

FOR NEW SOCIETY

Rock Island Choral Singers Decide to Abandon Old Organization.

PUBLIC SUPPORT IS LACKING

Members Held a Meeting Last Night at the High School.

Disbandment of the Rock Island Choral society, which has furnished to the music-loving public a series of high class concerts the past two seasons, was voted at the meeting of the members last evening at the high school.

From an artistic standpoint the old organization was a success even beyond the expectations of those responsible for its formation, but financially it was a burden, the public not manifesting the interest that it should in the undertakings of the society.

The new society that it is proposed to organize will give but one entertainment a year, devoting the remainder of the time to study and voice development. The meeting last evening was called to order by Samuel Edwards, president of the society. George Sheldon acted as chairman.

John J. Lines, who recently came here from the east to open a studio for voice training, has been interested in the movement to reorganize, and he was appointed to interview the members of the old society personally on the reorganization plan.

President Edwards said today: "The society originally was organized by Prof. C. F. Toenniges for the purpose

of rendering oratorios at stated intervals. The expense was, however, too much for the active members, and, though the support for the first year was all that could be desired, the associate membership for the second year was not large enough to warrant the society to continue on the original lines.

"It was decided to reorganize the society for the benefit of such members as desired to study choral music and for musical instruction, omitting in the future public concerts. It is possible that concerts will be given, but these will be only for the friends of members, and the society will not depend on any revenue derived from such concerts. A meeting will be called during the early part of January to enroll active members only."

It is a pity that such an organization should go out of existence for lack of support.

HEIDER HAS FOUR OF KIND:

IS FATHER OF A NEW BOY

Sheriff W. G. Heider received a new boarder at the county jail this morning. He will remain until the term of the present incumbent of the office expires. The new arrival makes Mr. Heider the father of four children—all boys. "And, you know, four of a kind beats a full house, any old day," said the sheriff as he proudly passed the Havanas out to those who dropped into his office during the day to extend the glad hand.

A Costly Mistake.

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SUPPLY A SECRET

New and Unworked Clam Beds Found in Mississippi and Tributaries.

TALK WITH A MANUFACTURER

Who Has Returned From an Extended Tour of Inspection.

Much has been said and written about the button industry and reports regarding the probable supply of shells have been as numerous and of as wide a variety almost as the shells themselves. Just now, when the public mind has been attuned to the belief that the industry has seen its palmiest days, that its rapid decline is now going on and that in a few years at most the whole fabric will collapse, a statement, authenticated and in entirely good accord with the facts, which refutes in every particular this which has been inculcated in the public mind comes as a refreshing bit of news to those who toil in the factories, to those who have invested their money in the business, and to the business interests, which have waxed great under the adgent of the industry.

Perpetuity of the Business.

"Do you know," remarked a prominent Muscatine button manufacturer who has lately returned from Arkansas, "that the button industry of my city has been given an impetus by the discovery of new beds of shells which insures the perpetuity of the business for an indefinite period? Fact," said he, "and I know just what I am talking about, for I have spent practically the last three months traveling all over the Mississippi valley, and I have assured not only my own firm, but the other button men of my city of the rich and practically inexhaustible beds of clam shells heretofore undiscovered, and which have since been worked and their product is now finding its way into this locality."

Where Rich Beds Lie.

According to the statement of this man, who has just returned from Arkansas, the season there has been one of the most favorable and profitable ones in the history of the clamming industry in that state. The water has been at a very excellent stage during the year. Good wages have been paid to the working men and shellers have been busy. "The season's output is far in excess of that of any previous year, and new beds are constantly being discovered, not only in the rivers heretofore worked, but in some where the rake was used for the first time this year. According to the gentleman's statements, all southern rivers tributary to the Mississippi, Missouri and Ohio rivers have, upon investigation, been found to contain rich beds of shells and these are now being either worked or preparations are under way to begin the harvest soon.

Millions of tons of the best shells are found in the Cash and White rivers of Arkansas, the lower Mississippi, the Pearl, Little and Big Kentucky, Tennessee, Cumberland, White and Wabash, of Indiana, the beautiful Ohio, and all small streams in Illinois tributary to the Mississippi. He himself has personally investigated these waters, and from his finding bases the assertion he makes in regard to the perpetuity of the button making industry.

Secret Carefully Kept.

In order to illustrate the secrecy of those engaged in the business when supply of shells is considered, this informant calls attention to the methods employed to keep from the general public, not only the amount of this product being secured, but the source of supply as well. He relates that there are now in his city 2,000 tons of excellent shells, which he stated had been secured from beds not many miles from Muscatine, and of whose existence none but his company and the shellers engaged knew about. He refused the name of the river, but stated it was part of a boundary between two states and emptied into another river. This stream he described minutely and says its beds are practically inexhaustible. His company at great expense has maintained a fleet of boats there the past season, and the Muscatine factory has been kept fully supplied from this source. There is stretch of this river, which he describes as 50 miles long, average depth of water 12 feet, and for nearly this whole distance a bed of shells four feet thick underlies the tract. The shells from that locality have reached Muscatine, but they were first shipped to St. Louis, there rebilled, and at an additional cost shipped to the Iowa city. This method has thus far kept the source of supply from the knowledge of the general public, and though adding to the cost of the material, the company feels that they are well repaid for their efforts to keep sub rosa the source of supply.

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The highest honor for quality of beer has been awarded to the Anheuser-Busch Brewing association "Budweiser" by the imperial scientific commission at Prague, Bohemia.

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SCOTCH ENTERTAINERS ARE

GIVEN PRAISE AT KEOKUK

Gavin Spence and Miss Flora F. Donaldson, the Scotch entertainers who appear at the high school this evening, recently performed at Keokuk, and the Gate City speaks in the following terms of the character of their work:

"Mr. Spence was charming in his introductory remarks on the Scotch characteristics, and proved that a fine satire is one of them in combination with humor and philosophy. His singing was also specially entertaining, his voice being well trained and under splendid control for either vocal gymnastics, as in the bagpipe imitation, or for pathos and sentiment, as in the other songs."

"This was the second appearance in America of Miss Donaldson, who arrived in New York last Saturday and sang in Quincy Monday evening for the first time in this country. Her soprano voice is sympathetic and a feature of her singing which can not be commended too highly, is her remarkably distinct enunciation. Half the enjoyment of Scotch songs is in the words, and with Miss Donaldson every word is as distinct as if pronounced in speaking tone by an eloquentist. All the Scots of Keokuk were there among the room full of people, and Gavin Herbert was the man on the floor."

RULES OF STATE BOARD

OF HEALTH FOR BARBERS

The state board of health has announced the following rules for barber shops:

The use of sponges is prohibited.

Hot and cold water must be provided.

The use of powder puffs is prohibited.

No towels shall be used for more than one person without being washed.

Mugs and shaving brushes shall be thoroughly washed after being used on a person.

No barber, unless he is a licensed physician, shall prescribe for skin disease.

Barbers must wash hands thoroughly with soap and hot water before attending to any person.

Floors must be swept or mopped every day and all the furniture and wood work kept free from dust.

No alum or other astringent shall be used in stick form. If used at all to stop the flow of blood, it must be applied in powder form.

Combs, razors, clippers and scissors shall be thoroughly cleansed by dipping into boiling water of other germicide after every separate use thereof.

Report From Reform School.

J. G. Gluck, superintendent, Pruntytown, W. Va., writes: "After trying all other advertised cough medicines, we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia reform school. I find it the most effective and absolutely harmless." All druggists.

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E. H. GUYER, Attorney.

State of Illinois.

Rock Island County, ss.

In the circuit court of said county, in

chancery.

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Charles Morrison, Agness Morrison, et al.,

No 258 Foreclosure

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue

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