

which they have testified during this session by electing him a delegate to the general conference. He is well known throughout the state, as he was chaplain of the Fifty-second regiment of Iowa volunteers in the war with Spain, and still holds that relation with the Fifty-sixth.

Rev. E. S. Johnson has been assigned to the pastorate of the church at Rock Rapids instead of the superintendency of Mercy Hospital. The latter position had been tendered to Rev. Johnson and he announced that if it were the wish of the conference that he take charge of the hospital he would accept it. The appointment was as good as made when the bishop reconsidered his decision and appointed Rev. Johnson to the pastorate at Rock Rapids. He said that Rev. Johnson was too valuable a man to retire from the ministry. The superintendent of the hospital has not yet been named.

JURY FREES HOUSE

Jewell Man is Adjudged Not Guilty
By Jury In Court
Friday.

WAS OUT BUT 30 MINUTES

William House, of Jewell, was Saturday morning released from the county jail a free man, the jury having decided that he was not guilty of the crime under which he was indicted and had been confined in the county jail. The jury was out about thirty minutes before they came to a decision.

The jury in the case of Johnson vs. Lingle brought in a verdict of \$31.25 for Johnson. In the justice court in Stanhope Johnson was given a verdict of \$5 damages against Lingle for false arrest. Lingle appealed and the jury in the district court increased the damages to \$31.25.

The case of First National Bank of Williams vs. J. H. Crose has been dismissed by the plaintiff without prejudice. The plaintiff pays the costs incurred.

The permit recently issued in the name of J. H. Mitchell has been changed to read The Rengnitz Co., that being the name of the new drug firm on the corner of Second and Seneca streets.

DEATH OF S. W. PERKINS.

Struck With an Iron Bar.

Passed Away At His Home in This City At 7 O'Clock Saturday Morning.

S. W. Perkins, a veteran of the war of the rebellion, an upright citizen and a good man passed to his final reward at 7 o'clock Saturday morning, Oct. 10th, 1903, at his home on West Walnut street, in this city. He had been sick for about three months and despite the best of medical skill and the tenderest care gradually sank to his final rest at the above hour. The cause of his death is thought to have been cancer of the kidneys and a postmortem was held by Dr. Richardson and Dr. Drake Saturday morning to verify the diagnosis.

Mr. Perkins was born in Persia, Erie county, N. Y., Sept. 10th, 1839, and was therefore in his 65th year. He enlisted for the war of the rebellion in 1861, and served three years as Second Lieut. of Co. C. 154th N. Y. Vol.

He was married in March, 1860, to Miss Harriet Perkins, who died six years ago. On Feb. 22, 1902, he was again married to Mrs. McKay, widow of sister of his deceased wife, who with one daughter, Miss Ione McKay, survives him. At the close of the war he came west locating near Independence, Iowa, where he resided one year after which he located in Champagne county, Ills., where he lived for 37 years, moving to this city in March, 1901. He owned a fine farm southwest of Webster City and a commodious home in the city and was nicely situated to enjoy the comforts of old age. Besides his immediate family here his mother still lives in Troy, Penn., at the ripe age of 84 years, and six brothers and one sister all live near the old home in N. Y. He was a quiet, kind hearted man, in love with his family and his home and was highly respected by all who knew him.

The funeral services were held at the family home at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. In the absence of his pastor, Rev. E. S. Johnson, the service were conducted by Rev. J. O. Thrush. The G. A. R. Post attended in a body and had charge of the service at the grave.

The kindest sympathy of all our people will go out to the bereaved ones in their hour of grief.

With one eye closed and a scalp wound five inches long on his head, William Greenwood walked into Dr. Desmond's office this noon for repairs. It is said that the wounds were received at the hands of William Black who lives on the Cummings farm east of town. Greenwood was out to the Sketchley farm shortly before noon and got into some difficulty with Black and it is alleged that Black struck Greenwood with an iron bar inflicting the severe wounds which he bears. Dr. Desmond took several stitches in the scalp wound and Greenwood will be all right in a day or two.

Mrs. E. M. Milburn chaperoned a party of young ladies to Webster City Friday afternoon. They remained over Sunday visiting with relatives and friends. In the party were Misses Clara Milburn, Alice Johnson and Bertha Daniels of Ainsworth, Nebraska.—Stratford Courier.

GIVES CLEAR FIELD

New Gas Company Retires From Field in Favor of Company Composed of J. M. Funk and Others.

ORDINANCE IS CHANGED

Objectionable Clause in Article 8 Removed And Retiring Company is Satisfied.

Thursday there were two private gas companies in Webster City asking for a franchise for the construction and maintaining of gas works in the city. Today there is but one. The company composed of F. E. Willson, W. N. Merrill, C. E. Atkinson, J. W. Allington, R. G. Lewis, T. F. Hook, C. D. Hellen and others has withdrawn from the race and leaves the other one in full possession of the field.

The ordinance on which the franchise is asked by the company composed of J. M. Funk, W. C. Burlison, J. W. Young, F. A. Edwards, W. F. Hunter, R. G. Clark, J. M. Richardson, R. E. Jones, W. J. Zitterell and George W. Teed is published in this week's issue of the Weekly Journal. It has been materially changed since it was introduced at the council meeting one week ago Friday evening and is acceptable to the retiring company whose members will support it at the coming election.

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