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MINOR MENTION.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Coalandwood, E.E. Mayne, 619 B'way. Sam Davis, who was arrested for disturbing the peace of Rotten Row, was released yesterday.

Nels and Ole Peterson were arrested last evening for fighting. They made things howl until they were landed behind the bars. L. Stanfield, a peddler, paid costs yesterday morning for neglecting to take out a license, and then secured the necessary permit.

Alexander Johnson and Mary C. Anderson were married Monday evening at the office of Squire Schurz. The couple will reside at South Omaha. John Mieskele, who was injured by an accident at the time of the bridge opening, is able to hobble about.

A harness and saddle were stolen Monday night from the barn of G. S. Lawson, on South Sixth street. The stolen property was found in a culvert under the Union Pacific tracks on Tenth avenue.

The Dodge Light guards will give their third party of the season at their armory Thursday evening, the 21st inst. This will be a farewell party, the last one before the guards go to Washington to attend the inaugural.

A copy of the statement prepared by the committee which investigated the accounts of Deputy Sheriff Clark Barke will be submitted to the city clerk, and that official will secure the services of a competent man to again look over the books and see that the statement of the shortage is correct.

Mrs. Rebecca J. Fisher was given possession of the family homestead on Washington avenue and the business block on Main street, in the decree granting her petition for divorce from E. D. P. Fisher.

Tickets are now on sale for a lot in Howard's addition, that is to be raffled for the benefit of St. Paul's church. Yesterday 100 tickets were sold in South Omaha, the four packing houses, Armour, Curady, Swift & Co., Omaha Packing company, and George H. Hammond, taking twenty-five each.

Dr. C. C. Hazen, dentist, Opera house block. Have our wagon call for your soiled clothes. Cascade Laundry Co. The London "Tailors" is the place to get your clothes made. 637 Broadway.

Personal Paragraphs. Hon. A. W. Wyman was in the city yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Brown have gone to Denver for a short visit. Miss Iva Hattenhauer is quite ill at her home, 816 Seventh avenue.

Mrs. E. E. Harkness and family left last evening for the east, to make their home at Binghamton, N. Y. Mrs. Dr. McGovern and daughter, Maggie, of San Francisco, Cal., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Mulqueen and family.

Misses Nora and Nellie Gleason returned home yesterday from a six months' visit in Idaho and Utah. They report having had an enjoyable time. H. B. Dibble, of York, Neb., ex-president of the Nebraska State Firemen's association, and representing the champion hook and ladder team of the world, was in the city yesterday, and visited the various fire houses. He was the guest of ex-Chief L. P. Simpson. He goes from here to Chicago. He stated that the York team would attend the tournament here in June.

Music to-night at roller rink. Stop paying rent and buy a home or monthly payments. C. B. Judd, 606 Broadway. Money loaned on furniture, pianos, diamonds, horses, buggies or anything of value at low rates of interest. No publicity; fair and honorable dealing. A. A. Clark & Co., office cor. Broadway and Main, over American express.

All grades hard coal. C. B. Fuel Co. L. E. Roe, dentist, No. 27 Main St., over Jacquemin & Co.'s jewelry store. Try our XXX bottled beer. Special rates on all orders from Iowa. L. M. FINKELSTEIN. All grades soft coal. C. B. Fuel Co. I have moved my office to Omaha, at which all orders will be received and from which all deliveries will be made by wagon. L. M. FINKELSTEIN. Rifle Club Meeting. There will be a meeting of the rifle club this evening at the office of J. G. Tipton for the transaction of important business. Let every member be present at 7:30 o'clock sharp. By order of the executive committee.

AN UNUSUAL INTEREST.

The Result of Tardiness in Issuing Paving Certificates.

CONTEMPT CASES IN COURT. Unhappy Wedlock—The Guards and Their Overcoats—All About the Busy Bluffs.

Expensive Penmanship. "A postal card? What is this? A notice to pay the first installment of my paving tax, eh? Please call at the bank and settle."

"With postal card in one hand and pocketbook in the other the astonished property owner finds his way to the bank. "There's interest, too, on this amount—interest to November," blandly remarks the clerk as the cash is proffered.

"Interest? How does this come? I've been to the city building several times to pay this assessment, but have always been told that they could not give me a certificate, as the certificates had to be signed by the mayor first."

"But you can see for yourself that the certificate is dated November 1, and that it draws interest after that date." "But isn't it a little strange that a taxpayer who wants to pay, and whose money wouldn't be received, has to pay interest because it wasn't paid?"

"It does look strange." "The clerk has heard so many complaints of this kind as to lead to an inquiry as to the facts. It appears, for instance, that a large number of certificates against property for paving done, were ordered by the council to be issued to the contractors November 1. These certificates have numerous copies attached, and the mayor and city auditor have to sign each one of these rubber stamps, which is done in a hurry, and it is claimed this will not answer the legal requirements. The signatures on each certificate must be in ink, and made personally by the officials named. After the council had done its part the clerical work of filling out the blanks, entering upon the books, etc., had to be done. Then came the tedious autograph feature of the business. The mayor is said to have been the last cause of delay, his signature being lacking. Last week his signature was obtained and the certificates placed in the bank for collection. The contractors have been kept out of their money all this time and yet the property owners are obliged to pay interest, simply because they could not get a receipt for their money."

"It amounts to little for each individual, but the aggregate creeps into the hundreds and thousands. The interest in cases of this kind amounts to enough each year to pay several million credit good salaries."

Parties having temperance billiard halls and restaurants will do well to take the exclusive sale of my temperance beer. L. M. FINKELSTEIN. Heating stoves at cost to close out. Odell & Bryant. S. B. Wadsworth & Co. loan money.

The Guard's Overcoats. The statement in a local paper that there is bad blood among the members of the Dodge Light guards appears to be considerably distorted and overdrawn. The facts in the case are that it was decided to purchase overcoats for the commissioned officers with the money made at the recent bazaar. As there was no time to be lost, the matter was amicably settled, the officers offering to pay a satisfactory amount out of their own pockets. The coats cost \$45 each, and are very handsome and well finished by the state, and will be of regulation style. The matter was greatly exaggerated, and there is perfect harmony among the boys. They regret that the matter was given any publicity, but desire to have the facts get the whole facts of the case, since it was started.

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Nickerson. Mr. James Ferguson was the sick list. Miss Zannah Todd went to Fremont last Thursday. Mr. J. P. McCullough, is in the city from Omaha making a short visit. Miss Alice Abel of Jalapa, was the guest of Miss Lulu Hunter a few days last week. George Little returned from Chicago last Wednesday, where he had been with four car loads of sheep. A surprise was given to Miss Edith Hunter last Wednesday in honor of her fifteenth birthday. All present report a very nice time. The surprise on Mrs. James Ferguson on Monday night was from most other women in the south. He warned the majority against setting the precedent advocated by the committee, and served notice

east of town. He pronounced the gravel first class. German Adolt, of Yutan, Neb., was in town on business Monday and Tuesday of last week. Miss Kate Kaster, of Olathe, Kas., is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. C. K. Spearman. Mr. Ira Stevens returned last Tuesday from his wedding trip, having been married January 10 to Miss Carrie Haworth, of Aurora, Neb. Died, last Thursday night, of lung fever, after an illness of one week, William Fyco, aged twenty-two years. He leaves two sisters in this country and an aged mother in Germany to mourn his loss. Will C. Mager, formerly proprietor of the Paxon barbers, spent a few days last week with his parents here. He is now located on the northwest corner of Thirtieth and Farnam streets, Omaha, Neb. The public schools here, under the able management of Prof. J. L. Burwell, are fast coming up to a standard grade. Mr. Burwell is well assisted by Miss Nellie V. Hayes in the primary department. J. B. Scooby, of Nashville, Tenn., was here on the 11th inst. He has just concluded in purchasing the famous racing horse Silver Bullet of A. L. Spearman, paying a good round price. He left Thursday morning for his ranch near Nashville, where he will put him in training for the coming season. Several business houses have occurred in town the past week. P. Kitchinman, proprietor of the Star bakery, has sold his building to C. O. Harrell of Des Moines, and Salisbury & Brown have disposed of their stock of general merchandise to Fred Pfing & Son, who will continue the business in the same place, having leased the building for a term of years. Valley. George D. Puffer and Jule Hubbard started for their home in Wisconsin last Thursday. Alex Gardiner was passing around the circus last week and says it is a fine girl baby. The dance in the bank building Friday evening was fairly well attended and was an enjoyable time. Quite a party of young folks surprised the family of Mrs. M. S. Cowles last Tuesday evening, and passed a pleasant evening. George Elmister and another young man received the cup of Christine Cross, started for Washington territory last Monday to try and find their fortunes there. Mark J. Billster is in good spirits over the result of his trial for the murder of Mrs. C. J. Pappas, in which he received a judgment for \$2,000 for damages received by him while working on the coal chute here last summer. One night last week a Chinaman secretly took possession of beds at the Union hotel, and left early in the morning, thereby getting a good night's lodging free without loan or license, and since then the proprietor of the hotel has been strongly advocating incorporation. The Lyceum Saturday evening the question discussed was "Should We Emigrate?" which being decided in the affirmative, it is supposed that steps will soon be taken to emigrate. But there is a strong opposition to the project and the result is doubtful. Millard. On Tuesday, February 5, some man, with a star in front of his name, Charles Poppenhagen in the Laken saloon in Millard a writ of replevin, signed by Constable Clark. It was for the purpose of getting possession of the horse which was left with Poppenhagen to board and take care of. The horse belonged to one C. H. Hart. It seems that the latter had given a mortgage on the horse to Constable Clark. The man who introduced himself as Constable Clark, told Poppenhagen that the horse was already in possession of his deputy Poppenhagen went out and found somebody holding the horse, all harnessed, by the bridle. The animal was partly blind, but the proprietor of the stable, Poppenhagen refused to let the horse go, as he has a lien on him for board. The horse was not actually in possession of the Omaha parties, but was held by the Constable Clark in his name, alias Berry. When he presented his writ he threw down the writ and told Poppenhagen to get smart for him. He got the dollar and went to the horse. After the trouble seemed to be all over, the two Omaha men tried to break open the stable door. Poppenhagen then gave them notice to leave at once, which they did. Ames. W. H. Marsh had his hand seriously hurt last week. Mr. M. Allen went to Omaha Saturday, returning in the evening. Mr. John Hotchkins has been ill for several days, but is getting better. Mr. John Marsh, of Nodaway, Ia., is visiting his brother, W. H. Marsh. Miss Ida Graham, of North Bend, spent several days with her sister, Mrs. Felix Graham. Mr. Calvin Cobb, of Omaha, made Mr. R. M. Allen a short call on his way to Hooper City. J. Crawford Fowler gave an eloquent oration at the opera house, but was little patronized by the boys of Ames. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Dimick were in Fremont Friday evening to attend the "Gladiator" at the opera house. A picture of the barn and elevator, together with the barn boys was taken Saturday by Mr. Hull, of Fremont. Crowell. J. J. 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