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LOCAL MATTERS.

Livery & Feed Stable. PETER EGAN

Would respectfully announce to the citizens of Ottawa and vicinity that he has one of the most complete livery stables in this city, at the City Stables, such as the

Latest Styles of Hacks, Carriages and Buggies.
To let at prices to suit times. Parties, Weddings, Funerals, Pic-Nics, &c., supplied with good rigs on short notice, and Funerals in the country or adjoining towns promptly attended to. Persons taken to and from the depot, or to the country, night or day. Remember the place—on Main street, near Fox River Bridge.
June 6, 1874. PETER EGAN.

SCHOOL BOOKS Of all kinds At Osman & Hapeman's 18 La Salle St.

MASONIC.
Regular communications of Occidental Lodge No. 40, A. F. & A. M., first and third Mondays of each month, 8 o'clock, in the hall, on Taylor street.
Regular communications of Eastern Star Chapter No. 12, A. M., first and third Wednesdays of each month, 8 o'clock, in the hall, on Taylor street.
Regular communications of the W. M. M., first and third Thursdays of each month, 8 o'clock, in the hall, on Taylor street.
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Regular communications of the S. O. D., first and third Saturdays of each month, 8 o'clock, in the hall, on Taylor street.
Regular communications of the A. O. U. W., first and third Sundays of each month, 8 o'clock, in the hall, on Taylor street.

MOURNING PAPER.
Envelopes and visiting cards, in great variety, at Osman & Hapeman's, west of Court House.

OUR AGENTS.
THE FREE TRADER may be obtained at the following places by the single copy, or subscriptions will be taken for any length of time at the regular rates:
R. WILLY, Seneca.
E. L. DUNAGAN, Stretcher.
L. H. PROWSE, Marquette.
G. H. BEAVER, for Troy Grove, Oshkosh and Watkinson. Address, Troy Grove.
The paper is always on file at the office of the Book and Stationery Co., 56 Clark st., under Sherman House, Chicago, for consultation of our friends.

The Churches.
Methodist—There will be services at the Methodist church Sabbath morning and evening. The week of prayer will be observed.
Baptist—New Year sermon in the morning. In the evening the subject will be "The Gospel of Common Sense." New Year communion in the morning.
Sisters of silk, very beautiful, at Stiefel's.
DIARIES for 1882, in all styles and sizes, at Osman & Hapeman's.
The regular monthly performance of the city council takes place on next Tuesday evening at the circuit court room.
The regular meeting of the Business Men's Association will be held at the Hall in Cheever's block on next Monday evening.
Scott Bros. & Co. a great sale before moving into their new store, is attracting the crowd, to early, while the assortment is good.

30 Years.
Twenty years' experience in putting up prescriptions.
FURNES & LORRAUX.
The Ottawa Musical Association have postponed the meeting of next Monday night on one week—the next meeting being held on Jan. 9th.
Fur caps at M. Stiefel's.
Medicated shirts and drawers at M. Stiefel's.
Scotch wool shirts and drawers, regular make, and cheap, at M. Stiefel's.

Owing to the immense amount of pretty things yet to be disposed of, the Sisters find it impossible to wind up their fair to-night, and it will be continued on Monday evening.
J. E. Porter says he soon will have the largest stock of agricultural implements ever brought to Ottawa, and will then tell the farmers what to buy. The prices will be much lower than last year.
Timothy Kane, a single man, aged 28 years, while lying drunk on the Rock Island track east of Seneca, on Tuesday morning, was run over by a freight train and killed instantly. The body was fearfully cut to pieces.

Dancing.
The next term of Willis's dancing school commences at his academy on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 7th. Those who wish lessons should make a note of it.
S. S. WILLYS.
The fair for the benefit of the Catholic church at Ulica opens in that village Tuesday, Jan. 8, and continues the remainder of the week. The managers will be thankful for any assistance our people may give.

Tax Receipts.
Collectors will find tax receipts, in any quantity desired, of desirable sizes, machine ruled and elegantly printed, at reasonable prices at Osman & Hapeman's. Orders by mail promptly attended to.
Maple Sugar.
On about the 1st of February I shall make arrangements for my annual shipment of genuine maple sugar from Vermont. Those who would like a supply should leave orders.
S. W. RAYMOND.

Taxes of 1881.
The taxes for 1881 are now due, and the books are in my hands at the county treasurer's office. It is better to pay early, while you have an opportunity to see a description of property, than wait till later, when there will be a crowd and confusion.
A. M. HOFFMAN, Collector.

The sudden cold snap of the last day or two admonishes all that notwithstanding to-morrow is Jan. 1, they cannot get along without winter foot clothing. One of the best stocks to select from in the county is that of Child & Phipps, who carry a very complete line of reasonable boots and shoes. Their stock is especially rich in ladies' wear, and they request all to call on them and see their goods.

Overcoats—Look at the Prices.
A good \$8.50 overcoat for \$6.25
A good \$7.50 overcoat for \$5.75
A good \$6.50 overcoat for \$4.75
We are bound to close them out, and will give the chance to all who may call and examine them. This is no taffy; we mean business.
M. STIEFEL.

Society.
On Wednesday evening Miss Lara Nash entertained a large number of friends, the guests of honor being Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rager. About all the young people of the city were present, and the house was well filled with guests. There was dancing.

On Tuesday evening the military party took place at the Armory. Some 50 or more couples were present.
The Young Ladies' Society, managers of the public reading room, to whom the managers (Company D) of the rink gave the receipts for Thursday evening, had the largest attendance the rink has seen, probably. The evening was a pleasant one, enlivened by music and prize skating, and the profits were considerable. There is no diminution of the rink's popularity.

Mr. Thos. Spencer takes this opportunity to wish all his patrons and friends, and the public in general, a "Happy New Year," and also to return thanks for the very liberal patronage bestowed on him during the year closing today. His business this year has been larger than ever before, and he will spare no pains for the future to merit a continuance of this very liberal treatment on the part of the public.

Notwithstanding an announcement of postponement, the Sisters of Mercy decided to hold their fair at Turner Hall this week as per former announcements. It has been running all week, and the attendance has been large—a large as hoped for, considering the state of the roads. The receipts are good and a goodly sum will be realized. The fair closes Monday evening, when the final results of the volutes on the Dressing Case and the Canon, which are exciting no little interest, will be known.

Fifty pianos and organs to rent at Mrs. Brown's. Instruments sold on monthly payments. Pianos and organs sent to any part of the county, state or adjoining states. First class goods fully warranted.
Largest stock in the state west of Chicago. Store on Madison st.

We feel ourselves indebted to our cotemporaries in Ottawa for the kindly mention they have made of the book, "The Resources of Ottawa and La Salle County," which we intend to publish shortly if the work receives the necessary support from our business men, which we think will be forthcoming. If we may judge from the temper of those with whom we have talked on the subject, the work will be, as explained in the Prospectus (a few copies of which were printed and circulated), an exhaustive presentation of the claims of Ottawa as a manufacturing and trading centre and as a site for investments, and we think the best posted men in Ottawa will find in it many things they never heard or thought of before.

The book is not intended as a cheap advertising scheme to be thrown into the waste basket, as soon as looked at, but will certainly be read by every man who gets a copy, at home or abroad.
It is to be printed for the benefit of Ottawa, and if we do say it ourselves) will have means to make it worthy Ottawa men's support, and will be something they will take pleasure in sending to their friends or strangers.

OSMAN & HAPEMAN.
The soft weather which ruined the Christmas season suddenly left the country on Thursday, when a snow squall came, followed by colder weather. It was cold by comparison only, yet it froze enough on Wednesday to give the roads a solid bottom. Last night was still colder, and the roads will now bear heavily loaded teams. Little or no grain has come to town, but what did get in sold for very high prices for feed, corn being as much as 65c, though the prices as quoted in the market reports elsewhere indicate what grain is worth at the warehouses.

Our good friend C. Zwanzig, of the Herald, treated his friends yesterday to only half the usual allowance of Herald. Yet none will object when they recollect that on Christmas Day Mr. Zwanzig took to himself a "better half," and to get married and issue a whole paper in one week is too much to ask of any man, you know. The bride was Miss Strackmeyer, a lady well known in this city, whose parents reside in Chatsworth, where the marriage took place. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Zwanzig, and wish them a most happy married life. The "boys" say it she made that cake, she's a "daisy."

On Wednesday night, at La Salle, burglars visited the hardware store of Fred Shuler, on Eighth street, and took a selection of his stock amounting to \$50. They then visited William Galt's house and stole his pocket-book containing \$30.

An Unequaled Stock.
Our new stock of books is now open. The stock is so complete and extensive there is no question it is the only first class book stock in this city.
Our stock was not bought for the purpose of flooding the country with old editions at especially low prices.
We are selling new books, in new editions, in new and strong bindings, this season's publications, for the same and less money at which others are offering last year's stock.
We will show you a line of the Poets, Standard Works, the most valuable, elegant and complete line of juveniles ever opened in Ottawa. This is fact and not theory.
Don't buy books until you have seen our stock, or you will regret your purchase.
OSMAN & HAPEMAN.

On Saturday last, a 16-months' old baby, whose parents, named Fay, live in the country north of the city, in its meandering about Scott Bros. store, while the mother was buying goods, got hold of some lye (relies of a lot used for floor scrubbing), which the child put into its mouth. Her lips were badly burned and also her cheeks, where the hands had evidently been rubbed. On discovering the facts the child was immediately taken to Dr. Dyer for treatment, so that the injuries are not so serious.

Remnants.
Remnants from every department have been selected, measured and marked away down, without regard to cost. SCOTT BROS. & CO.
During this mild weather the contractors, Thomas & Hugh Colwell, have concluded to uncover the walls of the new Court House and continue the work, and building has been going on during the past two weeks. On Saturday another accident took place. Thos. Austin, laborer, slipped from the upper scaffolding and fell a distance of 30 feet. Dr. Campbell, who first examined him, pronounced four ribs broken. His limbs were also paralyzed. Dr. Dyer has had charge since. The paralysis has since been reduced, but his condition is yet critical. His family is a large one and poorly provided for.
Just Received—At Fiske & Beem's, another lot of boys' overcoats that we will sell at \$1.50 each.
Ladies', call at Fiske & Beem's and see a fine lot of boys' and children's suits—neat, nobby and cheap.
Seal caps and fur gloves cheap at Fiske & Beem's, and all kinds of hats and caps for men, boys and children.
A fine assortment of goods for neck wear, and line gloves and mitts at Fiske & Beem's.
Trunks, carpet bags,shawl and trunk straps at Fiske & Beem's.
Rubber coats, storm, montanus, office, gas-saver coats for ladies' and gents'; also boys' rubber coats on hand at Fiske & Beem's.
The Turners of La Salle (30 in number) have just finished their new hall, which will be dedicated to-morrow. "The building," says the Democrat, "is one of the coolest places of entertainment in the county, and it will certainly secure a share of the trade. It is on Gooding street, between Second and Third, and is 15x40 feet; stage 22x40, with dressing room above. It has a gallery which runs nearly the full length of both sides and east end of the hall, with a seating capacity for fully 300 people, making a total of at least 700 who can be accommodated with comfortable seats." The hall by this evening will be beautifully festooned with evergreens, flags, emblems, mottoes, &c., presenting an appearance handsome and artistic. This Turner district embraces La Salle, Chicago, Joliet, Laporte, Ind., Ottawa, Aurora, Mendota and Peru, and it is expected several hundred members of the organization will be present at the dedication.
In a crude, prosy, clumsy way
Some business men their greetings pay,
But we, yes we, of thoughts sublime,
Greet our friends in pleasant rhyme.
Thanks, child and youth, lady and man,
Who favored us through eighty-one;
May every second of eighty-two
Bring wealth and happiness for you.
A. LYNCH.
Boys' suits, cheaper than ever, at Stiefel's.
On Saturday night a man named Maxwell got pretty drunk at McIntyre's saloon, on Madison street, and went to sleep on the walk outside. While there Harry Madden, it is alleged, relieved his pockets of their valuables. At any rate, Esquire Reese held Madden in \$800 bonds to have the Circuit Court discuss the matter. Yesterday he appeared before Judge Miller and plead guilty. His general good character when sober was in his favor, and he got off with 30 days in jail.
Men's good every-day business suits, very low, cheaper than ever, at Stiefel's.
REMEMBER, that we put on sale to-day 100 lbs. black union beaver, cloaks and dolmans at prices ranging from \$1.50 to \$5.00. Persons desiring such garments will find the prices extremely low. We have just received a fresh stock of higher-priced garments in this line, which will be sold at prices correspondingly low.
Remember our children's, misses', ladies' and gentlemen's underwear.
Remember our handkerchiefs and gloves.
Remember our notions for we are very notional. Our ladies' hood (the Celestial) is a beauty. It is said that the design was obtained through a medium from spirit land.
Remember that our stock embraces fully and affectionately dry goods of every description, and that prices are always satisfactory to purchasers.
A. LYNCH.
Silk handkerchiefs, 50c yds, at Stiefel's.
The Rock Island road has just brought out of the shops three elegant new reclining chair cars—the first ever used on the road. They have 22 seats each, also toilet and smoking rooms. They cost \$10,000 each. After January 1 they will run from Chicago to Kansas City. Six more are to be built to be ready July 1st, to be put on other divisions of the road.
During last week a one-legged tramp, named Julius Dering, circulated about town on a begging tour. Among other places he called at the Farmers' House, by Mr. Rhel, on La Salle street. Mr. Rhel gave him a room, in return for which hospitality the said tramp stole a five dollar gold piece and a few other coins, such as he could lay his hands on about the house. He was arrested and on Wednesday last was examined before Esquire Reese, who sent him to jail in default of bonds. Yesterday he pleaded guilty before Judge Miller and was given 70 days in the county jail.
The Kankakee Gazette says, on Thursday: "The Kankakee & Seneca is now an accomplished fact. The last rail was laid on Saturday morning, the conjunction of the two sections being so nicely calculated that two thirty-foot rails just filled the gap. Ballasting and evening will now go forward for a month until the line is in first-class condition. On the 1st of February a regular mail and express will be started, though in the interim more or less freighting will be done. Kankakee will be made the end of a division, the trains over the Seneca making round trips each day. The work of building the line has been prosecuted under difficulties and disadvantages, but it has progressed with as much rapidity as could be reasonably expected, and we heartily congratulate the gentlemen who have had the work in charge upon the successful completion of one of the most important links of railroad that has been constructed this year."

Christmas.
Until of late years the religious observance of Christmas was confined chiefly to the Episcopal and Catholic churches. They have always observed it; and the usual introit and collect for the day of the Common Prayer Book are the same as authorized in 1549, when the Prayer Book of Edward I. came into use (Whitsunday). Our Puritan fathers considered an observance of Christmas just right for hanging, and had no scruples about doing it. But generation by generation this changed and the evangelized churches now generally observe the day with appropriate religious services—if the day falls on a Sunday as this year. At other times the religious services are held when convenient; but the Christmas tree must come for the children always.
All the churches had special services on Sunday last—generally in the evening, when the children of the Sunday Schools were the leaders. At the Catholic churches the usual Christmas masses were sung, and large congregations worshipped.
At the Episcopal church, the morning service was, as usual, a full Christmas service, with Holy Communion. The children assisted effectively with the music. In the evening the children again took part in the music, opening the service with a professional hymn, and after evening prayer gave a number of beautiful carols. The services were very beautiful and impressive.
At the M. E. church the Sunday School conducted an interesting service, composed of music, reading by Miss Fannie Cheever and a short address by the pastor.
At the Baptist church was a somewhat similar service with reading by Miss Edith Penny and Miss Laura Lindley, and an address by Lester H. Strawn, and others by Mr. J. E. Scott and the pastor.
At the Congregational church the pastor gave a Christmas sermon, and on Tuesday evening the Sunday School held the annual Christmas tree.
All of Sunday's services at all the churches were unusually well attended, the day being a beautiful one and the evening pleasant.

The electric light is a grand success for dry goods. Call at Scott Bros. & Co.'s and see; the effect is delightful.

THE COURTS.
The Circuit Court.
At the Kendall county Circuit Court were heard: "The People vs. Joseph Besse, indicted for selling liquor; change of venue from La Salle county. Sweetland and Brewer for the People; Crain and Parks for defence. Verdict of guilty was rendered by the jury in a very short time. Court fined Besse \$50 and costs. Appealed. The cases of Michael Kenny and John Keating, from Ottawa, for the same crime, were continued."
The January term of the La Salle county Circuit Court begins on Jan. 9.

The County Offices.
County Court and Clerk—Walters' block, Madison st.
Recorder—Exchange building, opposite Clifton.
Circuit Court—Over M. Stiefel's store.
The following were this week granted licenses to marry:
Christopher Hogan and Anna Holcomb.
Jacob M. Bird and Mary E. Clayton.
Edgar C. Davis and Mary M. Perdian.
Henry O'Brien and Mary Waters.
Jeremiah Pratt and Mary E. Worthington.
Lewis M. Eddy and Fannie J. Butterfield.
Francis M. Blaylock and Eliza Caldwell.
William Shev and Hanna Sullivan.
Salsbury E. Phillips and Emma A. Dor.
Martin Dooley and Kate Cole.
John P. H. Francis and Annie P. Snelling.
James Brady and Mary Connors.
Chas. E. Crosier and Louisa Smith.
Lars Tutland and Sarah Bewland.
Geo. W. Blaine and Mary A. Lackey.
Walter E. Scofield and Harriet M. Taylor.
Edward Owen and Anna Woolencraft.
Chas. Doll and Clara O'Neil.
John S. Bossard and Ellen Roberts.
Thos. Hiron and Ella W. Sampson.
Francis Joll and Mary A. Taylor.
Albert Rudzinski and Theresa Sixk.

REAL ESTATE.
During the week real estate instruments numbered from 21,767 to 21,821 were filed for record. The money involved was, for 1881's business:
Sales, \$40,785 00
Loans, 19,947 00
The sales of corporation property were more numerous than of farm property. The totals were:
Sales, \$7,615 00
Loans, 4,917 00
The sales were: In Earlville, \$1,000; La Salle, \$450; Mendota, 4, 83,072; Peru, 3, 41,000; Ottawa, 2, 2,365; Lostant, certificate, \$350; Crotty, \$18; Marseilles, \$1,400. Loans: Streator, \$600; Peru, \$180; Marseilles, \$502; Mendota, 2, \$3,350; Ottawa, \$225.
Among the sales were the following:
Lot 1, blk 8, Earlville, \$1,000.
No lot 5, blk 118, La Salle, \$450.
Sec 36, T. 36, S. 2, \$500.
Pt lot 1, blk 49, West side, Mendota, \$1,500.
Pt lot 3, blk 16, West side, Mendota, \$550.
Lot 5 and w 1/2 lot 4, blk 60, Ninewa side, Peru, \$1,000.
Lot 4, sub lot 8, Ottawa City, \$115.
Lot 2, blk 10, R. R. side, Ottawa, \$150.
Sec 7, T. 32, S. 48, \$3,200.
Ely way 23, w 1/2 lot 3, 23, 4, Land & W. P. Co Add, Marseilles, \$1,400.

INSANE.
Mrs. Mary Reeves, of La Salle, who about a month ago attempted suicide by throwing herself into a well, was on Wednesday declared insane by a jury in Judge Miller's court.
JAIL.
Concerning the man who was lodged here on last Friday afternoon, the La Salle Press says: "On Thursday afternoon John Hoffman called upon Esquire Perriest and told him that about three years ago he, the said John, had stolen and taken away a horse of the value of \$100, the property of Mrs. Fair, of Dayton, of this county, and sold the same for the sum of \$30. He had been wandering over the face of the earth like an Ishmaelite ever since, was weary and would willingly rest in the new jail. Furthermore, he wanted to see his sister who lived in Ottawa, and if he ventured within the limits of that city with out the protection of the strong arm of the law he feared being mobbed. The 'Squire took his affidavit and put him under \$500 bonds to appear before the Circuit Court at the January term thereof. He couldn't get bail and his heart's desire was gratified by being furnished with a free ride to the county seat to await trial for horse-stealing."
The Sisters of Mercy gave the prisoners a fine Christmas dinner on Sunday, which you may be sure the boys appreciated.

AMUSEMENTS.
The Frank Frayne Party.
The Frank Frayne company in "Mardo" were greeted by a large audience, though a trifle top-heavy. The play is of the "blood and thunder" sort, a good, old-fashioned dime-novel dramatized. It was, however, vastly better played than usual with that grade of plays. It's quite impossible to describe a play that takes one from the Pacific slope in America to St. Petersburg and then keeps one trotting back and forth from St. Petersburg to Siberia; but a show that can introduce a bear and a dog and a lion in one night is not to be sneezed at—There was with the party a capital orchestra—an institution with both body and soul, though having but seven pieces—a luxury not often enjoyed at the Opera House here.
The Herberts.
On Monday evening next the Herbert dramatic company (not the Florence Herbert crowd) began a week's season at the Opera House in a line of plays generally new to Ottawa, opening with the very funny comedy "Rooms for Rent," which elsewhere under the management of Mr. Gulick has proved one of the most successful comedies of the year. The Herbert party has J. W. Burton and Harry Wentworth, both well known here, as comedian and leading man, as well as several others whose names and faces will be remembered. The leading lady, Eunice Goodrich, is a new name here, but she is said to be a very clever actress. The party carry also a brass band and an orchestra for inside music, which they brag of. The low prices of 25 and 35 cents will prevail. The company has an excellent reputation, and will no doubt present their plays in attractive style. At Streator this week they have been drawing immense houses, standing room being at a premium every evening after Saturday night last.
See Stiefel's stock of neck ties and silk mufflers for New Year's presents. They are beauties. Call in and see them. M. STIEFEL, at the White Corner.

There are three cases of smallpox in Norway in addition to the two which proved fatal. The new cases are Chris. Nelson and two children. Supervisor Adams has taken every precaution to prevent the further spreading of the pest by shutting the house in from all communication with the world outside.
PIANO FOR SALE CHEAP.—Enquire of Mrs. Anna Foster, west Madison street.
New Envelopes.
Messrs. Osman & Hapeman have on sale a new envelope, illuminated with a picture of the City of Ottawa on the face, engraved from a photo by Wheeler. These are very handsome goods and should be seen by all business men.
Come and help us to move the goods. We have marked the prices down. We are offering great inducements to cash buyers.
SCOTT BROS. & CO.

The Illinois and Mississippi River Improvement Commission has voted to raise \$10,000 for lobby and other purposes of the Hennepin Canal Scheme. Of this amount Chicago is taxed \$5,000; Ottawa, \$500; La Salle, \$200; Seneca, \$50; Marseilles, \$50. The Commission seem to be well posted!
Cataract of the Bladder.
Stinging, smarting, irritation of the urinary passages, diseased discharges, cured by Buchu-palpa. Druggists. Depot, Mex Kneussel.

Read Our Guarantee—Study Our Compass.
We are the OLDEST ONE PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE in the STATE. No Salesman is allowed to deviate from any Rules in our Guarantee.

ONE PRICE GUARANTEE.

WE GUARANTEE

- 1st. That the prices of our goods shall be as low as the same quality of material and manufacture are sold anywhere in the United States
- 2d. That the prices are precisely the same to everybody for same quality, on same day of purchase.
- 3d. That the quality of goods is as represented.
- 4th. That the full amount of cash paid will be refunded, if customers find the articles unsatisfactory, and return them unworn and un injured within 15 days of the date of purchase.

[Signed,] Jiske & Beem.
Nos. 40 and 42 La Salle Street, Ottawa, Ill.

HOME Insurance Company of New York.

56th SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

CASH CAPITAL.	\$3,000,000.00
Reserve for Re-Ins. and all other Liabilities.	2,107,402.29
Net Surplus.	1,758,627.03
Cash Assets July 1, 1881.	\$6,886,029.32

Losses Paid at Ottawa Agency, \$9,405.12.
Losses Paid at the Great Chicago Fire, \$3,150,506.07.
Losses Paid at Great Boston Fire, \$774,164.43.
Total Losses Paid Since Organization, \$31,282,295.18.
GEO. W. RAVENS, Agent, S. E. corner P. O. Block

OSMAN & HAPEMAN
Now light up their stock of Fancy Goods for the Holidays with the
Electric Light.
OUR STOCK OF HOLIDAY GOODS
Is the Largest, the Best, and Includes the Greatest Variety in this Country.
We want everybody to call and see the Goods.
OSMAN & HAPEMAN,
Dec. 31, 1881. West of Court House, Ottawa.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.
I will sell daily, till all is disposed of, the ENTIRE STOCK of the late firm of Hull & Bartels, regardless of cost.
The goods consist of Hats, Caps, Furs, Gents' Furnishing Goods, &c. They must be sold.
Call at HULL & BARTELS' old stand, north of Court House. Sale commences this morning.
W. W. TAYLOR, Assignee.
Dec. 31, 1881.

B HAPPY
By buying one of those Latest Improved Light-Running DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES
For a Christmas or a New Year Present for your mother, cousin, sister, wife, or mother-in-law.
E. D. SWEETSER & CO.'S,
Dec. 31, 1881. New Post Office Block.

Read Our Guarantee—Study Our Compass.
We are the OLDEST ONE PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE in the STATE. No Salesman is allowed to deviate from any Rules in our Guarantee.

ONE PRICE GUARANTEE.

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