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PERSONALS.

Mr. A. N. Briggs, Cheney, is in the city today.

Mr. F. D. Gill, New York, is at the Carey.

F. E. King, of St. Louis, is at the Metropole.

E. Sullivan, of St. Louis, is at the Occidental.

Mr. J. E Killen, Chicago, is at the Manhattan.

Mr. D. R. Hite, Topeka, was in the city last night.

Mr. J. H. Warden, St. Joe, was in the city yesterday.

H. W. Miller, of Chicago, is stopping at the Metropole.

Mr. B. B. Reynolds, Kansas City, is at the Manhattan.

E. B. Buch, of Winfield, spent yesterday at the Occidental.

Mr. A. Guyers, Arkansas City, was in the city yesterday.

A. A. Spencer, of Russell, Kan., spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. C. L. Lehan, Pittsburg, Pa., will be in the city for a few days.

C. L. Dean, of Marion, spent yesterday among friends in the city.

Messrs R. G. Wilson and Chas Haughery of Henessey, I. T., were in the city last night.

J. S. Gregory, of Hutchinson, was looking after business matters in the city yesterday.

Mr. George Denton, of Attica, Kan., spent yesterday with Mr. Charles Ballance. They used to walk along the streets together at Peoria, Ill.

Mr. Dell J. Dean, of the Metrople, returned last evening from the east accompanied by Mrs. G. R. Osborne, of Bridgeport, Conn., mother of Mrs. Dean. She will visit her daughter some weeks.

Mr. A. W. Reeves left the Wells-Fargo Express company yesterday to accept another position.

Yesterday's clearings amounted to $127,192.09, showing an increase of $21,225.25 over the same day one year ago.

Mr. F. C. Smith, trainmaster of the southwestern division of the Rock Island and wife, were in the city yesterday.

The musical event of the season, sure to please everybody, is at the Central Christian church, Wednesday evening, April 16.

Mr. Ed Walden is again at his old position delivering Uncle Sam's mail, he having entirely recovered from the effects of a serious illness.

Hon. George L. Douglas leaves today for Washington D. C., on a very important mission in which, by the way, there is no politics but a heap o' business.

The character duett at the Central Christian church, Wednesday night, by Miss Evangeline Burgesser and Mr. Howard Rickerts, is too cute for anything.

The friends of W. A. Polk will be glad to learn that he is in a fair way to recover. A letter written by a friend at Hot Springs says he had a close call when he first went down.

Mr. N. Morehead died at 2:30 yesterday afternoon at his residence, 1407 Division street. Announcement of funeral will be made later. Mr. M was 43 years of age, and formerly a resident of Quincy, Ill.

On Sunday the property known as the Eagle hotel, on the West Side, caught fire but was extinguished by the department before any great damage resulted. The supposition is that the building was coalcilled.

Mr. Samuel Davies, of the United States Express company, returned yesterday from Kansas City, where he was looking after the interests of the office. The new office on Main street will be supplied with new furniture and fixtures.

Mr. R. E. Baker took a fancy yesterday to the concrete on the west side of Main, from Douglas to First, for driving purposes only. There was no trouble about him getting along until the gang saw him when he left it promptly.

M. W. Levy, president of the Wichita National bank, leaves this morning on a flying trip to Buffalo, New York, and to New York City to be absent not longer than ten days or two weeks. There must be some lively old times ahead for Wichita the way our monied men keep flying around.

The young people's class of the Baptist church will hold a social at the home of one of its members, Miss Minnie Lane, 324 East Frisco avenue, Wednesday evening. The young people, with their teachers and friends, will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m., and then take the street car to Frisco Heights.

Mr. L. R. Read a capitalist of Elbourn, Kane county, Illinois, called yesterday in company with Mr. Dwight Black, chashier of the Valley Center bank. Mr. Read invested largely in Kansas some four years ago and he is out looking the ground over. He says he is on the whole very well satisfied, but he sees now that had he put a few more thousand into Wichita he would be better pleas'

NEW HANDS AT THE WHEEL

THE COUNCIL ORGANIZED FOR BUSINESS, AND START OFF WITH THE STEP.

Annual Reports From the Various Departments—Appointment of Committees—Business of Importance Transacted.

It was expected by the public in general that last night the old council would go out and the new come in. The old time change of dates had led to this conclusion and many were on hand to witness the occasion usually accompanied by certain peculiar features. It was a different occasion, however. The old had let go some days ago and none of them were around. The men had no trouble in getting hold. They simply went to work. The annual reports of this city officers were submitted and ordered printed in pamphlet form. The reports as a rule were rather extensive and covering the departments thoroughly. Only that of the mayor is given in full and synopsis of the others. Committees for ensuing year appointed and considerable routine business given attention.

THE PROCEEDINGS.

Members present Caswell, Carson, Buckridge, Schnitzler, Johnson, Brown, Glaze, McKee, Williams, with Mayor Clement presiding. Before the minutes had been read Martin, Coffin and Mosbacher arrived.

It was announced that all the new councilmen had taken the oath, when the mayor said he had his annual report and it would be submitted with some others and probably all would be printed together in a pamphlet form. He said it would be read should the council wish to hear it. Mr. Johnson moved it be read, when the mayor read as follows:

To the Honorable Council of the city of Wichita—Gentlemen:

In closing the first year of our official labors, it is proper that I should present a review of the past and also make some suggestions for your consideration for the work of the new year upon which we now enter.

For the first time in the history of the city, the mayor, leaving his own business, has devoted his entire time to the service of the city, keeping an office where he could be found by the people during the forenoon, and devoting the afternoon to looking after city affairs outside the office. The business of the city has reached such magnitude, and is of such importance, that no man can properly serve the city as chief executive without devoting his entire time to the duties of the office, and for such service he should be properly compensated, as should also the councilmen, who share the responsibilities and bear the burdens with him. It is a matter of congratulation that, while there has been a general depression in business over the country the past year, our own city has not only not suffered any reverses, but has gone forward with a firm step in a permanent and prosperous growth. The strength of a government is not in its armies and navies, but in its credit. This maxim applies to cities, and with this strength all great cities are builded. The high standing of the credit of this city has been demonstrated in the sale of its bonds when at public bidding a quarter of a million dollars of six per cent, ten year installment sewer bonds brought a premium of nearly $18,000; and blocks of paving bonds and the city hall bonds have met with equally or satisfactory sale.

The interest on the sewer bonds had been fixed by the previous administration at seven per cent. It was almost the first act of the present administration to cut that interest down to six per cent, saving the tax payers some $85,000. The statement of bonds and indebtedness will be found in the report of the city clerk and the general financial statement of the treasurer.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

It has been the policy of this administration, acting upon the principle that in times of depression public money should be expended so that labor could be employed to inaugurate and carry on a system of public improvements that would be of permanent value to the city and add to its beauty and to the comfort of its people. This policy and an estimate of its value was so clearly and pertinently expressed in the editorial columns of the Wichita Daily EAGLE of March 18, 1890, that I here insert the article as the conclusions have more weight than if in my own language.

In all cities of any importance, the showing made each year in public improvements has more weight probably than that of any other display, from the fact that it gives an insight to the progressiveness of the people and municipal authorities. It is doubtful whether there is a city in the west that ranks with Wichita either in magnitude or character of public improvements, or amount of money expended in that direction. During the past year the city has made an immense stride forward in the way of public improvements. In extending and completing our sewerage system, in paving of streets, in public buildings few cities anywhere—certainly none in the west has kept pace with the Darling of Destiny. Old fogy ideas have been abandoned and a mode of work has been inaugurated which has in one year accomplished great things. While some surrounding cities experienced a slight depression in 1889, Wichita by inaugurating a liberal system of public improvements gave employment to the hundreds of workingmen who were attracted here from all sections of the country.

STREETS.

The past year has been one of moisture, which has demonstrated the necessity of paving the central business portion of the city where the traffic has become so heavy and constant that the natural roadway soon become badly cut up, impeding the business of the city. When the system of paving now begun is extended over the business of the city it will be placed in the front rank of the cities of the west. The streets in the residence portions of the city are naturally so good that for the present they do not need paving. For this year at least we advise you to abandon the paving of Waco avenue, nor we advise for the present the paving of any more streets for more than two blocks north or more than one block south of Douglas avenue with the streets that intersect them, nor even these without the demand of property owners. For an account of the street work of the past year you are referred to the commissioners report.

SIDEWALKS.

A large number of stone and cement sidewalk has been laid in the business part of the city and a still greater amount outside, much more we believe than should have been built by the city. The city is always loser in building walk to charge to the property and wait for collections by tax.

STREET LIGHTING.

There are thirty two electric lights giving a midnight service and fifty-eight giving an all night service. There are 143 gas and 465 vapor lights, costing the city, in round numbers, $20,000. This seems like an expensive luxury, but the fact that our people extend their residences so far from the center of the city makes lighting in the residence streets an expensive matter. The placing of new lights should be carefully looked after by the councilmen of the different wards and none located that can possibly be dispensed with.

WATERWORKS.

While our waterworks system is the property of a private corporation, it is especially gratifying to know that the company has taken great pains and been to great expense to furnish an abundant supply of good pure water. We can truly say that no city in the country has any better, clearer, purer, sweeter water than our own city. This contributes very much to the health of our people. The plant now consists of ninety-five drive wells, four steam boilers and six pumping engines. The company the past year has laid 36,837 feet of cast-iron pipe and added twenty-five hydrants, making 217 hydrants now in use. They have taken up 6,291 feet of wood pipe and replaced the same with iron. They have added 125 horse power to their battery of boilers and put in forty-seven new wells.

In the pump house has been placed a new Gaskill compound condensing high duty engine, with capacity of 5,000,000 gallons per day. The works now supply 2,500,000 gallons per day and have a capacity of 12,000,000 gallons per day. A large amount of iron pipe will be put in the coming season.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Our fire department is unquestionably the best in the state. This is demonstrted by the fact that no wooden building, however much of a "tinder box" it may be, is ever permitted to be destroyed. The power and efficiency of the new steamer was made apparent at the late fire in the large block on Main street. The report of the chief is presented in full.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Unfortunately, in our judgment, this important branch of the public service, has, by an act of the legislature, been taken from the hands of the mayor and council, and by the governor placed under the control of a board of commissioners of his own appointing. The force is in no way responsible to the executive or legislative departments of the city, nor can the executive in any way direct the force. This is taking from the people the power to select their own officers and public servants, which is contrary to the spirit and intent of our laws and constitution, which recognizes in the people the ability to govern themselves. The practice of taking this prerogative from the people and placing it in boards and commissions appointed by the governor is being condemned and abandoned in other states and should be in this. Were our police force under the control of the city government, all laws could and would be as well enforced as they are now, as good order would be maintained, and the force would not only be self sustaining but would bring a revenue into the city. No complaint is made of board of commissioners. They are gentlemen of honesty and high standing and command confidence of our people. The men on the force are brave, active and diligent in the performance of duty. The system and the laws are such that the results desired cannot be reached. All laws can be better enforced by officers of the peoples' own choosing, than by those in whose selection the people have had no voice.

The commissioners herewith present their annual report.

PUBLIC PARKS.

We are still of the opinion that the city should secure more ground for public parks, before it advances to a price many times more than it can now be bought for. The city should take good and proper care of Linwood park, and make it an ornament to the south part of the city. I advise the building of a house, at a moderate expense, at once, and the placing of a man there to care for the grounds. Hyde park should also be protected and improved. These parks will ere long become valuable.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

The high altitude of our city, being 1300 feet above sea level, the clear bracing atmosphere, bright sunshine, and pure water all combine to make our city the healthiest of all the cities in the west, you are referred to the reports of the city physician and board of health.

SEWER.

It is expected that our system of sewerage will be completed and ready for use by June 1 next. It is highly important that some system of rules be adopted by the council, regulating or fixing the way and manner in which connections shall be made. This work should only be done by responsible parties, and under the direction of the engineer's department, and for every connection a fee should be paid to the city.

In conclusion.—I desire to extend my thanks to the gentlemen with whom I have been associated the past year for the uniform courtesy extended and the cordial support rendered. Many of our duties have been new and perplexing. Mistakes may have been made; but we believe it has been the purpose of all to see that the interests of the city have been properly guarded. It should be the aim of every public officer to so perform his labors as to meet the approval of those who selected him as their representative. This approval can be had only be honest conduct and a firm purpose to manage the business of the city with economy and for the best interest of all the people. I trust that our associations for the coming year may be pleasant, and our labors for the highest good of the city. G. W. CLEMENT, Mayor.

The city clerk presented a report which he read. It stated that much time had been spent systematising records going back as far as '72. Recommended that each committee of council as soon as possible report estimate of expenses for the year. Reported safe facilities inadequate to care for all valuable sources. Receipts for the year $135,000; disbursements $135,000. Disbursements for sewer work during the year $213,000. General improvement bonds issued for $240,000.

The treasurer submitted report which was read. General revenue fund showed total $134,326.47; total disbursements $133,569. Balance in sewer account $76,000. Total receipts for Market street paving $53,000.

The city engineer read annual report dealing with curb and gutter, sidewalks, sewers. Four miles of main yet to be put in which can be completed in two months. Dealing with pavements showing total contracts for eighty-six thousand square yards. Advised to make travel over Douglas avenue bridge more safe.

The fire marshal read reprt which was the third annual report by Marshal Walden. Thanks were extended to police, McMahan's patrol and others in assisting on many occasions. The names of the members of the various companies were given. Submitted list of buildings and apparatus and property statement including all stations. Total value of department $50,400; actual cost of department much less. The needs of present year are small, as little demand beyond actual running expense. The work of extending alarm service recently ordered commended. Total loss by fire $154,000; not covered by insurance $47,000. Eight horses in departmen, cost of feeding a horse per year $54, or $30 less than former year. Expense of department, salaries $13,000, and a total of $34,000, including new additional apparatus. The fire alarm service has given good satisfaction; eighteen boxes in the business part of the city and seven more ordered.

The street commissioner submitted report showing cost of labor during the year $22,000.

The board of health made report that the general health of the city was good, the leading epidemic being la grippe. No reliable information for making calculation on death rate. Recommended a city chemist.

The city attorney failed to submit a report.

The mayor asked what would be done with the reports, when Buckeridge inquired if the reports were to be printed at expence of city. He was answered in the affirmative, when he moved to receive the reports and place them on file. The motion failed in a second, and Carson moved to advertise for bids for printing the reports in pamphlet form.

Coffin inquired if motion was in order when the chair decided it was.

After some hesitation there seemed to be no second to Carson's motion when the mayor said a report as valuable as the city engineer's should not be left in obscurity. Johnson then approved a second.

Buckridge said he was pledged to economy until the laboring men were paid for services. He spoke at length on the feeling of the people concerning the old council and was responded to liberally by the lobby.

The vote showed six for and six against, the incoming councilmen voting in the negative and the old members in the affirmative.

Coffin moved to print 300 copies of the report which was received, ten for and two against.

Carson placed in nomination for president of the council W. L. Johnson. Coffin proved a second.

Buckridge nominated Mr. Schnitzler, but that gentleman withrew his name and Johnson was elected by an unanimous vote. He extended thanks for the honor conferred.

The mayor submitted committees for the ensuing year as follows:

Advertising and immigration—Glaze, Schnitzler, Mosbacher.

Finance—Glaze, Mosbacher, McKee.

Fire and water—McKee, Coffin, Johnson.

Franchise and license—Brown, Johnson, McKee.

Health—Williams, Schnitzler, Buckeridge.

Judiciary—Coffin, Caswell, Williams.

Lighting—Schnitzler, Mosbacher, Johnson.

Parks and public grounds—Martin, Caswell, Brown.

Paving—Caswell, Coffin, Carson.

Police and prisons—Carson, Schnitzler, McKee.

Public buildings, including scales—Carsen, Glaze, Martin.

Public improvements—Johnson Williams, Caswell.

Railroads and street railways—Williams, Buckeridge, Glaze.

Rules and legislation—Coffin, Brown, Martin.

Sewer and drainage—Buckeridge, Carson, Martin.

Telegraphs and telephones—Mosbacher, Brown, Buckeridge.

The city engineer submitted estimate for paving Park Place avenue.

Carson thought Buckeridge should not insist on the improvement owing to his position on economy. Buckeridge said it was stated by the old council and he favored placing the estimate on file which was done.

Glaze submitted remonstrance against paving Fourth avenue, and at the same time moved former action be rescinded, which prevailed.

Buckeridge presented a remonstrance against paving Fourth, and former action rescinded.

There were some petitions asking to make connections with the sewer, which were placed on file, owing to inability to handle the matter otherwise.

Third estimate on city building, $1,500, was allowed.

An ordinance was passed making it a fine to build a fire in the corporate limits from 6 a. m. to 4 p. m., without permission from fire marshal.

Bond of Stockinger for heating city building approved; the amount being $5,000.

Contract for Eleventh street bridge across Little river awarded to J. K. Sawyer for $2,900. Three other bids were within $200 of Mr. Sawyer's bid.

The contract for city printing was awarded to the News-Beacon at 1¾ cents per line, the official report of meetings to be printed free in nonpareil type.

The bids for job work were opened and all rejected. Clerk instructed to make out list of material wanted and have bids on same submitted in two weeks.

The question of discrepency of specifications under which jasperite contract was awarded and the specifications in contract was called upon and no discrepency discovered.

It was decided to meet Friday at 3 p. m. as a board of equalization on curb and gutter assessments.

The matter of having flagmen for Santa Fe and Rock Island at Oak street crossing was referred to the railroad committee and city attorney to report on ordinance.

Captain Rarick was up from Guthrie yesterday bringing a United States prisoner with him.

Some of the boys drifted down to English's park last night and got into a general free for all fight. Several of them received cuts while bruises were pretty evenly divided amongst them.

A. W. Caswell, a prominent real estate dealer of Fort Worth, enroute home from a trip north, stopped and spent yesterday in the Kansas metropolis. He had fancied that Wichita was principally brag, but confessed after he had seen part of the city that he had been greatly in error; in fact, he thought this the livest and best built city he has seen.

The Knight Templar badge provided by Captain General W. S. Corbett for the best drilled man in Mt. Olivet Commandery has been awarded to Mr. C. M. Jones, of Cole & Jones. The competitive drill sent it to Lieutenant Hettinger's platoon, and reaching the platoon the next step was to the best drilled man. Mr. Jones wears the badge with no small degree of pride. Aside from the distinction and honor it is one of the nicest badges to be found anywhere.

Mr. Clate Stoner of the Nurseryman's and Loan association, feels very much aggrieved over a local item in Sunday's EAGLE, which stated that he had stolen $4 from a lady at the ticket window in Sedgwick City. Stoner, who has been in business here some time, who is a married man and whose father is a nurseryman near Sedgwick, says he heard of the theft or loss the same day, he having purchased a ticket that morning at that point for Wichita, but that he should have been accused of stealing so small a sum, or any sum, worries him. The charge will be answered on the 30th of this month. In the meantime he hopes that the public will not make up their verdict from a local item which should have said that he had been "accused and arrested," instead of making it so complete as "who stole," etc.

SIBERIAN EXILES.

The editor of this paper is in receipt of a blank petition to the Czar of Russia praying for an ameleoration of the condition of the exiles of Siberia. The petition with accompanying letter will be found on the counter of the business office where those interested in the fate of those unfortunate people can call and sign their names etc.

The movement originated among a number of philanthropic gentlemen of Philadelphia, who desire to flood his imperial majesty with protests, by the cart load and a mileloug.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

It is with great pleasure that we announce to our patrons and friends that G. W. Collings will deliver his lecture entitled "Eighteen Hours in Mammoth Cave," in the United Presbyterian church, corner of First street and Ohio avenue, on Friday evening, April 18, for the benefit of Washington school. Pupils old enough to appreciate the entertainment will be given tickets free. The proceeds will be used in procuring a suitable flag for the new Washington building on Third street.

R. L. BARACKMAN,

DIED.

On the 13th inst., Mrs. Eveline A. Stackhouse, wife of Daniel Stackhouse, aged 65 years, 7 months and 27 days. The deceased had been for many months a patient sufferer, and the change was not unexpected by her friends. She had been for half a century a consistent member of the church, the sting of death had been taken away and death was to her a happy release. The sympathy of many friends is extended to the members of the sorrowing family in their loss of a loving and faithful wife and mother. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. H. McCreery on Monday morning at 10 o'clock, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Horace Williams, corner Fourth avenue and Sixteenth

IN MEMORIAM.

The death of Mrs. Minnie O'Bryan, the young wife of Edward O'Bryan, Esq., and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McKinnon, seems utterly sad and the sympathies of the entire community are being expressed for the bereaved husband and for the sorrowing mother and father and other relatives. She was so young, so bright, so fair and full of life, having but lately fulfilled the highest and holiest mission of womanhood, leaving a sweet image of herself who will never realize the dear enfolding of a mother's purest love. Many of the readers of the EAGLE will recall the several poetical contributions to this paper of Minnie McKinnon which had a touch that touched again. Her's was, indeed a bright spirit winged for delightful flights, but on that spirits lithe and attractive earthly form, the blight of death's shadow fell while yet in the very hey-day of its youthfullness. It can not be that the sad procession which yesterday slowly wound its way to the silent slope that overlooks the home of her maidenhood, and wifehood and youthful motherhood, is the finis of such a life as hers. There must be a flower crowned shore where all unincorporate—where never flits the dark shadow of this cumbrous clay, nor stalks death in any form, from whence Minnie McKinnon O'Bryan will in blissful happiness watch the unfolding of the bud to which she imparted mortal life, and where in loving solicitude she will await the coming of the loved ones whose deepest grief is her loss.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The executive board of the Kansas Immigration bureau held an important meeting in their office in the board of trade rooms yesterday. The following members were present: E. B. Buck, Hale Cowley, Will E. Bolton, C. P. Buffington, R. B. Drury, A. W. Oliver and Gay A. Spencer. Among other business transacted was the auditing of bills and paying for the state book, disbursing about $2,500. The finances of the bureau are in excellent condition and the work being accomplished far exceeds the expectations of its officers. The executive board are to be congratulated for the highly creditable manner in which they have managed the affairs of the bureau and the state should feel honored that they have such men in that important office. The book is now out and is being distributed to the different counties of the state. This is the finest work of the kind ever published in Kansas and the results which will be obtained cannot be comprehended. At present the bureau is receiving thousands of names of parties from the east who are seeking homes and looking for investments and all such parties are supplied with the necessary information sent out by the different counties who receive all such names weekly through the central office. Kansas will get there.

THE GRAND CONCERT.

A grand concert was given last evening at the First M. E church by the Ladies' society. The proceeds will go into the general fund and be applied to the important and necessary work which the society has in hand.

The main body of the church was filled at an early hour and by the time the program commenced the audience had partially filled the large lecture room adjoining. Each number on the program was greatly enjoyed and met with appreciative applause. Mrs. C. C. Furley and Miss Graham both responded to imperative encores. The following program was rendered.

Organ selection.....Mrs. Croes.
Duett, piano.....
.....Misses Guthrie and Sappenfield.
Solo, "The Lover and the Bird"...
.....Mrs. Watkin.
Recitation.....Mrs. Furley.
Solo, selection.....Miss Pond.
Solo, vocal.....Mrs. Coen.
Duett, violins....Mr. and Mrs. Holloway.
Solo, vocal.....Mr. Imboden.
Solo, guitar.....Miss Graham.
Recitation.....Mrs. C. C. Furley.
March.....Miss Carrie Savin

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

CASTLE HALL OF WARWICK LODGE
No. 44, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.
WICHITA, Kan., April 14, 1890.

Whereas, it has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom to call from labor unto rest, from her home on earth to her home in heaven, Mrs. Edward O'Bryan, the beloved wife of our brother knight, Edward O'Bryan, be it

Resolved, That the sympathy of the brothers of this body be conveyed to our brother whose home has been visited, darkened and saddened by the angel of death, commending him in this hour of bereavement to the consolation of Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That the keeper of record and seal be and is hereby instructed to enter upon the journal of this lodge a copy of these resolutions, and cause the same to be published in the daily papers of this city.

W. H. BRIDENBAUGH,
J. F. BENNETT,
Committee.

A GOOD WORD FOR WICHITA.

Judge Anderson, of Pratt, who is the director of the state emigration society for his county, arrived in the city Sunday and called yesterday. The Judge said he had been riding about the city and would have to acknowledge his surprise and gratification. Everything that he saw betokened life and prosperity. Among other sensible things observed by him was that Wichita's prosperity was a matter which should interest the whole state and undoubtedly did interest all southwest Kansas. A great market built up here would practically bring the Missouri river market prices two hundred miles further west, saving that much in profit to the producers and consumers of southern Kansas. Undoubtedly the judge is correct.

PAVING DOUGLAS AVENUE.

Mr. R. F. Wilson, who has the contract for paving Douglas avenue, reached the city last evening and will remain a few days looking after some business matters. He says he will be ready to commence work next week and hopes the underground improvements will be completed fast enough to keep out of the way and not cause delay. While the contract is such that he can afford to have the pavement taken up for making underground improvements he would much rather cause no inconvenience to property owners or to water or gas companies. Much of the material has been shipped and will be on hand in due time to cause no delay when work is commenced.

Y. W. C. A.

The "Dish reception" will be given at the Y. W. C. A. rooms, 213 North Market street, next Friday evening instead of this evening as previously announced. A pleasing program will be presented after which light refreshments will be furnished. Men, women and children are invited to come and bring a plate, cup and saucer or any other dish for the table. The young women have chosen this way to secure dishes for the rooms, thus enabling everybody to help in the good work and at the same time receive some pleasure. No admittance fee.

WEST SIDE C. L. S. C.

Program for April 18, 1890:

Miscellaneous quotations.
Current events, a paper, Miss Cowen.
Latin course in English (pages 277 to 290) Mr. Lawrence.
Duet, Misses Lawrence and Oldfield.
Chautauqua physics (chapters 6 and 7 to page 165) Mr. Moyer.
Two political positions of Russia, Messrs. Holmes and Shane.

Munson and McNamara

123 to 127 N. Main Street.

Most people are not slow to find the way where goods are offered under value. Such goods are here yet as advertised yesterday.

Toile du Nora Chambrays worth 15c, at 11½c.

Fine Seersucker, worth 12½c, at 8½c.

New Challies, in dark and light grounds, good and stylish, at 6¼c.

We will add today one case full Standard prints, best quality, at just 5c a yd.

Best Prints 5c today.

MUNSON & MCNAMARA.

Munson and McNamara

123 to 127 N. Main Street.

The interest increases in Sateens and White Goods.

The Cashmere Ombereys at 25c come first in line, and the trouble is to be able to keep them here for you. They are getting scarce in the market, plenty here yet.

Our black silk nets are going as bargains without a question, prices 35c to $3.

The greatest interest centers in the dress goods department. Great bargains without end, and new things daily.

MUNSON & MCNAMARA.

NEW·YORK·STORE.

This will be Bargain Week at the New York Store.

In the dress goods department.
In the domestic department.
In the notion department.
In the wrap department.
In the carpet department.
In the curtain department.

CASH HENDERSON.

NEW·YORK·STORE.

WORK COMMENCED.

Work was commenced yesterday extending fire alarm system according to directions of the city council some time ago. The delay was forced by inability to secure material. One box will be placed on the corner of Lincoln and Lawrence and two others are at the disposal of the councilmen from the First ward and will be placed wherever directed. North of Oak street four boxes will be added to the service, the upper one being on the corner of Fairview and Fourteenth street.

The work will be completed within two or three weeks, with the average good luck.

TALCOTT-CARNAHAN.

On Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's parents three and a half miles northeast of Valley Center, Squire Goodrich officiating, Mr. E. S. Talcott and Miss Irene Carnahan were united in marriage. The estimable bride is very popular amongst a long list of acquaintances and Mr. Talcott is well known in this city as a young man of good business capabilities, having been in the employ of C. I. Fuller as salesman for a long time.

After the ceremony quite a large gathering of friends sat down to an elegant supper. The happy couple returned to the city yesterday and the bride is at home at 201 North Lawrence.

AMUSEMENTS.

CRAWFORD GRAND.

Nellie Walters will open at the Crawford Grand on Thursday evening, playing for the balance of the week including a Saturday matinee. The sale of seats opened yesterday and there are indications that she will be a drawing attraction. Although a regular price attraction the tickets will be reduced accordinging to advertisements.

A good audience witnessed the first appearance of Miss Nellie Walters at the Grand last night. "Criss Cross," a lively comedy by Gus J. Hedge, was the play presented. The audience seemed delighted throughout and was noticeably demonstrative, Miss Walters two or three times being called before the curtain. Nellie Walters is really a bright soubrette, and in the part proper of Florence Weaver, as well as in the guises of the German pretzel girl and Bobby Bantam, the jockey, showed considerable versatility and imitative power. Eric Pollock, as Hannible Hurrah, a loquacious circus manager, showed himself a good comedian, and other members of the cast acquitted themselves well.—Nashville Banner.

THE COURTS.

DISTRICT COURT.

If witnesses in the case of Stewart vs. C. K. & N. R. R. will call on Clerk Luling they can collect fees, the costs in the case having been paid.

Attorneys are notified that cases dismissed for want of prosecution will in no instance be reinstated.

John C. Mossman vs. G. Werk et al., judgment for plaintiffs for $369.26; also in rem for $611.21. L. P. Merriman vs. C. E. Aughes, on trial by court. Harry L. Hill vs. J. C. True, judgment for plaintiff for $1,094. F. W. Curtis vs. C. E. Hughes, settled and dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

PROBATE COURT.

Settlement of C. A. Cartwright, administrator of the estate of V. C. Cartwright, deceased, filed and approved.

Second settlement of Nettie Jerome, administrator of the estate of M. Zimmerly, deceased, filed and approved.

One marriage license was issued to parties not wanting it published.

COMMON PLEAS COURT.

Butler vs Sherman was on trial by jury in Judge Balderston's court yesterday. The case involves a question in failure to fulfill contract in the purchase of land. Motions and demurrers consumed the balance of the day in this court.

JUSTICES COURTS.

The usual round of civil work occupied the day in the justices court yesterday.

POLICE COURT.

A drunk was assessed $5 and A. C. Smith was arrested for whipping a horse and was fined $5. The only arrest of Sunday was a drunk disposed of in the usual way.

COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Oscar Rifsland, charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes was arraigned yesterday before Commissioner Sherman but waived his preliminary. Deputy United States Marshall Willis Metcalf took him to Topeka last night for trial in the United States court.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A full attendance of the directors of the W. C. T. U. is requested to meet at headquarters Tuesday, at 3 p. m., for important business.

Regular meeting of Wichita Division, No. 105, O. R. T., this evening at Getto hall, corner Second and Main streets. Business of importance will be transacted. A full attendance desired.

A. J. AVERGATE, P. C. T.
J. H. HORNETT, Sec.-Treas.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. have decided to indefinitely postpone the prize essay contest, which was announced to take place on Friday evening. At some time in the future they hope to offer three prizes, and shall invite students from the four institutions—the two universities, the academy and the high school, to contest.

COMMITTEE.

Garfield W. R. C., No. 46, will meet in regular session at Garfield hall Tuesday, April 15, at 2:30 p. m. All members are requested to be present.

Miss M. E. DURAND, Secretary.

GARFIELD POST.

Meets Wednesday evening at post headquarters. It is absolutely necessary for every member to be present. There will be musters, the flag business, the battle of Gettysburg, the pension business and other matters in which every member is interested. Don't fail to be present.

H. T. KRAMER, Adjutant.

His Mistake.

"What were you about to remark?"

"Nothing at all, I assure you," replied Willie Washington.

"But you looked as if you had something to say."

"Yaas; I'm rawey deceptive that way. I've often thought, myself, that I had something to say, and discovahed afterah I said it that I hadn't."—Washington Post.

Heroism Rewarded.

Railway Official—Is this the man that has just saved the train from destruction?

Several Bystanders—Yes, this is the man.

Railway Official (with emotion)—My friend, you have saved a hundred human lives and many thousand dollars' worth of property. I will see that you are rewarded. (To subordinate) William, take up a collection among the passengers.—Chicago Tribune.

He Had.

"You shouldn't speak so harshly of your fellow man," said a merchant to his clerk. "You ought to remember the admonition to return good for evil. That's what I've just done, and I did it with a vengeance."

"How?"

"I gave a man change for a counterfeit $10 bill."—Washington Post.

Don't Buy of Us

Unless we can offer you better goods at the same price than any one else. All we ask is a TRIAL.

Will leave to you the

DECISION.

KAUFMAN & KOHER,

204 NORTH MAIN.