

THE EMERSON CO.

DAVENPORT.

THE FAIR

A Sale Without a Name--A Sale Without a Peer.

A Sale where we show the power of the Fair Store in exploding old theories, in not waiting until after the Fourth of July before we sacrifice values, but beginning an early clearance and proving ourselves the price-makers and price-leaders of the world. A Sale that is perhaps a little too previous for our own good in a profit making way, but not a whit too soon for a bargain-loving people.

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- XXX soda crackers, fresh baked, per pound..... 4c
- XXX butter crackers, fresh baked, per pound..... 4c
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- Fancy vanilla wafers, per pound..... 14c
- Bread, fresh baked, full weight, per loaf..... 3c
- Rolls oats, partly cooked, 5 pounds for..... 10c
- Rolls oats, 2-pound package, per package..... 7c
- Pure maple sugar, per pound..... 7c
- Butter milk soap, per cake..... 5c
- Queen o' ivies, per quart..... 19c
- Cracked hominy, per pound..... 3c
- A regular one Japan tea, per pound..... 39c
- Good young Hyson tea, per pound..... 25c
- Elegant crushed Java coffee, per pound..... 19c
- Cocoa shells, per pound..... 2c
- Choice dried grapes, per pound..... 2c
- Two pound package Preston's pancakes flour..... 5c
- Cream of Maize, per pound..... 5c
- Choice Lima beans, 2-pound can..... 8c
- Best blueing, quart bottle..... 8c
- Phoenix scouring soap, per cake..... 3c
- Eight bars best laundry soap..... 25c
- Fisher's r of beer, per bottle..... 8c

A Great Sale - A Double Value Sale in This Department.

We place on sale Saturday a large quantity of hosiery, summer underwear, silk mitts, silks and other fabric gloves.

5,000 pairs of sample hose, 2c to 75c; wholesale price was 47c to \$12 per dozen.

GLOVES AND MITTS.
2,000 pairs sample silk mitts, silk and other fabric gloves at 5c to 75c; wholesale price was 75c to \$12 per dozen.

UNDERWEAR.
160 dozen sample summer underwear for ladies, gentlemen and children, 2c to \$1; wholesale price was 47c to \$15 per dozen.
The lot comprises mostly high grade cotton, silk and lisle thread goods. Every color and style on earth.

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Awarded Highest Medal and Diploma at the World's Fair.

Special Low prices to close the season. Look this up. It will pay you.

Allen, Myers & Company

1821 Second Ave. Opposite the Harper House

NEW SCHOOL SITE.

Eight Lots on the Bluff Bought Last Night.

SMALL BUILDING TO BE PUT UP.

Probably That Another Purchase Will be Made in the Southwest Portion of the City in the Near Future for School Use--The Amount Involved.

A special meeting of the board of education was held last evening to consider propositions offered for school house sites in the bluff or South Park district. There were present, President F. E. Robbins and Directors F. M. Sinner and Mrs. Nora C. Hamilton. It was decided unanimously to purchase the tract of eight lots facing on Fourteenth avenue between Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh streets, and running back 200 feet, offered by E. H. Gayer for \$1,800.

The architectural firm of Drack & Kerns was entrusted with the duty of preparing plans for a 2-room building to be erected during the summer months on this site. The structure will be temporary in design, and will not, it is anticipated, exceed \$1,200 in cost. This will be ample to accommodate a number of children in that rapidly settling community who are now crowded out of the large schools below the bluff, and which, in fact, are a long distance away for children of the primary grade to walk.

The Southwest Portion. The next move of the board will likely be to take steps to provide a building of similar proportions for the overflow from Buildings 1 and 2. There are plenty of sites conveniently situated for such purposes, and could probably be had at a reasonable figure.

With these new buildings erected and such repairs as are essential to No. 1, the school buildings and accommodations of Rock Island will be equal to the best in the state. As far as their future management is concerned, whether the expense that has been sustained cheerfully by taxpayers in the past to build up this standard will be considered as justified by the ends attained, the future will testify.

THE ARGUS has ever been a friend of a progressive spirit on the board. It has upheld the directors in every broad-minded effort to better our common school system. It is therefore to be regretted all the more that so valuable property, with questions of finance of the gravest nature involved, any particular man or any particular sect, should seek to rule the affairs of our schools. That is the situation at the present time. That blunders have been made in the past few months and that the board will have these to embarrass it, as well as the other important matters that will come up, none familiar with the affairs of the schools will venture to deny.

BOY'S BREAK WITH A BIKE.

A Davenport Urethra Gets His Deserts From a Rock Island Wheelman.

The Davenport Leader tells the following concerning the proper treatment of an urethra in that city a few nights ago:

"A couple of Rock Island bicycle riders were bowling down Second street at a lively gait, when a small youth stepped out from the crowd and stuck a stick between the spokes of the front wheel of one of the bikes. The result was that the rider took a header on the brick pavement that will cause him to think of his trip to Davenport with anything but pleasant remembrances. He was bruised from head to foot, patches of skin knocked off in a dozen places, and his clothing looked as though he had been through a rough and tumble fight. The only wonder is that his neck was not broken. The wheel also suffered considerable damage. The small boy who was the cause of all the trouble melted away in the crowd, which let out a howl of delight when the bicyclist took his tumble. The second Rock Island man was riding quite a ways behind his friend and saw the whole incident. He waited until the injured man had mounted his wheel and started away, and then slowly wheeled past the spot where the small boy had before made his appearance.

Treated Him Right.

"As he expected, the youth darted out of the crowd and attempted the trick he had played so successfully. But this time trouble was in store for him. Just as the youngster bent over to shove the stick through the front wheel of the bicycle, the rider slipped his feet clear of the pedals and kicked him in the face, then riding swiftly away. The boy fell to the pavement screaming with pain, and when the crowd reached him, it was found his face was covered with blood, and his nose almost severed from his face."

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use the California liquid laxative, Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co., printed near the bottom of the package.

Truths Truly Told.

Foley's Sarsaparilla cleanses the blood, gives tone to the system, imparts life and vigor, and makes the weak strong. Trial size, 50c. M. F. Bahnsen's drug store.

FOR SUNDAY VIOLATION.

Saloonkeeper Jansson B. Ing Tried--Police Matters.

The first of the list of saloonkeepers whom the W. C. T. U. women claim to have discovered in the act of dispensing refreshments on the Sabbath was called before Justice Weld this morning, with Val Jansson as the defendant. The trial is being conducted in the supervisors' room, before the following jurors: W. J. Gamble, William Don, C. A. Johnson, George Henry, W. A. Crumbaugh and S. B. Hendron. City Attorney Haas represents the municipality and William McEniry appears for the defendant.

A little disagreement occurred during the progress of the trial. Mr. McEniry attempted to introduce supreme court rulings, while making his plea for the defense to the jury. Mr. Haas objected, and was sustained by the court. Mr. McEniry insisted upon his right, and proceeded with the reading, whereupon Justice Weld imposed a fine of \$5 for contempt of court. The case was then adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon. When Justice Weld reversed his ruling on the point raised by Mr. McEniry which practically rescinds Mr. McEniry's fine.

Police Notes.

Information has been received at the sheriff's office that the man who robbed Von Ach's saloon at Milan Wednesday night has been apprehended at Coal Valley, with the plunder in his possession.

The police received a dispatch from the Peoria authorities asking what disposition should be made of two Rock Island lads, Jimmy Shannon and one Nelson, whose parents reside in Cracker alley, detained there. They had run away from Rock Island.

Henry Harrington was deposited in the city refrigerator paralyzed drunk again yesterday afternoon. Knowing from experience that fining him was useless, as he never could remit, Chief Etzel gave him some advice as to the quickest way to make himself hard to find this morning.

An elderly and almost helpless lady giving her name as Precilla Miller and claiming to hail from Oregon, was taken from the Rock Island depot by the police this afternoon. She states that she was a resident of Rock Island some forty years ago and is on her way to the home of a Bailey family, relatives, living in this county.

The illustrious Patrick Kivelan carries a bruise above his left eye, which he claims was inflicted by a rock from the hand of Martin Reidy during the course of an argument which they were having the other day. Pat swore out a warrant against Mr. Reidy this morning for assault and battery, and the trial will be held this evening.

A hobo representing himself as James Smith was allowed a limited time to shake this neck of the woods by Chief Etzel this morning. Fortune smiled on him last night and the consequence was he consumed so much oil of disturbance that his navigation machinery got out of order, and Deputy Long came to his rescue and provided him with shelter until he became loused up.

A Lucky Find.

Supervisor Foster Armstrong is strongly of the opinion that he has discovered an artesian flow on his farm near Proempton. Water is a scarce article in that section of Rock Island and Mercer counties, and in view of this fact Mr. Armstrong considers himself a lucky man. The lack of rains during the season has dried up all springs and a number of wells, and farmers are considerably inconvenienced in providing sufficient water to supply their stock. While every creek was devoid of even moisture, Mr. Armstrong noticed a little pool of water standing on a certain part of his farm. At first he did not pay particular attention to it, but the more he thought of why it did not dry up like other places, the more aroused became his curiosity. He concluded to investigate. Removing the earth from beneath the water, which was shallow, he came to unusually hard clay. Going a little farther he was amazed to see a large stream of water shoot up into the air about a foot. The flow came straight upward from the bowels of the earth, and an attempt to reach the bottom of the little stream with a pole proved fruitless. Mr. Armstrong was in the city yesterday and said he was arranging to have the well piped.

The Edgington Burglaries.

Further details concerning the Edgington Tuesday night burglaries disclose the fact that the village was invaded by safe-blowers, who got away with a considerable amount of money and other valuables. The door of the safe in A. Rush's store was shattered and the contents, consisting of about \$150 secured. The report is that at Postmaster Stoddard's \$25 in money was appropriated. The men suspected, according to a postal card sent out, were seen about Edgington during the day, and were dressed in dark clothes with slouch hats and were of medium height. They are accused of getting at the two places a cheap purse, nickle-trimmed, and \$175 in money, all told.

Penny Wise and Pound Foolish.

Are they who have not Foley's Colic and Diarrhea Cure as a safeguard in the family. M. F. Bahnsen's drug store.

THE ARGUS, 10c a week.

AYERS' AMBITION.

Keokuk's Postmaster Has an Idea on Improvement in the Service.

Postmaster D. J. Ayres, of Keokuk, well known in Rock Island, is attracting the attention of the postal authorities by a new arrangement which is the outcropping of his ambition to introduce an innovation in the service. Here is what the Gate City says about him:

"Hon. D. J. Ayres, Keokuk's postmaster, chaperoned a Gate City man through the office yesterday. Since his coming into office, the department has placed the office under a more rigid civil service rule than formerly, and has encouraged the application of the strictest and most economical business principles in the management of the office. Postmaster Ayres has had a special opportunity to evidence his eminent business ideas and has made a number of changes in the office arrangement and in the duties of the employees.

"It is needless to refer to the changes of arrangement in the office for the public is already familiar with those. While the carriers are required to do no other duties, the clerks must be competent to interchange work and help one another, which they are frequently called on to do, thus increasing their general efficiency.

A Long Felt Want.

"Every postmaster has struggled with the problem of preventing confusion and mistakes in the general delivery. Letters will get in the wrong pigeon-hole in the case and annoying mistakes will occur. This is particularly true in the hurry of answering many requests, when bundles of letters are taken hurriedly from a pigeon-hole, glanced over and then replaced. Often in the hurry letters get in the wrong place, to remain there, often days, before the error is discovered. This is true of other postoffices--not of the Keokuk office. Postmaster Ayres invented a scheme, almost ridiculous in its simplicity, but which makes it quite impossible for a clerk to place a bundle of letters in the wrong pigeon-hole. This is his scheme: In each hole there is a 'dummy' letter--an envelope containing a blank piece of paper. This remains there whether there are other letters or not. When Mr. Jones asks for his letter, those in the J box, including the dummy, are taken out. When the clerk comes to replace them, he glances over the case and sees but one hole in which there is not a letter, dummy or otherwise. That is the J hole and he need not look for the letter J in replacing the bundle, because all he has to do is to place the bundle in the only vacant hole. Postoffice inspectors have written Mr. Ayres remarkable letters of praise for his simple scheme and declare that it should be adopted by the department. In fact, they put it in operation in every large office they visit in their rounds."

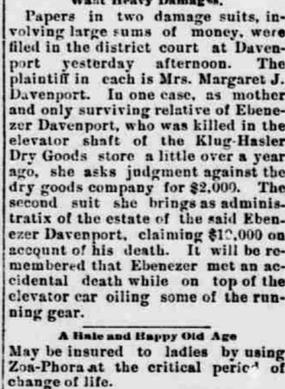
Want Heavy Damages.

Papers in two damage suits, involving large sums of money, were filed in the district court at Davenport yesterday afternoon. The plaintiff in each is Mrs. Margaret J. Davenport. In one case, as mother and only surviving relative of Ebenezer Davenport, who was killed in the elevator shaft of the King-Hastler Dry Goods store a little over a year ago, she asks judgment against the dry goods company for \$2,000. The second suit she brings as administratrix of the estate of the said Ebenezer Davenport, claiming \$12,000 on account of his death. It will be remembered that Ebenezer met an accidental death while on top of the elevator car oiling some of the running gear.

A Hale and Happy Old Age.

May be insured to ladies by using Zoë-Phora at the critical period of change of life.

Full off with starch and glass serene. The linen collar starts the morn; Full off at noontime it is seen. All wilted, wrinkled and forlorn. That's what you must expect of such a collar; it's the linen of it. The stand-up collars won't stand up, and the turn-down collars will wilt down. The easy, cheap, and pleasant way out of this is to wear "CELLULOID" COLLARS AND CUFFS. These goods are made by covering linen collars or cuffs on both sides with "CELLULOID," thus making them strong and durable, and waterproof, not affected by heat or moisture. There are no other waterproof goods made this way, consequently none that can wear so well. When soiled simply wipe them off with a wet cloth. Every piece of the genuine is stamped like this:



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14 to 19, Strong no shoddy \$2.90	4 to 12 Strong everyday \$1.00
" Grey union 3.50	" Fancy blue check 1.25
" Grey all wool 5.00	4 to 14 Fancy brow check 1.38
" Fancy homespun 5.75	4 to 12 Grey mix 1.50
" Fancy chevrot 6.50	4 to 14 Brown striped 1.75
" Blue worsted 7.50	" Fancy mixed 2.00
" Black chevrot 7.75	" Grey check 2.50
" Blue clay 9.00	5 to 12 Combination 3.50
Finer suits up to \$15.00	" Combination 4.25
	6 to 13 Fancy Scotch suits 4.75
	" Fancy cassimere 4.75
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