

The Millionaire's Match Box.

He had pressed upon me one of his own high-priced cigars. "Thanks," I said. "Match?" "Haven't you got one of your own?" "No. Come on, hurry." My friend the millionaire looked perturbed for a moment. Then his countenance cleared. "We shall be at Waterloo in twenty minutes," he said, "and then we can get a light at the refreshment room. They never mind your taking a match or two."

"No good," I said. "I want to smoke now. Hand over your box." With great reluctance he handed me his gold matchbox with his monogram on it in emeralds—a pretty, unostentatious little toy. He shut both the carriage windows so that no draught should necessitate the use of more than one match.

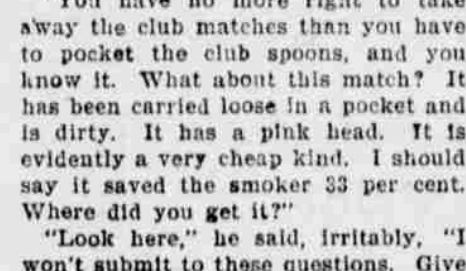
I opened the box and examined the contents with care. He did not like the examination. He winced under it. He grew nervous. "Come, come," he said, "light up and give me the box back."

"Has this been going on long?" I asked. "What do you mean?" "You know perfectly well what I mean. There are several different kinds of wax matches in this box."

"Well, there's nothing in that. Sometimes I buy one kind and sometimes another." "But you don't buy six different kinds at once, and then put some of each in your box. I am sorry to say that you are a thief, a match-thief. You probably are a liar also, for I doubt if you have ever bought matches—at any rate, in recent years. I repeat my question—has this been going on long?"

"They don't mind you taking one or two," he said, feebly.

"But how about five or six? There are five matches here of special quality, long in the shank, thicker than



usual, made of good white wax. There will be only four directly, because I am going to light my cigar with one of them. Where did you get them?" "Practically, I did buy them. I pay my club subscription every year, and surely I have a right—"

"You have no more right to take away the club matches than you have to pocket the club spoons, and you know it. What about this match? It has been carried loose in a pocket and is dirty. It has a pink head. It is evidently a very cheap kind. I should say it saved the smoker 33 per cent. Where did you get it?"

"Look here," he said, irritably. "I won't submit to these questions. Give me my box back at once. He made a grab at it, but I eluded him.

"You'll have to submit to these questions and to answer them truly, unless you want to be shown up. Ever heard of the public prosecutor? There is theft, and it's serious. Once more, where did you get this wretched little match? It looks like some poor man's ewe lamb."

"If you want to know, I got it from a railway porter," he said sulkily. "He gave it to you on the understanding that you wished to use it at once. You deceived him and sneaked it—a poor man's solitary match. My word, but you've fallen low, very low."

"You don't know that it was his only match."

"It's probable, and you don't know that it wasn't. What about this one—the very short one with the mud on it?"

"I came by it perfectly fairly. A small boy in the street dropped it. He looked for it for some time, but he couldn't see where it had gone. I saw it. I waited about, pretending to look in a shop window until the boy had gone, and then I picked it up. These small boys ought not to smoke cigarettes. It's perfectly scandalous. It—"

"So you cheat children as well, do you? Do you know what the law is with regard to property found in the street? Have you no relics of a moral sense?"

In my enthusiasm I had allowed my cigar to go out. I relit it with the railway porter's match, without paying the least attention to the millionaire's protests.

of \$25,000. But you know how particular solicitors are. He got up to refer to some wretched book, and in so doing turned his back on me. The matches were on his table in a ribbed-glass thing. Well, that was my chance. Any other man would have done the same."

"Any other demoralized blackguard might have done."

"I'm not going to sit here and listen to this abuse. What business have you got with my private affairs? What does it matter to you how I get my matches? I gave you a cigar."

"I am not ungrateful, and for that reason I have decided not to give your name and address when I show you up. But none the less I am a believer in truth and honesty, even in small matters, and—"

"Oh, never mind that. Give me back my match box."

"Wait. When I see crime I have got to punish it. I am sparing you public disgrace and perhaps a long sojourn in a felon's cell, and that is sufficient reward for a cigar, which is certainly too good to be allowed constantly to go out like this."

"I relit it with the match that the little boy had dropped. The millionaire nearly screamed with anguish, for it was the third match I had taken. He said that if I behaved in other matters as I did with regard to matches I should soon be a ruined man. I continued:

"But, though I spare you public disgrace the punishment must be severe. My own conscience would never be easy if I did not do my duty—if I did not give you a lesson which you would not be likely to forget. I am sorry for you, but it cannot be helped."

I let the window down with a bang, emptied the remaining matches out on to the line, shut the box, and returned it to him with many thanks.

He said that I was mad, and made a dash for the alarm in order to stop the train. As I held him I pointed out that his view as to matches was not the general view; and if he stopped a train to recover the few which I had thrown out of the window he would get himself into trouble.

He sank back on the cushions—silent, sullen and defeated. After awhile he said that he was sorry he had ever given me the cigar. I explained that I, on the contrary, was glad.

When we got out at Waterloo I led him to the automatic machine, gave him a penny and told him to make up his mind to buy matches for himself. With a look of diabolical cunning he slipped the penny into his pocket and dashed off to the refreshment room. When I last saw him he had intrenched himself behind the hot water apparatus, and was waiting with sparkling eyes for his chance to steal a few more matches.

Once a match thief always a match thief, and when a match thief is also a millionaire his case is peculiarly hopeless.—Barry Pain.

CAN MARRY SOO.

And Yet He Is Willing to Be Obliging as Possible.

The Reporter last week published a copy of the advertisement for a wife which A. C. Holmes of West End inserted some time ago, says the *Walton* (N. Y.) paper of that title. The advertisement got in the New York city papers and Mr. Holmes has received more replies than he can ever answer or even read, another evidence of the value of advertising. He requests the publication of the letter below to stop further answers to his advertisement: "I, A. C. Holmes of West End, Walton, would say that I received about three hundred letters from different ladies from the Advertisement which I had Published and it seems that all of these Ladies want to marry. It seems that some of them is almost crazy for me to marry them. But I don't know as I could marry three hundred very well. But I have one that I think will make me a good wife. I must say that the report published in the *Midtown Paper* is a Falls Hood and the man that Published it is no man at all. If a man can't speak good of another don't speak anything because the Bible says, Thou shalt not go up and down as a Tail Barrier But I say to some People sweep your own Door yard first and see that it is clean before you do others any Harm and you will have Plenty to Do, and I would say that I thank the Kind Ladies Every where for writing to me, and I would not Have Published this statement for a wife so soon But I could not live alone it was so lonesome. A. C. HOLMES."

Among the colleges Harvard was probably the best represented at the republican national convention. Besides Governor Roosevelt, Secretary Long, who was also mentioned for the vice-presidential nomination, is a Harvard man, having been graduated in 1857. Senator Wolcott, the temporary chairman, was graduated from the law school in 1871, the same year in which Senator Lodge, the permanent chairman, was graduated from the academic department. Senator Penrose, who had an important part in the preparations for the convention, took his bachelor's degree in 1881.

A Confident Critic.

M. Urbain Gohier, the celebrated author, who was prosecuted for publishing "L'Armee Centre la Nation," is living at Monnetier, a village three miles from Geneva, Switzerland. Gen. Andre, the new French minister of war, recently began another action against the author for insulting the army. M. Gohier, however, seems to care nothing for this action. He is one of the best critics of modern military administration. It is likely that he may be invited to lecture in Geneva.

Soldier Dies at Milford Home.

MILFORD, Neb., Aug. 29.—An old soldier, named John Stack, died at the soldiers' home. He had been an inmate of the home for about a year, and had been ill for some time with heart trouble. The remains were accompanied to the depot by the soldiers of the home and taken to Lincoln for interment.

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

Managers Expect to Have a Record Breaker Show This Year.

A LARGE ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED

A Young Girl in Dawson County Shot and Instantly Killed by Hunters—Sidney Flouring Mills Destroyed by Fire—Miscellaneous Nebraska Matters.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 29.—Secretary Furnas of the state Board of Agriculture has opened state fair headquarters at the Lindell hotel in this city and for the next seven days will devote his entire attention to arranging for what he expects to be the biggest fair ever held in the state. The prospects for an unusually large attendance are promising and enough entries have already been recorded to insure an attractive exhibition. Applications for space in the agricultural implement department have been so great that the board of managers has decided to enlarge the building, this being necessary to accommodate all those who desire to exhibit farm machinery. The exhibition of cattle will be especially large and will not be restricted to Nebraska. Standard breeds have been entered in the fancy stock class from Ohio, Indiana, New York and Missouri and it is expected that other nearby states will be represented.

"With good weather we will have the best fair ever held under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture," said Secretary Furnas, "and I mean by that that the attendance will also break all past records. More interest is being displayed all over the state than ever before and we feel perfectly safe in making such predictions. One of the features of the fair this year will be the motorcycle or automobile races. Prizes of \$25 have been offered in each race and we expect to have a number of entries. The bicycle races will also bring out quite a number of contestants. The events will be open to amateurs only and consequently no cash prizes are offered. These races will be run off Monday. The first event will be a one-mile novice, with three prizes, the first being a \$5 silver urn, the second a \$3 watch chain and the third a \$2 sweater.

Big Run of Cattle.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 29.—The largest run of cattle for the year 1900 was here yesterday. The number received was 7,759 and there were 427 car loads of live stock. A material increase over 1899 is being shown both in cattle and sheep. Cattle increase over a like period of 1899 is 69,292, and sheep, 54,349. Hogs continue to run behind what they did in 1899 and the decrease thus far is about 12,000. An increase in hog shipments, however, is expected now to commence at any time and experienced yard men said that within a few weeks they felt confident that the receipts of hogs would overshadow the 1899 record.

Flouring Mills Burned.

SIDNEY, Neb., Aug. 29.—The Sidney flouring mill was totally consumed by fire. The fire department, under the management of Chief Mike Sanders, quickly responded to the alarm, but the fire had gained such rapid headway that it was impossible to extinguish it and all efforts were directed to neighboring buildings and no other losses were sustained. The building and contents were valued at \$25,000 and covered by \$10,000 insurance, distributed in the Millers' Mutual for \$5,000 and the Aetna, Fireman's Fund, Underwriters and North British the balance.

Bridge Workman's Leg Broken.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Aug. 29.—A man named Charles Morrison of the Union Pacific bridge gang received a broken leg while putting in a culvert a few miles south of the city. The Burlington & Missouri is putting in iron bridges along the line and in hoisting a piece of timber it slipped and fell on his leg, breaking both bones.

Fruit Damaged.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 29.—This locality was visited by a heavy wind storm which played havoc with shade and ornamental trees, much fruit was blown down from the trees. Three-fourths of an inch of rain fell. This practically makes a very heavy corn crop in this county a certainty.

Cuming County Pioneer Dead.

BEEMER, Neb., Aug. 29.—G. Schlecht, aged 63 years, a pioneer settler of Cuming county, having located on a homestead two miles south of Beemer in 1864, died. Mr. Schlecht was highly regarded for his upright and honorable methods of business, having been engaged here for thirteen years in the implement business.

Girl is Killed by Hunters.

LOUP CITY, Neb., Aug. 29.—John Schroll with a younger brother, was sent to a neighbor's to get them to help them through. On starting they took a gun, thinking they might see a wolf or rabbit. While going through a draw they saw the weeds move in a clump of plum bushes. They stopped and thinking they saw a wolf, fired into the weeds, whereupon a girl ran out crying. The young men ran to the spot and found they had shot Miss Zelinsky in the breast and face, killing her instantly. They took her in their wagon to her home and came to town and notified the coroner and gave themselves up to the sheriff. The young man is about 19 and the girl is about 18 years old, both well known and respected. The young man and parents of both are stricken with grief.

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MAY INVALIDATE THE LAW.

Discovery of an Omission in the Maximum Rate Act.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 27.—Edson Rich, one of the attorneys representing the Union Pacific railway company, who has been delving into the maximum rate law for the purpose of finding irregularities, was rewarded by the discovery that the penalty clause of the bill and one unimportant section of the bill were not in the engrossed copy, though the missing portions are in the enrolled bill which was signed by the governor. Now the question is, how did the penalty clause get into the enrolled bill, being missing from the engrossed bill? What effect this discovery will have on the litigation now in the courts over the enforcement of the maximum rate law is not known, but Mr. Rich intimates that he considers the discovery of great importance. His road has been sued for over \$600,000 for violating the law. He says the omission was overlooked by others who have examined into the record relating to the passage of the law. The house journal shows that the penalty clause and other amendments were adopted but the clause and the amendments do not appear in the engrossed bill, and as the bill serves as the original copy from which the enrolled bill is made, the omission may play an important part in litigation. As the courts do not accept the engrossed bill in evidence, some profess to believe that the omission is of no importance whatever. However, if the omission is of any moment, it is of vital importance, because the act without the penalty clause would be valueless.

Assaulted on the Train.

OHAHA, Aug. 27.—Edward E. Balch, assistant cashier of the Omaha National bank, was assaulted and robbed in a Pullman sleeper on a Northwestern train while coming from Chicago to Omaha. He was roughly handled, brutally mauled about the head and did not regain consciousness for several hours after the assault. Immediately upon the arrival of the train in Omaha, Mr. Balch was removed to his home, where medical attention was given his wounds. The attending physician does not anticipate any serious consequences from the injuries. The perpetrator of the deed escaped with \$50 in cash and two drafts of \$50 each belonging to Mr. Balch.

The affair is a mysterious one in every particular. Not the slightest clue as to the identity of the robber is at hand and the theories advanced by those who are investigating the case are decidedly vague. The robber did not attempt to hold up all of the passengers in the sleeper. He awoke none of the occupants and accomplished his work with the greatest stealth.

Murder at Wayne.

WAYNE, Neb., Aug. 27.—A man, supposed to be Robert Bigham of Dunbar, Neb., was brutally murdered here by another man who gave his name as Adolph Wondland of Buckland, Mo. Both men had been placed in the city jail, Bigham for being intoxicated and Wondland because he had been put off the train here and seemed to be mentally unbalanced, not knowing where he was going.

The murderer gave his reason for committing the horrible crime, accomplished by crushing the man's face with his heels, that the murdered man was an enemy of his soul and that God had ordered him to do the bloody work. The insanity of the murderer is not questioned. Bigham was on his way to Big Spring, Neb., and has a son-in-law living near Wausa.

Farmer Dies Suddenly.

CLARKS, Neb., Aug. 25.—Reuben Renker, with his family, passed through Clarks on their way to Ames, Neb., where he expected to work in the beet fields. When about two miles out of town he died almost instantly while on the seat of the wagon. The corpse was brought to Clarks and buried. The wife was without means and the citizens of this place raised about \$25 for her and gave her all the assistance possible.

A Big Ballot.

OMAHA, Aug. 27.—While the official ballot that will be used at the election this fall has not yet been printed, it is known that it will be a huge affair. Printers who have made some estimates on the ballot, say that it will require a little over five feet in length. Printed in accordance with the law, the letter used must be one-eighth of an inch in height and a space three-sixteenths of an inch between each name. Thus with the names of the presidential electors, candidates for the legislature and county and precinct officers, the ballot will be the longest ever presented to the electors of this county.

Dead Baby Rescued From Fire.

WAYNE, Neb., Aug. 27.—The residence of H. Hassford was struck by lightning and the house and most of the contents burned. The family was in the cyclone cave and when the house was burning, it was remembered that the corpse of the little baby who died the night before was in danger of cremation. One of the family ran into the burning structure and rescued the little body.

Violating the Game Law.

ELOOMFIELD, Neb., Aug. 27.—Without regard to law, the hunters are numerous in this vicinity, and ere the first of September comes, few of the immature young chickens will have escaped the burning mottles of the trespassing nirod. Even young quails are now being recklessly killed. This manner of works, robs the legitimate sportsman and the farmer of pleasure and profit, to which he is entitled by virtue of feed and protection tendered the birds. The law should be observed or repealed.

NEBRASKA IN GENERAL

Matters of Interest that Concern Various Portions of the State.

A BOLD ROBBERY IN GORDON

Prominent Cattlemen of Custer County Effect a Temporary Organization—School Land Leases—Other Matters Here and There in Nebraska.

Cattle Owners Organize.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Aug. 28.—Twenty-five of the most prominent cattlemen in this section met here and formed an association to be known as the Central Nebraska Stock Growers' association. A temporary organization was effected by electing W. A. George chairman and I. A. Rensau secretary. Hon. F. M. Currie of Sargent, Judge H. M. Sullivan of Broken Bow and Thomas Finley of Tuckerville were appointed as a committee on constitution and by-laws. Another meeting was called for September 13, at which all central Nebraska cattlemen are requested to be present on that date.

Bold Robbery at Chadron.

CHADRON, Neb., Aug. 28.—A bold robbery was perpetrated at the pharmacy of H. P. Miaka when someone with a key to the front door deliberately walked in and blazed open the safe and walked off with \$217 in cash. The safe also contained a large amount of money belonging to the American Express company, but this it was thought best to leave. There was also considerable change in the safe which was not taken. It is thought that some employe of the store had something to do with the robbery. A suspect was arrested, but after examination was turned loose.

Examiner Finds a Shortage.

NIORARA, Neb., Aug. 27.—On the 16th of this month a special postoffice examiner went through the records of the Running Water, S. D., postoffice, and found a shortage in the accounts of \$125. The amount was immediately replaced by one of the bondsmen for the postmistress, Mrs. Mary Oshea, and she was continued in office. The examiner returned to Running Water with a warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Oshea. She was taken to Yankton, S. D., where the preliminary examination will be held before United States Commissioner White on the charge of embezzlement.

School Land Leases.

LINCOLN, Aug. 28.—Land Commissioner J. V. Wolfe will hold auctions for leasing school lands in Holt county, September 17; Cherry, September 18; Sheridan, September 19; Sioux, September 20; Dawes, September 21; Box Butte, September 22; Scott's Bluff, September 24; Banner, September 26; Kimball, September 27; Lincoln, September 28; and Keith, September 28.

Lists of the lands to be offered, giving the description and the appraised valuation per acre, can be had by addressing the commissioner of public lands and buildings, Lincoln, Neb.

Crack a Postoffice Safe.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Aug. 28.—The safe at the postoffice was blown to pieces by safe crackers. The explosion occurred just before daylight. The loss in money is about \$50 and in stamps about \$75. The door of the safe is in fragments. The registered mail was not disturbed. Editor Ellis of the *Times*, living in the second story of the building, heard the report, but supposed it was a gun shot. Entrance was forced through the rear of the building. No clue to robbers.

High Price for Farm Property.

WEST POINT, Neb., Aug. 28.—The piece of land in Cuming county is steadily advancing. Ex-County Treasurer D. W. Clancy has just sold his farm five miles north of the city to another Cuming county farmer for \$7,500. The farm is a quarter section. This is \$2,000 more than the same farm was held at three years ago.

Prepare for County Fair.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Aug. 28.—The Butler county agricultural society has been reorganized with C. W. Derby president and S. Clingman secretary. The fair will be held October 2 to 5. The business men and citizens generally of David City are taking hold of the matter in earnest and promise one of the best fairs ever held in Butler county.

Nebraska's Population.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 25.—Ex-Congressman Strode has figured out from the returns, official and otherwise, which have thus far been received from various points in the state, that the population will be about 100,000 less according to the 1900 census than it was according to the 1890 census.

Cashier Bound Over.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 27.—C. E. Cotton, ex-cashier of the First National bank of Syracuse, charged with falsifying the books of that institution, was arraigned before United States Commissioner Jackson. He waived examination and was bound over to the federal court in the sum of \$7,000. He will have his trial in November.

Suicide Story is Plain.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 28.—The body of Joseph Mutton was found on the railroad track one mile west of this city. It was discovered by two boys, and the man had been dead but a short time. He had a bullet hole through the ear, made by a thirty-two caliber. The pistol was still in his hand. No one saw him commit the act, but he had passed the house a short time before. No cause is assigned for the deed, save that he has been drinking and was infuriated with a woman of the town.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations From South Omaha and Kansas City.

SOUTH OMAHA.

Union Stock Yards.—Cattle—There was just about an average run of cattle and as the demand was fully equal to the supply the market was in good shape. Chicago came about steady, but sellers held for a slight advance on corn cattle and packers met their prices. The cow market did not advance the same as sheep. The better grades were just about steady, but buyers seemed to have about all they wanted this week, which made the market on the medium grades and canners a little weaker and slow. There were a good many feeders on sale this morning, considering the size of the receipts. The better grades were in good demand and changed hands at about steady prices. Western rangers were mostly on the feeder order and packers found very little work. Cattle killers were strong in sympathy with the advance on corn cattle. There were not very many cows here, the better grades selling about steady choice on corn cattle, and in some cases a little weak. Feeders were steady on the good fleshy cattie and slow on common and light.

Hogs—The supply was rather limited and the demand was in good shape. Chicago came strong to be higher, which gave the sellers a good chance to hold their droves at good, firm prices. The general market was about 5¢ to 10¢ higher than yesterday and in some cases possibly a dime more. Choice on corn, the hogs would have brought yesterday. The bulk of the heavy weights sold right around \$3.00 and butcher weights at \$3.00 to \$3.10 and light weights at from \$3.00 to \$3.10.

Sheep—There were twenty-nine cars of sheep reported, or 3,200 head, which makes the supply for the week very liberal. Packers did not seem to want anything, as they said they were filled up for the week and consequently did not bid. Choice western grass wethers, \$3.00 to \$3.10; fair to good grass wethers, \$2.80 to \$2.90; choice grass yearlings, \$3.00 to \$3.10; fair to good grass yearlings, \$2.80 to \$2.90; feeder wethers, \$2.50 to \$2.60; feeder lambs, \$1.00 to \$1.10.

KANSAS CITY.

Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market steady; native steers, \$4.00 to \$4.10; Texas steers, \$3.95 to \$4.05; Texas cows, \$2.00 to \$2.10; native cows and heifers, \$2.25 to \$2.35; stockers and feeders, \$3.50 to \$3.75; bulls, \$2.00 to \$2.25; calves, \$3.00 to \$3.25; market steady; sales, \$3,500 to \$4,000.

Hogs—Receipts, 8,000; market strong and active; bulk of sales, \$5.00 to \$5.25; heavy, \$4.50 to \$4.75; packers, \$5.00 to \$5.25; mixed, \$4.50 to \$4.75; light, \$4.00 to \$4.25; Yorkers, \$3.50 to \$3.75; pigs, \$1.00 to \$1.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; market steady; lambs, \$3.00 to \$3.10; muttons, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

GENERAL WAR IS FEARED.

Government Disturbed by Russia's Attitude in China.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The cabinet was in session today until nearly 2 o'clock. At its close the members were more reticent than usual as to what transpired. It can be stated, however, that this government has so far received no official or well authenticated information that the Russian government has declared war on China, or that it is its immediate purpose to do so. The published report that it actually has taken this step is disturbing to the administration, inasmuch as such action would greatly complicate the situation and probably paralyze the president's efforts to bring about an early peace. This apprehension is somewhat intensified by the report that Germany may also contemplate a declaration of war. No information of that effect has reached the government, but it is regarded as not altogether improbable that the murder of the German minister and the recent reported utterances of Field Marshal von Waldersee indicate that measures of the most drastic kind may be in contemplation. What action this government would take under these circumstances is not known, but it has been suggested that the president may at once ask for a conference of the powers with a view to arriving at some basis on a settlement of the questions involved without resorting to war.

The subject of an extra session of congress, it was said, was not mentioned at the meeting, and it can be stated on the authority of a member of the cabinet that under present conditions an extra session is altogether improbable.

SITUATION AT SHANGHAI.

A Cablegram Urges that the Government Send Troops.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—The executive committee of the American Asiatic association has received the following cablegram from the American association of China at Shanghai and have forwarded it to the secretary of state: "Situation Yang Tse valley increasingly critical; military estimate 15,000 troops needed to effectively protect Shanghai; urge government immediately to send quota."

Two Wyoming Men Killed.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Aug. 24.—Hugh Ferguson, a business man of Evanston, Wyo., was killed at Rawlins this morning. He was enroute east with a trainload of horses and while walking over the train he fell between the cars. His body was mutilated in a horrible manner. The remains will be sent to Evanston for burial. Louis Kerz was instantly killed this afternoon by falling from the Saratoga stage as it was nearing Rawlins. Kerz was intoxicated.

Population of Omaha.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—The population of the city of Omaha, according to the official count of the returns of the twelfth census, is as follows: Omaha City, 190,155; 1890, 140,452. These figures show for the city, as a whole, a decrease in population of 37,897, or 26.98 per cent, from 1890 to 1900. The population of 1880 was 30,518, showing an increase of 109,634, or 360.23 per cent from 1880 to 1900.

Oregon Will Soon Be Off Dock.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Captain George F. Wilde, commanding the battleship Oregon, today notified the navy department from Kure, Japan, that the vessel, which has been in dock there undergoing temporary repairs, had been undocked and would be ready for sea in a week.

German Marines Arrive.

BERLIN, Aug. 25.—An official dispatch from Tien Tsin, dated August 21, says: The German naval detachment arrived at Pekin August 18 and the marine battalion reached Ho-Si-Wu August 22.