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NEBRASKA ITEMS.

Payment of election bets is now in order, and many are coming forward to make good their promises.

C. O. Charleston, of Phelps, was severely injured by falling on the skating ring at that place.

Buffalo County Beacon: W. C. Vose, living two miles south of town, lost seven stacks of hay by prairie fire Wednesday; about 100 tons was burned. This is a very big loss to Mr. Vose, and should be a lesson to those careless fellows who set out these fires.

Eight thousand sheep belonging to Mr. Fordyce were driven to Gibbon last week. Mr. Fordyce expects to feed and prepare the whole herd for shipping next spring.

Glenwood Eagle: A fatal accident happened on Friday last to the little five-year-old girl of Mr. Garfield, lying about five miles southeast of here. She was playing on top of a hay stack, and accidentally slid down the side of the stack, coming in contact with the rod of an end gate to a wagon, which was leaning up against the stack, the rod striking her in the left groin and passing through her bowels to the right side and coming out at her shoulder blade. She lived until Wednesday.

Many churches throughout Nebraska joined in celebration of the fourth centennial anniversary of Martin Luther's birthday.

Vast quantities of fruit is in store ready for shipping at Auburn.

Auburn's ladies quartette band made their first appearance on the street last week, and with their new instruments attracted much attention.

Nemaha Granger: Last Saturday night young Highfield and Spidel, who were in the county jail charged with burglary, succeeded in escaping by making a hole through the door into the county clerk's office and then going out through a window. They had a piece of a wood-saw to work with. Efforts are being made to bring them back.

Superior Journal: Last Sunday Rosa Willoughby, a little girl of about 11 years, daughter of Mr. H. Willoughby, was bitten on the ankle by a large rattlesnake. Remedies were promptly administered and a physician sent for, but the poison seemed particularly venomous, and at eight o'clock in the evening the child expired. In the vicinity of Mr. Willoughby's house are a number of stone quarries where the snakes for many miles around pass their winters. The neighbors formed a party and after some digging found a den of rattlers, six in number.

The Little Blue valley lays claim to being the most desirable section in Nebraska for stock raising.

At Superior, Nuckolls county, Dave Myers was arrested for horse stealing. It was proved at the trial, however, that Myers was allowed to take the horses, with instructions to trade them for something better. Though he traded them for something worse, it was not considered horse stealing, and Myers was turned loose.

Valentine Reporter: The rush for free government land still continues, and our land officers are kept busy from morning till night. Many land seekers file on claims before seeing the land, fearing that other parties will get ahead of them if they delay matters.

The Sioux City & Pacific engineers returned from the west a few days ago, having completed their labors for this season.

Fairfield Herald: A number of traveling men at the Lepin hotel in Hastings last Sunday morning, after employing a boot-black, happened to inquire into the little fellow's condition, and finding him to be one of a needy family, they all united, took the little fellow to a clothing house, fitted him out with an entire new lot of clothing, including overcoat, and left the snug sum of \$27 in cash for the benefit of the family.

Blair Republican: The gang of burglars who have infested Blair and vicinity for some time past, are again on the rampage. On Saturday morning of last week, about 2 o'clock, the office of the C., St. P., & O. freight depot was entered by prying open the door with a large iron bar, and with the same instrument, one end of a small safe was broken in. The only booty obtained was some \$35 in silver, the property of the telegraph operator, Mr. Reese.

Hon. W. B. Nems, of Lexington, Michigan, has removed his trotting horses to Omaha. It is one of the most valuable acquisitions in this line ever brought to the state.

4An Omaha collection firm has adopted the scheme of sending bills to debtors by a burly negro who wears on his hat and also on a shield on his coat the inscription, "Bad debts collected."

Paddy Ryan, the pugilist, who has been in training at Hot Springs, Utah, for a glove fight with Prof. Miller, the Australian knocker, who is backed by Richard K. Fox, passed through Omaha last Sunday, accompanied by his backer, Parson Davis. The occasion of the sudden return was a telegram announcing that Ryan's daughter was dying.

At Falls City, on the 10th, the Union house, kept by Joe Opelt, caught fire, and for awhile it looked as though it would be burnt to the ground, but by hard work on the part of the citizens, who came promptly to the rescue, the fire was put out, doing but little damage.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

GENERAL.

The Chicago press club held a memorial meeting on the 12th and unveiled a portrait of the late Samuel J. Medill, managing editor of the Tribune and president of the club. An eloquent memorial address was delivered by Congressman Finerty and several feeling tributes uttered by old members of the city press.

In the greater number of the Protestant churches in New York on the 12th sermons on Luther were preached. Robert Collyer's sermon was entitled "Our Saint Martin." Dr. Leman preached on "Luther and Leo."

All banks at Des Moines, Iowa, adopted meridian time on the 13th.

At Mirabile, Mo., on the 12th, Homer Belton beat out his father's brains with a club. No cause is assigned for the murderous act.

Charley Ford, of the James gang notoriety, fears his brother has met with foul play. He says Bob was last heard from at New York, Oct. 14. He had money and valuables amounting to \$2,500.

Owing to inadequate railway mail service, 150 sacks of mail from St. Paul and eastern cities, for points between Helena and Portland, were lying at Portland, Oregon, on the 12th, and the quantity was daily increasing.

At Livingston, Montana, on the night of the 12th, the Flathead Indians visited the Crow agency and stole fifty ponies. The Crows pursued them, overtaking the party at daybreak. A severe fight followed resulting in the killing of two Flatheads, one Crow wounded and the ponies recaptured.

Hanlan gives an exhibition row in San Francisco on Thanksgiving day.

A naked light upon a miner's head at the West End, Pennsylvania mine on the 12th, caused a terrific explosion. Michael Barcoski, John Escotus and John Koller were killed.

The first snow of the season fell in New York on the 12th.

John Schermer was killed and several persons injured in a collision on the West Shore railroad near Troy, N. Y., on the 12th.

Charles Wilson, a Swede, fifty-two years old, was brutally murdered at his residence in North Leavenworth on the morning of the 12th. He was found with his skull smashed. The weapons used were two stone jugs, one of which was broken.

A Springfield (Ill.) special of the 14th says: Governor Hamilton has forwarded the transcript of the act of the Illinois legislature ceding the Illinois and Michigan canal to the federal government, and the vote of the people upon the proposed transfer, to the president of the United States, with a request that it be presented congress with such recommendations as he may deem proper in view of the importance of the decisions.

The Mexican excursionists arrived at St. Louis on the 13th. The party were then taken to the new custom house, a number of large business houses, the bridge, and cotton merchants' exchange, where they were cordially received and introduced to the members.

The Western Export association held a secret session at Chicago on the 14th, which was unusually largely attended. Differences which have existed between various members of the association as to the capacity of their respective distilleries were amicably settled. The association took under consideration a resolution offered by H. B. Miller, president of the association, providing that the prices fixed by the association be maintained under all circumstances, and authorizing the executive committee to use the funds of the association, if found necessary, to accomplish that end.

Mortimer Deneher, aged 121 years, died at the residence of his sons in Derrymane, Lesueur county, Minnesota, on the 14th. Deneher was the last surviving brother of a remarkable family, which for downright longevity surpasses anything in the records of modern times, not only in this, but in any other country. Mr. Deneher's mother died in her 101st year, his eldest brother at the age of 103 years, his second at the age of 117 years, 7 months and 20 days, and himself soon after at the age of 121 years. The father was the shortest-lived of the family, having died at the age of 80. The combined ages of the three brothers reached 346 years; including the mother, 446, and taking in the father, 526.

A strike among laborers and freight handlers on the Panama railway culminated in the wreck of a train.

J. H. Haverly verifies the report that he is to build two new theatres, one in New York and the other in Philadelphia. The money for the enterprises will be furnished by Chicago capitalists, but he will have the management of the building and furnishing of the theatres.

Four thousand bales of cotton burned in the Norfolk & Western depot at Norfolk on the 14th. The cotton was consigned to the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation company. The bulk was to have been shipped to Boston.

Morton's iron works, rolling mill and nail mill at Ashland, Ky., burned on the 14th. Loss partly covered by insurance. Two hundred hands are thrown out of employment.

Two negroes were killed and two whites badly injured on the 14th by the caving in of a gravel pit at Dallas, Texas.

The propeller St. Paul bound up Lake Michigan, caught fire, and the tug Winslow worked with hose two days trying to put the fire out. She was finally scuttled at Detour in twelve feet of water.

Hanlan, the rower, left Toronto on the 13th for San Francisco. At Chicago he was joined by George Lee. Hanlan remains in San Francisco ten days and then goes to Australia.

The general passenger and ticket agents of the roads in the Trans-Continental association have issued a circular in accordance with the Topeka compact with connecting lines, to withdraw from sale all tickets via San Francisco to points in Oregon, Washington Territory and British Columbia and all tickets to San Francisco via St. Paul, Duluth or Portland. This is understood to be directed especially against the class of ticket brokers known as "scalpers," against whom a general war is now being waged.

The general passenger agents of roads west from Chicago are in receipt of information that Commissioner Pierson has ordered the New York trunk lines to discontinue selling through tickets from the east to points west of Chicago and St. Louis. This is to overcome the alleged abuses growing out of ticket scalping. The new regulation will compel travelers to repurchase tickets after reaching the two cities named, and the action of the commissioner is stated to have occasioned unusual wrath among the officials of western roads.

It is reported the German government will ask the reichstag for a grant to build fifteen torpedo boats.

Oglethorpe barracks at Savannah, Ga., were sold by the government at auction on the 14th for \$67,381, to a new hotel company.

Dr. Frank B. Smith, of Detroit, has begun a \$60,000 suit in the United States district court against Dr. John H. Roach, secretary of the Illinois board of health, whose name he alleges was signed to the circular revoking his (Dr. Smith's) license, for unprofessional conduct.

A New York telegram reports that officers of the Union Pacific railway state that the decrease in gross earnings for September and October will not be greater than \$200,000 as compared with the same months last year. At the same rate operating expenses last year were 47 per cent. This would imply a decrease probably of \$125,000 in the net earnings of the two months. But it is well understood that there has been some cutting of rates by competition with the Denver & Rio Grande, and also that the Union Pacific has been building and operating considerable new mileage, which may have increased the proportion of operating expenses to what they were in 1881. viz.: 51.45 per cent and if this was the case during two months the decrease of the gross earnings and increase of operating expenses together would make the approximate decrease say \$280,000 in the net earnings of the two months.

On Lake Erie on the night of the 17th the wind's velocity reached twenty-six miles an hour. Captain J. Harley, of the schooner Leadville, and Captain P. Griffin, of the schooner Blazing Star, arrived at Buffalo from Erie, accompanied by members of their crews. They report their vessels, which went ashore on Long Point, were completely wrecked. The Leadville was owned by Cumming, of Oswego, and was valued at \$15,000; insured for \$13,000. The Blazing Star was also owned by Cumming, and valued at \$10,000; insured for \$8,000.

The steamer S. H. Parish was destroyed by fire on the 17th at Bullet's bayou, eight miles above Natchez. No lives were lost. The Parish left Vicksburg on the 16th for New Orleans with 3,100 bales of cotton, 1,300 sacks of oil-cake and 500 barrels of oil. Loss over \$200,000. The boat cost \$60,000 two years ago, and was insured for \$40,000.

CRIME.

A variety actress, known as Lilly Dal, playing at Holland's theatre, Dallas, Texas, left there fully dressed as an old woman. Since then it has been discovered that certain parties with whom Lilly has been associated lost \$5,000 worth of diamonds, and the girl is accused of having stolen them.

West Lebanon, Indiana county, was the scene on the 11th of a brutal double murder. Wm. Samer, an old and respected citizen, had an altercation with his son Joseph, about putting a kitten out of the house, when the son drew a revolver and shot the father in the hip. The old man then fled, but was followed by the son, who fired a second shot, the bullet crashing through the father's brain, killing him instantly. The patricide then returned to the house and killed Bella Kelly, a servant girl.

Mad McGraw, Dick Slighoo, Butler, Charles Forney, and Bill Guyley, notorious toughs, were arrested at Fremont, Mich., on the 11th, by John Mathias, a Chicago detective, for robbing Darling's store, at the latter place, of \$500 worth of goods last October, and for cracking two safes at Muskegon.

In view of the intensely bitter feeling in Benton county, Indiana, against Nelling, the murderer of Ada Atkinson, and the difficulty of obtaining a jury, it has been determined to bring the case on a change of venue to Tippecanoe county.

Wm. E. Brockway, Lewis Martin and Jas. B. Foster, of New York, have been indicted for forgery in the first degree.

Wm. Lawler, a noted safe cracker, has been arrested at Hamilton, Ontario. He was the principal in the burglaries at Simcoe a week or two ago, when \$12,000 worth of jewelry was carried off.

A special to the New Orleans Times-Democrat says: A train on the Mexican National railway was wrecked for the purpose of robbery. A number of men were killed and wounded.

The trial of Martin and Coffin at Denver, charged with complicity in the Grand Lake assassination last July, was called at Golden on the 15th. The prosecution moved to dismiss the case on the ground of insufficient evidence to convict.

Luther Bowman, aged 84, father-in-law of a Troy fire commissioner, while sleeping in a shoemaker's shop at Lansingburg, N. Y., was awakened and called to the door on the morning of the 15th, and murderously assaulted by two men, who escaped after stabbing and beating him until he was unconscious. He will probably die.

A dispatch to the New Orleans Picayune from Raceland, La., says: In a quarrel at his home on Bayou Bouf on the 10th, Captain A. Chotard was shot by Felix Grenier.

John Clair, superintendent of Waddell's mine, of Mill Hollow, Pa., was fatally wounded by Dennis Kellor, of Clinton, Ia. Clair has four balls in his body and will die.

George, alias Ted, Brimmer, a fugitive incendiary, was captured in Harrisburg on the 17th. The officers fired a number of shots at him, one of which took effect in his arm. Ike Hubbard, another escaped convict, was in Brimmer's company within a few days, but left at Harrisburg to join his brother Abe in the Euphrat mountains. Brimmer is the third one out of twelve escaped convicts captured.

At Giddings, Texas, James Taylor, colored, was sentenced to hang on December 21 for outraging and murdering Sarah Chapin, colored.

Burt Ellis, colored, charged with the murder of Mrs. Logan, was found guilty at Charleston, S. C., and sentenced to be hanged on the 14th of December.

Frederick M. Ker, cashier for Preston, Kean & Co., bankers, Chicago, who fled in February, 1883, short \$40,000 in his accounts, and was captured, after a long chase, in Peru, South America, was convicted and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary at Chicago on the 17th.

WASHINGTON.

The annual report of the quartermaster-general of the army shows that the total resources were \$12,051,856; the expenditures, \$14,756,577. The construction of ninety new buildings, such as barracks, quarters, stables, storehouses, guardhouses, etc., have been authorized at an estimated cost of \$147,178. Repairs to existing buildings have been authorized at an estimated cost of \$425,559. An appropriation of \$125,000 is urged to replace the building used as a recruiting depot and training school for recruits at David's Island, New York. The expenses for transportation amounted to \$2,149,051.

Complaint has reached the postoffice department that mails on the Northern Pacific road are not properly worked by the postal clerks, and instead of being distributed at various points along the route are carried through to Portland and stacked up there. Superintendent Thompson says this state of affairs is brought about by a combination of postal clerks, who purposely neglect to work in order to compel him to double the force, which he maintains is already sufficient to distribute the mails properly. Postmaster-General Gresham has taken the matter in hand and assigned Assistant Superintendent Jamieson to duty, going over the whole line of road from St. Paul to Portland, and making a thorough examination of the postal service.

Lieut. Garlington resumed his testimony in the Proteus court of inquiry on the 14th. He said he never saw the instructions given to Capt. Wildes, of the Yantic, until his return to St. John. His own instructions ordered him not to stop at Littleton Island on his way up and he obeyed them. His party went south in boats, hoping to meet the Yantic and find some way of returning to help Greeley. Gen. Hazen then took the stand and testified that the supplemental memorandum formed the fore part of Garlington's instructions. "Garlington showed me," said the witness, "all his orders, and I told him he must be controlled by the regular orders he had given him and by directions of Greeley on which they were founded. Greeley's letter was a law to me and I didn't feel authorized to give any orders that would conflict with it."

A dispatch of the 14th says: The vanguard of the forty-eighth congress has reached Washington, where several of the candidates for the minor offices have already stationed themselves, on the alert to secure "pledges" of votes. General Clark, of Maine, one of the candidates for the office now filled by Edward McPherson, ex-Sergeant-at-Arms Thompson and ex-Representative Leedam, of Ohio, who are ambitious to succeed Colonel Hooker as sergeant-at-arms, and a half dozen other candidates have been on the ground for a week or more pressing their claims. A western representative is quoted as saying: "We must have a man for speaker who has been tried and found to be entirely safe. I really ought to vote for Mr. Randall, but I feel under some personal obligations to Mr. Cox and my first vote will be cast for him. After he is out of the field I shall support Mr. Randall. I understand he drafted the platform of the Pennsylvania democrats last summer, and I do not see why it is not as liberal as the Ohio platform, as far as the tariff question is concerned. He has had five years' experience in the speaker's chair, and that is another strong thing in his favor."

On the 15th Senator Vest and Congressmen Carlisle, Casey and Young called, with Commissioner Morehead, on the Austrian minister, with a view to securing, through the Austrian government, transfer of the late Vienna electrical exposition to

the World's exposition at New Orleans next year. The Austrian minister evinced the greatest interest, and promised to use his best endeavors to further the plan. A visit to the department of state was also made, where it was learned that foreign affairs at the World's exposition, which, under act of congress, are in charge of this department, are in the most satisfactory and encouraging shape. The department has received a large number of letters from various foreign countries evincing the utmost interest and desiring to make an exhibit at the New Orleans exposition.

Secretary Teller has rendered an important decision in reply to a question from the commissioner of pensions asking for a proper and uniform construction of the revised statutes concerning pensions to dependent mothers. The secretary maintains that if the son was a minor his father was entitled to his services, or, if not living, his mother was so entitled, and therefore dependent father or mother should be allowed the pension.

The testimony taken up to the 16th in the Proteus court of inquiry relates to supplementary instructions, and show that Garlington had none but original orders, which he obeyed to the letter.

The president has mitigated the sentence of dismissal in the case of Lieutenant-Colonel Morrow to suspension from that rank and command with loss of half pay for one year, and reduction in lineal rank to foot of the list of lieutenant colonels.

A Government Prisoner.

Omaha Herald, 15th. For some weeks past United States Marshal Bierbower has been in receipt of letters from various points in the South Platte country inquiring about one G. W. Walker, who represented himself as a special agent of the revenue department, and was collecting money in its name. The marshal replied that he knew of no such person, and that no such authority had been given any one. Last Sunday Walker was found and detained at Hebron by the sheriff, and the marshal, being notified, sent out Deputy Marshal Hastings, who brought the prisoner to this city yesterday.

Papers found on the person of Walker revealed his scheme, and showed that while the documents had been clumsily gotten up they had served to bring in a round sum of money from the sympathetic or politic brewers and saloon-keepers. The principal paper was the subscription, headed as follows:

"Whereas, a call for help has come to us for the flooded and storm stricken district of Western Kansas and Nebraska, we feel it our duty to call on all you brewers and liquor dealers and saloon men in Kansas and Nebraska to help us make a small sum of money for those that are suffering the worst and to relieve their immediate wants, and whatsoever you can give will be thankfully received by Mr. G. W. Walker, of Atchison, the special U. S. revenue agent for Kansas and Nebraska; and in return we will as U. S. officers help you as we can.

Very respectfully, yours, C. S. DONEY. To the list were appended the names of U. S. Marshal Bierbower and several of his deputies as paid subscribers (all forgeries, of course), and the names of a large number of liquor dealers, who evidently had paid the \$3 and \$5 subscriptions set opposite their names.

Walker was armed with any quantity of subpoenas and other legal papers apparently intended to convince any doubters that he was really an officer.

He was taken before Judge Dundy on a charge of assuming to be a revenue officer and collecting moneys as such, and in default of bail he was committed to await the action of the grand jury.

Statistical Reports.

To Correspondents and Newspapers, as well as all Persons interested in a Statistical report from Nebraska: OFFICE OF THE STATISTICAL REPORTER FOR THE U. S., PLATTSBURGH, NEB., NOV. 12.

We find from reports the following as the summary and result of all reports made to this office up to this date: Corn yield per acre..... 41 bushels Quality..... 85 per cent Potatoes (Irish)..... 147 bushels Quality..... 109 per cent Potatoes (Sweet)..... 114 bushels Quality..... 111 per cent Hay, average tame and wild..... 107 per cent Quality..... 125 gallon Sorghum, yield per acre..... 88 per cent Grapes, yield and quality..... 97 per cent Apples, " " " " " " 52 per cent First frost October 5th. Corn ready for market Dec. 1. Condition of orchards..... 109 per cent Spring wheat threshed at date..... 82 per cent Grade of spring wheat..... No. 2. DANIEL H. WHEELER, Statistical Agent for Nebraska.

Still Waiting for Henry Clay.

Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette. On the streets yesterday one might have seen an aged gentleman whose hair flowed in white waves over his shoulders, while his beard was bushy and long, and his wide-brimmed, soft hat and strange garb told that he was a stranger. He was Judge N. Banning Norton, from Dallas, Texas, and years ago he was a violent whig. When Henry Clay made his first great race for the presidency Judge Norton solemnly vowed that he would never cut his hair until he saw his leader in the white house, and consequently for all these years since 1842 the judge's hair has been growing and growing and will still continue to grow until the hand of death cuts it short.

FAIRFIELD, IOWA.—Dr. J. L. Myers says: "Brown's Iron Bitters is the best iron preparation I have ever known in my thirty years of practice."

All those who know their mind do not know their heart.