CURRENT NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Cooper, Fire Ins., 6 Pearl, tel. 372.

Harry Murphy, coal and wood, 37 Main.

J. B. Fulton of Atlantic is in the city.

Schmidt's bar relief photos are the latest.

Dr. Shriver, dentist, Merriam blk., rom 246

Hon. John Y. Stone was in the city yesterday.

A. Campbell of Keg Creek visited in the city yesterday.

W. D. Sheets of Indianola called in the city yesterday.

F. T. Stem of Dumfries was a Bluffs visitor yesterday.

J. H. Mangel of Manilla was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Jonas Clark of Harlan was among the city visitors yesterday.

P. N. Mentzer of the Shenandoah Canning company is in the city.

W. J. Harvard, a merchant of Glenwood, was in the city yesterday.

A. W. Lonnsbixy of Cedar Rapids was a visitor in the city yesterday.

John Rohrberg and wife of Mineola were callers in the city yesterday.

N. Sucksdorf of Treynor was among the callers in the city yesterday.

Truth is eternal. It's lasting as the work done by the Bluff City laundry.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Red Oak were shopping in the city yesterday.

McPherson & Reed, cut flowers and designs; office 6 Pearl st., tel. 372.

William Marshall and J. P. Faris of Macedonia visited in the city yesterday.

I. L. Spalti, a banker and merchant of Oakland, was in the city yesterday.

Edward Bennett of St. Paul is in the city during the illness of his sister, Kitty.

Ben Marks is confined to his bed by illness that threatens to develop into pneumonia.

Peter Hansen of Marne is the guest of his son, George, of the Merriam Block pharmacy.

C. C. Hazen, dentist, removed from the opera house to the Dr. Pinney office, 214 Pearl.

Mrs. M. J. Williams has gone to Elgin, Ill., where she will make her home in the future.

M. E. and J. H. Ashley, merchants of Macedonia, were calling in the city yesterday.

P. W. Kodweis, city salesman for Duquette & Co., has received word of the death of his mother in Germany.

Carlson's freshly ground cornmeal, best to be had; call for it at your grocer's or at C. Carlson's Wash. Ave. mills.

Work has been begun on the residence of S. G. Underwood, on the corner of Fourth avenue and Ninth street.

Superintendent Hisey of the city schools has been asked to address the teachers of Beatrice, Neb., on methods.

Mesdames Lange, Brown and Darrough have been appointed to decide the time and location of the Catholic bazar.

Miss Cunningham, recently the guest of Miss Mary Smythe of Fifth avenue, has returned to her home in Des Moines.

Charles W. Booth of Oakland and May E. Gundy of Walnut, Ia., were united in marriage by Justice Ferrier yesterday.

Ralph Pontius of Silver City, N. M., is visiting his mother on First avenue. Mr. Pontius spent his boyhood in this city.

Election is over. We breathe easy once more. Better take time now to send that bundle down to the Eagle Laundry, 724 Bway.

Chambers' Academy of Dancing, 201 Broadway, now open. Assemblies every Friday evening. The finest place in the city for receptions and musicales.

Council Bluffs people can obtain copies of the international art series, "Ireland in Pictures," by calling at the Council Bluffs office of The Bee, No. 10 Pearl street.

Miss Premeau of Omaha was the guest of Miss Lange of South Seventh street yesterday and attended the meeting of the Monday Musical club at the home of Mrs. Macrae.

A cablegram from Gibraltar announces the safe arrival at that place of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Edmundson after a pleasant voyage. They expect to make a short stay in Gibraltar.

With the increasing cold weather comes the increasing trade in oysters. By shipping direct and buying in large quantities we are able to sell solidly-packed, high-quality oysters at 25 cts. per quart. Sullivan, Grocer, 341 B'way, 'Phone 161.

Mrs. Eva Jones, a colored woman from Omaha, served official notice upon County Clerk Reed yesterday afternoon that he must not grant a marriage license to her son Charles, whom she said was being consumed with a desire to wed Mamie Smith, an Omaha damsel with a 5-year-old child and very much the senior of the young man. The mother informed the clerk that her son was only 18 years old. She said he had tried to procure a marriage license in Douglas county, and had been refused, and she learned that he was about to bring the woman to this side of the river and with the assistance of friends would endeavor to secure a license. "Don't let that boy commit perjury," was her parting injunction to the clerk.

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To use one-third less fuel than any under draft soft coal stove made. To give a good base heat and an even heat never before seen with soft coal. To hold fire perfectly and to burn hard coal economically. With a good flue it is clean as a base burner. See it running at our store.

COLE & COLE,

41 MAIN STREET.

MILTON RODGERS & SON and BRIGGS, OMAHA AGENTS.

MEAT DISPLAY! One of the finest displays of Meat ever shown in this city can be seen today at LETCHFORD & GRAF'S Market, 607 South Main street. All visitors welcome.

GATHERS IN THE GAMBLERS

Sheriff Serves Warrants on the Keepers of Local Dens.

ALL ARE WANTED UNDER INDICTMENTS

Grand Jury Presents True Bills Against Proprietors and Employes of Two Establishments Where the Law Has Been Defied.

All of the proprietors and attaches of the gambling houses in Council Bluffs were invited by the sheriff and his deputies to call at the office of the clerk of the district court and give bonds for their appearance for trial on the charge of gambling. Indictments were returned against all of them in accordance with instructions from Judge Green at the beginning of the present term. The attaches of the "Hoffman" indicted are: William Lineberger, Charles Stepfan, Thomas Ratliff, Frank Hendricks, John Madden, Charles Atherton and Jack White. The indictments against the men connected with Shefferly's place across the street called for the arrest of H. H. Inman, Frank Hardin, Ed Anderson, William C. Jenkins and John Shefferly. All of the men appeared and gave the bonds required—$400 in each case.

Gambling has long been carried on openly in Council Bluffs, without hit or hindrance from the authorities. This is the first time in many months that the illegal business has been interfered with in the least. Even now the gamblers do not appear to be greatly worried over the outcome. The indictments have been bruited about since last Saturday and it has been generally understood that warrants would be served some time, but just when was not given out. It was not until the gamblers were quite ready to give bail that any action was taken.

Last night the gambling houses were running full blast again, the little formality of indictment and arrest apparently cutting small figure with the men who have the matter in charge. The gamblers rely very largely on the indisposition heretofore shown by the authorities to interfere with them, and feel a certain degree of security as a result of past immunity. It has been a club held over the heads of the city administration that if the gambling houses were closed the saloons would be closed also, and while the municipal authorities have not felt like endorsing open gambling they have not been willing to risk the city losing the $40,000 a year now gained from saloon licenses. And thus defiant the gamblers have flourished. The present difficulty is said to be directly due to a personal encounter between Lineberger and a local attorney who has spent much time and some money at Lineberger's place, the "Hoffman." Lineberger had the better of the physical encounter, but letters subsequently addressed to Judge Green brought the charge to the grand jury which ended in the indictment of the gang.

County Attorney Saunders has not yet expressed himself for publication on the matter, but there is little doubt he will see the matter through. Some of the indicted men are liable to the penalties of the new habitual criminal act, having been once before indicted on the same charge.

With headquarters at Omaha the country is flooded with a lot of Cheap John pianos, sold at any price and under any pretext. These fake sales were announced last winter in Omaha, gone all over and through Nebraska, and now starting in Iowa. We cannot help such sales, but we will and guarantee to duplicate any price for the same class of goods and go $25 better. Mueller Piano and Organ Co., 103 Main street.

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Manawa Railway Franchise Election Details to Be Arranged.

The city council will hold a special session this evening for the purpose of completing arrangements for the special election to determine whether or not the Lake Manawa Railway company shall have the extension of the charter that was granted by the city council on the last day of September. By proclamation the mayor has fixed December 1 as the date of the election, but the council is required by law to designate the polling places and name the judges and clerks of election. It has already been determined that the voting shall be done in the same places that were used at the state election on November 2. The same judges and clerks will also serve, but it is necessary to designate them and specify the fact that all expenses must be borne by the company desiring the concession to be voted on.

The council will also take up some matters connected with the sidewalk contracts recently awarded, which provide for the construction of a large amount of plank walks in the western part of the city. It is against the policy of the present city administration to permit the construction of any more plank walks, but the contracts were let in response to petitions from property owners, many of whom asked for walks to be laid on temporary grade. It was found that a large portion of the walks would be laid on permanent grade and in a part of the city where it has been impossible to prevent people from carrying away bodily and using for firewood all wooden walks that have been laid for the last few years. Contractor Wickham was at the city building yesterday and announced his willingness to have these walks cut out of his contract and the order will be made at the meeting this evening.

300 tons hay for sale, $2.50 per ton, in stack near Crescent. Lougee & Lougee, 235 Pearl st.

ARGUMENT IN FERRY LOTS CASE.

Attorneys Debate the Important Proposition Before Judge McGee.

The greater portion of the day yesterday was consumed in the superior court by hearing the arguments in the squatter land cases involved in the suit of A. W. Street and others against B. F. Tumbleson and others. The suit involves the accretions to several lots in the old Ferry addition to Council Bluffs, each lot carrying a strip of land equal in width to the lot from the western line to the river front, a distance of nearly half a mile. The evidence was taken last week, and it is expected that a couple of days will be devoted to hearing the arguments. Judge Woolworth of Omaha and N. M. Pusey of Council Bluffs represent the plaintiffs and Langdon & Langdon of Omaha the defendants. The plaintiffs hold the titles from the Ferry company and the defendants have squatted on the accreted portion and are claiming title under the federal homestead laws. The plaintiffs claim that the large addition to their original lots was the result of slow accretions by the gradual changes of the river channel. The defendants have set up several defenses, the chief one that the change in the river was the result of evulsion, or sudden change, which would leave the new land in the former bed of the river and make it government domain. They also attack the validity of the plaintiff's title and claim that the Ferry company under its articles of incorporation had no authority to buy lands for speculative purposes, and consequently had no power to convey the lots in question to the plaintiffs. The defense also attacked the original book of entry upon the ground that it was not evidence of title.

The case is of great importance for the reason that a large number of similar cases will depend upon the solution of this one.

Indictment May Prove Illegal.

There is some doubt among attorneys as to the legality of the indictment returned by the grand jury on Saturday against Hemorly Fuller under the new habitual criminal act. The law did not go into effect until October 1 and the two previous instances of petty larceny charged against the boy and named in the indictment were committed a year ago. This would make the new law retroactive. The offense for which the boy was arrested the last time was entering the barn of W. Groneweg and stealing harness. The value of the harness was not great enough to constitute grand larceny and the fact that he did not break into the barn will not make the offense burglary. The boy has been arrested six or seven times within the last few years and convicted as often of petty stealing.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING.

Unfavorable Report on Smith Ventilating Apparatus.

At the meeting of the Board of Education last evening a good deal of time was taken up with the discussion of the Smith heating and ventilating apparatus. The matter was brought up by the report of the fuel and heating committee, that in accordance with instructions a conference had been had with the attorney for Mr. Smith to see if a compromise could be effected and the suit brought against the board be dismissed. The attorney had offered to take $200 in full settlement of the claim and had intimated Mr. Smith's willingness to make another test. The committee reported that it had made a little test of the device in the High school yesterday and had found that it was not desirable even as a ventilating apparatus. Chairman Moore of the committee expressed his conviction that the board should order the device taken out of the building at once. President Morgan of the board was also present when the test was made yesterday afternoon, and agreed that it was not satisfactory.

Attorney Kimball, representing Mr. Smith, was present and stated he was advised by his client to effect a compromise settlement if possible and would make another test, perhaps, if it was agreed to let the largest damper alone, which the inventor claims has been manipulated to his injury. He stated that he had been informed that as a ventilating apparatus the device was so successful yesterday that the complaint was made that cold air currents were so strong the teachers asked to have the windows repaired. The committee was ordered to continue to look after the matter and effect a settlement if possible.

Contractor E. A. Wickham explained a slight additional cost in the addition to the Twentieth Avenue school, which was found to be immediately beneath one of the foundation walls. The bill was allowed, amounting to $84.

Mr. Sims reported favorably upon the proposition to furnish pianos for Bloomer, Washington avenue, Twentieth avenue, Third street, Second avenue and Avenue B buildings. He stated that pianos could be rented for from $2 to $3 a month. The board approved the recommendation and instructed the committee on supplies to supply the instruments for the rooms named. In many of the buildings the pupils and teachers have been contributing to a fund for this purpose, but the board thought it was an unnecessary hardship upon the children.

Chairman Sims recommended the purchase of three more typewriters for use in the High school and the committee was instructed to purchase the machines.

The report of the superintendent of city schools was submitted. It showed:

Number enrolled, 1897, 4,213; 1896, 4,040; increase for year, 173.

Average number belonging, 1897, 3,869.2; 1896, 3,777.1; increase, 92.1.

Average daily attendance, 1897, 3,626.2; 1896, 3,487.9; increase, 128.3.

Number of cases of tardiness, 1897, 363; 1896, 251; increase, 112.

The secretary was ordered to draw the warrants for teachers' salaries on Wednesday before Thanksgiving in time to permit them to secure their pay.

The secretary's report showed that there had been issued since last month warrants for teachers' salaries amounting to $6,571.16; janitors' pay roll, $787.50; interest on bonds, $675.00.

The board ordered the purchase of a new flag for the High school.

The bond of Treasurer W. E. Haverstock in the sum of $100,000, with C. R. Hannan, F. O. Gleason, E. E. Hart, J. D. Edmundson, E. L. Shugart and Ferdinand Weis as sureties, was submitted and approved. The bond of D. W. Bushnell as custodian of the school books was also approved. It calls for $2,000, and the sureties are W. W. Hanthorn and Thomas Metcalf.

The remainder of the session was devoted to the reading and allowance of bills.

Shea Amends His Petition.

J. J. Shea amended his petition in his application to Judge Green in the district court yesterday morning for an injunction to restrain the city from paying any more warrants or other evidences of indebtedness. The new matter made it necessary for the city attorney to ask for a continuance, and the date has been fixed for next Thursday morning.

Shea's amendment relates to the financial transactions of the city as far back as 1884, and contains a statement of the bonds issued and other indebtedness incurred from the beginning of that year until the present time. He asks the court to take this statement and separate the bonds and other kinds of indebtedness into two classes, one to represent what the court may determine to be the legal indebtedness and the other to be necessarily illegal, and to enjoin the city from paying the portion that has been determined to be illegal. This amendment to the original petition is regarded as very greatly simplifying the case and will enable the city to squarely meet the issues presented.

Death of Mrs. Case.

Mrs. Hanna D. Case died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. S. Faes, on Seventh avenue yesterday. She was a widow 64 years of age and had made her home with her daughter in this city for some time. Cancer was the cause of her death. The body will be sent to Faribault, Minn., today for interment. Funeral services will be held from the residence at 3 p. m. this afternoon, Rev. V. C. Rocho will officiate.

Mrs. Case was a highly-educated and estimable woman and had lived in this city long enough to make many friends who will sorrow at her death. The disease which finally caused her death was of long duration.

Works of Art.

Did you ever think how much prettier your home would be if it was hung with a few more beautiful pictures? If you like landscape scenery we can furnish you some beautiful work in pastel, which is as pretty as oil painting and cheap enough to be within the reach of all. We also have a large line of medallions, ranging in price from 75c up to $10. We show some extra fine goods in this line and are glad to have visitors call and look them over. C. B. Paint, Oil and Glass Co., 4th st. and Bway.

Affairs of the Globe.

Receiver Chase of the Globe Publishing company has decided that it will be inexpedient to resume the issue of the daily paper for at least two months. The democrats are organizing for a strong fight to recover possession of the city administration in the March election, and this fact may furnish sufficient incentive to again publish a daily paper.

Want a Chrysanthemum Show.

Local florists, professional and amateur, are very much taken up with Omaha's chrysanthemum show and are discussing the project of giving a similar exhibit here. There are a large number of enthusiastic growers of the royal flower in Council Bluffs and such an exhibit would be a large and beautiful one.

The ladies of the St. Francis Xavier's church will hold a sociable Wednesday evening at St. Joseph's hall for the benefit of the coming fair, which will be held in January. Admission, 10 cents.

The management of the fair wish to express their thanks to the merchants of the city for their many gifts and favors.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were granted yesterday to the following named persons:

Name and Address.	Age.
Homer Webster, Lincoln, Neb.	21
Maude Irwin, Lincoln, Neb.	20
Albert M. Clark, Omaha	55
Lucy M. Smith, Omaha	32
C. W. Booth, Oakland, Ia.	21
May E. Gundy, Walnut, Ia.	18

For Sale—Two-story brick store adjoining hose building on Lower Main, $2,500. Mrs. Patrick Lacy.

PROGRESS OF NOVAK TRIAL

State Rests Its Case and Defense Opens Up Its Batteries.

TRIES TO HAVE PERRIN IMPEACH HIMSELF

Wily Detective is on His Guard and Sticks to His Previous Story—Medical Testimony is Introduced.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Nov. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Much progress was made in the celebrated Novak murder trial at Vinton today. The state rested its case late in the afternoon and the defense began the introduction of its testimony.

It is yet too early to determine what the line of the defense will be. It is believed, however, that a general effort will be made to explain away the chain of circumstantial evidence which the state has woven around the accused. Nothing startling occurred during the morning session, a larger part of it being devoted to an effort on the part of the defense to have Detective Perrin, who was on the stand Saturday afternoon, impeach himself. Mr. Perrin remained close to the story he told Saturday and the questioning by the counsel for the defense developed nothing new.

The afternoon was largely taken up with the testimony of Drs. C. C. Griffen and J. P. Whitney of Vinton, the men who made an examination of the skull of Edward Murray after the body had been exhumed from the Norway cemetery and severed from the body. Both men testified that there was a spot on the right side of the skull, about an inch and a half in length and an inch wide which indicated a fracture of the skull. They also testified that there was a rupture on the dura mater almost directly under this fracture and there was a blood clot on the right side and extending to the back part of the head. This blood clot was baked and weighed eleven ounces, which was four ounces more than medical authorities recognized could be contained within the skull when it was intact. They gave the opinion that heat would not have caused a breaking down of the blood vessels of the brain and caused this blood clot to form in the skull and that it could come only from a fracture of the skull and a rupture of the dura mater.

The defense sought to have the testimony of Drs. Griffen and Whitney stricken out on the ground that Dr. Rumley, the expert physician who conducted the autopsy before the coroner's jury, was the only competent person to testify to the condition of the skull and that at least his opinion should have been brought out by the state when he was on the stand. The court overruled this motion and admitted the evidence.

The defense introduced Joseph Dostal, a Cedar Rapids druggist, of whom Novak sought to buy poison previous to the Walford fire, saying he wanted to put it in whisky for the benefit of burglars who might break into his place, and C. D. Van-Vechten, who testified in regard to Novak paying the premiums on two policies held in the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company, and his efforts to secure a paid up policy and discontinuance so that he might take out insurance in some other company.

DEFECTS OF THE NEW CODE.

Coming Session of the Legislature Will Have to Remedy Them.

DES MOINES, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The more experience that is had under the new code the clearer it becomes that the coming session of the legislature will have to make many corrections and amendments to it. Not that the new code contains any radical blunders; it is conceded on the whole that the new code is an excellent one, and evidences are not wanting that legislatures of other states are realizing the fact that the new Iowa code is the latest and most up-to-date compilation of statutes in the country. But it need be no matter of surprise that many minor errors, chiefly of omission have been perpetrated. Most of them result from the anxiety of the assembly to assure economy in state expenditures and to stop leaks wherever they could be found. For instance, it was discovered a short time before October 1, when the new laws became effective, that they contained no provision under which the state could buy postage stamps for use in its business. Heretofore the council has bought postage stamps and paid many other accounts out of a fund placed under its discretionary control. The legislature was fearful that there was too much discretion in some directions, and proceeded to eliminate discretion of all kinds. It hunted for discretion wherever it could be found and as fast as deposits were unearthed applied the elimination process.

It chanced that the largest aggregation of discretionary power was represented in section 120 of the old code. The executive council was given control over this fund and the provision of section 120 was that at its discretion the council could pay bills which it deemed necessary out of the fund. In 1893, when the state troops were called to Council Bluffs and Sioux City to suppress riots, the bill for their services was paid from this fund, under the provisions of section 120. The state auditor was not very positive that the section gave him authority to draw the warrants for such a purpose and insisted that the supreme court pass on the matter before he would draw them. Accordingly, an agreed case was submitted to that body and it ruled that the auditor was authorized in drawing the warrants on this fund. Since then the section has been a general authority for paying bills that were not provided for elsewhere. When the last assembly was revising the laws it decided that there was too general a discretion and cut it all out of the section. It provided that no bill, of any sort whatever, should be paid unless from an appropriation which specifically conferred authority for just such a bill. Section 120 was a dead letter. With it went the peace and harmony and happiness of the executive council.

Postage stamps had been paid for under this section for more than a generation without a specific appropriation. A few days before the new laws took effect it was found that there was no contemplation in the new code of postage; it was absolutely impossible for the council to pay for postage under the new laws. The legislature had tied the hands of the council, locked it up, nailed it down and left it with no power whatever. Uncle Sam is not in the habit of trusting even his most reliable customers for stamps, and the question arose, how were stamps to be purchased under the new regime? It was decided that time must be taken by the foretop. An emissary was sent over to the postoffice and $4,000 worth of postage stamps were bought and carted over to the capitol, where they were locked in the vault of the treasurer to be doled out as required. It was assumed that the legislature would pass an appropriation to pay for them when it should meet; meantime, as section 120 was still in force, the council operated under that enchanting provision.

NO PAY FOR LAUNDRY.

But this was not all. Some of the salaries of state officers had not been provided for, and it was only by stretching the law, in opinions of the attorney general, that they could be met. Finally the real issue was raised over the question of state house towels. The discovery was made that there was no appropriation to pay for laundering the state house towels. Towels are regarded as very necessary to the occupants of the building, and there were indignation meetings in every corridor when it was announced that hereafter there would be no laundry bills at public expense. And there have been none from that day.

Another edifying discovery which has just been made is that the new law makes it impossible to pay the annual bonus to county and district fair associations. In 1859 a law was passed that $200 should be donated annually by the state to each fair association which should make proper proofs that the fair had been held. Under this section it has been customary for the secretary of the State Agricultural society to receive the warrants from the auditor and mail them to the several district fairs. But this fall the attorney general raised the question whether such payment could be made within the laws. He has not issued a formal opinion on the subject, but has been expected for a month to make an official utterance. There are 113 of these fairs, which this year would draw $22,600 from the state. They are sending word, through their officers, by nearly every mail that they want their warrants and want them very much, but they are not forthcoming.

One of the cases which promises a deal of trouble relates to the Home for Soldiers' Orphans at Davenport. In the past the law has provided that when orphans or indigent children of soldiers were admitted to the home the state should pay for their maintenance. Other children were to be supported by the counties from which they were sent. The new code changes the law and relieves the state of the burden of paying for even the children of soldiers; they are to be charged to the counties, as other indigent or orphan children. The change means in substance that the Davenport home is no longer a state institution; it means that the home will be a much less important concern, for the counties have never contributed many inmates. The people of Davenport are up in arms and announce that they will invade the legislature and make things very lively if the old law is not restored. The curious part is that there is some question whether the change in the law was intentional or accidental. Members of the legislature have declared that they didn't know the change was involved in the new laws and that they don't believe anybody realized its force. The next assembly will have opportunity to go on record squarely and indubitably on the matter.

HISTORY OF A NOTED FAMILY.

Wisners of Eldora and What They Did with Their Money.

ELDORA, Ia., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The administrators of the George H. Wisner estate have made their final report and have been discharged by the court.

The settlement of this large estate recalls this wealthy Wisner family and the power their money exerted and the good deeds it did in this section of Iowa. In three short years father, mother and son all passed away and Gilman H. Wisner, only son of George H., is the living relative bearing the Wisner name.

Lyman F. Wisner, banker, capitalist and land owner and the head of this family, was the wealthiest man in central Iowa. He amassed a fortune of over $1,000,000 by coming to Hardin county at an early day with but a pair of willing hands. He married Miss Julia Hatch and by their union they had one son, George. Mr. Wisner was president of the Hardin County bank here and of the First National bank at Iowa Falls, owned the well known "Sunnyside farm" of some 1,500 acres at Iowa Falls and owned land in nearly half of the states of the union.

While hunting near his farm near Iowa Falls by the accidental discharge of a shotgun Mr. Wisner was killed in August, 1889. Dying intestate, his widow inherited her third of the vast estate and the only son George the remainder. Having never before been allowed to handle any of his father's business and being placed in control of such vast wealth, the young man soon displayed remarkable business sagacity and shrewdness. Following his father's sudden demise young Wisner was married in the autumn of the year of his father's death to Miss Fannie Gilman, one of the society favorites of this county and daughter of Charles C. Gilman, ex-president of the Iowa Central railway, president of the Gilman terra cotta works and an inventor of much prominence. By careful management, assisted by J. D. Newcomer, financial secretary to his late father, George H. Wisner added largely to his portion of his father's estate. January 11, 1893, young Wisner died very suddenly of a complication of diseases.

Hardin county at that time had just been through a noted county seat fight. A new court house costing $50,000 had just been completed, built largely with Wisner money. George H. Wisner died without leaving a will and the first case that came up in the new temple of justice was a contest as to whom should administer the affairs of this large estate. Mrs. Julia A. Wisner chose J. D. Newcomer, the friend and adviser of her husband and son. The widow, Mrs. Fannie Wisner, assisted by her father, C. C. Gilman, chose J. L. Williams, a prominent banker, now dead, of Marshalltown. After a long and bitter legal fight, causing many animosities which will never be forgotten, Mr. Williams was chosen. Soon after the death of George and having so much trouble and grieving so continually over the death of her only son, Mrs. Julia A. Wisner died of a broken heart in April, 1893.

The bulk of Mrs. Wisner's money went to her grandchildren, son and daughter of George. These children, Gilman and Lois, are now aged about 7 years and each inherited one-third of their father's estate and a large amount from their grandmother. At the time of reaching their majority these children will be millionaires. The widow of G. H. Wisner has again been married to Frank W. Crockett, who was county clerk of Hardin county at the time of the celebrated administrator contest. Mr. Crockett has been appointed guardian of one of the minor children and is a young man of good business qualifications. James L. Williams, who was administrator of the estate of George H. Wisner, was stricken with apoplexy before the affairs of his administratorship had been settled.

A magnificent monument was built at Iowa Falls over the remains of Lyman F. Wisner at a cost of $10,000. George H. Wisner and mother are buried here and the executors of Mrs. Wisner will have placed a $6,000 monument over her grave.

Mrs. Wisner before her death gave $10,000 for the building of the Congregational church here and placed therein a $5,000 pipe organ as a memorial to her son George. No less than $500,000 of the Wisner fortune was expended in Eldora during the life of the family.

FOUGHT UNDER GEN. WASHINGTON.

Veteran of the Revolution Lies Buried in Dubuque County.

DUBUQUE, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The discovery has been recently made that at least two soldiers of the revolution lie buried in Iowa soil. The grave of one in Henry county is in a neglected spot in the woods and the other is marked by a little mound about a mile north of Worthington, in this county. The name of this veteran who ended his days in Dubuque county was Lucious Kiffle, and he was 88 years old when he died in 1848. He was born in 1760, and entered the Revolutionary war while yet a mere boy. He was a member of a Connecticut infantry company. After the war he came west, but it was not until 1836 that he took up his residence in Worthington. There he dwelt with his wife, and they made friends of the Indians of "Mishquake tribe." The Indians learned to worship Kiffle, and for a long time after his death they visited his wife regularly that she might not want. Lucious Kiffle built the first grist and saw mill in this section of the country. He named it the Rockville mill. The first sermon ever preached in this western country was preached in Kiffle's house by Simon Clark, the explorer. Old residents of Dubuque remember well the aged man. He came to Dubuque regularly twice a month to market his produce. He was peculiar, and many thought him eccentric. He had the old Pilgrims' manners, and followed their customs. People knew him to sit in his homestead at Worthington all through the Sabbath day and pray. Not until recently was it known that he had a record as a soldier in the war of the revolution, which fact was developed by an examination of the papers he left.

IOWA'S SOLDIERS' ORPHANS' HOME.

Objection Made to a Change in the Character of the Institution.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The friends of the Iowa Soldiers' Orphans' Home and Home for Indigent Children, located near this city, and especially the old soldiers, are indignant at the change which was made in the title of the institution and apparent change in its character made in the revised code of the state, the importance of which is just dawning upon them. The change leaves the institution no longer a distinctly soldiers' orphans' home, withdraws the support of the state entirely and leaves it to the counties which have orphans here. Senator Hayward, the new senator from this county, has taken the matter up and will insist upon restoration of the old law. The home was established during the war. Congress, by an act passed in 1865, donated to Iowa the tract of land on which it is located, the same having been purchased early in the war for the purpose of establishing barracks for the cavalry regiments of Iowa. The land was donated to Iowa for the express purpose of establishing thereon a home for the orphans of Iowa soldiers, and it stipulated that Iowa should maintain such a home there. The home was established with money donated largely by the Iowa soldiers in the field, they having contributed for this purpose the sum of $160,000. The Twentieth Iowa gave the sum of $6,500 and the Second Iowa cavalry gave $10,000, which latter was the largest sum given by any single regiment. The state of Iowa accepted this money and took charge of the home for the old soldiers. The effort to have the state abandon the home, or at least to relieve it of further responsibility for its maintenance, will be bitterly resented by the old soldiers of the state.

Sand Geyser.

ELDORA, Ia., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The geology class of Prof. C. C. Stoner of Estherville has just made the remarkable discovery of a veritable sand geyser on a farm near Eagle lake, north of here. Well diggers had abandoned an old well on account of the scarcity of water. By going close to the mouth of the well a low but deep guttural sound could be heard. On throwing water into the well this sound stopped and at once a stream of fine, white sand, five inches in diameter, shot out of the mouth of the well and into the air to a height of 150 to 200 feet. This continued for four minutes at a time. Stones as large as hen's eggs were in the sand, as also different colored gravel.

Mother and Child Fatally Burned.

CLINTON, Ia., Nov. 15.—Mrs. Henry Paysen was burned to death here today in a vain effort to save her 4-year-old daughter, Amelia, from the same fate. The child's clothing was ignited from a bonfire near which she was playing and the mother, in an effort to extinguish the flames, caught the little one in her arms and held her until both were fatally burned.

Snow in Northern Iowa.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Nov. 15.—The first snow of the season is falling tonight and is general throughout northern Iowa.

Iowa News Notes.

J. W. Roland, formerly of the Neola Reporter, has purchased the Avoca Herald.

A bad diphtheria scare is on at Hiteman, a mining town of 1,500 inhabitants. The schools are closed and the town quarantined.

Major M. A. Higley of Cedar Rapids will be a candidate for election as one of the regents of the Iowa State university before the legislature next winter.

The annual meeting of the Northeastern Iowa Horticultural society will be held at Forest City, Winnebago county, November 30, December 1 and 2, 1897.

Roscoe, the 5-year-old son of A. R. Hill of Denison, found a bottle of strychnine while playing and took a small dose, from which he died in five hours.

A buyer has been in North Tama the past ten days purchasing draft horses. He has paid $125 each for several. This is nearly double the price received last year.

The People's church at Burlington, formerly the Liberal Religious society, is to be served as pastor by Rev. Elinor E. Gordon, who is to divide her time between Burlington and Iowa City. Miss Gordon was formerly of the Unity church, Sioux City.

Black Cloud, the double-dealing Tama agency Indian, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by Judge Shiras in the United States court at Fort Dodge. There were two charges against him—perjury and forgery. He pleaded guilty to both charges.

Three store buildings in the town of Jerome, Appanoose county, were burned Friday morning, with a total loss of nearly $10,000. A keyhole saw, a crowbar and a lock were found in front of one of the stores, indicating that burglars had fired the buildings.

Dubuque shippers will hold a mass meeting today to protest against the action of the Chicago Great Western Railway company in removing train crews and shopmen from Dubuque to Oelwein, where under the recent consolidation all the divisions are now centralized.

Frank Scott, charged with complicity in the cattle stealing case at Fort Madison, for which Walter O'Brien is serving time in the penitentiary, was released because there was not sufficient evidence to convict, but he was immediately arrested for breaking jail and will stand trial on that charge.

M. Breen of Bevington, Madison county, is home on a visit. He went to Mexico three years ago, and, not being able to find employment, he commenced prospecting and finally struck a lead of gold-bearing rock which he has devolped. The ore runs $169 to the ton and the mine is regarded as quite valuable.

Some weeks ago while Samuel Williams and family were crossing Avery Creek in Union county, the bridge gave way with them, precipitating them to the bottom of the creek, and badly injuring them. Williams brought suit against the county and the commissioners have compromised with him for $275.

P. H. Ross, living east of Sloan, possesses a hog which lately underwent a curious transformation. About a month ago it became ill of what appeared to be a very heavy fever. One morning steam was seen rising from its body like a vapor from boiling water. The animal was turned out and in a few days ate its food. A little later the skin was noticed as hanging loosely in several places and soon began to roll off, leaving a raw surface. At present the hair has begun to grow and the hog eats and is growing fat, like other hogs, although having little of the appearance of one.

Iowa Press Comment.

Cedar Rapids Republican: Des Moines is to have a beer war next week. Why not wait until the legislature meets?

Ottuma Courier: The new code has received another puncture. The next legislature will sit as a sort of repair shop on this bedraggled code.

Cedar Rapids Republican: Uncle Horace Boies has finished thrashing, but as he flings the golden ears of corn into his wagon he merrily sings, "I told you so. I told you so."

Ottumwa Courier: It is thought that by the first of the year the treasury officials will be treated to the novel sight of witnessing monthly surpluses instead of deficits. The receipts of the Dingley law are steadily growing.

Des Moines Capital: A well known Des Moines business man suggests that Des Moines does not pay sufficient attention to the members of the general assembly while they are in the city. He thinks that if the members were given more social attention it would be like bread cast upon waters. Each member is an influential citizen in the community where he lives and could influence business in favor of Des Moines. The suggestion is a good one and should be acted upon this coming winter.

Waterloo Courier: The late campaign has developed two orators among the democrats who have discovered "a call to a wider field." They are Miss Murray of Nashua and S. H. Bashor of Waterloo. Both are going on the lecture platform. Miss Murray's subject will probably be "White China Silk in Politics." Mr. Bashor is preparing a lecture on "Thomas Jefferson." In both the public will find relief and the orators surcease of sorrow that has come from supporting the dead cause of free silver.

Baby Humors.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment soothes, quiets, and effects quick and effective cures in all skin eruptions, common to baby during teething-time. It is harmless to the hair in cases of Scald Head, and cures Eczema, Salt Rheum, and all Skin Diseases of older people. 35 cents.—23.

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October 20, 1897.
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FOR RENT—Houses in Council Bluffs—
$15.00 per month—Cherry Hill and one acre of ground, fruit and garden.
$12.50 per month—New store room, 20x60, on Broadway.
$9.00 per month—17? Third St., 6 rooms and barn.
$6.00 per month—15th st. and Ave. B; good barn.
$7.00 per month—420 Broadway, store room.
$6.50 per month—506 Graham avenue, 6 rooms.
$5.00 per month—156 Ridge street, 6-room house.
$4.00 per month—House on Ninth street.
ACRE PROPERTY—
$8.33 per month—A well improved 5 acres 2 miles from town; will take one-half of the rent in work.
FOR SALE—City Property—
$400—Good house, barn, shed and two lots, 2511 Fifth ave., monthly payments, $7 per month.
$200—Good house and lot on Avenue H, between Eighth and Ninth Sts., $5 per month.
$200—Good house and lot on 6th avenue, between 25th and 26th sts., monthly payments, $6 per month.
15 lots in Wright's add for sale at a very low price.
FARMS FOR SALE—
$25 per acre—240-acre farm, 4 miles west of Griswold, eastern part of Pottawattamie county.
$25 per acre—40 acres of good farming land north of Neola.
$25 per acre—Well improved 150-acre farm east of Loveland, Pottawattamie county.
$25 per acre—40 acres of good farming or fruit land, 2 miles from Sidney, Fremont county.
$25 per acre—30 acres of good fruit land, with small house, north of Hamburg, Fremont county.
$25 per acre—40 acres of good bottom land, some timber, 2 miles south of city limits.
$20 per acre—20 acres of good bottom land, 2 miles south of Council Bluffs.
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IOWA GARNISHMENTS.

Non-residents of Iowa now have no exemptions under the new Code which went into effect October 1. We can COLLECT BAD ACCOUNTS as of old, against MARRIED or SINGLE employes of Railways, Express, Telegraph, Telephone and Sleeping Car companies.

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