulty arose yesterday morning over payment of the fine of James Brown, who was arrested for brandishing a gun in the Iliad hotel the night previous.

In police court this morning Moore pleaded not guilty to disturbing the peace and will be tried later.

Mount Ayr Man Hurt.

L. Griffith of Mount Ayr fell under a Rock Island train here today at the depot and one foot was cut off. He was taken to Mercy hospital.

See our beautiful new Xmas photographs and portraits. We are making some handsome water colors, sepia and crayon work which must be ordered before December 17 and we won't disappoint you. Schmidt, photographer.

Few expenses lead to low prices. Our expenses are next to nothing and our prices on pianos are the lowest of any house west of Chicago, quality taken in consideration. Bouricius Piano House, 335 Broadway, Co. Bluffs, where the organ stands upon the building.

BIG LINE OF FINE WORSTED TROUSERINGS AND SCOTCH SUITINGS JUST ARRIVED AT E. S. HICKS, 13 PEARL ST.

Killed by Freight Train.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Nov. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Bertha Sheldahl, aged 25, was instantly killed last night by a train at Ellsworth. She was going home from prayer meeting and crossing the tracks when a fast freight went through the town.

CURRENT LITERATURE.

"Pardner of Blossom Range," by Frances Charles, author of "In the Country God Forgot" and "The Awakening of the Duchess," is a new story of Arizona. The book differs from most western stories, the reader's interest depending comparatively little on action. A young army captain, Ferris, sent to investigate an Indian massacre, falls in love with Holly, the granddaughter of the owner of Blossom ranch. Holly has a strong prejudice against soldiers, one in particular, alleged to be responsible for the death of a boy private, whose horse, Pardner, came into her possession. The interest in the story increases when Holly, who returns Ferris' love, learns that he is the officer she hates. Besides the love interest there is sufficient dramatic incident as well as graphic pictures of ranch life. All the characters are well individualized, and as in her previous story, "In the Country God Forgot," Miss Charles displays deep insight into the life she so admirably depicts. Published by Little, Brown & Co.

"Her Brother's Letters," by an anonymous author, consists of a series of letters from a lawyer brother in New York City to his sister in Cincinnati, in which he tells her how many of the affairs of girls and women are regarded by men in general, and her brother in particular. These letters touch upon subjects in which girls and women are really interested, and they are written in such a delightfully personal style that they are very entertaining, as well as instructive and suggestive. Two of "Kitten's" replies to her brother's letters are also included in the little volume. These letters previously appeared in serial form in the Ladies' Home Journal. The book is illustrated with drawings by F. Vaux Wilson and C. M. Relyea. Moffat, Yard & Co. are the publishers.

"Esther Ried's Namesake," by Pansy (Mrs. G. R. Alden), is the title given to the story of the bright and talented daughter of a western home missionary, for whom circumstances make possible a college course. Her wit and accomplishments make her a natural leader, and many questions of conduct and character arise calling for the exercise of both principle and tact. She is compelled to reason out decisions that are at times contrary to the views to those to whom in her new surroundings she would naturally defer, and an impulsive nature makes it all the harder. But her native good sense, strengthened by her continued confidential relations with her parents, carries her safely and triumphantly through. The description of a young woman's college life is admirably given, and the account of the struggles of a "Ladies' Aid society" in a small church is true to life and genuinely humorous, as well as effective in other respects. The whole book is so brightly written as to hold the reader's interest at every point. The illustrations are by Ernest Fosbery and the book is published by the Lothrop, Lee & Shepard company.

"The Court Jester," by Cornelia Baker, is a fascinating tale of two high bred women of the sixteenth century, the Duchess Anne of Brittany and the Princess Marguerite of Austria. These two girls are real children, with a love of dolls and pets and stories and a knack of getting themselves and other people into amusing trouble. Strangely mingled with their fortunes is a [illegible] us court jester, witty and impudent, but a true friend. Again Mrs. Baker proves how gay and entertaining the historical romance may be made for children. Margaret Ely Webb supplies the book with twenty-five attractive illustrations. Published by Bobbs-Merrill & Co.

"Rambles on the Riveria," by Francis Miltoun, is one of the more pretentious of the season's books, which will be enjoyed by lovers of travel and history. The Riveria, with its beauties of nature, its wonderful climate, and its life and gaiety, is the mecca for tourists the world over, and it is safe to say that none of its charm will pass unnoted by Mr. Miltoun in his interesting and illuminating descriptions of old Provence, and his appreciative survey of the individual characteristics, manners and customs of this region. Blanche McManus has contributed a colored frontispiece and many illustrations and decorations. L. C. Page & Co. is the publisher.

"Brooks' Readers," by Stratton D. Brooks, are intended for a good all-round basal series suitable to any school, and for all grades from the first to the eighth, inclusive. They will appeal to teachers because of their very easy gradation, both in thought and expression. Although a wide variety of reading matter is provided, good literature embodying child interests has been considered of fundamental importance. Lessons of similar nature are grouped together, and topics relating to kindred subjects recur somewhat regularly. By the use of these books the child will be made acquainted with the masterpieces of many famous writers. He will gain a knowledge of many subjects and acquire pure and attractive ideals of life and conduct, and he will also be taught a love of country and given glimpses into the life of other lands. In mechanical appearance the books are as attractive as they can be made. Each volume contains a large number of choice illustrations, which, with the exception of a few reproductions of famous paintings, have been made especially to fit the selections. Published by the American Book company.

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"Don-a-Dreams," by Harvey J. O'Higgins, is the story of a lover, a poet, a gentle solitary from his boyhood days to and through the success that comes to crown life after many years. The little "make believer" of 6 cried all the night through over the discovery that his Santa Claus was not real, then bravely set himself to spare his younger brother the pangs of a similar disillusionment. The lad of 15 was a wanderer in solitary places, a devourer of Spenser's "Faerie Queen," an idealistic lover of the maiden who in the years since their first chance meeting had been the constant companion of his dreams and thoughts. And the Don-a-Dreams of 6 and 15 never grew up, though Donald Gregg, rebelling against the misunderstanding of an unsympathetic father and the fettering conditions of a small Canadian town, betook himself, his inexperience and his innocent impracticability to New York. The bitter struggle to gain a livelihood in a big city, unaided by equipment, influence or money, the acquaintance with the sordid and depressing conditions of life such experiences entail, left Don as they found him, still a lover, still a poet, still a gentle solitary, but always one whom men and women loved, even while they did not understand. Published by the Century company.

"The Lion and the Mouse," by Charles Klein, is a story of American life novelized from the play by Arthur Hornblow. The book deals with the question of the checking of colossal fortunes, the curbing of our multi-millionaires in their audacious attempt to attain power greater than a king's by seizing all the wealth in the world. Yet this is no dry treatise in industrial or social problems, but a vividly drawn picture of our American life presented in the form of powerful fiction. It is a stirring, human story of a woman's fight to save the honor of her father, a judge of the supreme court, from the unclean clutches of the money colossus who seeks to crush and disgrace this honest man that dares to thwart his will. The pluck and ingenuity the daughter shows in her struggle with the man of millions, and the many incidents leading up to the denouement, make an exciting and fascinating narrative. Published by the G. D. Dillingham company.

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