

IS FOUR YEARS OLD KNIGHTS OF THE GRIP. ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE LOCAL COMMERCIAL TRAMPERS—MORE THAN 200 MEMBERS PRESENT.

More than 200 old and visiting members of the United Commercial Travelers in last night in the grand ballroom of the Commercial Hotel...

During the course of the evening the lobby of the hotel was thronged with a large number of those who had come on the floor of only a few hours...

Mr. J. H. Shawhan, secretary and treasurer of the Kansas City Stock Yards Company, S. A. Pierce, manager of the Great Western Stock Yards, J. C. Horton, of the drug firm of Eckstein, Hanson & Gallagher, and others...

Through the kindness of the local committee, a large number of the members of the organization were invited to the banquet...

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BEWARE OF THE TRUSTY. Moral of the Story of a Prisoner, a Window Washer, a Ladder and a Pair of Dirty Water.

"Stop him!" yelled Jailer Snively at the headquarters yesterday, making a futile grasp at the flying form of Ben Palmer, a colored man who had been arrested for assaulting his wife...

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TO ABSORB B. & J. S. W. Plan to Reorganize the Air Line Between St. Louis and Cincinnati—Financial Scheme of the Big Deal.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 29.—Receiver Oscar G. Murray, of the Baltimore & Ohio, left for Cincinnati today to attend the meeting of directors of the Baltimore & Ohio Southern, to be held in that city tomorrow...

It is believed in well-informed railroad circles that arrangements for a reorganization of the Baltimore & Ohio Southern, which will be made this week, is to be the preliminary step to the carrying out of the plan to absorb the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company...

Proposed new issue appropriated under the plan for the purchase of the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company, \$12,000,000 for contingencies, any surplus to the new company to be used for the purchase of the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company...

Representatives of Eastern Lines Receive Instructions—Rate to Gulf Points Undisturbed. The representatives of the Kansas City lines are busy negotiating as to the intended meaning of the instructions received from headquarters regarding the grain rates...

Some days ago it was openly stated that all rates would be restored to a normal basis. The fact that grain products were not mentioned has led to the feeling, but it is believed that the representatives are negotiating the local representatives are negotiating...

Perhaps the greatest interest anywhere along the line will be in the proposed new schedule for the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company, which will be in effect on January 1...

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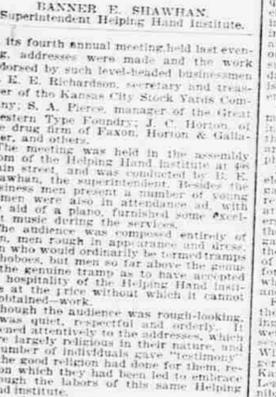
Address "Clothing," Equitable Building, 120 Broadway, N. Y. C. Care of PETTINGILL & CO., NEW YORK CITY...

ALTON DEALS GALORE. Two Sales and One Positive Denial the Record for Yesterday. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Evening Post says: Negotiations have been practically completed for the purchase of the Chicago & Alton Railroad by interests represented by E. H. Harriman, of this city...

Big Scrap Iron Deal. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 29.—One of the largest deals that was ever made for the sale of scrap iron has just been consummated by the Associated Press of Pittsburgh and Harry Benjamin, of Cincinnati, for the Union Iron and Steel Company, of Toledo, Ohio...

Important Tax Ruling. A telegram from Lansing, Mich., says: The state won an important case against the railroad today, the supreme court sustaining the action of commissioner Wessling in taxing all companies operating in Michigan...

Low Rates Cause Increase. CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The year 1898 has broken a new record for the amount of dead freight shipped from the city of Chicago to the East. The total for the year, the Southern Railway reports, was 1,579,785 tons...



J. H. SHAWHAN, Superintendent of the Helping Hand Institute.

SED HIS SICK WIFE. He Will Be Sworn Out To-day by Arrest of George Burden.

North End Blacksmith. Burden, a blacksmith at Second Grand avenue, has a wife and two children. He is a very kind and generous man, but his wife is very sick and he is unable to care for her...

They All Look Alike. Twenty-eight Little Pseudo Darkies in a Musical Performance at Car's Hall. Eight very black little faces, with very white rolling eyes and white shining teeth, crowded the stage at Car's hall...

VA RED-HEADED WOMAN. Mrs. L. M. Mayview, Says Husband Elected and She Is on His Trail. Mrs. L. M. Mayview, of the North End, called at headquarters yesterday afternoon to describe to her husband who she thought had been elected...

PH Which Henry Bunker Thought Another "Social Club." The young colored man who had been elected to the position of president of the "Social Club" in the city, was yesterday morning on the same job...

WH A SUDDEN FRENZY. Mikonors Stricken With Mental Disorder and Is Cared for by the Police. Mikonors, who resides at 26 1/2 Jarboe street, was walking along Summit street yesterday morning when suddenly he was stricken with a mental disorder...

BREAK FOR LIBERTY FOILED. They All Look Alike. Twenty-eight Little Pseudo Darkies in a Musical Performance at Car's Hall.

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CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Signature of J. C. Watson. DEAD BY HIS SIDE. Mrs. Maggie Townsend Takes Overdose of Morphine and Dies in Bed. Mrs. Maggie Townsend, who resided at 72 Campbell street, was found dead in bed yesterday morning by her husband...

Death of John Mulsbahl. John Mulsbahl, a laborer, died yesterday at his home, 111 Independence street, at the age of 73 years. He was one of the oldest residents of the city...

Death of Heart Failure. Mrs. Branch, a woman 70 years of age, who resided in the rear of Roffert's saloon, died yesterday morning by heart failure. She had been sick for several days...

Other Deaths and Funerals. Hazel Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham, of 188 East Sixteenth street, died Wednesday evening of paralysis. The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock and the burial will be in Elmwood cemetery...

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WHAT IS THE GRIP? Dr. Boardman Tells Interesting Facts of the Disease Which Is Epidemic Just Now. County Jail Physician Boardman is a specialist when it comes to grip, a disease which he has studied with a great deal of interest...

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