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COUNCIL BLUFFS. ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

TURNING A TRICK. A Michigan Welshman Pays \$40 to Learn the Expressman's Racket. Another confidence game is reported as having been played on the incoming Northwestern train.

IOWA NEWS. Owen Flynn, of Marshalltown, was killed by a tree falling upon him, which he was cutting down in Father Murphy's dooryard.

There were several narrow escapes from drowning on venturing on the honeycombed ice at Burlington recently. One Illinois farmer was loaded down with a jug of whisky which he donated to the thirsty old Miss.

Two freight trains collided on the Chicago & Northwestern railway at Mechanicville on the 20th, one running into the rear of the other.

The Masonic library building, to be erected this year in Cedar Rapids, will be 40 by 41 feet in size, two stories high.

A new swindle is now operated on the farmers in some sections by a nice old gentleman who pretends to be soliciting names to a petition for the reduction of salaries of public officers and the reduction of taxes.

The heated air from the Sioux City Academy of music, on coming in contact with the cold air outside, formed a vapor which was mistaken for smoke; the fire alarm was sounded and a large crowd collected; and it was considerable time before the cause was discovered.

GOING WEST.

The Tenderfoot Fool Who Goes West to Show Off. Bill Nye in Detroit Free Press. A young man with a plated watch-chain came into Denver the other day a sacred elephant came into the city from the east on the Julesburg Short Line, and the hotel clerk that he had just returned from Europe, and was on his way across the continent with the intention of publishing a book of international information.

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authorities, but the most disastrous was that I know is the man who goes west with two dollars and forty cents in his pocket, without brains enough to soil the most delicate cambire handkerchief and tries to play himself for a servant with so much knowledge that he has to abstain information all the time to keep his aboriginal knowledge from hurting him.

THE PRIDE OF THE BALLET.

Who Will Support the Pretty Actress. New York Journal. Another pretty actress, in the Essex Market police court yesterday, was complaining against her husband, Charles E. Miller, for abandonment. Her stage name is Nellie Douglas. Her husband is a hatter by trade, and works in his brother's hat factory at No. 67 Prince street.

ARE YOU GOING TO EUROPE? In another column will be found the announcement of Messrs. THOS. COOK & SON, tourist Agents, 261 Broadway, New York, that they have for Europe's the coming Spring and Summer. "Cook's Excursionists," containing maps and full particulars, will be mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents.

THE HEAVIEST HOGS ON RECORD.

Twenty-four dressed hogs, weighing in the aggregate 20,454 pounds, reached this city yesterday, via the Pennsylvania railroad, from Wrightstown, Burlington county, N. J. They were fattened on the farm of D. Taylor Deviney, and were consigned to Robt Brothers of No. 206 West Thirty-third street. The largest of the hogs, dressed ready for the market, weighed 1,050 pounds, and the next in size, 1,015 pounds. The other weights are 995, 978, 865, 832, 830, 830, 847, 800, 874, 816, 800, 781, 841, 727, 743, 740, 735, 710, 680, 765 and 660. Allowing 20 per cent for the waste in dressing these hogs, the biggest of the lot must have weighed 1,200 pounds when he was killed.

The competition in Burlington County, N. J., in hog raising and fattening has been increasing year by year, and now the many farmers of that region who devote themselves almost exclusively to that pursuit. The process of fattening hogs is to keep them apart in separate stalls, and to feed them constantly on cracked corn and cornmeal balls. They are never allowed to move out of their pens, and being fed and watered five or six times a day have nothing to do but to get fat. They are not starved, and do not starve during the last six months of their lives. The hogs will be on exhibition to-day and to-morrow. Then they will be cut up and packed for the market.

Fewer Corks Than Formerly. New York Sun. "Nothing to-day," the barkeeper of an east side bar room rung out to an old man who trut his head in through the doorway. "Maybe I'll have some at the end of the week." "What does he want?" a cross-eyed man who had just ordered a whiskey sour asked. "Corks," the bar-tender replied. "He's a landmark around here. Guess its full 15 years ago since I first saw him. He didn't look a day older than he does now. The boys used to like him, and they'd save the corks. I've sold him many a barrelful. Nowadays the poor old fellow don't buy more than a few at a time, and he wouldn't have a great deal of capital to invest in his business."

THE DOOM OF THE UNSAVED! "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and the nations that forget God. And the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of indignation, and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. BIBLE.

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LIFE IN A FLAT.

Moral of the Recent Apartment-House Tragedy in New York. New York Cor. Philadelphia Record. Some of the mysteries as well as miseries of life in a fashionable apartment-house have been made public in the story of the binding and ganging of Miss Harvey in the Sloane flats, at Broadway and Thirty-second street. The testimony of her negro assistant, to the effect that he had been domiciled in the servants' rooms for three days, recalls similar revelations by Zola in reference to the stylish apartment-houses of Paris, and lends peculiar emphasis to the imported title applied to the New York tenement-houses of a fashionable grade, viz., French flats. Apartment-house life in New York is a modern method of living, and its peculiarities would surprise the people of other cities who have not yet been crowded into such a way of living. In the first place, it banishes the idea of home. As in the French language there is no word significant of home in its English sense, so in the French flat there is no need or room for such a word. People will only eat and sleep there, and, indeed, do not always eat where they sleep. They occupy a corner of an immense caravansary, quite as public as a hotel, but cheaper and less exacting in the matter of perpetual dressing for meals. They neither know nor care who may be living under the same roof and in contiguous rooms. Money is the broad certificate of respectability which opens the front doors of the "palatial" apartment-house to its "guests," and money is omnipotent. Clergyman, gamblers, brokers, grass widows, adventurers of all sorts—all may find shelter there if they can pay in advance for rooms and keep up the payments promptly. People who have money and want to enjoy life secure apartments in a fashionable quarter, load their homes at a lively, dine at a restaurant, and proceed to enjoy life without its troubles. Perhaps they do enjoy divesting themselves of the cares as well as the comforts of a home, but it is a sad thing for their children, if they have any. The young people grow up without the restraints as well as the tender, loving atmosphere of a home; they make all sorts of acquaintances in the halls and on the stairways of the vast nest that enroofs twenty or thirty families, and they understand the mysteries of life before their parents realize that they have fairly outgrown the limits of the nursery and school. That possibility of vice and crime may be presented to their eyes is seen in the story of apartment-house tragedy with which the newspapers have been ringing this week. A dead price is paid for the hole-in-the-corner pretense of a home. Tenement-house rooms—or, rather, suites of rooms—rent for \$40 a month down; French flats range from \$40 to \$50; apartment-house suites range from \$1,000 to \$6,000 or \$7,000 a year, according to the style of the structure and proximity to a fashionable avenue. The cheapest garret in one of these fashionable dens will bring \$40 a month—and no people will pay it and go half hungry rather than remove out of society's limit. It is a wretched sort of life for all concerned, and society realizes it by finding that the dollar is mighty beyond family lineage, reputation or brilliancy of intellect.

THE NEW TRICYCLE. This machine is propelled by steam, and will carry two passengers in an hour, it is said. It is quite an invention but does not compare with Burdick's Blood Bitter, which will carry the invalid along the road to health to best advantage.

MEDIUMISTIC MURMURERY. Henry C. Gordon, of Spiritist Notoriety Exposed at Philadelphia by Two Reporters. Philad. Inq. special to the Inter Ocean. Henry C. Gordon, one of the best known materializing mediums of this country, was captured to-night in the midst of his manifestation by reporters of The Philadelphia Press. Gordon has been carrying on quite a thriving business of late in the manufacture of spirits, who, he claims, are those of persons present at his seance. He has many dupes, who have firmly believed the figures represented by Gordon are those of departed friends and relatives. One of the reporters got into his confidence several weeks ago, and has been playing the detective ever since. A warrant was sworn out by him before a magistrate to-day, charging Gordon and his assistant, Hugh Kerr, with obtaining money under false and fraudulent representations, with intent to cheat and defraud and conceal the same from the public. Gordon was caught while personating Father Hazard, the deceased daughter of Thomas R. Hazard, who owns a fine country seat outside of Newport, R. I., and who is spending the winter in Philadelphia. Gordon was dressed in white draperies, and was in his stocking feet. Underneath the outside drapery he wore a nightgown over his trousers and shirt. Underneath his robes, and wound around his legs was a red knit shawl, which he had previously worn for his father, and dematerialized before the audience. In the cabinet were found wigs, beards, silk robes, head dresses, mosquito netting, which he had used for lace, shawls, ribbons, spirit jewelry, satin slippers, and other paraphernalia enough to set up a first class spiritualist in the business. Several in the audience, who had previously recognized departed friends, acknowledged that they had been dupes, and thanked the newspaper men for the benefit they had rendered the community. Hazard said that he saw the face of his daughter gradually change into that of Gordon, and claimed that the spirit had taken possession of the medium. He could not explain the clothing however, which Gordon said the spirit had brought up from the store below. The prisoner will be arraigned before a magistrate.

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