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Only wish to announce to the trading public that they are still on deck, and that the many orders taken for

## FURNITURE, LAMPS, Etc.,

will be forthcoming in a few days. By the look of the stock of chairs one of our competitors has to carry over there will be no doubt but that chairs will be cheap, as they are very bulky and take up lots of room. Thanking you all for the splendid patronage and the appreciation shown us in our efforts to please. Where our competitor gave only 1 present every other day we gave our customers 6 to select from every day. The great financial question is now solved--6 to 1. See?

## Cloaks, Dress Goods and Crockery

We are going to give you some special bargains in Cloaks, Dress Goods and Crockery. Watch locals.

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ROCK ISLAND

## Hanging Horse Thieves

Is the practice in some communities, and yet they are not much worse than merchants of any kind who abuse a patron's confidence. I expect to remain in Rock Island. Therefore I am selling reliable goods.

## H. D. FOLSOM, The Jeweler.

Largest Assortment.

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The finest Hard Coal Heater ever shown in the city. It has stood the test for years.



And leads every thing ever placed on the market. For a heater and for appearance it is unequalled.

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1821 Second Ave. Opposite the Harper House

## TO FIND THE FUNDS.

Council Finance Committee Attempts the Task.

## ENGAGES AN EXPERT ON THE JOB.

William F. Johnson Called to the Aid of the Municipal Administration in Attempting to Find Where the Special Assessment Money has Gone.

The finance committee of the city council has given William F. Johnson, a republican politician, a position, whose duties will be those of an expert accountant in an examination of the municipal records with a view to ascertaining something about the missing \$13,000 of special assessment funds, which the finance committee reported to the council at the first meeting this month it was unable to satisfactorily account for. The committee, it will be remembered, reported that vouchers aggregating \$20,000 would soon come due on warrants 508, 509 and 504, and that the corresponding assessments remaining uncollected would aggregate but \$7,000, thereby leaving a deficiency of \$13,000. The discrepancy is believed by the committee to be attributable to a fault with the methods employed at the time the special assessment improvements were inaugurated in 1888, and when all monies were deposited into the general fund instead of being kept separately. The surplus which the city should therefore now have on hand has been expended in the general course of municipal procedure.

For the work to be undertaken by Mr. Johnson there were numerous applicants, including John E. Fleming and W. W. Eggleston as well as Mr. Johnson, and Saturday night the latter was engaged. He is to receive about \$5 a day, and tonight an assistant in the work may be appointed.

## Let There Be Light on This, Too.

While the city is undergoing the expense attached to the enjoyment of the services of Mr. Johnson as expert accountant, it is just possible that he might get at the bottom of the city's present financial condition. He might, if clever, find just how the administration became so reckless as to let the street fund "go broke," and to so further exhaust the city's funds as to make it necessary to borrow \$5,000 for August running expenses. So far it has not been considered of sufficient importance to give an intelligent explanation of this state of affairs, those officially responsible contenting themselves with the assurance that the money is gone, and had been expended in public work and that is the end of it. The annoying perplexities that such a situation would seem naturally to bring to one realizing the great significance of it may be relieved by a glance at the revenue record for the first five months, or thereabouts, of the present administration and from which the appended figures were taken by an ARGUS representative this morning. These items come under the head of receipts, and inasmuch as the city may not deem the explanation necessary, are given as follows:

In general fund.....	\$ 30,447 51
Bridge tolls.....	1,789 80
Taxes.....	21,549 85
Ground license.....	545 10
Wagon license.....	343 00
Saloon license.....	17,240 00
Fine.....	291 15
Water rent.....	11,866 47
Police fund.....	127 00
Peddler's stand license.....	100 00
Billiard and pool table license.....	250 00
Plumber's license.....	30 00
Scale books sold.....	42 50
Express wagon license.....	80 00
Druggist's permit.....	10 00
Omnibus license.....	10 00
Shoe license.....	25 00
Hack license.....	57 60
Dairy license.....	132 00
Brewery license.....	12 50
Soap and candle dealer's license.....	5 00
Lice dealer's license.....	25 00
Bill posters license.....	40 00
Pawn broker's license.....	3 00
Public weighers license.....	100 00
Ferry license.....	700 00
Dog tax.....	700 00
Total.....	\$73,887 01

These figures date from April 15 to Sept. 1 of the present year and to the total should be added the \$3,000 borrowed in August, when the city became practically bankrupt, which brings the income of the time stated up to \$83,887.01. Out of this should justly be taken \$5,250 for the last payment on the new waterworks pump, contracted by a previous council, and with the deduction there yet remains \$78,637.01, which, up to Sept. 1, had been expended by the city in five months, an average outlay of \$15,727 a month. Nor is there any accounting made of the overdraft of \$8,780.55 for September bills, for which another loan must be negotiated.

There has been little paving during the last year--in fact the new administration has attempted no progress in this respect, merely putting in a part of what was contracted for by the previous administration and practically letting the rest go by default--and still the street and alley committee finds itself \$2,843.86 overdue with no pretense of stopping the leak.

**Dress Goods.** New and elegant styles of dress goods just arrived. Handsome plaids and also some very pretty rough effects. Quality, as always, the best, and our prices, as always, the lowest. AUG. STEFFEN.

**To Ladies Seeking Employment.** Any lady wishing profitable employment, not only during the coming winter, but permanently, should apply to H. G. Colman, Kalamazoo, Mich. Only those with good references need apply.

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## FALLS TWENTY FEET.

Seven-Year-Old E. D. Bullock Has a Miraculous Escape.

Falling headlong 20 feet to the ground floor of the jail building and sustaining but a slight bruise on the head was the miraculous escape which E. D., the 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bullock, of 1412 Fourth avenue, encountered yesterday afternoon. The little fellow was making one of his customary calls at Sheriff and Mrs. F. C. Hemenway's residence to play with their children, who while romping about the house leaned over the stair railing on the second floor of the living apartments. In so doing the Bullock boy became overbalanced and down he tumbled.

**Rendered Unconscious.** The boy was rendered unconscious and it was feared had received serious injuries. But happily he soon came to and Dr. Eyster found no injuries except a slight bruise on the back of the head. In descending the little fellow turned a somersault--thus undoubtedly saving him from a broken neck--his shoulders striking first and easing the blow on the head.

## FROM THE FOOTLIGHTS.

The "Jolly Chums" Pack Harper's Theatre-Coming Attractions.

Harper's theatre opened its doors to a Sunday night performance for the first time last evening, and naturally more or less interest was centered in the extent of patronage the performance would receive. If we are to judge by last night's attendance the management may regard the Sunday night show a success, in a monetary way. The audience was one of the largest ever seen at the theatre, the house being packed to the doors, and the comedy, "The Jolly Old Chums," one of the finest that has been presented here. It abounds in original and wholesome comedy, introducing the latest hits, such as the hypnotic scene from "Filly," together with topical songs and selections which are entertaining and catchy. The company is headed by the exceptional comedian, Thomas J. Grady, who is supported by an excellent cast.

## "Our Flat."

Wednesday evening the pretty accomplished comedienne, Emily Bancker, will head a company especially selected by her to present at Harper's theatre the amusing farcical comedy, "Our Flat," in which she has had so successfully starred the last two seasons. Of Miss Bancker's ability we hear nothing but the most favorable reports, having for several seasons, before venturing on a starring tour for herself, been engaged by Manager Charles Frohman to head the numerous successful comedies he has of late years presented at his New York theatre. Young, ambitious and beautiful, with a rare endowment of keen perception for all that is artistic, refined and graceful in connection with her art, she has quickly but surely reached a position of positive prominence seldom vouchsafed to one so young. Educated in a school where only those of a high merit attain the gift of popularity, Miss Bancker has chosen that of comedy as her special role, and is considered the foremost comedienne of the present day.

## River Rapids.

The Reindeer came down with six strings of lumber. The Lumberboy and Kit Carson brought down eight strings of lumber each.

The stage of water at the Rock Island bridge at noon was 1.35; the temperature 58.

The Irene D., Jo Long, West Rambo and Verne Swain came down, and the Jo Long, West Rambo, Irene D. and Verne Swain passed up.

The W. B. Graves, Weyerhaeuser & Denkmann's raft, was overtaken by a storm of Lake Pepin Saturday and her raft knocked to pieces. Several other steamers fared likewise, but none of the boats were damaged, most of the logs being caught further down the stream.

## Winter Quarters.

Engineer L. L. Wheeler has issued the following notice with reference to the wintering of boats in the Hennepin canal:

"Notice is hereby given that all boats that can pass the locks will be given winter quarters in the Illinois and Mississippi canal subject to such regulations as may be imposed for the protection of the works. Parties desiring to winter boats in the canal will apply to J. W. Woermann, Milan, Ill., who will assign positions for boats to lie in."

## An Excellent Restaurant.

Pearson's Fifth avenue restaurant, at 2730 Fifth avenue, is now prepared to serve the public to the best possible advantage. Delicious home cooking coupled with neatness and a desire to please its patrons, are its claims for preference. A day and night lunch counter is run in connection that is also up to the standard. Give it a trial.

**Millinery.** If you wish to see the latest styles in millinery, the newest novelties in this line, all at the lowest prices, you should not fail to visit our millinery department. AUG. STEFFEN.

## WAS A SUCCESS.

The Unique Plan of the Moline Ladies' Hospital Endeavors.

The unique plan adopted by the ladies of Moline for the benefit of the hospital in that city worked admirably in successful results Saturday. The Moline Central road and Prospect park terminus were theirs for the day after 10 a. m. They collected the fares and paid the expenses of the road, ran the burros and switchback at the park and conducted the dinner, from all of which, after running expenses were deducted, they realized \$100 in addition to the \$20 donated by the Tri-City Railway company. The affair proved as novel and enjoyable as successful from a financial point of view. The Sixth Regiment band discoursed delightful music throughout the afternoon.

## The Ladies in Charge.

The patronesses of the affair were: Meedames Charles H. Deere, C. J. Cooper, Frank Gould, J. S. Gillmore, E. H. Sleight, George Walker, Clarence Mason, Eva Osborn, Olive Sowers and P. S. McGlynn. The ladies who acted as conductors on the street cars were: Misses Alice Wheelock, Daisy Gould, Tillie Hirsch, Blanche McKeever, Francis Hemenway, Nellie Stephens, Daisy Bullen, Agnes Barnard, Ruth Barnard, Mary Richards, Josephine Hill, Jennie Kerns, Lottie Fisk, Lucy Evans, Edith Curkendall, Clara Anthony, Nellie Anthony, Bessie Young, Maud Cralle, Emma Herbst; Meedames Sol Hirsch, Judson Metzgar, John Good, Henry Hoffman, William Butterworth, Charles P. Skinner, O. C. Wicks, John Lindvall and O. F. Anderson. Mrs. George H. Walker had charge of the burros, while Mrs. Hedwick Hademan looked after the interests of the switchback.

## Eighty-Sixth Birthday.

David Hawes was 86 years old Saturday. Coming to this locality when scarcely evidence of civilization existed, Mr. Hawes has witnessed the up-growing of a metropolitan city in whose enterprise he has ever been identified. Although comparatively close to a centenarian, the venerable "squire" pursues his duties with the diligence and energy of one half his years. On the occasion of his birthday Justice Hawes always is cheered with the presence of his children, and Saturday Frank came down from Fulton, also bringing the greetings of Mr. Hawes' other son, Maj. C. W. Hawes. The day was a happy one for Mr. Hawes and his estimable wife.

## Weddings.

Frank Willson and Miss Grace Parker were married at Hillsdale last Thursday.

Saturday afternoon at the Swedish Lutheran parsonage occurred the marriage of Gustaf Olson and Miss Christine Ineslund. Rev. Carl E. Statt officiated. The groom is an employe of F. C. Hoppe's tailoring establishment. Mr. and Mrs. Olson will reside at 312 Twenty-third street.

## Cloaks, Capes and Jackets.

We receive daily new and elegant styles of ladies' capes and jackets, as well as misses' and children's cloaks and jackets. Our prices in this department are the same as in all other departments which are the lowest in the three cities. QUALITY THE BEST. AUG. STEFFEN.

## Attention, Rheumatic Sufferers.

Carse & Ohlweiler are agents for the famous Colfax mineral water. It has no superior.

## A Stitch in Time

Saves nine, says the old proverb, and it is equally true that a little of the right medicine when the first symptoms of trouble appear, will prevent long illness.

Mr. J. F. Wessel, printer and publisher at Dwight, Ill., says: "I neglected what seemed to be a slight ailment until it became so broken down from rheumatism that I had to give up my work and became an invalid. I yielded to my wife's proposition to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I used 2 bottles, and have entirely recovered my wonted strength and activity. I now put it full time in my office and enjoy life like a new man. My wife says:

"Hood's Sarsaparilla did it and insisted on my writing this letter of gratitude in acknowledgement of the same." Be sure to get Hood's.

**Hood's Pills** cure habitual constipation. Price 25 cents.



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Real Estate, Insurance and Loans.

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## McCABE'S

Bargains all Over the House.

## White Shaker Flannel.

Have you heard this price before? \$10 a yard--you may have heard the price, but you haven't seen the quality. Canton Flannel--One case good canton flannel 3 1/2 a yard. One case 100 canton flannel for this time only 7c a yard. Dress Goods--One case English Cashmere and Fancy Jacquards, all colors and black, worth 20c, only 11c. 200 pieces Venetian stripes, checks and figures, worth 50c, now we shall let you have them at 31c. We reserve the right to restrict the quantity to any customer.

## Reefer Suits.

We open a lot of 2-piece Reefer Suits, Jaunty Jackets and Skirts 4 to 5 yards wide. The swellest thing of the season. We secured some close figures on them which we shall give to buyers. Call as early as possible as there is not a large lot.

## Hosiery.

**SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK.** Ladies' plain black seamless wool Hose, 18c. Ladies' rib top seamless black wool Hose, for this week 12c. Good heavy black fleeced lined hose 12c. A big job of Infants black ribbed wool Hose 8c.

## Coats, Jackets.

We shall open Wednesday a new lot of Coats and Jackets of the newest, latest and most stylish cuts of the season. Owing to the fact of so many intending buyers waiting for these goods we will make

## Wednesday

A special Coat and Cloak day, and will offer a lot of special drives in this department not before shown. Be sure and come on Wednesday.

## Crockery Department.

We offer tomorrow a special bargain in Tumblers. Fine thin blown tumblers, such as you have paid 60c a dozen for, 2c each on Tuesday of Wednesday.

Special lot (50) handsomely decorated Lamps with shades to match, 18 inches high, each 57c while they last this week.

## McCABE'S

1720, 1722, 1724, 1726 and 1728 Second ave.

## They Are Sulted.

You will be if you get inside of one of our \$10 Winter Suits and cover that with one of our neat perfect-fitting Overcoats. A fine example of high-grade work is seen in our \$15 and \$18 Winter Overcoats. Dressy, price-pleasing and we might say not wearoutable. It is time to prepare for wintry storms. Our Clothing ranks among the fairest of Fashion's finery. Father Time will let you live longer if you will wisely wear our health-preserving garments. Just in a friendly way let us quote you a few prices on our

## Boys' and Children's Clothing

## Boys' Knee Pant Suits--

\$1, \$1.15, \$1.38, \$1.75, \$1.88 and \$1.98. 2 pair pants, coat and cap \$3.35.

## Children's Overcoats--

\$1.38, \$1.63, \$2.45 and \$2.98.

## Children's Reefer Overcoats--

\$2.50, \$4.50, \$4.85 and \$6.

A call will convince you that here you can be pleased in styles and prices at our store.

## Sommers &amp; LaVelle

1804 Second Avenue.

One Price.

## MONEY SAVERS.

Men's \$5.00 Shoes for \$3.50

" 3.50 " " 2.50

" 3.00 " " 2.15

" 2.75 " " 1.80

" 2.25 " " 1.55

Ladies 4.00 " " 2.90

" 3.00 " " 2.20

" 2.00 " " 1.55

" 2.75 Oxfords for 1.85

" 2.25 " " 1.55

## Look Out

For an advance in the price of shoes. We won't advance it unless we are compelled to do so; but the safest way is to make your Fall and Winter purchases now. Observe the above money-savers.

We are still selling the W. L. Douglas \$3 shoes for \$2.25 To get fully posted on our removal sale prices call at

## Schneider's Central shoe store,

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## The Fashionable Merchant Tailor

Has the most replete line of new patterns in imported and domestic suitings in the city.

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## Carpenter and Builder,

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