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CITY NEWS.

—Smoke Moeller's Silver Ash cigar. —Special sale on chocolate cream drops Saturday, 10c pound. 606 Main. —J. Fred Kiedatsch, Sr., is again attending to business after being at home for a week with an attack of the grippe.

—The most popular and common vehicle on the street these days, are the ice wagons, their rumble being heard all day long.

—Nearly all of the lodges have installed their new officers by this time and are getting down to business for the start of a new lodge year.

—Send a member of your family to the opening of the new Music House, 607 Main, Saturday and get a silver fork or spoon as a souvenir. Sheaffer & Saunders.

—The rush among the plumbers is not over yet, for there is much repairing to be done to pipes which were weakened by freezing up and then being thawed out.

—The horses belonging to the Standard Oil were weighed this morning at the city scales. The cold weather seems to agree with the animals as all weighed an showing gains over previous weight figures.

—The Gate City's mail for a week past has been a easy one on account of the many renewals of subscription being sent in by out of town subscribers who have taken advantage of the special rate which was made.

—The Burlington police are excusing themselves for not having run across Rev. Carmichael and arresting him while he was here, by stating that they did not know that Carmichael was wanted by the authorities.

—The Gate City office has about fifty copies of the issue of December 24, which contained the picture of the water power dam on the first page. If any one wants copies to send to friends, they should call for them at once before the small supply has been all sold out.

—The library board held its regular meeting last evening and received a number of books donated by Gen. John W. Noble, who accompanied his gift with a letter. The librarian submitted her annual report which will be presented before the city council at its next meeting.

—My opening horse and mule sale will be held Saturday, January 23; sale starts promptly at 1 o'clock. This sale will be held the first and third Saturdays of every month in my new sale barn and pavilion at Hamilton. Will have about 150 head of good market and farm horses. B. W. Elider.

—The news of old Keokuk is just as welcome even if it does reach me four days late," says Former City Attorney Hugh M. Craig, of Riverside, Calif., sending in his renewal for the paper for another year. Mr. Craig located in Riverside about a year ago and he likes his new location very much. He also likes The Gate City.

—A quartette of experts from the shoe factory are going into business for themselves and will open a shoe repairing and making shop at Eleventh and Main, installing machinery to do the work. They expect to gradually increase their business until they are conducting a shoe factory and no doubt within a few years, their shop will have grown into a large manufacturing establishment.

—The many Keokuk traveling men who are members of the I. S. T. M. A. are interested in the election which is to be held in Des Moines tomorrow. One of the candidates for secretary of the association is Edward J. Concanon, formerly of Keokuk, and while he stands a good chance of being elected there are a number of other candidates in the field and there will be a red hot battle tomorrow. A. W. Rader is a prominent candidate who is said to have a good chance of winning the prize.

—The Clayton Enterprise prints the following complimentary notice concerning a gentleman whom everybody knows who has traveled on the Western. George Rice Hough, the western Wabash conductor, has taken the punch in hand again after a brief holiday respite with his family and friends at home. Mr. Hough's run was changed long ago but he is not a man to be beaten about by every side wind. His forty old years of railroad service teaches him that all things come to him who waits. Hough is the personification of patience—and he's waiting, without a murmur of complaint. He is loyal to the Banner Route, if ever a man possessed loyalty. We like to have him at home and we are all hoping the time may come when he can "live at home and board at the same place." Hough is all right. He is as big hearted as he is large corporally, and that's a good bit.

CITY NEWS.

—Ladies' coats, half price, at Sullivan & Auwerda's. —Ice is being cut between this city and Fort Madison and the river and canal are the scenes of much activity all along now.

—The next attraction at the Grand opera house is announced by lithographs as being "The Black Crook Jr." on Friday, January 22.

—The colder weather promised for last night failed to arrive. This morning the weather flag promised warmer weather and snow.

—The general office of the Egg-O See company, has been moved from Chicago to Quincy. The furniture has arrived and the office force has left Chicago.

—The patrol wagon brought up Jerry Moore to the station last night for being drunk and later went out and brought in the man's father on the same charge.

—Send a member of your family to the opening of the new Music House, 607 Main st. Saturday and get a silver fork or spoon as a souvenir. Sheaffer & Saunders.

—Coroner Korschgen received word this morning of the finding of the two bodies in a rooming house at Fort Madison and left this afternoon to hold an inquest.

—Children's coats, half price, at Sullivan & Auwerda's. —C. A. Wright and Ben McIntyre are two other Keokuk men who voted for Lincoln. Wright says that he voted the second time for him while at Dolphin Island in the mouth of Mobile bay during the war.

—The revival meetings being held at the Trinity M. E. church on the corner of Third and Main street and the Methodist Protestant church at Ninth and Main, are attracting good sized crowds each evening and make upper Main street a lively thoroughfare in the evenings, after the services are finished.

—Fur scarfs and muffs, half price, Sullivan & Auwerda's. —The item printed last evening, clipped from a Nauvoo paper, suggesting that the citizens of Keokuk, Hamilton, Carthage, Nauvoo and Fort Madison, get together and build a trolley line, is the subject of some comment in Keokuk. If such a proposition should be started by the right parties Keokuk could be depended upon to do her share toward furnishing capital for the enterprise, which would no doubt prove to be a money maker after the line had been built.

THREE OF A KIND

Dropped Coffee, Picked up Postum, and Health.

The harmful action of caffeine—the drug in coffee and tea—is the same in all cases, it is only a matter of degree. One person may suffer more in the way of heart palpitation, sour stomach, nervousness, or insomnia, than another, but the poison is there all the time, if one continues to drink coffee or tea.

A Penn. lady and two friends learned the truth about coffee in the same way. The lady writes:—"About four years ago I had an attack of nervous prostration and a great deal of trouble with my heart. Sometimes I feared I was dying, and my doctor seemed unable to find out the cause of my trouble.

"I would frequently wake at night with the attacks and the doctor said there was some constant irritation of the nerves, and he began to think some organic disease was at work.

"One day I was told of a case very similar to mine, and that the woman could find no relief until she stopped using coffee. I did not like the idea of giving up coffee, for I was very fond of it.

"I have read frequently of Postum. I determined to try it. It certainly made a great change in me. Those spells left me entirely.

"My most intimate friend was afflicted as I was. In fact the similarity of our afflictions drew us together in the first place. When she saw in me she tried it and was benefited as I was.

"The beneficial effects of Postum on us two induced a neighbor to follow our example and so we are three of a kind who can't say enough in praise of Postum."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville" in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

CITY NEWS.

—Fur coats, half price, Sullivan & Auwerda's. —Fresh caramels made every day; made with pure, fresh cream; the soft creamy kind. Marschke's.

—Cars arriving here from the south are covered with snow on the tops and sides as if having passed through a heavy snow storm.

—The January weather of 1909, just three years ago, was the warmest January weather that was ever known here, the temperature averaging over thirty degrees for the entire month in that year.

—Special for Saturday from 2 till 9 p. m. Regular 15c and 20c salts and peppers, either sanitary glass tops or nickel plated tops for 9c each. Limit of two to a customer. Duncan-Schell Furn. Co.

—Fur scarfs and muffs one-third off at Sullivan & Auwerda.

—Travel is very light on trains through this city at the present time. Freight traffic however is increasing instead of falling off. With warmer weather it is expected that passenger traffic will be heavier.

—Made in Keokuk goods are as good as other goods. You can help build Keokuk by buying the home product. If every citizen would buy Keokuk made goods the demand for more mechanics would be immediate and extensive.

—Ladies' coats half price at Sullivan & Auwerda. —Last evening the newly elected officers of Keokuk lodge, No. 256 of the A. O. U. W. were installed. There was a good turnout of the members and the lodge is now being conducted by the following officers: Master Workman, C. W. Trot; Foreman, Oscar Hopson; Overseer, John Garretson; Recorder, A. A. Bauer; Financier, Ed. W. Moore; Recorder, Ray Bauer; Guide, Harry Roberts; Inside Watch, C. H. Griffith; Outside Watch, James Stack; Trustees, L. Laubersheimer, Robert Patterson, Ray Cassel.

—Misses and children's coats half price at Sullivan & Auwerda. —All of the new windows of the Baptist church are in and are very beautiful. There are several large and handsome memorials and a number of smaller ones. In all there are seventy-five stained glass windows in the church. About fifty of these are ornamental windows which extend clear around the church. Twenty are in the rear of the new church alone. The windows are among the finest to be seen and add much to the fine new church. Workmen are busy at present in putting in the second flooring. The Syberkrop decorators of Creston are doing the decorating which will be completed in about ten days. Workmen are putting in the baptistry which when completed will be a handsome one. The church will be completed some time in February when dedicatory exercises will be held on the entry of the congregation into their new church.

PERSONALS.

Mr. J. Frank Dav's of Mt. Vernon, Ia., has returned to his home. He was called here by the illness of his uncle H. C. Landes.

Mr. and Mrs. Math Leindecker of Quincy arrived in the city this morning to visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Leindecker.

Perry G. Baldwin leaves today for Des Moines where he will take up his new duties in the C. R. I. & P. offices at that place as claim clerk.

A CHANCE FOR KEOKUK PEOPLE

Big Basket Ball Game to be Pulled off at the Y. M. C. A. this Evening With Curation.

The feature basket ball game of the season will be played this evening at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium against the Burlington Y. M. C. A. team. The game is expected to be far better than any Keokuk people have seen thus far this year.

This will be Burlington's first appearance on the Y. M. C. A. floor here and they will be greeted by the applause of many people. Although defeated by the Ottumwa team, the Burlington team is unusually fast and are conceded an even chance against Keokuk.

Keokuk's line up will be as strong as possible and Dadant the Illinois star will be in the pivotal position. It is expected that he will be able to star many plays.

Keokuk should turn out and attend this game, which will be one of the best of the season.

The Fight Is On At

Every moment of your life, when you are at home or abroad, awake or asleep—Between the poison germs that are in air, food and water, everywhere in fact,—and the billions of your invisible friends, the little soldier-corpsicles in your blood. If these little soldiers are kept strong and healthy by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, you need have no fear of disease. Begin using it at once if you are at all under the weather, or have troubles of the blood, stomach, liver and kidneys. Get it of your druggist.



DEATH TODAY OF HENRY RANKIN

Has Been a Resident of This City For a Half Century and Had a Great Many Friends.

IN THE BRICK BUSINESS

He Formerly Conducted a Brick Manufacturing Business But Retired a Few Years Ago.

This morning occurred the death of an old citizen of Keokuk, Henry Rankin, who had been a resident of the city since boyhood and who was widely known throughout the community.

Death came this morning at 10:30 o'clock at the family home, No. 1317 Blondeau street, after a sickness of four months from kidney and spinal trouble. He had been confined to his bed since Saturday, but previous to that time had been failing and under a physician's care.

He had lived for a half century and had a large number of acquaintances here, among whom he was well thought and highly esteemed for his many good qualities. While engaged in business in the city he was always loyal to the city and a progressive and honorable man.

Born in Ohio.

The deceased was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, sixty-eight years ago and came to Keokuk when a boy, making this city his home ever since. He was married in Keokuk to Miss Caroline Stevers who survives him.

For a number of years he was engaged in the brick manufacturing business and conducted a brick yard up until 1891 when the late J. C. Huffer opened up his large plant which was under the supervision of Mr. Rankin. After the closing up of this business, he retired from an active life and was living quietly at home with his family and friends.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two children, Mrs. W. J. Huebert of this city and Herman Rankin of Golden, Col. There are also four grand-children and a brother and sister, John Rankin and Mrs. Benjamin, both of this city.

The funeral arrangements have not been made as yet, pending a reply to the message sent his son in Colorado announcing the death.

PERSONALS.

H. Zimmerman, R. M. Oglvie, A. N. Willis, J. W. and W. W. Woodin, all Q. rail-road officials, were in the city this morning looking after road box iness here.

A. J. McCormick who with his brother William McCormick, has been visiting with relatives in Ireland for several months, has returned to this city after a pleasant visit in the old country. His brother remained in Ireland where he will make his home. A. J. visited in Boston for a few days before returning to this city.

SPECIAL HOSE SALE, Wool or Fleece Lined. 5c hose go at 35c 25c hose go at 25c 25c hose go at 19c 15c hose go at 10c Ladies' gents' or child's hose.

THE CENTRAL STORE.

At Half Price

Our entire line of ladies' and misses' Cloth Suits and Coats

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THE MUSIC IS A FEATURE

The Special Services Which Are Being Held at the Methodist Protestant Church This Week.

LARGE NUMBER ATTEND

The Attendance is Good and Much Interest is Aroused Over Dr. Queen's Nightly Sermons

A large crowd greeted the workers at the First Methodist Protestant church last night, and from the opening song by the chorus choir to the benediction the interest never lagged for one moment. Mr. Ackley sang, "I shall not be moved," asking the choir and audience to join him in the chorus, and "Work them by storm and after the service had closed many were heard humming the tune. Mr. Ackley sang by special request, "Sweet Hour of Prayer," which touched the tender chords of many hearts and moved them to tears. Dr. Queen took for his text, John 3:5 and 7, and preached a most effective sermon on the new birth; he showed that intellectual assent to the doctrines of Christ or outward amendment of life was not regeneration. He argued that since we receive most of all the knowledge we possess through faith in the testimony of others, why should we refuse to accept regeneration through Christ by the faith of the heart. It was a strong appeal to those who had never experienced the new birth. He used many apt and striking illustrations of the truths in the sermon. At the close of the appeal Mr. Ackley sang "I was Poor as the poorest." This was followed by an after service, during which many testified of the power of God to regenerate human nature.

The Chorus Choir. The chorus choir is winning their way into the hearts of the people by effective way in which they present the gospel message in song. They are ably assisted by Miss Brunat, the pianist and accompanist, and by Mr. Leslie, violinist.

Rev. Mr. Schwenk of Ferris, Ill., was present at the service last night. The Rev. Mr. Schwenk is well and favorably known in the city, having assisted in revival services a year or two ago.

The choir will sing a new chorus

At half price, an opportunity never before offered the trade of Keokuk and vicinity to get their cloak wants. Think buying such garments "Wooltex" coats at half price

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tonight, and Mr. Ackley will sing "I will hold me fast" and the "Knock the Nail-pierced Hand." There will be a bible reading given this afternoon while tomorrow afternoon, there will be a service for children at 2:30 p. m. by Mr. Ackley.

Dr. Queen will preach tonight the topic "If there is no Future Life then What?" and it will be well listening to. The answer will surely be of interest.

THE ACADEMY NOTES QUESTION Kieran Financial Matters Being Held in the Court at Springfield.

Carthage Republican: The academy of St. Mary's academy of Benedictine Sisters of Nauvoo, Ill., to be filed by eastern bonding companies connect-n with Keiran scandal, filed in the United States district court at Springfield Friday. The answer alleges that the notes bearing the endorsement of P. K. Kieran, missing president of the Fidelity Filing Co., were not authorized by the organization and that no consideration was ever given for \$700,000 worth of paper.

The plea is virtually a denial of the legality of the notes in question as is a direct charge of fraud. In addition to filing the plea, the Nauvoo academy has signified an intention strenuously contesting the suits asking for jury trial. This will be granted, probably, at the term of the United States court at this city.

Intimate Exceeded Authority. Mother Otellia Hoeveler, president of the academy is sponsor of the plea. The name of Sister Mary Polman, secretary of the academy, who signed the notes, does not appear. It is intimated that Sister Mary Polman exceeded her authority when the notes were given to Kieran and that she was entirely without the knowledge of the stockholders of the institution.

The bill sets out that the notes were signed without the authority of the academy; that the institution incorporated and that under the state law, notes can not be signed without the consent of a majority of the stockholders and that no consideration was ever received for the notes.

The reply was filed in the case of the suit instituted by the Reliance Life Insurance company of Pittsburg the first to bring suit in the federal court at Springfield.

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