

THE DAILY BEE. COUNCIL BLUFFS. Wednesday Morning November 12

WRATHY ABOUT RATES. Citizens Complain Against the Board of Underwriters.

OFFICE: No. 7 Pearl Street, Near Broadway.

MINOR MENTION.

H. R. Stewart, artist, at Capman's. See J. Rieter's new fall stock of cloth.

Dealers will find bargains at Seaman's closing out sale, on usual terms.

The Y. M. C. A. had another entertainment last evening and a good one.

The portraits made by Stewart, the artist, are the finest ever produced here.

Superintendent Matthews is to hold a teachers' convention at Macedonia Nov. 21.

Holiday, birthday and wedding gifts at Seaman's closing out sale, at reduced prices.

Sneak thieves got into Sullivan & Fitzgerald's store Monday night and helped themselves to cigars and other stock.

A marriage permit was yesterday given to F. W. Kaulitz, of Cass county, and Edith M. Astbury, of Lewis, this county.

W. R. Stewart, the crayon portrait artist, has completed a second portrait of the late Frank Keeline, which is being framed by Chapman.

D. W. Bunch yesterday commenced divorce proceedings against his wife, claiming that she had bestowed her affections too freely upon others.

Manderaker & Van are building for J. T. Hart, at Neola, a barn, 38 by 40, having thirteen stalls, carriage and stable rooms granary and corn crib.

L. C. Taylor, who has been lying in jail for some time on a charge of larceny, was yesterday turned loose, the prosecuting witness not caring to appear in the case.

A son of Paul Boquet narrowly escaped serious accident yesterday. In jumping from a Broadway street car his heel got caught under the wheel, but his shoe heel instead of the flesh got the pinch.

A preliminary meeting has been held the organization of a lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Honor, and the next gathering for the purpose will be Wednesday evening, November 19.

The "M. L. S. C.," which translated means the Musical, Literary, Social club, of the Methodist church, met at Colonel Tulley's, Monday evening, and arranged for a social at Mr. Orcutt's Thursday evening, and took the preliminary steps in arranging for a carnival to be held in Masonic hall Thanksgiving night.

While the Nonpareil is trying to make friends with the democratic business men whom it so grossly insulted, the Globe is trying to pacify the republican women whom it insulted no less grossly. These bitter partisan papers get wild sometimes, and it takes the loss of patronage to make them come to their senses.

Mr. Reagan, the paving contractor, left yesterday for Des Moines to spend a day or two there and then return here. He took with him as a present to his wife, the oil painting of Magdalene, painted by Miss Mamie Vaughan, and just purchased by Mr. Reagan. The picture is one which has hung in Father McMenomy's parlor for some time and has been greatly admired.

William Gibson was yesterday arrested for assaulting his wife with a butcher knife. Luckily for her a bystander interfered and thus saved her. The old man seems to be crazed at times, and was apparently so yesterday, for he was drunk, and the assault seemed not in the least provoked. He is lying in jail awaiting examination before Justice Schurz.

The Nonpareil realized that it made a bad break by its abuse of some of the best private citizens in the place simply because they were democrats and joined in a democratic parade. A large number who have tired of the little partisanship of the Nonpareil, have been stopping their paper and advertisements, and the dear old lady becoming frightened came out yesterday morning and made a most sickly apology. It claimed that the editor, the local, and the business manager, happened to be all away from home, and objectionable article was written by some one who was not of the regular force of scribbles. It has been noticed for some time that the Nonpareil did not seem to have any responsible editor, but it must have been humiliating for the old lady herself to acknowledge it.

Orders by telephone for flour, feed, wood, coal, and hay, will be promptly filled by Cook & Cooper, 700 Broadway.

PERSONALS. Fremont Benjamin, of Avoca, was in the city yesterday.

A. H. McClurg has gone to Pittsburg on a short business trip.

W. H. Swan has finished his visit to friends here, he returned to Cheyenne.

Mrs. Manning, of Dunlap, is visiting her brother, F. W. Olmstead, on Sixth avenue.

Rev. Fuskett, pastor of the Baptist church at Hed Oak, was joined in marriage last Friday to Miss Stephens.

As already stated in THE BEE there has been considerable of a stir caused among the business men, concerning the rates fixed by the board of underwriters.

The city council had a talk about it the other day, and it was suggested that the companies doing business here, be subjected to a local tax in order to make up for any increase of rates, but no action was taken.

It has also been suggested that a citizens' meeting be called to discuss the matter and take action. A document has been circulated, and received numerous signers, setting forth the following:

COUNCIL BLUFFS, November 10, 1884. Whereas, the manager of the board of underwriters has issued an arbitrary tabulated rate advancing the cost of insurance from 10 to 40 per cent, which is fully 50 per cent on the average more than the cost of insurance during the days of hand engine protection; and

Whereas, we have a most excellent system of waterworks and an increased force in the fire department, with paved streets for moving hose carts; Therefore, we the undersigned protest against the advanced rates and hereby agree to withhold our business from the companies maintaining the advanced rates and retaining the present manager.

David Bradley & Co., Stewart Bros., J. T. Stewart, Deora, Wells & Co., Keystone Mfg. Co., Wm. L. Hatterson, manager, Harle, Haas & Co., C. B. Jacquemin & Co., Sandwich Mfg Co., pr F. A. Sprague, cashr, Wirt & Duquette, Marshall Mfg Co pr W. S. Cass, Boston Tea Co, John Linder, E. L. Shugart, Shugart, Waite & Weise, Taylor & Calif.

J. R. Davidson, John Bono & Co., D. Maltby, John Bono, J. M. Phillips, Crystal Mill and Grain Co., James Porterfield, Empire Hardware Co., E. Dowling, Smith & Crittenden, Miller & Co., Keeline & Felt, H. P. Seaman, J. Mueller, Harkness Bros., Groneweg & Schoentgen, Van Brunt, Thompson & Co., Cassidy, Orcutt & French, J. C. Bixby, A. C. Graham, J. T. Oliver, L. Kiracht, H. C. Gleason, H. H. Metcalf, Cook & Cooper, Morgan, H. Erseman & Co., Metcalf Bros., Eisenman, Rodda & Co., Maurer & Craig, J. D. Crookwell, Simon Eisenman, N. D. Lawrence, T. J. Evans, J. P. Filbert, L. T. Whitehead, Scofield & Cavin, George K. Oylar Manufacturing Co., J. L. Foreman, W. C. Spetman, W. H. Robinson, Spetman Bros., Parks & Plator, C. A. Beebe & Co., A. M. Boardman, J. J. Clark, Bell & Hall, D. N. Heisler, H. R. Jones, Morgan, Keller Co., DeVol & Wright, McClurg Cracker Co., W. D. Hardin, Peregrin & Moore, Beckman & Co., J. T. Baldwin, J. C. Hoffmayer & Co., Lewis Hammer, S. S. Keldler, M. Keating, C. Daetkin, L. H. Messler, John Bennett, A. D. Foster & Bro., Geo. R. Beard, Cooper & McGee, and of all the Board members yesterday had a talk with Mr. A. M. Weir, the Council Bluffs manager of the board of underwriters.

Mr. Weir seemed to take the situation quite coolly, and did not feel inclined to say very much about it for a few days yet, being disposed to wait until he had heard from the one hundred companies who are doing business here, and before whom the matter has been laid. Acting in the interests of these companies and by their direction, he naturally is willing to abide by whatever they may instruct.

"How is it, Mr. Weir, that there is an increase of rates, now that the water works have been established, and the city has better protection than under the old engine system?"

"There has not been an advance altogether. Some rates have been increased and others have been lowered. They have been equalized rather than raised. The fact is that many of the rates were too low before the water-works were established. All I have done has been to equalize the rates and make them nearer what they should be. Many of the rates, to be sure, have been raised, but still they are not as high as in Des Moines or in Omaha."

"How do you go about it to fix the rates?"

"Why the old way, which used to be followed here, was what was known as the 'plan.' A man would stand on the sidewalk, look across at a building and then estimate a rate. That isn't the way now. There is a regular schedule which is followed in making up the rates here. For instance, for a first class, new fire-proof building—suppose the basis is 75 cents. Now, on a building which has a composition roof, there will be more added, and 10 cents would be added to the rate. If there was an elevator running from the bottom to the top there would be additional risk and hence 5 cents added, and so much is added for every story above three and so much for a wooden cornice, and so on. The better the building, the lower the rate, you see, because there is less risk. Then the matter of occupancy is figured up the same. So much extra if used for a drug store, for instance. In fact, a minimum rate is fixed for the best possible risk, and to this is added regular schedule prices for all defects, and thus the rate on each building is figured out by an inspection and by a figuring in accordance with the rates which the insurance companies have fixed in accordance with the risks as shown by their experience in having losses."

"You don't go about, then, and fix rates, as an assessor valuing property?"

"No, certainly not. Every item about the building is noted, whether it is brick or frame, a zinc or a wooden cornice, what kind of a roof, what sort of walls, whether it has an elevator, its surroundings, its occupancy, and, in fact, everything, and then the rate is figured up from these items, so that rates cannot but be equitable."

"What will be the outcome of this matter?"

"Well, I do not like to say anything about that. Just wait a few days. I am satisfied that when business men understand the facts and compare the rates established here with those in Des Moines, Omaha, and other cities, they will be satisfied that Council Bluffs is being fairly and even generously treated."

"What if the council decides to tax the insurance companies doing business here?"

"Well, that is something I have nothing to do about. In some cities they do lay a tax. In other cities they have tried and failed. That is a matter, as I just said, that I have not anything to do with now. In fact, I do not care to say much about it at present, and if you say anything in THE BEE, I wish you would simply state the facts and let the people judge for themselves. I am not a member of the board of underwriters, and I have no explanations or statements to make on the other side. I don't care if you make some such paragraph as that if you want to."

Real Estate Transfers. The following transfers were filed in county clerk's office yesterday and reported for the Bee by J. P. McMahon, real estate agent, November 11, 1884.

S. J. Brown and wife to W. R. Vaughan, lot 2, block 2, Bayliss and Palmer's add. \$10.

L. R. Tuttle and wife to John D. Clark, lot 13, block 72, sub-div. of Riddle tract. \$250.

The roller skate mostly in favor seems to be the one with the 2 1/2 inch brass-lined wheels, the largest in use. H. L. Miller, 1009 Fourth avenue, Council Bluffs, is the western agent for these skates, and is having an immense success in selling the same. He carries a large and well assorted stock of club, half club and strap skates.

Order hard wood of P. Overton. The Crack of Doom. The court house, which has been taking a tumble to itself faster than the people have tumbled to the fact that they need a new building, yesterday gave another of its cracks, which indicated the coming doom. Some of the plastering fell from the ceiling of the auditor's office, where the county board of supervisors were convening the vote. The crack and the falling of plaster caused a hasty exit. One of the supervisors, as he crawled cautiously back into the room with his hair on end, and his face deathly white, dared to suggest that the county records be moved into some safe building as Dohany's old opera house, but the suggestion will not probably be complied with.

Stewart Stove, De Vol & Wright. COMMERCIAL COUNCIL BLUFFS MARKET.

Wheat—No. 1 milling, 60¢/55; No. 2, 58; No. 3, 50; rejected 35¢/30. Corn—New, 25¢/23. Oats—For local purposes, 35. Hay—\$5 00¢/70 per ton; baled, 50¢/50. Rye—35¢. Corn Meal—1 70 per 100 pounds. Wood—Good supply; prices at yards, 6 00¢/0. Coal—Delivered, hard, 2 50 per ton; soft 4 50 per ton. Lead—For smelting, wholesaling at 9¢. Flour—City flour, 1 50¢/2 50. Brooms—2 95¢/3 00 per doz.

LIVE STOCK. Cattle—Butcher cows 3 25¢/3 75. Butcher steers, 3 00¢/3 00. Sheep—2 00¢/3 00. Hogs—4 00¢/4 25.

PRODUCE AND FRUITS. Poultry—1 1/2 old hens, 6¢; spring chickens, 2 10¢/3 00 per doz. Butter—Creamery, 23¢/30¢; choice country 22¢.

Vegetables—Potatoes, 30¢/40¢ per bushel; onions, 40¢/50¢ per bushel; apples, choice cooking or eating, 2 25; beans, 1 50¢/2 00 per bushel; sweet potatoes, 2 50 per lb.

Wrought Iron Ranges at reduced prices. De Vol & Wright, 504 Broadway. Window shades at cost to close them out. P. C. Miller 13 Pearl street.

It will pay you to see our line of stoves before you buy. De Vol & Wright, 504 Broadway.

Closing Out. To close the business I offer my stock of miscellaneous books, picture, fancy goods, notions, fire screens, ennels, willow and cane high chairs and children's rockers, at prices never known before in the west. H. E. Seaman, paper, books and stationery, 504 Broadway, Council Bluffs.

Senator Jones' Alaska Mine. E. D. Kelley, of the Winnebago Silver State, a few days ago received a private letter from Gov. Kinkaid, which, among many matters of general interest, contains the following in regard to a mining operation in which Senator J. P. Jones is largely interested: "At Juneau, the first stop in Alaska, the party were given a hearty reception by about 100 miners and citizens of the place, among them being many old Californians and Nevadans. Of this place the governor says: 'Juneau City is the present centre of mining interests. Back of the town, high up in the mountains, is Gold Basin, where placer mining is successfully carried on mainly from decomposed quartz. The washings discover many small ledges of fine gold quartz, but the chief attraction now is the quartz mill of Treadwell & Co., on Douglas island, which is literally a mountain of quartz. The lower tunnel shows a ledge of at least 400 feet of quartz, assaying from \$10 to \$15 per ton. The company expect to have their 120-stamp mill running by the 12th of January. They will have expended by that time from \$300,000 to \$400,000. A few months will repay them, and they have years of ore in sight.' The company is mainly San Francisco capitalists, but I am glad to say that our Nevada senator, Jones, has a large slice of it—one-fifth or one-sixth, I believe—fortune enough for any reasonable man."

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For Sale! I will sell the following property on easy terms if bought within 30 days.

200 Acre Farm. Five miles north of Council Bluffs; good barn, house, orchard, and all fenced.

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8000 bushels of feed and machinery is divided up into lots for sale, and will sell only in connection with said farms.

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