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SUNDAY'S EAGLE.

Sunday morning's EAGLE, in addition to full telegraphic news, reports of the M. E. conference, society, and other local, and other interesting matter, will contain the full text of the speeches and responses delivered at the board of trade banquet on Tuesday evening. As these speeches comprise much of Wichita's history and being otherwise indicative of her spirit and a reflex of her accomplishments. Those desiring extra copies to send to friends, and other interested parties should leave their orders at the counter of the business office some time today.

PERSONAL.

C. S. Abbott of Antrim, N. H., is in the city.

W. L. Holdens was yesterday down from Kansas City.

Will Seegar of Indianapolis, was among yesterday's arrivals.

H. C. Bowman of Cincinnati, was among yesterday arrivals.

Robert McKibben and wife, of Conway springs, are in the city.

Hon. John Fullerwider of El Dorado, was in the city yesterday.

J. W. Chinworth, of Rolling Green, is the guest of R. E. Green.

J. D. Ragland and J. S. Claypool were yesterday up from Wellington.

Irwin Taylor, of Topeka, arrived yesterday, and is attending to business matters.

A. J. Burton, of Hazleton, Kansas, is in the city, attending to some business matters.

O. H. Wilson of Panhandle, Texas, and J. V. Admire, Osage City, were in the city yesterday.

W. R. Pavey and wife, of Wellington, arrived yesterday, and will be among friends a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barnard, of Dighton, are in the city on a flying trip, and will probably leave today.

Judge Walton of Oxford, one of the secretaries of the conference, called last evening to talk over old times.

J. B. Whitney, Chicago; J. S. Branham, St. Louis; O. Tucker, Philadelphia; and W. M. Heffern are at Hotel Carey.

W. F. Russell, salesman for Locke & Findeiss, has not been on duty for a few days on account of sickness of his wife.

Miss Minnie Marlowe arrived home yesterday over the Rock Island from a pleasure visit of several weeks at Chicago.

W. L. M. Miller, the insurance agent, left last evening for Cimarron, to adjust a loss, and will probably return Monday morning.

Father McKibben and wife, of Conway Springs, are among the attendants upon the M. E. conference, and are guests of R. Smith, N. Water.

J. S. Nave, of Attica, Ind., is in the city, the guest of his erstwhile friend, Attorney Ferguson, in this city. In company with his friend he paid the EAGLE a brief visit yesterday.

The morning hours of yesterday caused many to conclude that it was going to be blue Friday sure enough. It cleared away however, in the afternoon and today acquitted itself quite nobly.

L. V. Craven, a young lawyer of Scott City, was here yesterday on legal business. He reports his section of the country in a good condition and says that the farming land has, he thinks, been much benefited by the recent rains.

Mr. C. H. Nelson, of Panhandle City, Tex., arrived last evening and was in the city a few hours, leaving on the Santa Fe north at 10:30 o'clock. He was accompanied by "Jake" Admire, of the Osage City Free Press, who has been down in the Panhandle country for some weeks on a prospecting tour.

Gen. T. T. Taylor, of Hutchinson, who is prominently talked of in connection with the Republican nomination for governor, arrived in the city last evening. Col. Taylor, who called a few moments last evening, seemed in good humor with himself and with everybody, from which we drew the conclusion that his prospects were brightening.

The EAGLE was honored yesterday afternoon with a call from Willis Folks and wife, Mr. George H. Hunter and wife, Dr. Kate A. Mason and Mrs. Carrie Taylor, all of Wellington, who were spending the day in the city, some of them being here in connection with the M. E. conference. The ladies of the party of course came up into the lyric, which was left all illuminated with their smiles.

Col. Hutchison said to a reporter yesterday that it was of prime importance to run a Republican city ticket for councilmen and school board. He said that while there was some difference of opinion upon the subject, the majority of Republicans with whom he had spoken favored it, and all that Republicans had to do was not to be in too great a hurry to commit themselves. He said that he was determined to do his duty by the party, and that involved a tussle with the enemy; and that even a defeat, if it were possible through party cowardice, meant organization and a start. He believed that the Democracy only wanted his party to temporize, but he wanted a fight right now on their pet principles.

THE RIFLES BALL.

The ball last night by the Eagle Rifles at their armory added another to the many pleasant and enjoyable parties given by this organization. The attendance, while perhaps not so large as on previous occasions, numbered many of the leading young society people of the city.

LEFT.

Yesterday a party of musicians had been gotten together to go up to Nickerson to play for a ball at that place. They had their instruments and themselves all in readiness—just two minutes after the departure of the train. They looked and sighed and remarked, but the gay and festive youngsters of Nickerson, if they had their party, were compelled to look elsewhere for the musicians.

M. E. CONFERENCE.

BISHOP BOWMAN'S ADDRESS TO THE CLASS.

He Favors Mental Application on the Part of Universities—Work of Lay Convention.

THIRD DAY.

Conference convened at the appointed time, Bishop Thomas Bowman in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by N. S. Buckner.

The journal was read and approved. The conference requested the transfer of the following brethren and they were by the bishop transferred, viz: Jonathan Zook, from Central Ohio conference; A. G. Foreman, from the Des Moines conference; Sprague Davis, from the South Kansas conference; E. Shannan, from the Illinois conference; Joseph Combs, from the Illinois conference; J. P. Van Wye, from the Iowa conference.

The question who are received into full connection was taken up and the names of the following brethren were called and they came forward, viz: J. W. Pruin, John W. Pratt, Jeffrey Martin, J. H. Smith, C. B. Penn, W. J. Barron, E. R. Williams, C. R. Robinson, O. A. Smith, J. A. Davis, R. P. Engle, G. P. Van Wye.

Address of the bishop: The two years that you have been upon trial in the conference has been sufficient to test your adaptation to the, and the conference has had time to test you. The church has some times made mistakes in receiving men who were not suited to the work of the ministry. It has sometimes happened that a man who at the end of two years has appeared unsuited to the work has afterward shown himself eminently fitted for the work.

The questions I am to ask you refer to your work in and out of the pulpit.

Have you faith? We mean more by this question than some do in the use of it. We mean saving faith. Have you been justified and converted? We would not receive a man who had not been converted. As Methodists we believe their is another and a higher experience, called christain perfection, sometimes called sanctification and holiness. Conversion is sanctification begun. In using it in the higher sense we say entire sanctification. We believe it possible to love God with all the heart, and many of the churches so believe now, though some of us can remember when this was not so, but they are coming to believe this in all the churches. If you have not reached this state, are you earnestly striving after it? It is the doctrine of the church that it is to obtained in this life. It is your duty to preach it, but not to the neglect of other things. Here mistakes have been made and persons have run off on one idea and become not merely excentric but crazy, loose their minds and say foolish things.

You ought to preach this doctrine but you ought to preach others also. Some in your congregations are not saved, are not converted, others have attained to this higher state and they want to be edified and built up.

Again, as a preacher in these days, you must be a student. When some of us began preaching there were many in the church who knew little if anything about grammar but that day has passed and now in many of our churches we have students and graduates and persons who are accustomed to think, and the want that we should lead them; and even the children are being educated, and our people will desire that we shall be able to command their respect in the proper use of our language.

You ought to be students, but not to the neglect of other work that will come to you in the discharge of your duty as pastors. If you can give five or six hours a day to study it will give time for other work.

You may succeed for a time with but little study, but not long. In the frontier charges where there are but few preachers and few church privileges they will bear with you for a time, but they will soon weary of your preaching if you neglect your studies. Students do not grow old so quick; many men grow old because they cease to study.

You are to study men as well as books. Study them that we may know how to win them, how to aid them, and have them aid us.

We all have our peculiarities, and we can avoid difficulties by knowing how to approach men and do them greater good by recognizing these peculiarities. It is your work and you must do the best you can.

Again you are to be paterns and examples for the people to follow. You may expect that some will patern after you and manifest the same spirit you manifest.

I am grieved to see what I think to be a growing irreverence and disrespect for the house of God. I think it is largely due to the failure on the part of the preachers to instruct the people on these subjects and set them the right example. A great deal of it arises from the failure to instruct the children. I have been aggrieved to find that parents who have taken upon them the vow at the time of their baptism to teach them the Lord's prayer and the catechism have wholly neglected this duty. In the old Methodist family you found the standard books of Methodism, and the children were instructed in the doctrines and usages of the church. As the pastor, you ought to insist upon your rights to teach the catechism in the Sunday school. Train the children and the men and women will be all right. If we are honest and believe our doctrines and usages we ought to instruct the children in them and urge upon them their acceptance.

The work in which you are to engage is to me the most honorable that man can engage in. I had rather occupy the place on a pastor of a nice, good congregation than any other on the globe. As Methodist preachers we will go out to do all the good we can and to glorify God. When you can't preach and maintain the doctrine and usages of the church you should quietly retire."

The class was then asked and answered the usual questions, and they were severally voted on and admitted into full membership and elected to Deacons Orders, Mr. J. W. Pruin, John H. Pracht, Jeffrey Martin, J. A. Homes, J. H. Smith, C. B. Penn, W. J. Barron, O. A. Smith, A. P. Van Wyr.

The following brethren, already deacons, were admitted into full connection, viz: Edward R. Williams, Charles R. Robinson, John A. Davis, R. B. Engle.

The question who are readmitted was taken up and the following brothers were readmitted: F. A. Goodrich, located from the South Kansas conference; J. O. Hazelton, located from the Geniseo conference; E. F. Reeser, located from the Arkansas conference; the transfer of C. H. McMillen, from the Southeast Indiana; C. R. Thoburn, from the India Mission conference, and W. H. Davis from the Troy conference.

A committee of three to invite the lay conference to meet with this conference in joint session tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, and A. S. Buckner, W. H. Gillam and Noah Asher were appointed this committee.

The time for the order of the day, the election of delegates to the general conference having arrived, it was taken up. The secretary stated the number of members on the conference to be one hundred and twenty-five. The bishop announced the conference to be entitled to three delegates. The conference decided to elect by ballot.

The bishop directed that the conference proceed to ballot, voting for three candidates on the same ballot.

A. H. Parker, A. T. Burris, W. J. Martindale were appointed tellers. The ballot being taken, the tellers were allowed to retire and count the ballot.

While the tellers were out R. W. Stors, agent of the American Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the conference.

The tellers returned and the bishop announced the vote as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 105; necessary to a choice, 53. J. T. Botkin received 63; E. L. Gates, 45; B. C. Swarts, 45; H. P. George, 32; C. A. King, 28; J. E. Earp, 17; D. W. Phillips, 14. A number of others received votes below this number.

The question, who are supernumeraries? was called, and the following brethren were continued in this relation, viz.: W. J. Elliott, Thos. Andis, N. E. Hannan, J. M. Romine, J. F. Nessley.

The following were made effective, viz.: D. W. Phillips, J. B. Bradley, C. N. Bottorff.

O. H. Mathis was changed to superannuated relation and the following brethren were continued in this relation, viz.: M. M. Haun, J. N. Bartels, Wm. Sibley, R. E. Guthrey, A. Hartman.

Conference adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The conference convened at the appointed time, J. T. Hanna in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by M. M. Haun.

The memoirs of G. W. Harrison, J. M. Woolput, L. O. Mead and Mrs. Sarah Rolingson, wife of W. R. Rolingson, were read and remarks were made by several members of the conference touching the characters and lives of the deceased.

The doxology was sung and and the benediction was pronounced by A. Hartman.

EVENING SESSION.

At 7:30 Rev. Hodgson opened the meeting and called for the singing of "Coronation," "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." Prayer by Rev. W. H. Gillam, singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul." The "Service Song" was used as furnished by the Church Extension Board, Dr. Kynett., secretary of the Board of Church Extension was then introduced; and who called for the reading of responsive service as found on the third page of the pamphlet, then the singing of song number three. The doctor then called attention to some features of the little book and especially the cut of church on first page, then to the table of statistics on the fourth page, then second page of the cover. He then commenced his address by saying that the Methodist Episcopal church builds two churches a day, and that all the Protestant churches in our America are building ten a day for the year through. Everybody ought to help the church extension society because everybody is asked to help. The complaint that there is too much "red tape" in the management of the board is forgetting that those in charge of the disbursement of the funds are not personally acquainted with the need in the cases asking help. It takes the consent of the conference board and of the parent board at Philadelphia, to make a complete promise of a loan or donation. This care of the funds should create confidence and support of the work, and ought not to be granted to those who can possibly help themselves, and be but a supplement to their best effort. Another reason the church extension should have support is because of its close relation to the other work of the church, and the church ought to plan and work for the future as well as for immediate time. It is not merely the erecting of cold bare walls, even though these during the week are silent witnesses of Christian faith. It should be thought of as it is with an earnest preacher and attentive people prayerfully at work, and it is a spiritual power in the community in which it is planted. Churches have been aided in Kansas to the number of 522, and it is said these were fortresses and the pastors drilled captains in the late prohibition campaign. The collection was about $100. After singing the "Church Rallying Song," the congregation was dismissed with the benediction by Dr. Hynett.

LAY CONFERENCE.

Held at First M. E. church, Wichita, March 16, 1888.

The Lay conference of the Southwest Kansas conference met in quadriennial session yesterday at 9 o'clock in the First Methodist church, of this city. Hon. A. W. Smith, of McPherson, was elected chairman, and J. E. Conklin, of Winfield, secretary.

The following delegates were appointed chairmen of the respective committees:

G. T. Hatton of Burden, on credentials.

H. K. Tuller of Wichita, on permanent organization.

H. H. McAdams of Newton, on order of business.

J. W. Claypool of Partridge, on resolutions.

After a recess the committee on credentials reported the following delegates present:

Burden, G. T. Walton; Winfield, J. E. Conklin; Dexter, D. A. Merydeth; Harper, M. S. Neighbor; Caldwell, J. S. Grole; Argonia, S. H. Phillipi; Freeport, M. L. Green; Wellington, H. Knowles; Wellington circuit, G. D. Armstrong; Harper, H. W. McMunn; Hazelton, S. S. Robinson; Coldwater, J. A. Pennington; Nescatunga, J. F. Boyle; Oxford, J. G. Rhine; Medicine Lodge, Mrs. R. Sanderson; Cheney, A. Wallace; Kingman, A. Gridley, Jr.; Pratt, Jno. S. Reed; Callison, Marshall Howison; Augusta, N. D. Hill; Douglas, J. H. Thompson; Latham, J. C. Stith; Saratoga, Jno. Waldock; Conway Springs, W. Snowden; Wichita, C. H. Elliott; Greensburg, W. H. Houghtelin; Norwich, Jno. Shortridge; colored work, Wm. Martin; Spivey, W. M. Hunter; Mullenville, J. C. Gibson; Bross, G. W. Skinner; Wichita, C. Diehl; East Wichita, T. H. Means; Andover, Van Gilmore; Oatville, W. Simpson; Mt. Hope, J. P. West; Wichita, H. K. Fuller; Stafford, W. R. Scott; Newton, H. H. McAdams; Hutchison, W. L. Little; Nickerson, Jno. M. Smith; South Hutchison, R. H. Chillenden; Peabody, Thos. C. Thobern; Machville, J. O. Hazleton; Sylvia, J. W. Dalby; Eldorada, Dr. H. L. Gill. Pontiac, Sarah K. Engle; Valley Center, Edward Phillips, Partridge, J. W. Claypool; Leon, Mrs. Clara Eaton; Sedgwick, H. S. Muller; Arlington, Mrs. W. A. Walker; St. John, — Schutter; Wallen, Mrs. Mary J. Swarts; McPherson, M. P. Simpson; Kinsley, Mrs. E. F. Stump; Lyons, J. W. Krup; Conway, S. W. Smith; Great Bend, J. B. Hannum; Prosper, J. Swisher; Chase, J. K. Moore; Rush Center, A. Walker; Geneseo, F. J. Smith; Hoisington, A. E. Gencher; Marion, J. H. Buchanan; Sterling, J. S. Vickers, Little River, J. W. Lane; Garfield, J. E. Hopkins; Syracuse, N. E. Wheeler; Tribune, H. Weaver; Ulysses, E. S. Swingslie; Appomatox, J. C. Colen; Ashland, J. C. Williams; Ashland, W. R. Payne; Bazine, A. B. Parker; Cimarron, Mary A. C. George, Coronado, John Knapp; Dighton, Wm. Bernard, Dodge City, J. A. Crawford; Englewood, D. H. Mackey; Farnsworth, W. G. Wheaton; Fowler, S. R. Brown; Garden City, W. S. Smith; Hartland, W. B. Marsh; Huboton, J. W. Calvert; Jetmore, C. R. Wilson; Johnston City, C. Y. Callahan; Lakin, N. C. McFerreh, Leota, G. H. Rook; Lexington, M. T. Long; Mead Center, O. B. Hamiller; Montgomery, J. W. Callahan; Ness City, F. Bell; Nescatunga, E. D. Botts; Oak City, C. E. West; Santa Fe, E. M. Potter; Scott City, H. B. Grable; South Dodge, Jno. Goodwine; Spearville, Geo. Hall;

The committee on permanent organization reported in favor of making the temporary organization permanent. Chairman, Hon. S. W. Smith; secretary, J. E. Conklin; assistant secretary, George T. Walton. The report was unanimously adopted.

The principal business of the afternoen was the consideration of the Southwest Kansas college, located at Winfield. Dr. J. E. Earp, the president of the institution, was invited to address the meeting. He prefaced his statement by stating that the full amount of Winfield's subscription was paid in full; that the college was in full running order and did not owe one dollar. Subscriptions were made by delegates from every part of the conference, and $3,205 were raised for the permanent endowment fund, it being the intention of the trustees to put it in a boarding house building for young ladies.

The election of the delegates to the general conference was very amusing to those whose names were not used, and after two ballots resulted in the election of H. H. McAdams and W. H. Mack as delegates.

The lay conference will be presented to the bishop and conference at 10 a. m. tomorrow, after which action will be taken on the resolutions.

NOTES.

Rev. L. C. Miller, P. E. of Larned district, and his estimable wife were presented with substantial tokens of the esteem of the pastors on the district, in the parlor of the Occidental hotel. Rev. H. Waite, in behalf of the clergy, made the presentation speech. Elder Miller, in well chosen words, the expression of a kind heart, thanked the brethren for their kindness in his four years' labors of love among them and their congregations, as heretofore, as also in this present session of the cabinet, he assured them that he preferred their interests to those of his own, and was sorry he could not give them such opportunities as they deserved, as he believed them so much more capable and worthy of better places. Rev. B. C. Swartz, P. S. of the Newton district came to Mr. Miller's relief by offering him an appointment in his district. While an appropriate hymn was sung, the couple were greeted by a large circle of gentlemen and lady friends, when their expressions of respect was reolved into tears, winding up the surprise after the manner of an old fashioned love feast.

Elder Miller has so nobly acquitted himself in his work, as a master among men, to which the unparalelled success of his labors testify, that he will always live first in the memories of the ministers, their wivec and the many warm hearts of the good people from which he now retires.

Dr. J. C. W. Coxe, agent of the Sunday School aid tracts came in last night in time for the address of Dr. Kynett.

8:30 a. m.—Conference prayer meeting.

9 to 12—Conference businsss.

2:30 p. m.—Sunday School and tract anniversary address, by Dr. Coxe.

3:30—The conference as a body to visit the Garfield University.

7:30—Educational University, addressed by Dr. Ridgeway of Garrett Institute, Evanton, Ill.

Rev. Poter, of South Kansas conference came in last night to visit the conference and witness Wichita's prosperity.

THE CHURCHES.

Dodge Avenue Presbyterian Church, West Side—Services tomorrow at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., conducted by the pastor Rev. E. J. Brown. Members of the M. E. conference will preach both morning and evening. Sunday school at 3 p. m., R. E. Lawrence acting superintendent. Weekly prayer meeting on Thursday at 7:30 p. m. All are invited to these services.

United Presbyterian church—Services will be conducted by Rev. J. A. Edie, in the Southwestern Business college, corner of Douglas and Topeka avenues, at 11 a. m. Rev. A. Hartman of the M. E. conference will preach in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

Mayflower Congregational church, Fairview avenue, Rev. T. H. Minnis, pastor—Services at 18:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 12 m. The second sermon in the series on daily duties will begin in the evening on "The Peerish Christian, or Bad Tempers in Life." All are cordially invited to these services.

Emporia Avenue M. E. church was packed last evening, the Rev. B. E. Shawhan, of Burden, Kan., holding revival services. The altar was well filled. These meetings promise to be continued for some time.

First Unitarian Society—Services at Sons of Herman hall, No. 117 North Market street, Sunday, at 11 a. m. Rev. W. Hogeland, pastor. Subject tomorrow "Dickens as a Preacher." Sunday school at 10 a. m. A cordial welcome to all.

Emporia Avenue Baptist, corner Tenth and Emporia, B. S. Davis, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

LOST AND FOUND.

Dr. J. W. Pollard, the young physician who was brought up from Norwich Wednesday evening, was one of the most wanted young men in the city yesterday morning. In fact in all his professional career it is to be doubted if he was ever more earnestly sought for than on this occasion.

To properly understand this great need of his presence it might be stated that at 9 o'clock he was to have a hearing at Justice Barrett's court, at which he would be called upon to explain the charge of manslaughter in causing the death of Miss Hattie Myers at the Ironclad Sunday night last—which had been entered against him. Even in the face of his stoutly maintained innocence of the crime he did not deign to appear and to explain away the terrible charge.

He had the night before been placed in the "crazy cell" at the jail—the sheriff, out of his goodness of heart and consideration for the young man's social position and standing, had done this in preference to putting him in the cells among the common every day sort of prisoners. This official had, too, out of his own pocket paid for a guard for him as he went arround over the city in search of attorneys and witnesses in his behalf. How did he requite such kindness? The lock to the cell in which he was placed had been used on another cell and so when he arose in the morning he had but to raise the latch pass down the stairway, out through the kitchen, across the lot and he was gone.

All forenoon the search for the runaway was kept up; a reward was offered but still he could not be found. About 3 o'clock he was seen sitting in Baehr's drug store on North Market and immediately the authorities were notified. But the young physician thinking that something of the kind was about to be done hastened to the sheriff's office and gave himself up.

He said that he had gone down to Mrs. Fitzgerald's south of the city; he said too that he did not mean to runaway, and that he could hardly explain what led him to act as he had.

His hearing was postponed until this forenoon.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to all those, who by their kind acts and words expressed their sympathy with us in our great sorrow.

M. TITSWORTH AND FAMILY.

HORSE THIEF.

Yesterday Mr. Gilchrist came into the office of the prosecuting attorney and asked to have a warrant issued for the arrest of J. W. Raqsdale. He said that he had stolen two horses from his farm about February 15. The animals were sold near the city and afterwards recovered, and now he says that he knows where the thief is and wants his arrest.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

St. Patrick's day will be duly celebrated this year by an entertainment at the hall corner of Fourth avenue and Second street. An address will be delivered by Father Kelly; music will be furnished by St. Joseph's band, which will appear in their new uniform. A pleasant time is anticipated and a general invitation is extended to come and have a good time.

WHY NOT A COUNCILMAN?

To the Editor of the Eagle.

It has been suggested that it would be a good thing to elect Mr. Vidder councilman from the Fourth ward this spring. Mr. V. is secretary of the works, and will understand the needs of that and of the city. He is neither a Democrat or a Republican, never having identified himself with either party, but he is a clear-minded level-headed enterprising business man, who would devote his best talents to his position. CENTRAL AVENUE.

E. P. FORD AT HOME.

E. P. Ford, accompanied by his wife and his son Frank and his wife, are at home again from California. E. P. says that while he has nothing to say against California, that, nevertheless, when it comes to a permanent home for him and his, Wichita—bright, busy, happy Wichita—leads Los Angeles, San Diego or any of the other of California's prosperous towns, in his ideas, for a continued residence. He says both San Diego and Los Angeles are growing and that much outside money continues to flow into those cities. Deacon Smith, J. R. Stone and other Wichita people were well when he left.

SNEAK THIEF SKIPPED.

Sunday a young man named J. W. Lee was arrested at the Carey. He had stolen a hat from Mr. Ed Darlett and was making off with an overcoat belonging to Mr. Houston. Falling into the hands of the police, he was given a berth in the city prison and afterwards transferred to the county jail. Yesterday he was brought into Justice Walker's court and in some way the suit was dismissed and the young man discharged.

As soon as he was released he came around to the police station and wanted his pocket book, a picture of his mother, his Bible, and other little trinkets that had been taken from him Sunday "when he was intoxicated," as he explained his offense. Officer Vic Haynes returned his articles, and he left. The next thing that was heard from this good young man was that he had skipped from his boarding house, after stealing $4 from his landlady. There will not be much of an effort made to recapture him, as the police are very willing to dispense with his presence from the city.

UNITY CLUB.

The Unity Club met at Sons of Herman Hall last evening. Nearly every seat in the hall was occupied, making the attendance the largest that has yet greeted the club's pleasant entertainments.

The program opened with a solo by Miss Octaria Hobbs, accompanied by Miss Hamlin.

Mrs. Dr. Nannie Stephens read a very thoughtful paper on "Dickens."

Rev. N. Hogeland gave his impressions of David Copperfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Childs sang a pleasing song.

Several of the members joined in the general discussion of the book under consideration.

The meeting is reported to have been fully as interesting and enjoyable as any of the previous ones which this justly popular club have held. The next meeting will take place at Sons of Herman Hall two weeks from last evening.

ANOTHER SWING.

The county commissioners returned yesterday from their court house jaunt. They took in Leavenworth, Kansas City, St. Joe, Lincoln and Omaha, and had it not been for the strike scare they say they would not have been back for some days. Each has a contribution of what is termed funny yarns on the other two. Dunkin grows red in the face when Kansas City dining rooms are mentioned, and he don't know how it got out about room "31 on the left." Aley figures very largely in Omaha and Randall comes in mainly for laughing at the other two.

Quite a number of architects are drawing plans for the court house and plans will be examined in a few days. In the meantime it is desired to determine on plans for jail and award the contract for the erection of the same.

A number have been heard advocating the plan of getting to work on the jail early, owing to the fact that a jail is needed.

THE BAPTIST REVIVAL.

The evangelist was greeted by a full house of earnest, attentive listeners again last night and the service was one of the most impressive and profitable of the series of meetings thus far. The service was begun promptly at 7:30. After singing and prayer the preacher read for the scripture lesson an invocation by the prophet Jeremiah from the book bearing his name. The text for the sermon was Proverb 28:13, "He that confesses his sins shall have mercy, but he that covers his sins shall not have mercy." The appeal was to man's higher nature and an exposition of the degrading effects and influence of sin, of transgression against God's law, of whatever kind or character.

An unusually large number responded to the invitation to the anxious to go forward. Several also made public confession of faith in Christ.

There will be no morning meeting today, but a special meeting at half past two this afternoon for the benefit of children and young persons. All are invited.

MUST HAVE A SCHOOL.

Our attention has been called to the crying need of a school for the children of Perkinsville. It appears that that thriving locality has now over one hundred and fifty houses erected and inhabited, and although it has been incorporated into our city our school board has done nothing as yet toward building a suitable school house. Its inhabitants, principally those working for the Burton Stock Car company and those waiting to work when the company commences operations, started a private school a short time ago, engaging a very efficient man as teacher, and some fifty children attended regularly. Unfortunately so few of the parents were earning enough money to pay even the moderate charge of $1 per month, that the school had to be given up, for, with the best intentions in the world, even a school master cannot entirely live on promises. Now, gentlemen of the school board, attention, shall it be said that Wichita neglects her young? Pray turn your thoughts to this subject and to Perkinsville.

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FROM THE EAST.

Mr. F. E. Parmenter has been talking quite vigorously ever since his return from the east about a rapid immigration to Kansas. He says he has been east a number of times since he came west and he never before heard as much talk about coming to the state. The eastern farmer who has been looking up the Kansas question, he claims, are anxious to get here and will be on hand in thousands this spring. Those of towns and cities who want to engage in pursuits at points with railroad advantages talk of Wichita. Beyond Missouri no other city is mentioned. Farther east people know Kansas by Wichita, and he says that the prospect is good for more people to come to the city this spring and summer than on any previous year. The great boom of the west had set in circulation a vast amount of information of various states which are so rapidly improving. This in his opinion will add greatly to the wealth of Kansas.

"As it is known that climate is the sole commendable feature of California but few will go there; but as the superior merit of this state is known we can reasonably look for more people here than ever before."

Another gentleman who has been east some weeks and been circulating among business men and capitalists, says: "Capital east is afraid to invest in any sort of an enterprise there for many reasons. This fact is going to be a good thing for Kansas. You see they are now many of them and fast will be coming to the belief that lands are good investments and sure of fair profits. They are also coming to the conclusion that they are sure of better profits in all enterprises west and as a result eastern money comes west more and more, which will have a tendency to impart an increased commercial activity."

ONE MILLION PEOPLE.

Hon. Hamilton Ward, ex-attorney general of the state of New York and who served several terms in congress, has been spending a couple of days in Wichita. He came by way of the south and up the Arkansas valley through Little Rock and Ft. Smith, and goes from here to California and Oregon. In his call yesterday afternoon in company with Mr. J. Oak Davidson in answer to the question as to whether he had ever given Wichita any study and if so what were his conclusions he said: "Oh yes, I knew Wichita to be one of the most promising cities in the west, occupying a teritory in which she had no possible rival or competitor, but now that I have seen a portion of that territory and understand its magnificent scope, an empire every foot of which is susceptible of the highest cultivation, I tell you Wichita will be a city of a million people, before whose power and wealth such conservative cities as St. Louis with all her hoarded wealth will pals into insignificance. Sir, since my arrival here I have been continually astounded at what your people have accomplished and what is being hourly brought out. In ten years you may count on having one-fifth or sixth of the population named."

"Bring in another horse!"

NOT TRUE.

Mr. T. S. Prather, who has been in No Man's Land and the Panhandle of Texas for some months, was in the city yesterday, and said he had been reading some wonderful killing stories recently, with the scene in his part of the country. He is decidedly of the opinion that no such bloody affairs can be traced to his part of the country, the people not being of the rough element. He thinks that the cattle men of that country are quite anxious to have such things go out in order to keep out settlers. "They set afloat all manner of lies, hoping to scare away all who are thinking of looking around that country for homes."

FOOT PADS.

Yesterday afternoon as Mrs. W. D. Hill, wife of the superintendent of the Wichita & Western, was going up North Fourth avenue, she was robbed of her pocket book containing about $11 in money.

She was returning to her home from shopping and when near Oak street a man came walking rapidly towards her across a vacant lot; and stepping up to her mumbled something that she did not understand, grabbed her pocket book, pushed her aside and ran away.

She remembered the man well enough to give quite a good description of the rascal; and the chances are that before morning he will be in the hands of the police.

PRESENTATION.

Yesterday near noon at the parlors of the Occidental hotel, the Rev. T. C. Miller and wife of Larned district were presented with a silver water set and a twenty dollar gold piece, by the Rev. Wait of McPherson, in behalf of the members of the conference from the Larned district. Quite a number of other friends were present. The presentation speech was well suited to the occasion and called out an unique response from Mr. Miller.

SURPRISED.

Some days ago Mr. N. A. Herrig and others were invited to attend last evening at the residence of Mr. Ben Hermes. Soon after their arrival the St. Joseph band commenced playing in front of the residence, and Mr. Herrig was reminded of the fact that it was the twenty-eighth anniversary of his birthday. Soon after a number of friends took possession of the premises, and the evening proved a most enjoyable one. Of those present were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Tangley, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pelch, Mr. and Mrs. J. Herrick, Mr. and Mrs. W. Littington, Mr. and Mrs. Hibbits, Mr. and Mrs. F. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Hess, Mr. and Hrs. C. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bohr, Mr. and Mrs. Koehler, Mrs. Leen, Mrs. McCormick, Mrs. Neff, Mrs. Williamson, Misses Ella McDonald, Lida Menassy, Sibby Sadie Nolan, Jennie McKinney, Rosa Hermes, Laura Meek, Annie Meisinger, Josie Stafford, Liza Flagg, Annie Robinson, Lou Friend, McCabe, Kelch, Ryan Fahey, Lizzie Leen, Messrs. Roy Teal, Nick Hermes, Tony Nolan, A. Hartmann, V. J. Christman, A. J. Christman, John Busha, T. Bock, Henry Roberts, George Moser, D. W. Stafford, T. E. Stafford, James McDonald, Frank Higgins, F. A. Siemer, W. H. Nett, R. L. Fleming, R. Cable, G. Studenbohen, John Fahey, C. A. Thomas, D. F. Smith, W. Scott.

Mr. Herrig was presented with a very elegant writing desk.

A RECEPTION TO MR. AND MRS. ARMSTRONG

Last night the members of hose company No. 1 gave a reception at their new quarters. Bob Armstrong was the member who had recently given up his bachelor life to join the great army of benedicts, and it was to him and his charming bride (nee Miss Grosh) that this pleasant reception was tendered.

Their new room had just been completely furnished and everything looked neat, cosy and attractive. At 8 o'clock the guests, including members of the police force, their friends and their ladies had arrived. The dance was just about to commence when Judge Dixon walked down between two rows of the attendants to where sat the honored guests of the evening, and in a few words, apt and most expressive presented to them in behalf of the boys of hose company No. 1, an elegant solid silver water service. Bob, taken so completely by surprise, attempted to make a reply and to thank the kind donors for such a beautiful gift, but his words failed him—or, at least, failed to come just as he wanted them to—and his generous, manly, grateful manner was taken as expressing his feelings more truly than his words. The time was then pleasantly spent for several hours in dancing and social intercourse. It was throughout an enjoyable affair, and will long be remembered with pleasure by all the attendants.

SANTA FE STRIKE.

The Santa Fe stike was one of the leading topics of conversation yesterday. It had soon spread that all the roads in and out of the city had a case of liver trouble and one man had seventy-five "killed" engines in the Missouri Pacific yards. Another five and a quarter hat individual had a hundred Santa Fe engines piled up and loaded for explosion at the drop of the hat. In the mean time all the roads in and out were running just the same excepting the Santa Fe. The freight traffic on that line and the Wichita & Western was quite small and no passenger trains come into the city except the Texas express, which went north on time last night at 10:30. The word to agents last night was to the effect that engineers had been secured to take charge of passenger trains and today would find no trouble in that department. This will give the city the Santa Fe mails and express for companies using that line.

No one seemed to think the city would suffer much if other roads did not join. While a number are caught with goods on the road they think they can get through with little loss.

LUXURIOUS BATHING ROOMS.

Tony Bruhn—the great and only Tony whom everybody knows or ought to know—has just had added to his elegant tonsorial establishment at No. 111 North Main, four of the finest and best bath rooms in the whole state (Tony himself is authority for this statement), and he wants everybody to come, give them a trial, or at least an inspection. The rooms themselves are neatly and elegantly furnished; the tubs are of the latest and most improved pattern, deep and large and big, with shower bath appliances. The hot water boilers and heaters are, too, something entirely new and are of such a character that they will furnish all the hot or all the cold water that may be required. Mr. McLee, an expert hand, has been placed in charge of the rooms, and will give them his special and undivided attention. In fact everything is complete and a bath at this establishment is in truth a luxury.

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