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### "THE SIGN OF THE CROSS"

Strong Play Presented at St. Peter's Hall Last Evening by James Francis O'Donnell, Monologue Actor.

### 500 PEOPLE PRESENT CARCASS CONDEMNED

Large Auditorium Filled to Doors by Members of Knights of Columbus and Their Families.

James Francis O'Donnell, the monologue actor, was seen and heard at St. Peter's auditorium last evening by an audience of nearly 500 people. His appearance in Keokuk was under the auspices of De La Salle Council, Knights of Columbus, and knights and their families were largely in attendance.

Presenting the strong Catholic play, "The Sign of the Cross," with its many characters, Mr. O'Donnell proved that he is one of the greatest monologue actors now on the Iowan platform—at least one of the truest interpreters of characters who has visited Keokuk in several years.

For Lenten Season. "The Sign of the Cross" is very appropriate for the Lenten season. It was first written in story form by William Barrett, a great English actor. Subsequently it was dramatized, and, with its author enacting the leading role, played in England and then toured this country for one year, meeting with pronounced success. Since that time one or more companies have been on the road each year until theatre goers in all parts of the country have become familiar with the production. The story is written about the persecution of the Christians during the time of Nero.

A Relistic Presentation. Mr. O'Donnell in presenting the play was unaided by any stage accessories. He carried his audience through the interesting story by his clever interpretation of character after character, and they were many and varied. So realistic and true was his portrayal that the audience could almost see a stage occupied by numerous players enacting the roles in "The Sign of the Cross." The personality of the actor was strongly brought out in his acting last evening, and he surmounted high in several of the intensely dramatic situations.

Doubtless no monologue actor who has visited Keokuk in years was employed more than was James Francis O'Donnell. He was introduced by Very Rev. James W. Gillespie, pastor of St. Peter's church. Mr. O'Donnell is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

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### PROTECTING HAND OF GOVERNMENT

Fort Madison Has an Illustration of How it Deals With Diseased Stock Often put on the Market.

Animal From One of the Best Herds in Lee County Was Not Sounded and Could Not Pass Judgment.

A more marked illustration of the workings of the governmental bureau of animal husbandry was probably never shown than was seen at the Buescher company when one of the pedigreed herd of cattle belonging to S. B. Dewey of near Sawyer was killed and refused to pass the judgment of the government director, says the Fort Madison Democrat. The throwing away of the carcass meant a direct loss to Mr. Dewey of over a hundred dollars, as the cow was one of the best in his herd. Parts of four others were also condemned after the rigid examination of the veterinarian.

The case today is a fair sample of the grim determination of the government to see that all meats sold the public are free from disease and that the stamping of the little indelible oval mark on a piece of meat certifies that that particular piece has been examined and declared free from disease. Every effort is being made to clear out of all herds those animals affected with tuberculosis. A few weeks ago, among a shipment of cattle from the Dewey farm, one was found to be dangerously affected with tuberculosis and was condemned, to the loss of the purchaser. The fact of the diseased cow was reported to the government and then in turn to the state, with the result that a week ago Dr. Downing of Washington, Iowa, and Dr. Chandler of Davenport, assistant state veterinarians, came here and examined the Dewey herd, a valuable one of high class stock. The tuberculin test showed four of the herd affected. These four were killed today. Although Mr. Dewey has suffered a large financial loss, the condemnation of the four cows, three Polled Angus and one Jersey, increases the value of the remainder as having passed government inspection.

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Four Generations in Hunting Field. It is interesting to see four generations of one family in the saddle at a meet of the York and Alnstr. Sir Edward Green, who is now in his eightieth year, was there wearing scarlet. Finding just the same pleasure as he took in the sport 50 years ago. His sons, Lyett Green (many years master of the pack) and Frank Green, were present, also the latter's son, Edward Green, and finally E. Green's son, Master Edward Green, who looks like being as keen on fox hunting as his forbears are.—Pall Mall Gazette.

## CHIEF ANDERSON'S YEARLY REPORT

Fine Work of Fire Department in Keeping Losses to Lowest Minimum in Twelve Months Shown.

### IT TAKES REAL MEN

Largest Fire Occurred Beginning of Fiscal Year at Harrison Box Factory Where Damage Was Heavy.

Although damage to property by fire shows a larger figure in the annual report of Chief John Anderson, for the past year than it did in the preceding twelve months, Keokuk has been exceedingly fortunate in not having had worse combustions than there were.

Contained in the statistics for information of the city commissioners and compiled with other reports of various and sundry nature, Chief Anderson's notations of the year submitted today give the fire loss on buildings and furnishings at little more than \$20,000.

The worst fire of the fiscal year which ends at midnight of today, was the burning of the Keokuk Box Co., last spring, about this season. The loss was nearly \$10,000 and poor water pressure was the cause of extensive amount of damage to that structure.

The total fire loss a year ago showed \$9,671.13 on buildings and furnishings. The past year shows twice as much though the blaze cited, shot the figures up for the past twelve months or the result would have been nearly the same. The report to the commissioners today of Chief Anderson, is his fifth one. As is well known, the fire department is one of the city's institutions of which the public is proudest. That the chief and his efficient corps of regular and volunteer fire boys are deserving of every praise for the manner in which the department is conducted months in and out, is undisputed.

The Chief's Report. The report of Chief Anderson follows:

Keokuk, Iowa, April 1st, 1917. Report of Chief of Fire Department of the city of Keokuk, Iowa, for the year April 1st, 1916 to April 1, 1917. To the Honorable Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Keokuk, Iowa.

Gentlemen: In conformity with the city ordinances I have the honor to submit herewith my report as chief of the fire department.

Following is a report of the property damage by fire during the past year, showing amount of insurance carried on property damaged:

- Loss on buildings, \$10,795.18.
  - Loss on stocks, \$10,049.68.
  - Total loss on buildings and stocks, \$20,836.86.
  - Insurance on buildings, \$155,070.00.
  - Insurance on stocks, \$104,100.00.
  - Total insurance on buildings and stocks, \$259,170.00.
- There has been the following alarms during the past year:
- Seven general alarms.
  - One hundred and eight regular alarms.
  - Seventy-five still alarms.
  - Total, 170.
- The fire department is composed of nineteen men, classified as follows:
- One chief.
  - One assistant chief.
  - Two regular station men.
  - Six minute men.
  - One engineer for steamer.
- To the assistant chief, Mr. J. W. Nichols, and to every member of the department I desire to extend sincere thanks for efficient services rendered. It is largely due to their effective work that the fire losses during the past year have not been heavier. They have been faithful, prompt, intelligent and loyal in the discharge of their duties.

I also desire to thank the Honorable Mayor, Mr. J. F. Elder and Commissioners Mr. Thomas P. Gray and Mr. P. T. F. Schmidt for the interest and kindness they have shown in department affairs and for assistance given me, which is greatly appreciated. I would respectfully recommend the purchase of fifteen hundred feet of hose, a team of horses for the hook and ladder truck and that all apparatus be painted and put in first-class condition. I would further recommend that the stand-pipe on the east end of the Huiskamp Shoe Factory be attached to the water main and one hundred and fifty feet of one and one-half inch hose be attached to stand-pipe on each floor, so that water could be turned on immediately in case of fire, and that an immediate investigation be made in regard to more fire escapes. I also recommend that the city ordinances in regard to fire escapes be strictly enforced.

Respectfully submitted, (Signed) JOHN ANDERSON, Chief of Fire Department.

Time for Larger One. The time is coming when Keokuk will have a larger and more fully

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equipped fire department, because of the increasing citizenship and property lists which are swelling with succeeding years and becoming of a more valuable nature.

There are a number of new pieces of apparatus that would prove themselves exceptionally well appreciated among the other properties of the city in the fire department at present but what is already installed is of the best and is kept in splendid condition through efforts of the fire workers in each of the stations.

Faithful in all ways and men whose work requires twenty-four hours of the day on duty, the position though irksome is one that requires men of brawn and brains both and at times requires bravery that tests the men to points which would be beyond endurance of others.

Though by relief order, the firemen of the four stations are supposed to have one day of each week of the year for rest, even that does not suspend their going to a fire or answering alarms when they are sounded, even though they are having "their day off." The time is coming, doubtless will have their week or so away from duties and allowed to rest up in reality.

It is because of that fact that a fireman is always on duty, night or day, stormy weather and balmy, and especially in the cold of winter months that the city knows it is grateful to the department of men who protect property and lives from fire and destruction.

During the year past an average of one alarm every other day was responded to. Beside this the streets have been washed down, fire cisterns have been refilled and other work has required daily attention.

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