

MINSTREL SHOW PROMISES MUCH

Preparations for Elks Production Well Under Way—Rehearsals Going Well.

With an army of stage hands, painters and costumers at work upon the accessories for the mammoth Elks' minstrel show, which is to be given at the Illinois theatre Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night, Feb. 17, 18 and 19, the initial preparations for the big production are assuming rapid headway, and the promoters are jubilant over the prospects which are assuming a decidedly rosy hue.

The committee in charge has secured the services of the firm of Miller & Draper of New York, which company has staged hundreds of minstrel successes.

Miller & Draper put on the Davenport show last year, when the Elks across the river gave an entertainment which will go down in the annals of local history as one of the classiest ever witnessed.

The local lodge has a great number of decidedly clever and talented men, and the rehearsals thus far have shown that with the material at hand, there is every reason to believe that Rock Island people will be talking about the Elks' minstrel show for months to come.

PORT BYRON WOULD HAVE COMMISSION

Citizens of Port Byron wish to adopt the commission form of government, and this morning a petition was filed in the county court to that effect, signed by more than one-tenth of the voters, as required by law.

End Lengthy Arguments. Extended arguments in the J. A. Campbell vs. J. J. Taxman quo warranto proceedings were ended in the circuit court this morning, and Judge R. W. Oimsted took under advisement

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J. RAMSER'S SONS OPTOMETRISTS.

THE DERELICT



The respondent's motion for vacating the court order permitting the filing of information in the case.

Work of picking a jury in the case of J. L. Oakleaf, administrator, vs. Albert E. Bowles was begun in the circuit court this afternoon.

Personal Points

F. G. Young has returned from a trip to Chicago. Mrs. W. P. Churchill of Decatur, Ill., is visiting relatives in Rock Island.

HINDU FUNERAL PYRES.

Burning the Dead at Benares a Careless and Callous Rite. Describing the burning of their dead by the Hindus of India at Benares, Price Collier in Scribner's Magazine says:

I have been present at these burnings. The bodies are brought in on a frail litter. A pile of logs is built up, held in place by four iron stanchions.

He—The great trouble with Gabriel is he talks too much. She—That's strange. When he's been with me he's scarcely said a word. He—Oh, he's too much of a gentleman to interrupt.—Boston Transcript.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

CHICKEN RAISERS TO HOLD MEETING

Plan is to Effect Organization Tonight at Myers Optical Company Store.

Chicken fanciers and raisers of poultry in Rock Island are invited to be present tonight at a meeting at the Myers Optical company store on Eighteenth street, at which it is planned to organize with a view to holding poultry shows here and in general promoting the business or pleasure which accompanies chicken raising.

KARLOWA GIVES SCIENTIFIC TALK

Tri-City Wireless Club Adopts Constitution and Bylaws—Next Lecture Thursday.

Robert Karlowa, chief operator of the Tri-City Wireless club, gave an interesting lecture on "Wave Transmission" Saturday evening at the meeting of the club which was held in the wireless telegraph rooms on the sixth floor of the Best building.

A DIFFERENCE.

It Paid This Man to Change Food. "What is called 'good living' eventually brought me to a condition quite the reverse of good health," writes a New York merchant.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true and full of human interest.—(Adv.)

Davenport next Thursday night at the meeting of the club.

A constitution and bylaws were adopted at the business session which followed the talk. It was decided to draw up resolutions of condolence next Thursday on the death of one of the club's charter members, Frederick Glawe, who died Saturday evening at 12:30 o'clock at his home, 1301 Fourth avenue.

City Chat

Buy a home of Reily Bros. For express, call William Trefz. Tri-City Towel Supply company. Kerler Rug company for vacuum cleaning and rug-making.

Remember that Ralph Stanton has everything to make your friends, who smoke, happy.

Coal, coal, coal! The Rock Island Fuel company will deliver to you all the best grades of hard and soft coal.

Gansert's "Fruittillas," chocolate covered fruits with liquid centers. Take a box home today. For sale by all leading dealers.

Why do you suppose over 94,000,000 cups of Chase & Sanborn's Seal Brand coffee were drunk in the United States last year? Try it and see. You can buy it at the Mill store.

Mueller Lumber company will enable you to build a fine house or barn out of the choicest select lumber and you will be surprised and yet pleased to learn the low prices they are making.

Good luck in baking demands the finest flour. Poor bread is often the result that causes poor bread and biscuit. For the finest flour—your's simply to ask for our Star brand. The Mill store.

Kain & Reinhardt, cigar store still takes the lead. Most liberally patronized. Everything in tobacco, cigars and smokers' supplies. Man is never better satisfied than when smoking their choice brands.

T. S. O'Hara, flour and feed store, is having a big trade on stock and poultry food. Dr. Hess' stock food for horses, cattle, hogs, sheep and all kind of poultry. It makes the hens lay every day.

The Rock Island Lumber and Manufacturing company, lumber and building material for all purposes, houses, barns, granaries. We will give you an opportunity to save a big per cent. Let us be of service to you.

Math's bakery and confectionery store, the finest in the tri-cities. Bread, cakes, pies, cookies and hot rolls. They can't be beat. Most people say they are superior to any home baking. Let them serve you.

E. E. Lamp, plumbing, steam and hot water heating, gas fitting. His

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\$21 Switches, \$5 Special for Tuesday only. All of our first quality German and French Hair Switches ranging in value up to \$21, for only \$5.



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Sale of Shopping Bags, 39c Women's Hand Bags, 9 inch frame, silver plated steel mountings, strap handle, moire lined, inside purse, 50c value, only 39c. (Leather Goods, Main Floor).

St. Valentine Candies, Boxed One of the most popular means of expressing St. Valentine's greetings is by gifts of boxed candy. You will find Young & McCombs' Candy store well supplied to fill your Valentine wants. Best boxed candies from 39c to \$1.00 the pound.

25% Discount Royal Society package goods, all stamped, with floss for embroidery working, 25% discount. Good values in Stamped Pieces, consisting of Scarfs and Center Pieces, 25% discount. (Art Needlework dept., 2d Floor).

Ribbons at Half The Ribbon Chief has rummaged through the Ribbon Shelves and has found one lot of all-silk hair-bow taffeta, messaline and fancy Ribbons, at half price. We want clean shelves for the incoming Spring stock. (Ribbons, Main Floor).

Warm, Good Knit Underwear Cut to the Quick! This little list scarcely does more than hint of the many bargains gathered for Wednesday: Women's Empress Wool Drawers, regular sizes, regularly \$1 for 70c. Women's Springfield Wool Vests and Pants, regular sizes, \$2.75 quality, a garment \$2.25. Women's Gauze Shaped Vests, sizes 4 to 9 at 25c and 29c. (Underwear, Main Floor).

Battenberg Patterns, 5c A large number of tastefully stamped Battenberg Patterns greatly reduced. They are 15c and 25c values. While they last the price will be but 5c.

Valentines All yield homage to the spirit of St. Valentine that hovers in these delicate missives, a-glint with tint and grace. A long counter in "Bargain Lane" that shimmers with poems and pictures and prettiness. In fact, a veritable lover's treasure-trove — rich with sense and sentiment. Comic Valentines, 12 for 5c. Lace Valentines, 5c each and up. Valentine Post Cards, 5c a dozen. Red Hearts, all sizes, 2c to 15c a bunch (50 in bunch).

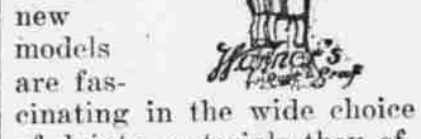
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New Corsets Are Here—Some News of Style Changes

In ample time to be taken into consideration with the planning of the Spring gowns, the new Corsets arrive. The new models are fascinating in the wide choice of dainty materials they offer. The new Spring R. & G. and Warner models are here now. Come in. It's not too early to look.



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