

STERN ROBBED OF FEATHERS

Des Moines Branch of Keokuk Store Is Plundered of Ostrich Plumes Worth One Thousand Dollars.

A MYSTERIOUS ROBBERY

Millinery Store Robbed and Several Theories Are Advanced as to How It Was Done.

The Des Moines store of M. Stern & Son, has been robbed of a number of ostrich plumes valued at about \$1,000 and there seems to be considerable mystery about the theft.

Ostrich plumes to the value of between \$600 and \$1,000 have been stolen from the wholesale millinery store of M. Stern & Son, 316-318 West Court avenue.

The theft is supposed to have occurred sometime between Saturday night and Monday morning, when the loss was discovered on opening the store for business, but every effort has been made to keep the matter secret while the detective department has been working upon the case.

The theft is one of the most baffling ever recorded in the history of Des Moines. Whether employees of the millinery firm perpetrated the theft or outside parties, is the point the detectives are now working on. It was because of this uncertainty that the matter was attempted to be kept quiet. The managers of the store are confident that none of its employees is implicated.

Door Is Found Open.

On Saturday night at 10:30 o'clock Charles Miller, merchant policeman, discovered the rear door of the wholesale house standing ajar. Believing that, through some oversight, the door had not been locked, Miller himself fastened it and did not think anything more of the occurrence until Monday when his attention was called to the loss of the goods.

Shortly after 8 o'clock Monday morning the loss of a number of boxes of ostrich plumes was reported to Ike Stern, general manager. At once he concluded that the store had been robbed and the matter was reported to Chief Johnstone, who detailed Detectives McKeecher, Jackson and Delmege on the case. No clue whatever could be found and the officers are as much in the dark concerning the robbery as when it was first reported.

The theory advanced by Mr. Stern, which is also substantiated by Chief of Detectives Johnstone, is that whoever pulled off the steal did so early Saturday evening between dark and 10:30 o'clock, when the back door was found open by Watchman Miller.

The plumes, nearly a hundred in number, made a bulky lot and just how the thief or thieves could have gotten away with them is not known. A rig of some kind might have been waiting in the rear to carry the plumes to a waiting place. On the other hand if the thieving was a systematic scheme of robbery by some one in the employ of the firm it might have been carried on for weeks but this is not thought likely as the goods would have been missed before Monday when it became certain that a large lot of the plumes had been taken.

The look on the rear door shows no mark of violence. It was either opened with a pass key or left unlocked from the inside. The fact that the door is bolted from the inside shows conclusively that it was not opened from the outside.

Hide in the Store.

One theory advanced is that some one may have secreted himself in the store and opened the rear door after the clerks and office force had left for the day.

Merchant Officer Miller, whose duty it is to visit certain business houses, is not employed by the Stern company. He accidentally found the door unlocked and can throw no light upon the affair that is now baffling the detective department. This leads to the belief that the robbery had been planned from the inside, but this also is a mystery to the detectives. No tangible clue—no clue of any kind, in fact—has been run down by the detectives.

Chief Johnstone's men are still working on the mysterious case, but not until some of the stolen plumes turn up will there be a clue to work on.

Ran Down by a Train. WINNIPEG, Nov. 5.—It was reported here this noon that seven persons were killed when a Grand Trunk train ran them down, 200 miles east of here today.

Iowa Plurality 70,000. DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 5.—More complete returns indicate Taft's plurality in Iowa exceeds 70,000 or about 6,000 more than given McKinley in

Important to All Women Readers of This Paper

Women are as subject to kidney trouble as men, which fact is often overlooked.

Many woman's complaints often prove to be nothing else but kidney trouble, or the result of kidney or bladder disease.

If the kidneys are not in a healthy condition, they will cause the other organs to become diseased.

You may suffer a great deal with pain in the back, bearing-down feelings, headache and loss of ambition.

Poor health makes you nervous, irritable and may be despondent; it makes any one so.

But thousands of irritable, nervous, tired and broken-down women have restored their health and strength by the use of Swamp-Root, the great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy.

Swamp-Root brings new life and activity to the kidneys, the cause of such troubles.

Many send for a sample bottle to see what Swamp-Root, the great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy will do for them. Every reader of this paper, who has not already tried it, may address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and receive sample bottle free by mail.

1896, and is more than the normal Republican majority.

RESULT IN JACKSON OUTSIDE

Notes Cast for Township Officers in Jackson Township (Outside) November 3, 1908.

Justice of Peace: B. Stephenson . . . . .137 Fred Conradt . . . . .167 Henry Rhoker . . . . .159 Constables: J. P. Stephenson . . . . .132 M. Cahill . . . . .181 Jas. Starr . . . . .143 Township Trustees: W. W. Carter . . . . .139 Wm. Peters . . . . .177 W. C. Wooster . . . . .131 Ed. Kerr . . . . .173 J. O. Meister . . . . .134 A. Selbold . . . . .164 Township Clerk: H. H. Layton . . . . .161 J. J. Len . . . . .152 Township Assessor: Chas. Schafer . . . . .204 Henry Shiebler . . . . .107

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

SOME RESULTS IN MISSOURI

Scotland, Clark and Schuyler Counties Show That Taft Was Well Liked.

KAHOKA, Mo., November 4.—Complete returns for Clark county give Taft, 1,741; Hadley, 1,777; Bryan, 1,738; Cowherd, 1,698; Folk, 671; Stone, 749; Kerens, 97; McKinley, 925. Congress, First District, Democratic, 1,750; Republican, 1,744. Representative, First District—Democratic, 1,748, Republican, 1,719.

Schuyler County.

LANCASTER, Mo., Nov. 5.—Democrats elect entire Democratic ticket in Schuyler county. Bryan majority, 197. Cowherd majority, 167. Lloyd for congress, 200. McKinley for senator wins by 500.

Scotland County.

MEMPHIS, Mo., Nov. 4.—Scotland county gives Taft, 1,282; Bryan, 1,500; Hadley, 1,322; Cowherd, 1,500; Swanger, 1,291; Roach, 1,567. For United States senator, Scotland county gives Folk, 778; Stone, 655. Congress, First District—Lloyd, Democrat, 1,568. Chamberlain, Republican, 1,276. Representative—M. Miller, Democrat, 1,457; Adams, Republican, 1,370.

Closing Headquarters.

CHICAGO, Nov. 5.—The democratic national committee in Chicago is shutting up headquarters today. The chief officials have gone and only members of the finance committee are still here. The clerks are also remaining to audit the accounts.

NOW ANNOUNCED TO THEIR FRIENDS

Romance Which Was Kept Secret Since the Marriage on the Evening of October Seventeenth.

FRIENDS SUSPICIOUS

Miss Grace Kennedy and C. E. Kieven Slipped Away For the License and Then Kept Silent About It.

Married, October 17, Miss Grace Kennedy, one of the fairest of the many charming girls of Keokuk and C. E. Kieven, a college student, kept their secret until today when they announced the happy event.

Although they kept the secret as they thought, there were a great many friends who believed that the wedding had taken place and could not be shaken in that belief. The wedding took place here on Saturday evening and on Monday the newspapers were trying to get some information about it, but the couple had taken pains to lock up all sources of information. The minister who performed the marriage knew nothing about it. The license clerk at Fort Madison could not remember having issued a license and the couple also denied having anything to do with the wedding. Verification could not be made of the report that the couple had been married and friends began to doubt.

"I Told You So." But now that the marriage has been made public, friends are saying, "I told you so."

Mr. Kieven publicly announced the marriage today at The Gate City office and stated that the license was secured at Fort Madison and that the wedding was performed by Rev. Junion at the parsonage of St. Francis de Sales church on the evening of October 17 at 8:45 o'clock. Mr. Kieven goes to college at St. Louis and his wife will join him there as soon as he has fitted up a home. For the present she retains her position at the Iowa State Insurance Company where she has been "Miss Kennedy" up until today, when her name was changed by the force to "Mrs. Kieven," after she announced her wedding.

The bride, who succeeded in keeping her romance so well hidden, is a Keokuk girl who has a host of friends, won by her many charming traits and personal charms. She is a clerk at the Iowa State Insurance Company's office.

The groom's home is at Northwood, North Dakota, and he has been attending the medical college here for two years. He will finish his college course at St. Louis and the couple will make their home there until he secures his diploma and begins to practice his profession.

Their many friends wish them the greatest of happiness and contentment and are showering congratulations upon them today.

HISGEN IS WELL SATISFIED.

Declares Independence Party Will be a Factor in 1912.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Nov. 5.—Thomas L. Hisgen, the independence party candidate for the presidency, issued a statement yesterday in which he reviews the recent campaign, expresses satisfaction with the showing made and declares that in 1912 the party will be in a position to contest for electoral votes in many states. He discusses the exposures made by his party of the methods of trusts and the alleged corruption of the other parties.

Confidence is Restored.

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 5.—Upon the acme of Taft's election yesterday 5,000 operatives in two great thread mills of the city were notified that full time and work would be resumed next Monday. Since last April the mill has been running on part time.

LIKE A MIRACLE SAYS SKIN SUFFERER

Frightful cases of eczema cured by simple oil of wintergreen.

Physicians in general admit the superior value of simple medicine: for all diseases.

For eczema and other skin diseases of a similar nature, certainly nothing in the world could be simpler than the formula for D. D. D. Prescription (oil of wintergreen compound in liquid form) now recognized as the remedy.

This wonderful remedy is composed principally of common oil of wintergreen, carefully combined with such well known healing and antiseptic substances as thymol, glycerine, etc.

Read this letter: "About December, 1905, I sent you for a sample bottle of your remedy, stating that I had a case of psoriasis of five years' standing. After trying it, I ordered through my druggist, Mr. E. P. Griffin, six bottles of your remedy. I showed him how I was afflicted. The disease had covered my limbs, part of my body and began breaking out on my face.

"I began using D. D. D. Prescription according to your directions. Used five bottles and was cured sound and well. I showed my druggist again and he was surprised. Said it looked almost like a miracle to him.

"That has been almost a year ago and I see no signs of its return. I wanted to see whether it would come back or not, before writing you my everlasting thanks for such a great remedy.

"My skin is just as nice and soft as it ever was." D. P. MILLER, R. F. D. 2, Smithville, Mo.

Such a wonderful experience we feel speaks for itself. McGrath Bros., Fifth and Main.

CITY NEWS

Amateurs Friday night at Dodge's Theatre.

This afternoon in the superior court the hearing of Wheatley and Harrington for disturbing the peace, was set for 3 o'clock. The cases in Justice Landes' court have been set for Saturday afternoon.

Callie B. Naylor has filed suit for a divorce in the district court against John E. Naylor, charging cruel treatment. The couple were married here on November 20, 1907, and lived together until June 8 of this year. Plaintiff wants her maiden name of Callie Payne given back.

If there was a law that every democratic newspaper would be compelled to correct the statements made before election, there would be little else to read for the next few weeks excepting apologies, withdrawals, confessions, corrections and a general confession of being a monumental and professional campaign liar. The republican papers would have but little to correct. Their statements have proved to have been correct.

Enjoy the amateurs Friday night at Dodge's Theatre.

The supervisor of the poor reports a Mrs. Reynolds living at Tenth and Concert street in the tenement house there as being old and feeble and in need of attention. She does not need fuel or provisions but needs some one to look after her.

The batting averages for the National league have been issued in full, showing that Honus Wagner of Pittsburgh leads the world with the stick. Wagner's percent is 354. He participated in 151 games, was at bat 568 times and made 201 hits, including 39 two baggers, 19 three baggers and 10 home runs. He also leads the league in stolen bases, having a record of 53 purloined. Domin of New York is a close second. He batted 334 out of a total of 155 games and 539 times at bat, obtaining 198 hits, including 26 two baggers, 13 three base hits, and six home runs. He stole 30 bases.

Jury in for instructions. NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—The Morse-Curtis jury came in for instructions this morning. They were sent to the jury room. Morse was calm and smiling while he was waiting. Curtis seemed to be nervous.

Unable to reach a conclusion in the Morse case the jury was allowed to go to lunch at 1 o'clock.

Factions Unite.

HAVANNA, Nov. 5.—The Gomez and Zayas factions in the liberal party have united in Gomez as the presidential candidate. Zayas' running mate is still keeping up the old fight and the differences today constitutes the chief strength of the conservatives.

BRYAN MAKES A STATEMENT

People Decided What Laws They Desire and What Methods of Government They Prefer, Says Candidate.

SOME GOOD PERFORMED

Thinks the Principles Advocated Will Yet Prove of Value to American People—Appreciates Assistance.

LINCOLN, Nov. 5.—Bryan issued the following statement today: "The election is against us by a decisive majority. The returns are not all in and it is impossible now to analyze them or say what causes contributed most to the defeat. We made a fight upon a platform embodying what we believed good for the American people, but it is for the people themselves to decide the laws they desire and what methods of government they prefer. I have faith that the publicity which we asked for will yet commend itself to the American people, and that the election of senators by the people will be secured; that the inequities of the trusts will arouse the opposition which will result in the elimination of the principle of private monopoly. I am confident the people see the necessity of labor legislation and tariff reduction. I am confident, too, the educational work done in this campaign will result in securing a greater protection of bank depositors. Above are our most prominent reforms for which we labored. I believe these reforms will yet come, together with that affecting the regulation of railroads and the independence for the Philippines. I desire to commend the work of our national committee. I was entirely satisfied with the work of the members of the committee. I do not see what they could have done more than they did. For myself I put forth every effort to secure a victory. The nomination came from the hands of the voters. I have obeyed their commands—have led the best I could. Words cannot express my gratitude for the devotion shown by the millions of democrats the past twelve years. Neither am I able to adequately express appreciation of the kind words spoken since the election. If I could regard defeat purely personal I would consider it a blessing rather than a misfortune for I am relieved of the burden of responsibilities of offices that are attractive only in proportion as it gives some opportunity to render a larger public service. But I shall serve willingly in private capacity as in public. God does not require great things of us. He only requires that we improve opportunities presented. I shall be glad to improve the opportunity for service presented by private life. In this hour of national defeat I find some consolation in the cordial support given me by my neighbors, by the citizens of Lincoln and by the people of Nebraska. With a democrat governor and democratic legislature we shall be able to put into practice so much of the Denver platform as relates to state legislation. I trust our state's example will be an influence for the good of the nation."

Heppburn Defeated. CRESTON, Iowa, Nov. 5.—Returns indicate Heppburn for congress, is defeated by about 200.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

Chicago Grain Market. CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 5.—Wheat . . . 99 1/2 100 99 3/4 99 7/8 Corn . . . 62 1/2 62 1/2 61 3/4 61 3/4 Oats . . . 48 1/4 48 1/4 47 1/2 47 1/2

Chicago Live Stock. CHICAGO, Nov. 5.—Cattle, 6,000; 15c higher; hogs, \$5.35@7.50; stock-ers, \$2.60@4.60.

New York Produce. NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—Live poultry, moderate demand. Dressed poultry, fair.

New York Stocks. NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—After the first fifteen minutes some of active stocks made further progress. Western houses continued their buying. Commission houses took a large amount of stock in aggregate but there was the same liberal supply. This was indicated by the constant filing of bids and offering of further lots at moderate concessions in prices, causing a moderate reaction from the highest range established in the first few minutes. The room was full of talk about coming developments.



Mrs. N. Copeland and Mrs. J. S. Brumbach will entertain the ladies of the U. P. church tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. Copeland, 609 Orleans street.

The Euchre Card Club will be entertained this evening at the home of Miss Mame Culklin, 809 High street.

A dancing party will be given this evening at the Knights of Columbus hall.

Last evening at her home, 2017 Exchange, Miss Lizzie Pemberton was pleasantly surprised by a large number of young lady and gentleman friends. The evening was pleasantly passed in different games and amusement and at a seasonable hour refreshments were served to the guests. The party broke up at a late hour after expressing themselves as having a most delightful evening.

Mrs. Major L. S. Tyler is entertaining this afternoon at the Hotel Keokuk. Cards will be the chief enjoyment of the afternoon, invitations reading 2:30 p. m.

Mrs. L. D. Wells of Peoria, Ill., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Stebbins.

Mrs. Mary Feelin has returned to visit in this city with her mother.

W. Ganley of Sand Prairie, was in the city yesterday on business.

Agent Rider of Belfast was in the city yesterday on business.

Ed. Dillon of Sand Prairie was a city visitor yesterday.

H. Zimmerman, master carpenter of the Q. at Hannibal is in the city today on railroad business.

H. I. Wilsey, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Meister and her son, expect to leave in a few days for Tennessee where they will spend the winter.

Advertisement for 'MEN AND WOMEN' medicine, claiming to cure various ailments.

Advertisement for 'KILL THE COUGH AND CURE THE LUNGS' with 'Dr. King's New Discovery'.

Advertisement for 'GET THE HABIT' regarding property through a Gate City want ad.

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FRATERNAL CARDS.

MASONIC Hall, corner Fourth and Main Eagle Lodge, No. 12—Holds its regular meeting the first Tuesday evening of each month.

Hardin Lodge, No. 19—Holds its regular monthly meetings the second Monday evening of each month.

Gate City Royal Arch Chapter, No. 7—Holds its regular meetings the second Friday in each month.

Damascus Commandery of Knights Templar, No. 5—Regular convolve third Tuesday of each month.

Elmira Chapter, No. 40. Order of the Eastern Star, holds its regular meeting the second Tuesday evening of each month. Clara B. Hawkes, W. M.; Mrs. Mary A. Johnson, Secretary.

The Hawkes Hall. Torrence Post, No. 2 Department of Iowa. Regular meeting second Thursday evening of each month at 7:30 o'clock. B. F. Crow, Post Commander; S. H. Johnston, Adjutant.

W. R. C.—The Hawkes Hall—Regular meeting of Torrence Relief Corps, No. 100, the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 2:30 o'clock p. m. sharp. Mrs. Chas. M. Cook, President; Mrs. Lena Van Fleet, secretary.

Belknap Post, G. A. R., No. 515—Schouten's Hall, Tenth and Main streets—Meets the first Wednesday of each month. L. A. Berryhill, Commander.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS Hall Seventh and Main Streets. Keokuk Lodge, No. 13, meets regularly Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Wm. Bierman, N. G.; O. W. Anschutz, Recording Secretary.

Pucketchuck Lodge, No. 43, meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. J. R. Hellenal, N. G.; Geo. W. Imnegart, Per Sec.

Herman Lodge, No. 116 (German), meets regularly every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Fred Korschge, N. G.; Albert Kelter, Rec. Sec.

Colfax Rebekah, Lodge No. 4—Meets regularly every second and fourth Tuesdays of month at Odd Fellows' Hall, corner Seventh and Main streets. Mrs. Mamie Reimers, N. G.; Nelle Hardesty, Financial Secretary; Nina Phillips, Recording Secretary.

Pucketchuck Encampment, No. 7—Meets first and third Tuesday evening of each month. Otto Anschutz, Sorber.

Canton Leach, No. 4 P. M., I. O. O. F.—Meets every second Tuesday of each month. Frank Wahlgren, Captain; Geo. W. Hardin, Clerk.

H. P. O. ELKS Keokuk Lodge, No. 160—Meets first and third Thursdays at Elks' hall. Gibson opera house block. Sixth and Main streets. Club rooms open daily. Visiting brothers cordially invited. Rice H. Bell, E. R.; William Reinbold, Secretary.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES Keokuk Aerie, No. 633—Meets first and third Wednesdays of each month at Horn Hall, corner Eighth and Main. Visiting brothers cordially invited. Frank J. Moeller, W. President; G. A. Noaks, Secretary.

IOWA LEGION OF HONOR Hall over Savings Bank. Loeb Lodge, No. 53—Meets the fourth Monday in each month. S. S. Lowitz, President; Ira W. DeMoss, Recording Secretary.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR Hall over Savings Bank. Keokuk Lodge, No. 544—Meets regularly on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. J. W. Steiger, Director; Charles Schulz, Reporter.

COURT OF HONOR A. O. U. W. Hall, Eighth and Main. Meets the first and third Friday nights of each month. Visiting members cordially invited. W. J. Kessler, chap.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA Gibbons Hall. Keokuk camp No. 622—Meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Our latch string is out to neighbors. A. C. Wustrow, V. C.; J. A. Pollard, Clerk.

A. O. U. W. Keokuk Lodge, No. 256—Meets every Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at hall over Keokuk Savings bank, corner Fifth and Main streets. Visiting brothers cordially invited. Robert Peterson, M. W.; Ed. W. Moore, Recorder.

Morning Star Lodge No. 5—Meets Fifth and Blondeau, K. of P. building Tuesday at 8:00 p. m. John E. Craig, Chancellor; Commander, Edward F. Carter, K. of R. and S. Visiting Knights fraternally invited.

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