

IRRIGATION IN THE MIDWEST

Features of Recent Progress in Kansas and Nebraska.

QUANT JUMBO MILLS IN USE

Samples of the Wealth Obtainable by Tilling the Soil with Artificial Moisture—Future Prospects.

Irrigation as a factor in the agricultural development of the midwest is described with considerable detail in Mr. Matthews' last letter in Harper's Weekly.

Nebraska has apparently taken the lead in fashioning these affairs, and nothing is commoner than to see what are known as "jumbo" mills and "go-devil" mills pumping water for little patches of irrigated property in that state.

One of the most remarkable of these mills is a little "jumbo" mill, which is only a few feet wide and two feet deep. Another peculiar kind of windmill is what is known as a merry-go-round mill.

VALUE OF THE MILLS. In talking of the value of these mills, Prof. Barbour tells this story in the Farm Improvement News:

It is the largest and best known jumbo mill in the eastern third of the state is probably that of John Tancigall, market-gardener and nursery man of Columbus, Platte county, Nebraska.

It is easy to see that a 1 per cent irrigation would not only bring back the 30,000 persons who have left western Kansas, but would add greatly to the population.

It is safe to say that if such an ideal time comes it will be by a gradual encroachment upon the old lands, and a leveling of valleys. The steps will be along the lines of least resistance and will be slow.

It is almost over the top. Fefferman had a fare nearly landed on a boat at Detroit, Mich., wound up a protruded head at 12 o'clock last night in a hotel at 110 North Thirteenth.

Stanley Claycomb Seeks Damages for Alleged Ill-Treatment. The case of Stanley Claycomb against Sheriff John McDonald and County Jailor George Shand is on trial before a jury in Judge Baker's court.

Delegates Arriving for Annual Meeting of Reorganized Church. INDEPENDENCE, Mo., April 7.—The forty-sixth annual conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, now convened at Independence, promises to be a notable one in the history of the church.

Gold Emerged for Import. NEW YORK, April 7.—Brown Bros. & Co. have taken \$1,250,000 in gold for import. Kessler & Co. have \$250,000 engaged for import.

BARTLEY VERDICT STANDS

Jury's Action Exonerating the Bondsmen Remains Unchanged.

COURT DENIES MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL

Judge Powell Holds that Charges of Misconduct on Jury's Part Are Not Well Founded and Decision is Warranted.

The verdict in the case of the State against F. M. Cook, A. B. Clark, John H. Ames, Charles A. Hanna, Mary Fitzgerald, Edward J. Fitzgerald, C. C. McNish, E. S. Brown, Thomas Swobe, Cadet Taylor, N. S. Harwood and William A. Paxton, first term bondsmen of Joseph S. Bartley, ex-state treasurer, will remain undisturbed.

CONCERNING THE FUTURE. It is most difficult to forecast the future of the irrigation law in this state. The supply of tertiary water may be drawn upon when improved cheap machinery comes.

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LOW RATES TO HOMESEEKERS

Overland Will Allow People to Travel Cheap for Months.

UNION PACIFIC MAINTAINING EXCURSIONS

Declines to Withdraw the Special Privileges at the Behest of the Western Passenger Association.

The Union Pacific railroad has taken a very decided stand in favor of the continuance of homeseekers' excursions, which have for several years past formed an institution of considerable value to the west in aiding to bring out prospective settlers.

Notes from the Courts. Elizabeth Rodgers has been appointed special administratrix of the estate of W. O. Rodgers, deceased.

WINDING UP THE RECEIVERSHIP. Judge Sanborn Issues Another Order in the Union Pacific Case.

Complete Railroad to Astoria. ASTORIA, Ore., April 7.—The last spike on the Astoria & Columbia River railway has been driven and the completion of this road gives the first rail line from western United States seaports to Astoria.

Removal of the Impugned Charge of Judicial Negligence. Police Judge Gordon is considerably wrought up over the manner in which Judge Schlaugh of the criminal section of the district court has brought to question his system of accepting bonds in cases where felonies are charged and defendants are held to the higher tribunal.

Head of the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain Lines Here. George J. Gould, president of the Missouri Pacific and the Iron Mountain railway companies, accompanied by Charles G. Warner, vice president and general auditor of the companies, is in the city.

MINNIE DOYLE and JACK WIGGINS in custody. Edward Kelly is another stockman at Ulysses, Neb., who has seen the seamy side of Omaha.

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