

BANK FAILURE AT HASTINGS.

Bostwick's Bank, the City National, Forced to Close Its Doors.

IT CARRIED TOO MUCH PAPER.

Four Prisoners Break Jail at Beatrice and One of Them Shot and Recaptured - Creighton's Mayor Arrested.

HASTINGS, Neb., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The City National bank, H. Bostwick president and J. M. Ferguson cashier, was closed this morning by voluntary act of the directors. This morning was decided on last night at a formal meeting. The real cause is an overplus of paper and a large deficiency in cash on hand. The county and city officers were notified in time and withdrew all deposits, amounting to \$25,000, thus preventing a larger loss, as this bank has had a monopoly of the county finances for years. The depositors are assured of protection against loss. The Western loan and investment company, an allied real estate mortgage institution, is not affected. The statement of liabilities and available assets is being made up. The bank examiner is expected today, and until he arrives the exact facts cannot be ascertained.

The run upon the City National bank was begun immediately after the insolventcy of the Hastings dry pressed brick company became publicly known a few days ago and the commencement of suits by the bank against H. L. Elmsmore and C. N. Dietz for recovery on a \$5,000 note.

It was believed that Mr. Bostwick, president of the bank, was heavily involved, and that matters in the brick company's affairs had come to a crisis.

The run started and continued in spite of the strongest efforts of the directors. The capital stock of the bank, according to the latest statement, was \$100,000; surplus fund, \$23,000; undivided profits, \$4,285; deposits subject to check, \$34,925; demand certificates, \$14,988.41. It ranked second in the city in the volume of its business. Mr. Bostwick controlled a majority of the stock and a number of business men held stock to the amount of \$30,000 to \$50,000.

The State Bank of Yuma, Yuma, Colo., is under the same presidency, but its condition and relation to the Hastings bank is not ascertained, but it is thought to be in good shape. Mr. Bostwick today transferred all his real estate, \$82,000 in all, to his brother in New York.

In conversation with a stockholder tonight, THE BEE was given the history and cause of the failure. The assets of the bank, valued at about a year ago, assumed the brick business the institution was considerably involved. He exhausted his deposit at the City National bank and one of the directors, who was in the city, which aroused the suspicions of Mr. Bostwick that there was a colored gentleman in the woodpile. When Mr. Paul was confronted and pressed for a statement, he made a secret admission to Bostwick that he was in the hole for \$22,000 in the brick yard and nothing to show for it, and begged Bostwick to help him out, which he finally consented to do to bridge the matter over. It was then agreed to go some one else to the brick yard, and finally they closed a deal with Elmsmore & Knowlton. Elmsmore claimed to have \$8,000 and Knowlton \$3,000 of gas stock at hand to sink into the famous pressed brick yard.

This new firm received several good contracts, among them the new county court house, the Academy of Music, and several blocks at Blue Hill, Neb. They lost several thousand dollars on the academy contract, and when they failed to pay for the house, Mr. Elmsmore was obliged to borrow the \$5,000 for thirty days, for which suit was brought against him last Saturday by the City National bank. The suit was returned to the court house was completed, or until they could get their money. The thirty days had fled and Mr. Bostwick had not seen the return of his \$5,000.

Sixty and ninety days passed and no \$5,000, when forbearance ceased to be a virtue with Mr. Bostwick. He then demanded a statement from Mr. Elmsmore and Knowlton, and discovered that Elmsmore & Knowlton had drawn every cent for the work on the county court house. Mr. Bostwick then demanded a statement at once. Mr. Elmsmore took the train for Omaha and made a full breast of his trouble to Dietz. He then returned to Hastings, where he held for \$10,000, or thereabouts, with results as reported in THE BEE in their interview with Attorney Montgomery.

When the suit was carrying about \$14,000 brick yard paper in addition to the \$5,000 which was signed C. N. Dietz, per M. L. Elmsmore, manager of the brick yard, and C. N. Dietz in the business in this city.

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BEATRICE, Neb., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—One of the most daring jail deliveries ever occurring in this section took place from the county jail last night about 8 o'clock.

The prisoners had secured possession of a saw and during the day had passed through the three-quarter-inch hinges between the trap in the main jail door swings. The lower end of the bar was cut entirely in two, and the upper end about half way through. The prisoners bided their time, and about 8 o'clock last night, while jailer Jones stepped out of the jail corridor for a moment, the bar was cut down, and the prisoners, about 16 in number, climbed out through the aperture, about 16 in inches, and secreted themselves in the corridor.

Jailer Jones sleeps in this corridor, his bunk being at the west end, and one of the men hid himself under the bunk, while the other three got behind the heavy wooden door, which, opening inwardly, concealed them from observation.

The light inside the jail had been turned down by the jailer, and the prisoners went forward to his bunk to lay a pillow thereon and while in the act of so doing he was pounced upon by one of the men and throttled and held down on the bunk. At the same instant the light inside the jail was blown out and in the momentary confusion the four men made their escape to the east door. The names of the escaped prisoners are: Jack Wortman, desperado and horse thief; Frank St. Clair, thief; recently arrested in Omaha; Charles and Marion Rogers, horse thieves.

Jailer Jones at once gave the alarm and a posse started in pursuit. The trail of two or three fugitives was struck by the posse, and Wortman and St. Clair were overtaken about five miles west of town. The two men were forced to halt, but instead of being captured, they went forward, and were followed by a posse of men and succeeded in bringing St. Clair down a bluff striking him in the breast, and glancing on a rib passed through the fleshy part of the left arm.

Wortman succeeded in eluding capture, though St. Clair was also rescued from the effects of the officer's fire.

St. Clair was brought back to town and is lodged in jail. A surgical examination of his wounds indicates that he is not seriously hurt and that no bones are fractured. St. Clair states that the officers shot him as he was down, having been tripped by the wire. The officials deny this strenuously, and claim that he had been repeatedly ordered to halt before they opened fire. It is claimed that the officers claim, in still con-

EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS.

Its Feasibility Being Discussed by Prominent Members.

TRANSFERS IN THE EIGHTH INFANTRY.

Campaign Managers Make Exorbitant Demands on Congressmen for Speeches—General Grant's Remarks.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The House of Representatives today had a recess from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock. The session was called to order at 10 o'clock by Speaker Carlisle. The House then proceeded to the consideration of a resolution introduced by Mr. Edmunds providing that congress shall take a recess from September 19 to November 19. The resolution was simply a suggestion from Senator Edmunds, who introduced it as a result of a conference or understanding among the republicans and was intended simply as a basis upon which to discuss the feasibility of a recess. It is not likely that a recess can be taken. The democrats would fight it to the bitter end, as it would preclude the consideration of the election bill and could not be finally adopted without amending the rules. Many republicans believe it would be better, should it be deemed advisable to have more time in the next session, for the president to call congress together earlier than the first week in December, when it would meet under the provision of the constitution. The president has not expressed himself to any one upon the subject of an extra session, but it is believed that he does not believe that he would ask congress to convene alone for the election bill, however necessary it may be. Several republican senators who know most about the possibilities of the democrats in the upper branch of congress believe that if congress is in session in November it will be called together by the president, as any amount of time could be wasted under the present rules by the democrats for the purpose of defeating a final recess resolution. The extra session would be for the purpose of adopting a recess resolution or taking any steps in the direction of a recess. The democrats, however, are not likely to consent to the proposition submitted by Mr. Edmunds as an evidence that the republicans would break through with the recess resolution. The democrats have accepted the programme of the republicans, and the consideration of the tariff, the consideration of certain measures at this session and an adjournment at the earliest possible day. They say that they accept the arrangement with the understanding that nothing would be done in the direction of consideration of the election bill at or after next session, and that the only measure to be considered at that time would be the consideration of that measure.

CHICAGO, August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Chicago & Atlantic will probably be turned over on Monday to the management of the Erie road. Thomas of the Erie will be in Chicago tomorrow and go over the ground with Receiver Mallory. The latter cannot wind up his receivership for a month or more, and it is understood that the Erie will make him a liberal offer to remain as general manager or vice president.

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DISAPPEARED AT ST. JOE.

Banker Brown of Broken Bow, Neb., Mysteriously Missing.

ST. JOE, Mo., August 29.—John J. Brown, vice president of the Farmers' bank of Broken Bow, Custer county, Neb., is missing, and it is feared he has met with foul play. About ten days ago Mr. Brown left Broken Bow for St. Joseph, business with the St. Joseph loan and trust company calling him to that city. Shortly afterward his family received a telegram from St. Joseph, Mo., stating that he had not been seen since he left Broken Bow. A careful search was made at all the hotels in St. Joseph, but no trace could be discovered, nor could any hotel be found at which he had registered. These facts were sent to his family and a telegram was sent to St. Joseph, Mo., stating that he could not be found and that he must have become the victim of foul play, as he had certainly arrived in St. Joseph, Mo., and no other reason could be assigned for his disappearance. The telegram urged that the police be informed of the matter, and that the body be in possession of the manager of the hotel in connection with Mr. Brown's disappearance, and the police force is now engaged in searching for him.

INDIAN LANDS.

Thirty Thousand Acres to Be Thrown Open to Public Settlement.

ATKINSON, Kan., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A private letter from Washington says President Harrison will, in a short time, issue a proclamation requiring the Indians of the Pottawattamie reservation in Jackson county, Kansas, to relinquish their rights and ordering that the residue of their lands be sold to white settlers for the benefit of the Indians. This will distribute about forty-eight thousand acres of land in severalty to the Indians, and put upon the market about thirty thousand acres. The five lands were originally owned by the Indians and were consequently not taxable during that period. The object of distributing the lands in severalty is to break up the tribal relations of the Indians so that they may become citizens and to some extent producers. The reservation is in the heart of a populous and fertile country, and the result will be an increase of its population and wealth.

IOWA NEWS.

The Sioux City Stockyards.

SIoux CITY, Ia., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The stockyards of Sioux City, Ia., are to be closed today. The show a paid up capital of \$1,000,000. They officers include well known men in the financial world. President, James P. Peavy of Sioux City; vice president, E. W. McPherson, Boston; treasurer, A. W. Newell, Boston. The directors include Henry L. Miller, Boston; J. P. O'Neil, Boston; E. H. Peavy, Boston; O. S. Stone, Boston; E. H. Stone, Walter Straub and J. L. Follette, Sioux City, and M. Barker, London. The yards are to be closed in six days and the stock is to be sold in six days and hogs not much later. The London packing company is delayed in beginning its operations until the stock is sold. The yards will open with capacity for 8,000 cattle and 12,000 hogs.

Close of the Encampment.

DES MOINES, Ia., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The encampment of the First brigade of the Iowa national guard closed today. It is pronounced by competent judges to have been a complete success in every particular, and profitable alike to militia and people. It is said to have been the largest gathering of militia and regulars in uniform ever held in the west. Combined with the routine duties of camp life, the boys have had the look of fun. On one day a "blatant exercise" was given, and the camp was a scene of merriment. The camp was a scene of merriment. The camp was a scene of merriment.

Disturbed a Religious Meeting.

FAIRBURY, Neb., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Three brothers named Black from Plymouth county, were arrested and lodged in jail today by the sheriff for disturbing a religious meeting a short time ago.

Powers Entertains the Farmers.

PAPILLON, Neb., August 29.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mr. Powers, the alliance candidate for governor, entertained a large number of farmers at his place today. He was assisted by Allen Root of Douglas county.

Social Intrigue at Rome.

LONDON, August 29.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—A dispatch from Rome states that a big social intrigue has been unrolled in that city. Connected in the houses of workingmen belonging to secret societies the police have found bombs charged with powder and dynamite. Correspondence of a dangerous character with foreign socialists and republican flags intended to be used in case of an outbreak were also found.

BILLY O'BRIEN FOUND GUILTY.

David Moore's Murderer Will Get the Penitentiary for Life.

EXPANSION OF FOREIGN TRADE.

Hon. James G. Blaine Addresses a Mass Meeting at Waterville, Me.

WATERVILLE, Me., August 29.—A public mass meeting was held tonight, and after Governor Burleigh had spoken President Small of Colby university introduced "The leader of the republican party and famous advocate of the interesting and progressive protective tariff, Hon. James G. Blaine." In regard to the national questions, Mr. Blaine said: "I wish to declare the opinion that the tariff is the best and most certain point where one of its highest duties is an enlarged area of its foreign trade. Under the beneficent policy of protection we have developed a volume of manufactures which in many departments overruns the demands of the home market. In the field of agriculture, with our immense population and agricultural implements, we can do far more than produce bread, stuffs and provisions for our own people; nor would it be an ambitious destiny for a great country as ours to manufacture only what we consume and produce only what we can export. 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