GRAVEYARD GUILD AT WORK.

Some Very Startling Facts and Damaging Rumors Concerning It.

TOO HORRIBLE TO BELIEVE.

Talk and Facts Regarding the Body Snatchers—New Fire Alarm and Sewerage—Other Lincoln Matters.

[FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.]

There turns out to be more in the finding of the body of the unknown man in the stable on Eleventh street than was first supposed to be. As was briefly stated in yesterday's BEE, Dr. Hay, from the insane asylum, came into the city Sunday afternoon and identified the body as that of a patient who had been an inmate in that institution. When asked the name of the person the doctor refused to tell, and no efforts of those questioning him could make him divulge it. In the meantime the excitement in the city over the matter increased tenfold, and various conjectures have floated about as to who the man was and how his body came into the hands of Dr. Mitchell, who is also dean of the medical school connected with the state university.

A BEE reporter questioned Dr. Mathewson, the superintendent of the asylum, yesterday, and the following substantially is what he said, after the statements concerning Dr. Beachley and Dr. Hays coming to town: When Dr Beachley, the coroner, telephoned out to the asylum Sunday morning to know whether anybody had been missed from the asylum burial ground, an answer came back that some one would be sent to the city to see. Dr. Hay came in with a light spring wagon and upon going to the engine house found that the corpse had been taken from the asylum. Dr. Mathewson said, when asked, that the man was buried a week ago Sunday, and that it had been suspected that the grave would be tampered with; he did not know why it would be molested; any way he put a watch upon it, but it would seem not continuously, for according to the doctor's statement it had been robbed. He did not know when the body was brought to town. The doctor strangely said that when he learned the rumor that a corpse had been discovered in the city he caused the grave in which this man had been buried to be opened, and it was found that the coffin was open and the lid broken. The doctor would not give the name of the man because he said his friends lived in the state, and he feared it might pain their feelings to have them know anything about the desecration of their relative's grave. A further curious statement of the doctor's was that he had written to the man's friends, but that this was subsequent to the finding of the body in the stable. In answer to some of the questions the doctor hesitated before replying through the telephone, by which method the interrogatories had been put.

Another gentleman, who seemed to be well posted, gave the following theory of the affair: He believed that a regular system of body snatching had been carried on between the asylum and the medical college of this city. His reasons for thinking so are even now in a state of absolute demonstration. A physician, who claims to know a great deal about what is going on at the asylum, says that there are many abuses there. He darkly hinted that the present instance was not the first time that bodies had been taken from the same source.

There is no doubt that the statement of Dr. Mathewson to the reporter is unjointed, unconnected and unplausible. Why he should withhold the man's name when, in almost the same breath, he declared that he had written to the man's relatives who, he said, lived in Nebraska does not well appear. From all the sources and points already obtained it is almost a certainty that the body was taken by some unknown person from the asylum to the barn, preparatory to further removal to the medical college of the state university for purposes of dissection. This fact is well borne out by the presence of Dr. Mitchell at the small room in the barn Saturday night. It is known that he and the clinical demonstrator were both aware of the fact that the body would be taken from the asylum to the stable, where they were to get it and take it to the college.

It was told to the BEE reporter yesterday afternoon that a party implicated in a similar affair would confess to one of the state officers a stat of facts revolting in their detail.

The rumored details are simply as follows:

For some time past a regular system or habit of taking bodies from the asylum for medical colleges has been going on and that the traffic in dead bodies has become a considerable private revenue to certain persons connected with the asylum. It is also asserted that the body of the man taken from the farm Saturday night never saw a grave, but was taken directly from the dead room to its destination. Whether this state of affairs has been known to the superintendent is not, of course, known, while the details of the confession cannot be got at, but it is strongly hinted that they were. His contradictory statement and vague assertion with regard to a suspicion that the particular grave would be robbed would unhappily for him indicate that he was not wholly ignorant of its existence.

In other circles the governor's name even is indirectly drawn in for the simple reason that he would not allow the board of public lands and buildings to have a voice in the selection of matron, but arbitrarily appointed Mrs. Mathewson, wife of the superintendent, to fill the position without giving any reason for his conduct.

Now that these facts have come out it should be stated that the BEE reporter has long been in possession of other stories of irregularities at the asylum under its present management. His principal informant was the editor of a Lincoln publication, and he asserted that what he said he positively knew to be true.

The details which he gave are unfit for publication.

In justice to Dr. Mathewson it may be stated that it is well known that efforts have for some time been made to get him out, and for this reason anything with reference to him may well be taken with grains of allowance.

There has certainly fault been found lately with his management of the asylum, and these are attested by attendants who have served there from time to time, some of whom are at present living in Lincoln and vicinity. Even with these allegations, a part of which have been presented to the governor, in the form of affidavits have failed to convince the chief executive of the doctor's incapacity. The governor's dictatorial appointment of Mrs. Mathewson as matron only shows that his faith in him has become more steadfast and abiding.

A QUEER DEATH.

Coroner Beachley was informed yesterday morning that a 12-year-old boy named Howard Jemaka, living with his father on a farm a mile and a half from the town of Bennet, in this county, had died under peculiar circumstances. It appears that Saturday night last young Howard, in company with some companions, visited Bennett and went to the skating rink and while there the lad took violent exercise. When he left the rink he was in a profuse perspiration. Starting home he was given several drinks of whisky out of a bottle one of the men had and he also smoked several cigars. He became violently sick, and the men in the wagon took him out and breaking the ice in a pond plunged him in. He died soon after. The coroner held no inquest, and it is not known from which cause, the exercise, the cigars, the whisky, or the plunge into the water killed him. The funeral occurred yesterday.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

There is a movement on foot to put in a fire alarm telegraph system in Lincoln, and several councilmen and those connected with the department have given it serious consideration. The new engine house on Market square will soon be completed and far better facilities afforded the firemen for their work. Regular stalls back of the place where the apparatus will stand are planned, and every other modern appliance will be adopted.

Chief Quick will go to Omaha before long to look at the electric appliances made by George Coulter, captain of No. 1 engine house, and compare them with those of other departments. The best will be adopted by the Lincoln department.

A SYSTEM OF SEWERAGE.

It is said that several sanitary engineers are at present in Lincoln with a view of presenting plans for systems of sewerage. These gentlemen will shortly present plans to the city council and mayor for their inspection and approval. Chester B. Davis, who was so thoroughly shown up in the BEE last August, has not been in Lincoln since the money was tendered him to withdraw his proposition and annul his contract. Two or three of those who shortly propose to submit plans, are said to live east and to be thoroughly competent, although this will not be known until after their plans are shown.

CITY NOTES.

The white line of cars on O street are said to be the prettiest painted vehicles of that character in the United States.

It was rumored yesterday morning that the body of a small female child had been found on a vacant lot west of the university, but the report proved untrue.

The wholesale liquor firm of M. Glass & Co., of Kansas City, St. Louis, and other southern cities, have established a branch house in Lincoln.

Miss Julia Connor, a well known and highly respected young lady, died Saturday and was buried Sunday from the St. Theresa church. The funeral was attended by the Fitzgerald hose team in a body. There were six lady pall bearers and the services were very impressive.

The weather in Lincoln is rapidly growing colder and people shiver as they walk.

STATE ARRIVALS.

W. H. Brown, Omaha; J. G. Dodd, Red Cloud; D. P. Winter, Beatrice; F. B. Wilson, Ashland; J. H. Green, Omaha; J. McKinzie, Howard; J. B. Pardon, Ulysses; H. T. Clark, Omaha; L. F. D. Gets, Nebraska City; J. L. Mitchell, Nebraska City; Thos. Jensen, Ulysses; G. E. Waldo, Ulysses; Thos. Graham, Seward; F. C. Harrington, Pawnee; J. A. Cope, Pawnee.

Brevities.

E. W. Nash returned yesterday from the east.

Senator and Mrs. Manderson leave for Washington this week.

The patrol wagon has not been obliged to answer a single call as yet.

H. W. Parker was presented with a nine pound boy on the eve of November 16.

Hon. William Ball, of Michigan, will remain in the city a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Lot Saunders.

Otto Wagner was married to Minna H. Klawei yesterday by Judge Weiss. Both are residents of this city.

C. E. Brainard, the very clever steward of the Canfield house, has resigned his present position, and will accept the stewardship of the Hibbard house, Sioux City.

Ben Flood, an employe of the Republican was assaulted by a thug on South Thirteenth Sunday night and pretty badly pounded. The assault was malicious and unprovoked.

Joseph L. Topham, the enterprising insurance man, well known throughout the west, has come to Omaha, and will represent the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance company in this state, in the capacity of general agent.

W. J. Kennedy, of Kennedy & Martin, leaves this evening to argue before the supreme court the libel case of the State vs. Alice O. Mills, who is charged with slandering Mrs. Alice Dailey. The case was taken up from the district court to the supreme court, on appeal.

The South Side social club will give a party at Engine house No. 4, on Wednesday evening of this week, instead of at the usual time. Everything will be done to make the party as usual of a success as on previous occasions. Supper will be given at Hascall's new building.

The case of August Schull and Charles Valner, who are charged with beating a young Swede last Sunday afternoon, has been taken on change of venue from Justice Selden's to Justice Brandes' court. The case will come up for trial to-day.

A horse attached to a buggy and hitched to a telegraph pole on South Thirteenth street yesterday broke loose and ran away. By a gallant dash Officer Murphy caught the rein, but the bridle came off over the horse's head and the animal continued its mad career until it smashed the vehicle into matchwood. The owner did not appear.

The Eloping Pair.

Charles Feith, the restauranteur whose wife deserted him last week in company with one of his waiters named Fred Clark, informed a reporter yesterday that the erring couple were traveling together in the south. Previous to their departure they stole Feith's marriage certificate and he believes that they are traveling under his name. It has also developed that Clark stole some of his employer's clothes, that he left numerous debts about town and that he is a generally dissolute character.

A Family Blessing.

Nothing adds more to the security of life, o happiness and health, than a safe and reliable family medicine. Simmons' Liver Regulator has won for itself the appellation of "the favorite home remedy." It is adapted to a large proportion of the emergencies which occur in domestic life. If the child has the colic, it is a sure, safe and pleasant remedy. If the father is exhausted, overworked, debilitated, it will restore his failing strength. If the wife suffers from dyspepsia, low spirits, headache, it will give relief. If any member of the family has eaten anything hard of digestion, a small dose of the Regulator will soon establish a good digestion. It gives refreshing sleep even in cases where narcotic have failed. It is the best PREVENTIVE MEDICINE, and safe to begin with, no matter what the attack; and in almost every case will afford relief and effect a speedy cure, without the aid of other medicine. No error to be feared in administering; no injury from exposure after taking; no change of diet required; no change of habits; no neglect of duties or loss of time. Simmons' Liver Regulator is entirely vegetable, and is the purest and best family medicine compounded. Prepared by J. H. ZEILIN & CO., Philadelphia, Pa., sole proprietors.

HER ACCUSER DISAPPEARS.

A Witness Who Has Been Frightened and Cannot Be Found.

NEBRASKA'S GREAT MYSTERY.

Some Facts About the Alleged Confession of the Murderer of Watson B. Smith—Forty Years Married.

A Witness Gone.

The question which is agitating the minds of a number of Omaha people at present is "What has become of Mrs. Merrick?" The woman in question is a witness in the case of Daniel McNabb vs. Annie McNabb, now pending in Justice Anderson's court, in which the husband is trying to fasten upon his wife the crime of adultery, in order that he may procure a divorce. Mrs. Merrick is the woman to whom Mrs. McNabb confided the secret that she had a paramour, and her testimony is essential to an issue of the case favorable to Daniel McNabb. She refused to testify on the stand last week, and the case was postponed. The next day, as already mentioned in these columns, Mrs. Merrick disappeared, not, however, before she had given a full affidavit of the facts to Mr. Burnham. She has not been seen since, and no one knows whither she has gone. As she was very much afraid lest Mrs. McNabb would kill her if she testified any further, it is supposed by McNabb's attorneys that Mrs. Merrick has left town, temporarily, at least, to escape the necessity of testifying further.

Constable Edgerton pounced down Mrs. McNabb on Saturday and compelled her to give up the furniture and silverware which she had stolen from her trusting husband. The property had been secreted in Stella Young's house of ill fame next door, and after Mrs. McNabb had made proper restitution, she was allowed to retain her share of the goods. She has announced her intention of leaving her husband.

THE CONVICT'S CONFESSION.

Some Facts that the "Stunning Revelation" Develops.

The confession of John Pierson, whether true or false, and the BEE is inclined to believe it the latter, nevertheless recalls incidents and produces developments of such interest that for this reason, if none other, something is printed concerning the matter.

The minutes of the coroner's and court proceedings and the files of the local papers of that time have been ransacked, and the tell-tale records have first and signally caught Jack Nugent in either a mistake or a lie, and at the same time brought corroboration in a measure to Pierson's story. When first approached on Sunday with this convict's confession, Nugent is said to have betrayed evident trepidation, but he has since regained an equanimity of temper that fairly baffles inquiry. A reporter for the BEE held a long conversation with Nugent last evening, in which the latter contemptuously scouted the whole story, and said he would make it hot for Warden Nobes who, he says, fattened the whole lie. To wreak vengeance upon the warden, Nugent claims he has accessible a letter from Nobes' hand so compromising that it will cost his official head if exposed.

This letter Lon George says he has in his possession, and claims he can use it to very good advantage in making Nobes squirm. He further states that he was once offered $200 for the letter by parties who wanted to conspire to Nobes' downfall, but refused the tender for reasons he prefers to retain himself. To prove his innocence of the crime Nugent could substantiate an alibi. He says that he left Omaha September 27, 1881, with a minstrel show and did not return until December 11 following, when he sold out his show. Local papers of that time chronicle his return to Omaha November 9, and he might have been unobserved for several days prior. Col. Smith was murdered on the night of November 4. Nugent says he never saw Pierson, the Nebraska convict, but by a strange coincidence there was concerned in the variety show business here with him in 1881 a John Pierson, now in the Iowa penitentiary. The United States district attorney, when asked yesterday if under the circumstances he did not intend to arrest Jack Nugent, replied solely by venting his anger at the premature publication of the confession and concluded with the statement that he had nothing to say.

A big point scored in favor of the credit of Pierson's story is brought out from the coroner's records. A man named Bunce, a little Swede boy and a postal messenger all swore that, passing the federal building at 11 o'clock on the fatal night, they heard two pistol shots from within. The evidence indicated that only one shot had been fired and that from Col. Smith's own pistol, which lay at his feet partly thrust up his trousers leg. The testimony of these three men was never believed, but Pierson's confession now comes to sustain it and solve the mystery. He states that after firing the pistol shot which killed Colonel Smith, he filled his pockets and finding his revolver discharged it in the air and threw it at his victim's side to create the appearance of suicide. This random shot may have been the one lodged in the lintel of the court room door and, although entirely out of range, was accepted as the ball which had passed through Smith's head. Other important developments are being secured.

RESIGNATION OF THE DEAN.

And Resolutions of the Trinity Cathedral Vestry.

The following correspondence relative to Dean Millspaugh's resignation is now for the first time made public through the BEE:

OMAHA, Saturday, Oct. 10, 1885.—To the Warden and Vestrymen of Trinity Cathedral Church.—DEAR SIRS:—This evening for the first time, it seemed well that I should sever my connection with the Cathedral parish.

While I do not in the least sympathize with an anxiety which has arisen in regard to the anticipated withdrawal of the presence and support of a member of the cathedral congregation in a new organization which is needed in the city, I fully appreciate the anxiety.

With deep regret therefore I hereby proffer my resignation of the rectorship of Trinity parish, to take effect at Easter, unless I can establish myself before, in which case you shall be duly notified.

I do this to give you freedom to act according to your best judgment for the welfare of the Cathedral church which is, and always will be very precious to me on account of so many holy associations.

For the nine years it has been permitted me to go in and out as your rector, I have striven to do my whole duty.

Assuring you of a love I can never have for another parish, and praying for the direction of God's Holy Spirit upon your deliberations for His glory and the salvation of men, I am, Affectionately your rector,

FRANK R. MILLSPAUGH.

Resolved, Unanimously by the wardens and vestrymen of Trinity cathedral church, in meeting duly assembled October 22nd, 1885: In accepting the resignation tendered by our Rector, Rev. Frank R. Millspaugh, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge his zealous and efficient service throughout the whole period of his rectorship; his ability, energy and constant devotedness to his christian work and duty. During his ministry here the affairs of the parish have prospered: its church membership has greatly increased: the costly and beautiful cathedral church of Nebraska has been built and completed within it; and at all times, he has walked and labored among us in his holy calling, with earnestness of faith and purpose; and with an entire moral and christian rectitude.

When he shall finally withdraw from us, his many warm friends here will follow him with cordial and warmest wishes for his success and welfare; and we unreservedly commend him to the confidence, trust and christian support of those to whom he may be called to minister in the Master's work.

Resolved, That the secretary prepare an engrossed copy of the foregoing, to be signed individually by the wardens and vestrymen, and presented to the rector.

RUBY WEDDING.

Fortieth Anniversary of the Wedding of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Savidge.

MARRIED—At the bride's home at New Virginia, Ohio, November 20, 1845, Mr. C. H. Savidge and Miss Julia Meyers.

At the M. E. church at Springfield, Neb., November 20, 1885, Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Savidge received the congratulations of their friends on the happy attainment of their fortieth marriage anniversary, manifested by tokens of regard, enlivened by the musical and literary which made it an occasion long to be remembered. The following members of the family were present: Mrs. Sarah H. Goodsell, wife to Rev. H. Goodsell of the West Wisconsin conference, Mrs. Samuel L. Savidge, wife of the late Judge Savidge of Kearney, Neb.; Rev. C. W. Savidge, of Omaha; Joseph M. Savidge, of Custer county; Watson B. Savidge, of Springfield; Miss Jessie Savidge, the remaining child at home. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Savidge, of Kearney were absent owing to sickness in their family. Two grandchildren, little Charlie and May Savidge (children of Judge Savidge) were present. Guests present from abroad were Mrs. Robert Laing, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McLain and daughter Nellie, Mrs. John Shill and daughter Stella, of Omaha; Miss Cassie Smith, of Elm Creek, Neb.; Col. Ritchie and family, Mr. Syphord and wife, from Fairview, and many others from different sections of the state.

Gifts of beauty and elegance were conspicuous objects of the occasion. Among these we mention handsome copies of the Oxford Bible, by Joseph and Watson Savidge, ruby pitcher and glasses, by Rev. Henry Baldwin, of Arlington, Neb.; silver tea service, by Mrs. Samuel Savidge; by friends of the First M. E. church, Omaha, two decorated china fruit plates, with parlor lamp; cake dish of unique pattern, by William H. Savidge; silver pickle castor with hand painted ernet, by Mrs. Robert Laing; china tea set, by Mrs. Goodsell and her two youngest brothers; velvet hand painted lambrequin, Mrs. Samuel Savidge; pair of fine wooden blankets, from Charlie Savidge, jr.; ruby pitcher with glasses, from Samuel Brown and wife; from Rev. C. W. Savidge, life sized portrait of himself; a most handsome tidy from Mrs. Anna Fitch; elegant fruit dish, with embellished china center, by members of the Seward street M. E. church; purse of $50 tendered by the friends of Springfield and community. The literary programme was most enjoyable. Rev. Gilbert offered prayer. The singing was unusually fine. Col. Ritchie responded to the toast, "Matrimony." The audience will never forget the colonel's speech; it was most excellent. The gift from the First M. E. church was presented by Mr. J. J. McLain in a most happy speech. The handsome present sent by the Seward street M. E. church was presented by John Shill, who said:

"Matrimony's fluted autumn,
A ruby link in the lengthened chain,
Now glows amid autumn's silver grey,
A gleam of years, whose blissful train
Marks signals rising by the way.

"Thus may thy steps of quiet peace
Pass on—wedded bliss and love
Fill all thy joys for age, increase
And share it crowned with joy above."

Mrs. Rodgers, of Springfield, responded to the toast "Ruby Wedding." This was well received. Miss Stella Shill read "Hannah Bane."

Rev. C. W. Savidge spoke for the family of children.

Rev. C. H. Savidge responded in the following words: "My Dear Children and Friends—I cannot find language to thank you for this kind expression of you regard. It is an event in our history that we can never forget and that we shall always look back upon with great pleasure. It is forty years to-day since my dear wife and I commenced the voyage of life together. To say we have always had sunshine and fair weather would be saying too much. Sometimes there have been clouds and storms have threatened us, but these have all passed over, and our skies have been more clear and the sun shone brighter than before. Death, too, has visited our circle several times. Some of our babes have gone to the better land, and two years ago our first born, in the midst of honors and usefulness, was called away, leaving a most precious testimony that all was well. And here before you are his bereaved wife and two children, and had he been living he would have been foremost in this event.

And amid all these joys and sorrows, sunshine and shadows our hearts have been united more and more, and we have learned to understand each other better, to bear with each others failings, and to love each other more. And now, as we look upon these dear children and grandchildren that God has given us, who have been at such pains and expense thus to honor us, and those kind friends who, after such a short acquaintance, have entered so heartily into this pleasant occasion, we can but say, may God bless you, our children and friends, and may our Heavenly Father make your lives as peaceful and happy as ours have been. And now, my dear wife, we will renew the promise we made forty years ago, that we will love, honor and keep each other 'until death do us part.'"

An elegant and bountiful supper was then served, and at midnight the company dispersed to their homes.

Working for Watches.

"A gang of watch-thieves is working the town" remarked Jailor Sigwart to a reporter yesterday. "Already three complaints have been filed here by men who have had watches filched from their rooms at night."

The first loss was reported by Mr. E. E. Hinkle who lost a valuable gold filled watch Sunday night.

B. H. Smith, a clerk in L. B. Williams' store also reports that he lost a valuable gold watch; was stolen Sunday night. The thieves obtained entrance into his residence by opening a back door.

W. S. Carton, with Joseph Garneau, met with a similar loss Sunday night. The timepiece was taken from his room at the corner of Thirteenth and Howard streets some time last night. It is a valuable gold watch, with jewelled hunting-case.

In all of these cases, the theft has been committed at night, and the thieves, whoever they may be, pick the lock with with a pair of pinchers. The police are keeping a keen lookout for them and it may be that they will soon be run to the ground.

Police Court Docket.

Judge Stenberg disposed of the following cases in police court yesterday:

Thos. Hickey, Walter Homan, Geo. Perrin, Thomas Hughes, Al Edwards, drunk and disorderly, $5 and costs. Hickey held in default of money.

William Griffith, "Thunderbolt Bill," suspicious character, twenty-five days on bread and water.

Florence Dulack, fighting, $5 and costs.

A BOODLE FOR HIS BABIES.

A Georgia Planter Remembers His Illegitimate Offspring.

HIS REMARKABLE TESTAMENT.

A Sudden Death Preceded by a Very Remarkable Career—The Legatees Now the Richest Negro Women in the World.

An Immense Fortune for Coons.

SPARTA, Nov. 23.—An interesting case was decided here on Saturday. It was the case of the natural heirs of the late David Dickson versus the legatees named in the will. Dickson bequeathed to his negro concubine and child $500,000. The natural heirs stubbornly contested the will, and after a long trial the jury returned a verdict Saturday sustaining the document. Amanda and Julia Dickson, by this verdict, are made the richest negro women in the country.

Mr. Dickson died on the 13th of last February. It was found that he had left a will, and it was opened about three weeks after his death. There were bequests of $5,000 each to four children of his sisters. To five or six others were bequests of $2,000 each, and to a half dozen others $1,000 apiece was given. Besides providing for these and a few minor bequests, he directed that the executors of his will, Charles M. Dubose and J. T. Warthen, should receive $2,500 each for their services. These items amounted to a considerable sum aggregated, but were a small portion of an estate worth $400,000. The great bulk of this superb property was bequeathed to Amanda Dickson, a colored woman, in trust for her two mulatto children. The fortunate legatee is about 45 years old. Mrs. Dickson had devoted to herself and her mother a handsome property before his death. They had been slaves of his, and had lived on his plantation for many years under circumstances which did not elevate Mr. Dickson's social standing or exalt the regard in which his neighbors held him. He lived twelve miles from Sparta, in the center of an enormous plantation, covering about three thousand acres of land. Until he was over 60 years old he was a bachelor and a man of solitary habits. His association went to Sparta, and the chief break in the monotony of his life was his annual visit to Augusta. He attended regularly the Georgia railroad convention in that city, because he was one of the earliest subscribers to that road and one of the largest stockholders in it.

In 1859 he married Miss Clara Harris, of this county. She lived as his wife for about two years, and died childless. Mr. Dickson, though little known personally to many of the citizens of his own county, was famous as the most successful farmer in Georgia. Many years ago he wrote a book on farming, which is still regarded as an excellent work. He began to accumulate land when a young man. His steady success and shrewd business sense enabled him to become while yet young one of the largest planters and slave-owners in Georgia. Just before the negroes were emancipated he owned over five hundred of them. The result of the war crippled him badly but he was still left rich, and at once began to farm his lands on the tenant plan. The disastrous seasons of 1883 and 1884 entailed severe loss on him. In the first of those years he is said to have lost $60,000. His cotton crop never fell short of one thousand bales, but he raised plenty of corn and meal. The estate as he left it consisted of $80,000 in money, bonds, and stock, and 30,000 acres of fine farming land in Hancock, Warren and Washington counties. He had spent large sums in improvements on his plantations. His residence was a big wooden structure, which from time to time had been added to and changed, until it had become an architectural conundrum. The farm buildings were all erected in the most substantial style. He expended over $10,000 in the construction of ponds about his home, and took pride in the culture of fish. He acquired for a small sum some more lands near Fort Worth, Tex., soon after the war, and they rose so rapidly in value that when he deeded them away to a nephew, a few years before his death, they were worth over $50,000.

The morning he died he called for his favorite saddle horse and rode several miles over his plantation. An returning he complained of a pain in his side, and lying down on his bed expired in a few minutes. By his own direction he was buried in his garden, with an open white silk handkerchief across his breast, a gold toothpick in his right hand and a penknife in his pocket. Soon after his death Amanda Dickson, her mother and her sons moved to Augusta, where they now reside in a house of their own. As soon as the will was offered for probate, notice of a contest was served upon the executors by some of the children of Mr. Dickson's brothers and sisters, who would have inherited his property but for his extraordinary will.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE EQUINE PARADOX.

There was a very large and enthusiastic audience at the Boyd last evening to witness the opening performance of the week's engagement of Bartholomew's Equine Paradox, and from beginning to end the greatest interest and delight was manifested by all in the wonderful scene presented. The acting of the horses was simply marvelous, and the manner in which Prof. Bartholomew controlled and guided them appeared incredible. The animals seemed imbued with almost human instincts, and all who witnessed the performance left the opera house last night feeling sure that some wizard-like power possessed the teacher, enabling him to mesmerize his equine pupils so that they understood his words and obeyed his behests. The horses themselves are beauties and comprise all classes, from the thoroughbred to the mustang. Their performance last night was most satisfactory. Not only the leading actors sustained their parts well, but the entire troupe was composed of first class artists, not one failing to thoroughly understand the part assigned him. The Paradox is certainly worthy of crowded houses throughout their engagement in Omaha.

H. M. S. P.

The People's theater was packed to overflowing last night on the occasion of the first presentation of the comic version of "Pinafore" by the San Francisco Quartette and Opera company. The version is a thoroughly amusing and original one, and "brought down the house" at each turn. The singing and dancing was of the best, many new specialty acts never before seen in connection with the presentation of "Pinafore" being introduced. One great feature was the singing and dancing of Miss Nettie Marvin, the charming soubrette, as also that of the Hall sisters, Lucille and Lizzie, in their original character sketches and comic songs. The specialty work of Peters and Holly, the irrepressible team of mirth-makers, was likewise greatly enjoyed. All in all, the performance is a good one and merits, and doubtless will have, a large attendance this week.

Wants Revenge.

Constable Karll has made the arrest of a man named Peter Anderson, on a complaint filed in Justice Brandes court, by Jennie Hagan, charging him with assault and battery.

According to the story of Mr. Anderson, whose trial will be held November 25, he has been living with this woman Hagan for about eight years. Lately, however, she became soured on him and "took up with another man." On last Friday he went to her house and literally tore her to pieces, knocking her down and beating her fearfully. She is bound to have a full measure of revenge.

Personal Paragraphs.

J. F. Montgomery, Minden; O. M. Knipple, St. Paul; L. D. Proper, Bloomington; William Murphy, Atlantic, are at the Canfield.

Mrs. D. Greenleaf, of Galesburg, Ill., who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Martin, for the past few weeks, left yesterday for her home.

A NOTABLE EVENT.

Nebraska Lodge K. of P. Celebrates Its Seventeenth Anniversary.

For Seventeen years Nebraska Lodge No. 1 of the Knights of Pythias has lived, flourished and celebrated its anniversaries. It has slowly grown and, establishing itself in the soil of western Pythianism, has become one of the most prosperous lodges in the trans-Missouri region.

Last night occurred the seventeenth anniversary exercises of the lodge at their hall on Fourteenth and Dodge streets. The event was in every detail successful, and was attended by about 140 of the members and friends of the lodge. The literary and musical programme was rendered first, Chancellor Commander Wilcox in the chair. It was as follows:

Address of welcome, S. M. Willey.
Duet, "Beautiful Moonlight," Mesdames Hayward and Teal.
Early history of the order, Gen. J. Ed. Smith.
Solo, "If," Mrs. Jester.
Eccentric, W. E. Copeland.
Solo, "I'll Await My Love," Mrs. Hayward.
Friendship, A. D. Jones.
Duet, "Happy Swallow," Mesdames Teal and Jester.
What's left, J. J. Mousell, jr.
Piano solo, "Grand Waltz," Mrs. Teal.

The tables groaning under a weight of all manner of delicacies, was next invaded by the throng, and it is hardly necessary to hint that the aforesaid delicacies speedily disappeared to the tune of knives and forks. Dancing then closed the evening's entertainment.

The occasion was one of the most notable ones which has occurred in Omaha Pythian circles, and was heartily enjoyed by all present. Nebraska lodge starts out on its seventeenth year with brilliant prospects and a bright future before it.

Is It Our Own Loyal L.?

The following, contained in a dispatch from Montreal, Canada, has recently been going the rounds of the eastern press:

"Forged bills of lading, purporting to be drawn by Don Lafebre & Co., hay exporters, of St. Johns, P. Q., representing between $20,000 and $30,000 during the week, have been issued, accepted and indorsed by their Boston and New York agents, and advances to a large amount paid on them to the parties working the swindle. The firm of Emerson, Edy & Co., of Boston, have been victimized out of $2,000, the agents of the Jacques Cartier bank in New York out of a like sum, and numerous other hay dealers throughout the New England states. Both the railway company and the banks have detectives at work. A French-Canadian named Homtosdas Bourdreau has been arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the swindle."

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Lots in Parker's add., $1,000.
Two lots in blocks 14 and 15, Hanscom Place $700 and $1,000.
Lots 11 Lowe's add., $450.
Lots on south 14th st., $425.
36—22 feet on Farnam st., near 19th, $1,500.
37—House, 4 rooms, large lot, barn, etc., 28th and Franklin sts. $1,600.
38—Fine cottage, 7 rooms, one of the nicest locations in Hanscom Place, $3,000.
39—House 4 rooms, barn, well, cistern, etc., full lot, Saunders & Hirschbach add., $900.
40—House, 4 rooms, corner lot, 26th, near Harney, $1,800.
39—House, 3 rooms, barn, fruit, etc., with 3 acres of ground; very desirable place and cheap; Leavenworth st., $2,500.
38—Full lot, two small houses, Shinn's add., $2,250; easy easy terms.
32—Large lot, nice cottage, 6 rooms, South avenue, two blocks south of St. Mary's ave., $2,200; easy terms.
24—Brick building, lot 22x132, Cass st., between 14th and 15th st., $3,500.
22—Lot 50x150; house, 7 rooms, near N. W. cor. Hanscom Park, $1,800; easy terms.
21—Brick house, 7 rooms, full lot, Harney, near 24th, $3,200.
20—Half lot, house, 6 rooms, Webster st., between 15th and 16th, $1,800.
19—Lot 100x132, cottage, 4 rooms, next south of Hartman school, on south 13th st., $2,000; very easy terms.
18—Beautiful lot, Georgia ave. one block south of Leavenworth, with very fine cottage, $3,800.
17—House, 4 rooms, lot 40x132, on South 13th st., $1,000; $400 down and $20 per month. This is a bargain.
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8-room house, every convenience, lot 60x160, Poppleton ave., near 24th, $3,000.
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Good large house, lot 50x165, on Pierce st., near 24th, $4,000.
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