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WIFE CASES PATHETIC

SAD STORY OF THREE YOUNG GIRLS, SURVIVORS OF FAMILY OF ELEVEN. GIVEN GOOD HOMES AFTER MANY HARDSHIPS

Parents and Six Brothers and Sisters Died One by One, Leaving Trio Homeless and Penniless—Fruitless Search, Without Means, For Distant Relatives—Saved From Poor Houses.

Fairfield, July 22.—Fairfield is stirred by the pitiful story of three frail girls, mere children, who have just become inmates of as many Fairfield homes. Fairfield people are wondering over the justice of fate which seems to have made the lives of these three children peculiarly sad and lonely and what might have become of them is being conjured by every one who has heard their story.

As every cloud has a silver lining, according to tradition, so after years of misery and woe these three children seem to have found their luck turned when they reached Fairfield a few days ago. All three of them now are in good homes at least for the time being and County Attorney John A. Hugin has constituted himself their temporary guardian. He and Mr. Hugin have made a place in their home for the younger of the trio, while Mr. and Mrs. Cloyes McCabe have given the second one a place as nurse girl and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. McPherson have taken the oldest girl into their country home near this city.

Mabel Crawford, aged 18 years, and her two younger sisters, Helen, aged 14, and Marie, aged 11, were brought to this city a few days ago by the trustees of Center township with a view of sending them to the county home until some other arrangements could be made for them. When they arrived at the office of County Attorney J. A. Hugin and there in the presence of Supervisor Thomas Davies and other officers of the township, they touched a responsive chord in the great big heart of Jefferson county's attorney and he hesitated at sending the children to the county home, taking upon himself the task of finding homes for them in Fairfield. Little Marie's winsome face made her a favorite at once with Mr. Hugin and he took her home with him, where his estimable wife favored the plan of keeping her at least for a time.

Family of Nine Children. "We were born on a farm in Indiana and there were nine of us," said Mabel, the eldest, when telling the story to the county attorney. "Mother died and then two of the children and after that we moved with father to a farm near Milwaukee, Wis. Here two more of the children died and father took the five remaining children and moved to a farm near Ottumwa, Iowa. Here we secured work in a factory. We were living nicely when he contracted a cold, which soon settled on his lungs and he died. Father left us nothing but the furniture and a few debts. Such is the beginning of the sad story of the little girls.

Two more of the family died while they were inmates of the orphan asylum and only the three were left. These children were forced to do all sorts of drudgery and finally one day about six months ago, Mabel, the oldest, was notified by the superintendent that they ought now to be able to support themselves and the three would have to get out and make room for others.

Racking her brain for a memory of some friend or relative to whom she might apply for assistance the girl thought she remembered hearing her father mention, years before, a couple of brothers, John and James Crawford, who lived in Ottumwa, Iowa. This she told the superintendent and without more ado the trio were bundled off to the depot and put on board a train for Ottumwa, Iowa. Only the two older were given tickets and with not a penny to buy them food on their journey, they were forced to beg food and plead with strangers to carry their little sister to their destination.

One day the first part of April they landed in Ottumwa, worn out with their long journey, hungry and penniless. They began searching for their uncles. They inquired at the postoffice department and of a number of the stores but shunned the police headquarters, fearing that the officers would lock them up and separate them. Falling to find any trace of their relatives they left the same night and began walking and begging and working their way eastward.

KILLED BY DERRICK

HARRY AWTRY, JASPER COUNTY FARMER, FATALLY INJURED HAYING. FALLING DERRICK STRIKES YOUNG MAN ON HEAD

Survived Several Hours After Injury—Leaves Wife and Infant Child—Auto Demolishes Buggy at Newton and Injures Youthful Driver—Horse Collides With Passenger Train.

Special to Times-Republican. Newton, July 22.—Harry Awtry, a prominent young farmer residing in the south part of the county, five miles north of Pella, died this morning at 6 o'clock from injuries sustained yesterday while putting up hay. A derrick used in stacking the hay fell at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, striking Awtry on the head in its descent. He was rendered unconscious, in which condition he remained until his death.

Mr. Awtry is survived by a young wife, who was Miss Carrie Rucker, a member of a prominent Pella family, and an infant child of 6 months. His mother, Mrs. Margaret Awtry, resides in this city. The funeral will be at 2 o'clock Saturday, with interment in the Sand Ridge cemetery.

Auto, Team and Train Mx. Special to Times-Republican. A valuable team and a passenger train figured in an exciting accident here last night, resulting in injury to a boy and the death of a valuable horse.

Harry Cutler, son of Hubert Cutler, a prominent farmer residing five miles north of town, started in his home with a team and buggy. When near

Clammer returned to town. He did not give any explanation of his conduct, and Con Rapids people resent the joke he played on them.

Mason City. The Milwaukee road has a force of linemen busy stringing copper wires from Whittemore to Searborn and when this is completed they will have a continuous line from Mason City to Chamberlain. Telephones will be installed in each office and all train orders will be given by telephone. The phones are of special construction, it being impossible for any one to interrupt the train dispatcher when he is giving an agent his train order. All of the work outside the movement of trains will be done by telegraph as heretofore. Several roads in the state have adopted the telephone for this class of work and it has been found highly satisfactory.

Rockwell. About fifty enthusiastic boosters met at the Odd Fellows hall Tuesday evening and voted to have a big field day on Wednesday on Wednesday, Aug. 3. The sentiment was unanimous for making the day a real hammer. A committee of ten was appointed with full power to make all necessary arrangements and is supplied with ample funds to make things hum all day long. The committee is composed of A. E. Smith, W. H. Kow, Albert Johnson, G. A. Bower, W. D. Gibson, W. B. Bruce, W. I. Bristol, William Jackson, Frank Campbell, John H. Livingston. The sentiment of the meeting was favorable to hanging up big purses for ball games, races and street sports, with free vaudeville attractions, speaking in the park, etc.

Jefferson. The sad Mrs. B. C. Hamilton was victims of a bad accident on Jackson Hill Monday evening, due to the failure of the brakes on their car. They were ascending the hill, and had passed the turn near the bottom, when they met a team, so close that it was necessary to stop the machine to avoid a collision. The doctor stopped, and found to his dismay that the brakes would not hold the car, which slid backwards into the ditch and turned over on its right side. Mrs. Hamilton, who sat on the left side, was thrown violently to the ground, sustaining many severe bruises. The doctor managed to get clear of the car as it fell, and escaped any serious injury. The car was not much injured. Mrs. Hamilton is quite badly hurt.

Waverly. The Kelly canning factory is about completed. It only remains to finish the installation of the conveyors and a few minor details before the plant will be ready to operate. For a week past the boilers have been fired and the machinery is being tested, and it is held that every piece works perfectly. The factory is the largest in the state and is equipped with the latest machinery and the pack can be handled more quickly than when the old plant was in operation, thus insuring a better quality of canned corn. The new factory will operate four lines and the corn can be processed when it is just the right stage of maturity, and no old corn will go into the product. The outlook for a good crop of sweet corn is very promising.

Oelwein. William Daves died Tuesday afternoon at about 4:30, not having regained consciousness after the accident in the morning at about 6:30. His wife arrived in the city by a few minutes after he had passed away. She was en route to visit him at the time of the accident, and expected to meet him at Stanley where he was located. She was informed on the train that he was in a critical condition at Oelwein, and came here direct. Mr. Daves was highly esteemed by his associates, and was employed by the Great Western in the capacity of signal engineer. In company with Messrs. Fenley and his clerk, Mullins, he was on his way to Oelwein on a motor car when the accident occurred by which he lost his life. When the car left the track he struck on the back of his head and neck, sustaining such injuries that he survived but ten hours, not regaining consciousness. Stanley was badly bruised, while Mullins sustained slight bruises.

ALDEN PASTOR RESIGNS.

Rev. A. G. Axtell to Be Principal of Porto Rico Institute. Special to Times-Republican. Eldora, July 22.—Rev. A. G. Axtell, who has been pastor of the Congregational church at Alden for some time, has tendered his resignation. He has accepted a call from the American Missionary Association to the principalship of the Blanche Kellogg Institute at San Juan, Porto Rico. San Juan is a suburb of San Juan, the capital of the island.

WEAK MINDED GIRL VICTIM. Jacob Balsley, of Border Plains Charged With Criminal Assault. Fort Dodge, July 22.—Jacob Balsley, aged 25, residing at Border Plains, was given a hearing on the charge of committing a criminal assault on Sarah Clark, a weak minded girl of the same village.

Balsley was bound over to the grand jury and placed in the Webster county jail. He may get \$250 had in bail. His hearing will be held in September.

Booze Dispensers Fined. Osage, July 22.—Booze dispensers got it hard here when Justice Bartlett, dealt to Webster Brothers for maintaining a liquor nuisance a fine of \$250 and costs. The costs in the proceeding amounted to \$63.25 which brings the total up to \$313.25.

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Northern Iowa Items

Woolstock. While playing about a bonfire, the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rapp, who reside near Woolstock, was very severely, if not fatally burned.

Owasa. E. Lynk closed a deal Saturday with Henry Jackson whereby he traded his stock of general merchandise for land near Sheffield. Mr. Lynk will retain the post office and telephone station and continue buying cream until his lease expires on the building which he occupies, March 1 next.

Spencer. A man named Pewe, residing about five miles south of the city, made a serious mistake when he applied carbolic acid to his face after shaving. Instead of witch hazel. His face was terribly burned, and he is now getting along nicely, but it cannot be determined at this time whether he will be permanently marked or not.

Fort Dodge. Wednesday morning shortly before 12 o'clock two switch engines on the M. & St. L. track in the vicinity of Third street disputed the right of way over a single line of track, and spitting flames and smoke, locked their pilots with disastrous results to both. The engineers and firemen escaped injury, but the impact with which the two engines came together was sufficient to crush the heavy wooden beams of the pilots.

Royal. The barn belonging to Owen Griffith was burned to the ground early Wednesday morning. The light from the fire shined in the window woke Mrs. O. T. Bailey at about 12:30 and she roused O. T., out and gave the alarm. Bailey was the first at the front and succeeded in getting four head of horses out that were in the barn. By that time others began to arrive and the bucket brigade was started from every well and cistern in that end of town and by heroic work the fire was kept from spreading to other barns and buildings.

Sioux City. Merry-makers at the skating rink, which is being used for dancing purposes at present, were halted in their fun Tuesday night when the startling shriek of a terrified woman was wafted thru the open sides of the hall. She was talking with a man near the entrance of the dance hall when he struck her, falling her. A crowd gathered at once, but the man escaped during the excitement, and although officers spent several hours in trying to locate him, their efforts were useless. The woman, whose name could not be learned left three of her teeth, real ones, on the side walk.

Coon Rapids. The last act in the comedy drama in which Staley Clemmer, of Coon Rapids, played the leading role, was enacted a few days ago when Staley turned up in his usual haunts, alive and well. About two weeks ago he disappeared from home, leaving a note to his girl that he intended to drown himself. Citizens of the town dragged the river and made an extended search for his body, but it could not be located. Investigation developed the fact that the young fellow had cashed a bad check and that he was in other trouble, and the people began to have a suspicion that the "drowning" story was a fake. Their conjectures were verified when

Anty Drudge Visits School.

Schoolteacher—"Why are you late, Theodora?" Theodora—"Please, Miss Brown, my mother was so busy stirring the boiling clothes in the washboard that she couldn't get us our breakfast and dress us in time." Anty Drudge—"Theodora, you tell your mother to use Fels-Naptha next Monday, and I'll guarantee you'll never be late for school on account of the washing."

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Chris Burgeson, of Swea City, Killed by Hay Stacker. Swea City, July 22.—While Chris Burgeson, an old resident of this county was engaged in stacking hay, he was struck by the stacker and knocked from the stack. In falling his neck was broken and he died almost instantly. He was 73 years of age, but was very active.

Carroll News Briefs. Special to Times-Republican. Carroll, July 22.—The marriage of Mrs. Florence Miles, of this city, to O. B. Beckley, of Tama, was announced yesterday. The marriage took place in Denver, Colo., at the home of the groom's brother, Tuesday. The groom is a popular railroad man and has a run out of Carroll. Carroll will be their home.

The work of excavating for paving in the alley, from Fifth to Sixth streets, is about completed and Contractor E. Y. Livingston will soon commence to put in the concrete foundation. The paving will be of brick.

J. E. Hungerford and son John left last evening for Spokane, Wash., and other western points. Mr. Hungerford is interested in the Day-Hanson and Washington Land Companies, and goes to attend the annual meeting of the directors, of which he is a member.

Several members of the Carroll men's chorus accompanied the Manninger singers to Omaha this week in a special car, the latter town sending a hundred strong to participate in the song-fest, which will last until Saturday.

County Attorney E. A. Wessler was nominated by the democrats at Wall Lake last week for district judge. Mr. Wessler is now serving his second term as county attorney and will not campaign for re-election at the last primary. While Mr. Wessler would make a very capable judge, it is safely predicted that Judge F. M. Powers and his running mate, M. E. Hutchinson, of Lake City, the republican nominees, will be elected.

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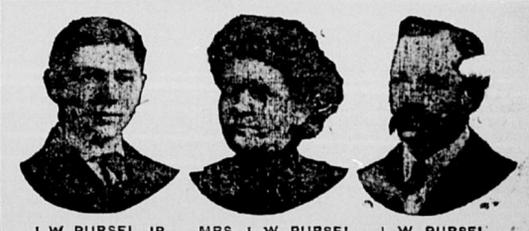
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