

NEBRASKA'S OIL INSPECTION

Report of Louis Heimrod, State Inspector, on the Work of His Office.

RIGID ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW

Good Results That Have Followed a Close Application of the Statutory Provisions to the Business of Illuminating Oil.

State Oil Inspector Heimrod has transmitted his annual report to State Auditor Benton, which is here reproduced:

To THOMAS BENTON, Auditor of State, Lincoln, Neb.: Dear Sir—I respectfully submit the following statement of receipts and disbursements as state inspector of oils, covering the period from February 8 to December 31, 1892, inclusive:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Number of barrels approved', 'Number of barrels rejected', 'Fees, at 10 cents per barrel', 'Fees collected', 'Disbursements', 'Expenses per voucher', 'Salaries paid', 'Balance on hand'.

Interpretation of His Term. Through the interference of John M. Thayer and E. C. Carns and by the refusal of the various oil companies to permit me to inspect the oils received and sold by them, I was prevented from performing the duties of my office from July 1, 1891, to February 7, 1892, inclusive.

February 8, 1892. I again began the performance of my duties, and I am happy to say that from that time until December 31, 1892, inclusive, I have in nowise been interfered with and no complaints have been made whatsoever regarding the administration of my office.

Appreciating fully the responsibility of my position and the frightful damage and loss of life that might perhaps follow the use of inferior and low grades of illuminating oils, I have spared neither time nor expense in enforcing the laws relating to them, and have particularly instructed my deputies to be careful in all their tests, and in no instance to permit any oil to be put upon the market that did not come up fully to the standard adopted by the state.

Few Instances of Flagrant Violation. I have but few instances to report wherein the law relating to illuminating oils has been violated, or where oil has been found that did not come up to the standard of the state, with the exception of gasoline, which is not used for illuminating purposes, except mechanically, and is always below the test required of illuminating oil, and therefore always rejected.

Real estate. Bargains only. My word is good. W. G. Albright. 621-2-3 N. Y. Life Bldg.

FEASTED IN A PR NT SHOP.

Pleasant Affair in the Office of the Young Men's Journal.

Beyond the noonday and midnight lunches, feasts in printing offices are not very frequent, so the affair last evening in the office of the Young Men's Journal was as novel as it was enjoyable.

From Whence Trouble Springs. The localities to which uninspected oil is most likely to be shipped are the towns and villages near the border lines of South Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado and Kansas, as in most instances railroad connections are better, and freight rates are lower from some town or city in these bordering states than from the nearest shipping point in Nebraska, thus for reason of economy, and earlier receipt of goods from date of shipment, merchants in the towns bordering the states mentioned, are induced to buy oil that when brought into Nebraska, regardless of its being above or below Nebraska test, according to our laws must be inspected by myself or deputies; I have, therefore, given special attention to these localities, either myself or one of my deputies visiting these different points at regular intervals.

South Dakota and Kansas have oil inspection laws, so that oil shipped into our state from any point in these states have always been fully up to our standard, Colorado and Wyoming, however, have no inspection laws, and most oil shipped in from these states I have been obliged to reject, and when so rejected have always assured myself of having been shipped back to the point from which it came, thus preventing any possibilities of its being used in our state.

Oilmen's Duties Increasing. When I first took charge of this office the greater bulk of the oil sold in this state was inspected in Omaha and Lincoln, since that time numerous local lines have been established at interior points, and for the same time and travel and expense to inspect the same quantity of oil, and should this policy of the oil companies in establishing interior stations be continued, it will be but a short time before one or more additional deputies will be required to attend to the inspection of the state.

Notwithstanding the unusual expense this department has been subjected to, in patrolling the border lines, and in having places for inspection so largely increased, I am pleased to say that it has been self-sustaining, and that over and above all expenses I have been able to accumulate a balance of \$1,100.00, as shown in the statement attached. I shall deposit the same with the state treasurer, taking his receipt.

Close association with the workings of the oil inspection law of Nebraska shows me its value and the possibilities of great danger to the general public should it at any time be repealed. The cost of inspecting a ton of oil, it being less than one-fifth of a cent a gallon, and being so small is hardly placed upon the consumer, and should it be, it can well afford to pay it for the guarantee of safety it affords them. If any changes are to be made in the law I would suggest that the test be raised to 115° or 110°; so that no brands relating to inspection, either by fire or other method, be permitted.

PROSPEROUS IN EVERY WAY

What the Second Convention of Royal Neighbors of America Has Disclosed.

WOMEN AS ORGANIZERS AND MANAGERS

Their Efforts in Everything Crowned with Success. A Little Storm for a While Disturbed Yesterday's Meeting. —All Is Lovely Now.

The second annual convention of the head camp of the Royal Neighbors of America has passed into history, and the result of its deliberations can be better determined by subsequent experience. Last evening shortly after 6 o'clock the session was adjourned sine die, and there was a lively hustling among the delegates to catch outgoing trains. Most of the delegates bade each other farewell and departed last evening. Those who did not will leave for their homes to-morrow. They all bear a kindly remembrance of their reception by the neighbors of this city, and they will not neglect to report to their respective homes, and the efforts put forth to make their stay a pleasant one.

Almost a Storm. Yesterday's afternoon session was lacking in neighborly feeling. A cloud overshadowed the clear sky and some of the delegates aroused the elements by attempting to brush it aside and a storm of fury followed. It was a storm that quickly subsided, and it looked for a time as if the third annual meeting might not be so well attended as the second has been. But a cool head was present, and acting as a moderator, and when adjournment was taken the historic calm followed. The storm, and there was a parting love feast among the delegates, which will be remembered by those who were present.

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Omaha at the Young Men's Christian association last evening, singing. She is called the "Bobolink" in Chicago. Following is the concert program: A musical dialogue by Meyer-Helmond. O'Connell Fantasia by Ernst. Jewel song from "The Song of Songs" by Goussier. Recitative: "And the Saviour Spoke" by Arias. "O, Vision of the Future" by "Esmeralda" by Mr. White. "When I Was a Child of Three" by Miss Mitty. Spinning quartet "Martha" by Flotow. Miss Post, Miss Almy, Mr. Mockridge, Mr. Scherzo fantasizing by Bazzini. "The Clang of the Anvil" by Rodney. Prison duet from "Il Trovatore" by Verdi. Miss Post, Mr. Mockridge. Transcription of a familiar air by Viuetemps. Quartet from "Rigoletto" by Verdi. Miss Post, Mr. Mockridge, Miss Henrietta Mockridge, pianiste.

At Boyd's new theater, beginning Sunday, January 8, for three nights, comes the new farcical comedy, "A Mad Bargain," in which it is reported that James T. Powers has well and wisely chosen his career. The comedy is the joint work of John J. McNally and Julian Mitchell. The name of Mr. McNally is, of course, familiar to the theater-going public, as the author of "A Street in Tip," which Mr. Powers has exploited here with such success. "A Mad Bargain" is on a higher plane than its predecessor. There are but three specialties in this piece, one each by Mr. Powers, Mr. Daly and Miss Leona Forrest. The latter is said to be a highly talented and beautiful dancer. These specialties were naturally in the story of the piece, and they are introduced in deference to the present public taste.

There is nothing more interesting and entertaining in the theatrical line than a good strong melodrama replete with specialties, and such is Bourcelin's drama of London life, "After Dark," which will be the attraction at the Farnam Street theater all next week commencing with matinee Sunday, January 8. This stirring play needs no fulsome commendation. Its own intrinsic merit is sufficient to ensure the favor of all lovers of melodramas, pure in tone, human in its development, and characterized by the presenting phases of life which, while starting real, are wonderfully true to nature. To see it once generates a desire to witness it again, and the repetition of it with each interest in the play grows. In the construction of the piece there are introduced features of decidedly novel and interesting nature, notably the realistic London music hall scene, which serves as a vehicle for the introduction of a host of vaudeville stars. Usual Wednesday and Saturday matinee.

Thursday evening, January 12, Hoyt's famous successful creation, "A Trip to Chinatown," will be played for three nights and a Saturday matinee. Those who are posted in things theatrical will remember that this play is now in its second year at Hoyt's Madison Square theater in New York and that the company now enroute to San Francisco was formed especially for the road and began its season in Harlem, or upper New York City, even while the Broadway square production was in the midst of its first year's run. The company has been given the opportunity of exhibiting in large cities and will continue to do so during the Columbian exposition.

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Took His Own Life. St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 5.—Charles C. Ferris, superintendent of the pharmaceutical production department of the Meyer Bros. Drug company, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. He was found by his wife in the morning at St. Louis. He went home last night apparently of sound mind, but arose at 5 o'clock this morning and blew his brains out with a revolver.

As Mr. Ferris had no financial obligations which he could not meet, was well and comfortable in the suburbs of St. Louis with his wife and four children, it is thought of his suicide most generally accepted is that he was temporarily insane.

Arrest of a Murderer. Detroit, Mich., Jan. 5.—George Bossenberger was found guilty about six weeks ago on circumstantial evidence by a jury in the recorder's court of murder in the first degree, for the killing of William Knack. Affidavits in support of a motion for a new trial of the human race, and prove indeed a universal blessing.—Boston Globe, Oct. 22.

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