

TWENTIETH YEAR.

LYNCHING AT BLAIR.

Town for the way to be used when in employ in issue.

Three doctors examined Pratt this afternoon and they all think he was sane. Pratt said he came up to Blair yesterday on the Sioux City passenger, got to Blair at 2 p. m.

CHARLES PRATT DANGLES FROM A ROPE.

One of the Most Deliberately Planned Lynchings in the History of the State.

FARMERS BREAK INTO THE JAIL.

A Sea of the Murdered Man Leads the Vigilantes.

THE SHERIFF QUICKLY OVERPOWERED.

With the Rope Around His Neck, Pratt Expresses His Disappointment at Not Being Able to Kill the Whole Family.

Blair, Neb., August 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—One of the most deliberately planned as well as most coolly executed lynchings in the history of the state was carried out about a mile from this place shortly before midnight.

It was just 11:30 when a crowd of mounted farmers rode into the town, and were speedily joined by fully two hundred citizens. No time was lost and they proceeded to the jail, where the sheriff and about fifteen deputies were keeping guard over Charles Pratt, the murderer of N. R. Town.

The sheriff ordered them to stand back and positively refused to turn over the prisoner. The mob was heavily armed, but made no demonstrations with their weapons. The parleying was of short duration and the sheriff was overpowered and his keys were taken from him.

A rush was made for the cell room and in an incredibly short time Pratt was jerked outside the jail. He was

escorted by the lynchers, who at once started with him for a small grove about a mile from town.

The lynching party was led by Harry Town, son of the murdered man. Arriving at the scene of the intended lynching, young Town was given the privilege of tying the rope about the murderer's neck, and also of having the first pull on the rope.

Town was not bashful about accepting the honors offered, and tied a knot that would have done credit to professional hangman. The end of the rope was thrown over a limb, and hauled tight.

Pratt was then told that if he had anything to say he had better say it quickly. He replied that he would say a few words if the rope was loosened a little, and then they might pull away.

"JUST AS HAD AS THEY D—D PLEASE."

The rope was slackened and Pratt then stated that he killed Town and meant to kill the whole family.

He declared that he came up from Missouri purposely to do the job, and firmly intended to kill every one of the Town family. He was sorry that he had failed. He said he had owned a farm near the one owned by the Towns, and worked hard to make a living, but the Town family imposed upon him to such an extent that he could not save a cent.

At this juncture some one in the crowd wanted to know what that had to do with the girl. Before Pratt could respond the rope was given a pull, and he was

struck frantically for a few seconds, but the lynchers firmly held his neck tightly against the limb, and in two or three minutes the lifeless corpse of the murderer was swinging slightly to and fro in the night wind.

The rope was made fast to the trunk of the tree and the crowd of vigilantes came quietly back to town. In about fifteen minutes the farmers left for their homes, but little knots of citizens gathered on the corners and discussed the event.

No one was heard to regret the occurrence and the general verdict was one of satisfaction.

The sheriff, Frank Harrison, followed the crowd to the scene of the lynching and was a witness to the hanging.

None of the lynchers make any effort to conceal their identity.

Not a mask was worn, and no endeavor was made to keep the affair quiet. The lynchers were determined, and it is not believed that a company of militia could have saved Pratt's life.

Pratt stated in jail this afternoon that he had no regrets for what he had done, and public indignation ran so high that it would have been possible at any time to have raised a crowd inside of five minutes to have done the work that was not done until tonight.

The body of Pratt was left swinging, and no one here will cut it down before morning. It was just ten minutes before midnight when Pratt was lynched, and at 1 o'clock the town resumed as quiet and peaceful as if nothing had happened.

The crime for which Pratt was lynched was the murder of N. R. Town, an old resident of Washington county, living southwest of Kennard, and the probably fatal wounding of his daughter.

Pratt, who worked for Mr. Town four years ago, came upon them about sunrise and commenced shooting. They were out doors near the cow shed. A son of Town's ran in the house, procured a shotgun and followed the man on horseback, never losing sight of him, and ran him into a crowd of men who were thrashing. He gave up and was bound and brought to Blair and placed in jail. The murderer admits he did it. When asked why he did it he said: "I am even now. I expect to go to hell and may as well go now as any time."

Pratt talked freely, said he came all the way up from Kansas City to kill Town and was not sorry he did it. He claimed he had an old grudge against

THERMION AND HARBOR BILL.

Some Doubt Expressed as to Whether the President Will Sign It.

THE GREAT QUESTION OF RECIPROcity.

Representative Burrows of Michigan Thinks It Would be Better to Provide Means of Transportation First.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The House of Representatives today considered the Harbor Bill, which provides for the improvement of the harbor at New York.

There is still serious doubt whether the president will sign the harbor bill. There is no remaining question of its passage, but it is generally expected that it will be vetoed by the president.

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FOR PROTECTING PROPERTY.

Enlisting Men to Guard Central Possessions.

A TOUGH LOOKING LOT OF RECRUITS.

They are Instructed by Their Chief Regarding Their Duties—Chamney Depew Refuses to Talk About the Strike.

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