

HAD A HOT TIME

A CHARIVARI PARTY MADE A ROUGH HOUSE FOR A NEWLY MARRIED COUPLE AND WILL BE ARRESTED. DAMAGES ARE ASKED.

The wildest kind of charivari or rough house entertainment that has occurred in many moons was held at the house of Jacob J. Dirksen of New Home precinct, in the northwestern part of this county, on Thanksgiving night. A brother, Mr. C. Dirksen had just returned from an eastern wedding trip with his bride and was stopping a few days at the house of Jacob Dirksen to spend part of the honeymoon. In the evening of Thanksgiving day a number of young men showed up at the house and it is said demanded supper and beer. The groom said he was unprepared to entertain his seven unexpected visitors at that time, but would like to have them to supper or if they would wait until the following Monday night would prepare a special supper and give the boys a good time on the strength of his wedding. This programme appeared not to suit the callers, who asked for \$5 and supper at once.

This was refused and the complaint in the case alleges that the parties then proceeded to wreak damages of various kinds on the premises of the

groom's brother. They broke down a door, struck J. Dirksen on the arm, held the door open with an evener of a wagon, threw rocks into the room where the family and other guests were sitting, and struck the bride with a chunk of frozen dirt and the blow rendered her insensible.

They also, says the complaint, thrust a pitchfork through the window breaking a glass, tossed coal in the room and struck two children who were in the house at the time. The gang then took a quarter of beef from the house and burned two bunches of shingles for a fire to roast the meat, on the ends of a fork. They ate part of the meat and spoiled the remainder. They ran hay rakes against the side of the house, broke three windows and two doors, and plugged up the chimney with a spade so that the people in the house had to sit in the smoke until the obstruction was removed. They spoiled a washboiler and turned the horses of the visitors loose which compelled the guests to walk home.

The warrants for the arrest of the following parties charged with the damages above outlined were sent to the sheriff of Foster county for service on the defendants yesterday. The names of the parties who will be asked to pay damages for their hilarity and destructive proclivities are given as follows: Henry Weidel, Martin Leiboldt, Martin Haupt, Wm. Unruh and Jacob Unruh. The plaintiff is Jacob Dirksen. Damages in the amount of \$100 asked for and additional damages

for personal injuries in the amount of \$2,500 and punitive or exemplary damages in the amount of \$2,500 are also demanded.

The case will come up in the next term of the district court and the case promises to attract a good deal of attention. Knauf & Knauf are attorneys for the plaintiff.—Alert.

HANSON VS. PETERSON

FRED HANSON AND ED PETERSON DID A TWO DAY STUNT IN JUSTICE COURT THIS WEEK.

Justice Bouer's court was occupied the first of this week with the case of Fred Hanson vs Ed Peterson, the former suing the latter for \$97 which he claimed was due him on a thresh bill. Prior to the case Mr. Hanson had forced an entrance into Mr. Peterson's granary and taken possession of about 700 bushels of oats and was holding them for the debt. The hearing was concluded about six o'clock Tuesday evening and the jury went out to deliberate on the evidence. Late that evening they returned a judgment for the plaintiff for 64 cents but required him to bear the expense of hauling the 700 bushels of oats to town and back, and the defendant was to bear the court costs. Attorney Parks appeared for the plaintiff and J. A. Coffey for the defendant.

The verdict returned by the jury was unsatisfactory to the court and it has not yet been docketed.