

Red Cloud Chief.

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RED CLOUD, NEBRASKA

A fool spends his money in dissipation and a wise man spends his for recreation.

A husband waiting for his wife at a bargain sale is about the cheapest thing in sight.

With the opening of the presidential campaign this country will probably experience another natural gas boom.

Three robbers who went into a Chicago lounge "in the guise of constables" seem to have had a very low taste and to be lacking in all professional ethics.

Chicago thugs who took \$15 from a market gardener after he had lost \$10 at a game of dice probably played a surer thing with the rest of the money.

Judging from the senate debates on armor plate, the new shell that will penetrate eighteen inches of Harvey-ized steel has had no effect on senatorial skulls.

Mount Lassen, near Red Bluff, Cal., is said to be rumbling ominously. The peak should be searched closely; some vice-presidential possibility may be up there, communing with himself.

Lord Roberts says he has received "a most cheery" telegram from Col. Baden-Powell, the defender of Mafeking. The mule ragout, with rashers of fried cat, must have been unusually good in the beleaguered town that morning.

During the past week strikes have multiplied. There are now nearly 100,000 men out, the most of them endeavoring to obtain fewer hours of labor. With but one or two exceptions, these men are pressing their cause in an entirely orderly manner, which is proof of the intelligence of the American workmen. Where violence has occurred, it has been invoked by men who have not always enjoyed American citizenship.

The experience of the French troops in the Sahara has shown that dark-colored horses bear great atmospheric heat much better than do those of a light color. A writer in Nature remarks that the same fact has been demonstrated in India, and adds that tropical animals generally have darker coats than are found upon those living in cold climates. Similarly the darkest-hued races of mankind inhabit the warmer countries.

"That is the eighth boy," said the matron of a city employment bureau recently, "who has come today to engage a cook, laundress or parlor maid. Moreover, each one has made a good selection, stated his requirements clearly, and finished in half the time his mother or sister would have occupied." The new boy is as distinct a product of the age as the new woman. He can make his own bed, sew buttons on his own clothes, manage a bachelor establishment for his father and himself, make out the menus and do chafing-dish cookery, all without losing his rank in school or his prestige among his boy mates.

"Puerto Rico" or "Porto Rico?" Let us hope that uniformity will be a last prevail. It is not the first case of a vexatious variation and puzzle to those who wish to spell it correctly. It took years to get rid of "Dacotah" and to establish the spelling "Dakota." The situation with respect to our new island possession is that the board of geographic names, which is supposed to determine such matters, has decided strongly for Puerto Rico. The President, it is understood, accepted the authority of the board and adopted its spelling. But congress has enacted a form of government for "Porto Rico," which thus becomes the legal name of the territory.

The mystery of the "wobbling" of the earth's axis may be explained in the opinion of Dr. J. Halm, a German astronomer, by assuming that the rotation of our planet is affected by changes in the magnetic influences of the sun. He publishes a comparison of observations on sun-spots and on the irregular motions of the north pole, which appears to show a coincidence between the two phenomena. During a maximum of sunspots the magnetic influence of the sun seems to be greatest, and after the passage of such a maximum the disturbance of the earth's axis diminishes. The fact that the earth's poles of magnetism do not correspond in location with its geographical poles may, Doctor Halm suggests, indicate how the sun's disturbing action is applied. When the magnetism of our globe is most powerfully excited then the strain along its magnetic axis may cause a distortion of the figure of the earth, which becomes less as the strain diminishes.

A good man is a useful man. He is not all ornament. He has his work to do, his place in society to fill, his influence to exert. He is truthful; others share in his goodness. He scatters blessings all along his pathway. He is no encumberer of the ground. There is neither a human nor a divine demand for his removal as useless. He is spared year after year on account of his productiveness. By his prayers, his instructions, his counsel, his example, his spirit and his deeds, he improves and benefits all who come within his reach.

AGAINST TAYLOR

Supreme Court Rules on Kentucky Contest.

IT SAYS MR. BECKHAM IS GOVERNOR

Cannot Take Case From Hands of the Legislature—Not a Unanimous Decision—Four Judges Dissent From the Chief Justice.

A Washington, May 21, special says: The Kentucky governorship case has been decided by the United States supreme court in favor of Beckham, affirming the decision of the Kentucky court of appeals.

The opinion was handed down by Chief Justice Fuller and the case was dismissed for want of jurisdiction and that the determination of cases of this character, contests for state offices, must necessarily be settled by the political branch of the government. That branch had acted in the Kentucky case when the general assembly took jurisdiction. There was no appeal from the assembly's decision, which was favorable to Goebel and Beckham except to the tribunal of the people, which tribunal the chief justice said was always in session. He also said the case was purely a state case, that Kentucky was in full possession of its faculties as a member of the union and that there was no emergency at this time calling for interference.

The opinion in the Kentucky case was not unanimous, some of the justices dissenting. Justices Brewer, Harlan, Brown and McKenna were the dissenting justices.

DIVIDEND ON DEPOSIT

State to Realize From Capital National Bank Funds.

Attorney General Smyth has received notice that the United States court of appeals at St. Paul had issued a mandate in the case of McDonald against the state. This is the case in which the state asked that Receiver McDonald of the defunct Capital National bank be required to pay a dividend on a claim of the state. The state had \$236,000 on deposit when the bank failed. The bank was a state depository at the time. The receiver has paid other depositors a dividend of 15 per cent, but refused to pay anything to the state. He has kept back enough to pay the state's dividend, which amounts to between \$35,000 and \$40,000. The mandate is supposed to command the receiver to pay the claim. Upon its receipt or probably before it arrives the claim may be paid. Had the state lost its suit the dividend would have gone to the individual depositors.

Makes Positive Denial.

The statement that there was to be a conference between President Cassatt of the Pennsylvania railroad and President Perkins of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy system is denied positively at the office of the Pennsylvania railroad in Philadelphia. Previous denials of statements regarding the possibility of the absorption by the Pennsylvania of the Burlington or Atchison systems were vigorously repeated. Statements to this effect have never been credited in financial circles.

Almost Caused a Wreck.

An old horse belonging to M. M. Plants was killed by a heavy loaded stock train on the Elkhorn railroad at Geneva. The track was damaged to some extent, two ties were torn out of a culvert, but none of the cars were derailed. Mr. Plants is an old soldier and crippled with rheumatism to such an extent that he is unable to walk, and the old horse furnished the only means of getting about, therefore the loss to him is a heavy one.

Advance Price of Sugar.

All grades of refined sugars have been advanced five points except coarse granulated and extra fine granulated. Orders for soft sugar are taken at Saturday's full prices. All undelivered balances on contracts expiring May 31 will be canceled except Nos. 1, 2, 5, and 16. Arbuckle Bros. and the Doseher Refining company of New York have followed the advance in regned made by the American Sugar Refining company.

Bank Falls to Open.

The banking house of Nielsen & Co., at Pentwater, Mich., failed to open its doors and the circuit court has been asked to appoint H. H. Bunyca, a brother-in-law of Mr. Nielsen, and one of the heaviest depositors as receiver. A delegation of depositors went before the court and protested against Mr. Bunyca's appointment. The liabilities are unofficially estimated at \$75,000 to \$100,000.

Try to Lynch a Negro.

Near Ryan, I. T., Rufus Bunor, a negro, killed a nine-year-old girl who was living with his family, and attempted to conceal the crime by burning the dead body. He was caught in the act and an attempt made to lynch him. Bunor was arrested and landed in jail at Ardmore, I. T.

Woman Uses a Revolver.

Edward Whittington, Dennis Brown and Thomas Coleman—said to be coal miners—entered the lunch house of T. F. McKenna at Memphis, Tenn., and became involved in a quarrel with the porter. McKenna and his wife interfered and Mrs. McKenna was badly beaten with a club by Whittington. She ran behind a counter, and procuring a revolver shot Whittington through the neck, killing him instantly. Brown advanced menacingly toward her, and received a bullet in the face, which physicians say will prove fatal. Mrs. McKenna is in jail.

RIOTING ON AFRESH.

Situation at St. Louis Worse Than Before—One Killed.

A St. Louis, May 21st dispatch says one boy was killed, and three men and a girl were wounded as a result of the strike. The dead:

Martin Zika, eighteen years of age, struck in the left breast by a bullet fired from a street car.

The wounded: Clarence E. Mullen, motorman, home in Jacksonville, Ill., not serious. Minnie Kruger, eighteen years of age, not serious. Two rioters, carried away by friends, names not learned.

Zika was shot late in the afternoon while standing in the door of his home at 1200 Grier avenue. A mob of several hundred men had surrounded a car and were threatening conductor and motorman. A few stones had been thrown when a shot was fired from the car, the bullet striking Zika full in the breast. He died within a few minutes. Conductor Farley and Motorman Drake were arrested.

At the police station Conductor Farley admitted firing the shot which killed Zika. He fired, he said, at a man who was preparing to throw a stone at him, and the bullet hit Zika.

MUST PRACTICE SHOOTING

National Guardsmen Ordered to Do Record Firing.

Adjutant General Barry has issued orders containing the details of the target practice regulations and requiring an examination of non-commissioned officers. The season for target practice for the Nebraska national guard opened May 15 and will close November 15. All practice for record must take place between September 1 and the close of the season. A contest for competitive firing will take place during the summer, range to be designated hereafter. The best shot in each company will receive a bronze medal, the best shot in each regiment a silver medal and the best shot in the brigade will receive a gold medal to be awarded by the governor. The failure of any enlisted man to practice on the range during the season will be sufficient reason for his discharge for the "good of the service." Inefficiency on the part of a company in target practice shall be sufficient reason for its disbandment. An "efficient trophy" will be given the company that has the greatest number of men making score work on the range during the season. This trophy carries with it the rifle honors of the year.

NEW CHIEF OF WINNEBAGOS

The Succession May Depend Upon the Result of a Duel.

The Winnebago tribe of Indians is preparing to install a new chief. Whether it will be Thomas H. Roddy of Chicago, who was elected a year after the death of Chief Black Hawk, or whether it will be Tom Thunder, may depend on the outcome of a duel. Roddy, who is an Irishman, and known as White Buffalo among the Indians is preparing to go to the reservation and be inaugurated. Preparations are underway to give him a royal reception. Tom Thunder, the son of a medicine man, wants to lead the Winnebagos, however, and has sent a challenge to Roddy to fight a duel, the victor to succeed to the leadership.

Roddy says he does not expect any trouble, but says he can handle all that comes his way.

NO APPEAL FROM KRUGER

President of Transvaal Republic Has Not Asked for Pardon.

The Associated Press Tuesday morning was able to say that no message from President Kruger direct or indirect has recently been received by Lord Salisbury or by any department of the British government, nor is there any communication from him dealing with the question of the cessation of hostilities expected by them in the immediate future. The proximity of peace, according to the government point of view, will remain a matter of military progress. How soon the latter may bring about the former is still to suppositious for a serious forecast on the part of any government official.

Mrs. Lee Returns Home.

Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee, wife of the military governor of Havana and members of her family, have arrived at New York on board the United States transport Sedgwick from Havana.

Inspecting Navy Yard.

Rear Admiral Hieburn, chief of construction of the navy, has arrived in San Francisco on a tour of navy yard inspection. He will visit Mare island navy yard before leaving for the north.

Fighting Bob Has Rheumatism.

A Hot Springs, Ark., special says: Captain Robley D. Evans has arrived at the army and navy hospital here. He is suffering from a severe case of rheumatism.

John Gross of Gering accidentally discharged a revolver, and the bullet found lodgment in the body of Joseph Barnes, seriously wounding him.

Killed by Daughter's Suitor.

A story has reached Macon, Ga., to the effect that William Raines and his son were killed near Cordele, Ga., by a Mr. Gleaton, who intended to marry Miss Raines. One morning Gleaton went to the home of Miss Raines, accompanied by a friend. A quarrel arose and the young woman's brother rushed up with a pistol and commenced shooting at Gleaton and his friend. Gleaton shot and killed the young lady's father and brother and mortally wounded a neighbor who tried to stop the trouble.

TWO NEW BISHOPS

Methodist General Conference Ends Long Deadlock

MESSRS. MOORE AND HAMILTON WIN

Necessary Majority Comes on the Seventeenth Ballot—Both Long in the Service of the Church and Well Known in Literary World.

A Chicago May 22d dispatch says belief that today's balloting would end the long-drawn-out episcopate contest attracted a large audience to today's meeting of the Methodist general conference, nearly every seat in the Auditorium being occupied when Bishop H. H. Warren rapped for order.

After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. F. Oldham of Ohio and the reading of the journal, the result of the sixteenth ballot, taken yesterday, was announced as follows: D. H. Moore, 426; J. W. Hamilton, 411; J. R. Day, 198; H. Spellmeyer, 90; J. F. Berry, 78; T. B. Neely, 45; necessary to a choice, 428.

At 9:30 o'clock the seventeenth ballot was taken, with prospects favorable for a result. After a little business had been transacted a recess was taken.

During recess rumors were current that an election had been reached, and at the conclusion of the recess the seventeenth ballot was read.

"Dr. D. H. Moore received 534 votes and is elected," announced Bishop Warren, and great applause ensued.

"Dr. J. W. Hamilton received 510 votes and is elected," and again the hall rang with applause.

Bishops-elect Hamilton and Moore were escorted to the platform, and amid applause and the waving of handkerchiefs were introduced to the general conference. The final ballot was as follows: D. H. Moore 534, J. W. Hamilton 514, Day 104, H. Spellmeyer 71, T. B. Neely 41, P. J. Berry 22. Necessary to a choice 444.

Discussion of organic law was then taken up.

BOUND TO LYNCH KIMBLERN

Unsafe to Return Negro Murderer to Pueblo.

Calvin Kimblern, the negro who shot his wife and murdered two children in the Fries orphans' home at Pueblo, Col., was captured in a saloon in Denver. He confessed his crime.

When it was learned at Pueblo that Calvin Kimblern had been arrested and would be taken to Pueblo crowds gathered at different points and it is certain he will be lynched. The autopsy is said to have shown that the children were criminally assaulted before being murdered.

House Passes 8-Hour Bill.

The house committee under suspension of the rules has passed two important measures reported by the labor committee—one to extend the eight-hour law to all laborers employed under contract on government work and the other to prohibit interstate traffic in prison-made goods by bringing them under the jurisdiction of the police powers of the state. The former bill is designed to carry to its logical conclusion the law of 1892.

Two Boys Drowned.

While swimming in the Floyd river near Sioux City, Ia., Harold Dennison, aged nine, and George Lewis, aged ten, were drowned. The Dennison boy became exhausted and his little companion, although not a very good swimmer, went to his rescue, and both went down together. The bodies were recovered by the Lewis boy's father, but could not be resuscitated.

Railroad Man Killed.

E. A. Donkin, superintendent of the Dakota division of the Great Northern, with headquarters at Larimore, N. D., was accidentally killed. He started from Larimore for Inkster on a railway tricycle and when near McCanna a small dog ran ahead of his machine. He was thrown from the car and struck on his head, fracturing his skull.

Boy of Fifteen Missing.

Aaron Vansyoc, fifteen-year-old son of Harrison Vansyoc, a wealthy farmer living a few miles south of Wilcox, Neb., left on his brother's bicycle for parts unknown a few nights ago. His parents are very anxious about him, but as yet can find no clue to his whereabouts.

Cooley Under Arrest.

Former Deputy United States Marshal Cooley, recently indicted by the federal grand jury, was arrested at Omaha, Neb., and must answer the formal charge of petty extortion prior to his dismissal from the service more than a year ago.

Sixty Men Reported Dead.

It was reported that an explosion occurred in the Cumcock mines near Charlotte, N. C. The news was that between fifty and sixty miners were killed, but this is not confirmed.

Shot Breaks His Tooth.

Sam Blagdon, a 10-year-old boy of Julian, Neb., shot himself accidentally in the mouth, breaking a front tooth, while fishing. He was taken to a physician and after a close examination no trace of the bullet was found. The boy will live.

Fireman and Engineer Killed.

A San Francisco, Cal., May 22 dispatch says: A local Southern Pacific train was wrecked in Oakland. The fireman and engineer were killed and several passengers injured.

DECLINES TO INTERFERE

Boer Delegates Respectfully Told That the United States Cannot Act.

The state department has met the issue raised by the coming to Washington of the Boer delegation by declining to interfere in behalf of the South African republics in the present struggle. In view of this announced decision all questions as to the character of the reception to be extended to the delegates and the sufficiency of their credentials dropped at once into the background.

Monday a note came to the state department from the delegates, asking that they be permitted to present themselves at the department. A prompt acquiescence was returned by Secretary Hay and at the time fixed the three delegates appeared. Just what passed between Secretary Hay and the delegates probably will never be exactly known, for when the meeting was over, after lasting about an hour, the Boers stated to a number of newspaper men that they had and would have nothing to say as to what happened.

The secretary of state was more communicative and after consulting with the president gave out a statement which states that the Boer delegates submitted at much length and with great energy and eloquence the merits of the controversy in South Africa and the desire of the Boer republics that the United States should intervene in the interests of peace and use its influence to that end with the British government.

Secretary Hay in reply reviewed at length the president's attempt at intervention at the request of the two South African republics, made through United States Consul Hay at Pretoria, last March, to which Lord Salisbury had replied that his government could not accept the intervention of any power.

FIGHT AT JOHANNESBURG

Defense Works at Transvaal Metropolis Progressing.

The defense works of Johannesburg are progressing rapidly, says a Lorenzo Marquez dispatch. Six guns brought from the front have been placed in a fort, while trenches intersect Katzerand, near Klipriviersburg, behind the race course.

The Standard and Diggers' News confirms the relief of Mafeking. It gives a confused account of the event. An engagement was fought Sunday near Maribogo and the relief forces cut through the Boer lines, entered the town and began bombarding the Boers, who retreated. The Boers had two killed and five wounded. The British are reported as fleeing, but no explanation is given.

UNDER THE WHEELS

Aged German Farmer of Gage County Loses His Life.

E. Menheusen a German farmer aged 81, whose home is in Island Grove township, seven miles northeast of Wymore, Neb., was thrown under the wheels of a freight engine at Wymore and was so badly cut up that he died. He had gone to Wymore to meet his grandson, Elert Harms, who was returning from Missouri with his bride. The old gentleman was trying to hold his team, which had become scared, and their lunge threw him in front of an engine on the through track. The young couple witnessed the accident. Mr. Menheusen has been a resident of Gage county for forty years.

Girl is Totally Depraved.

Laura Humber, twelve years of age, of Chippewa Falls, Wis., is in court charged with attempting to murder her parents and three sisters. The girl broke up glass into fine particles and placed it in several articles of food about to be served, but the glass was discovered by one of the sisters before any of the food had been eaten. According to the father's story the girl is utterly depraved. He stated that she had tortured to death three domestic animals and a dozen chickens, and destroyed most all the family apparel. Judge Condit committed the girl to the industrial school at Milwaukee.

Siamese Admiral Arrives.

The admiral of the Siamese navy was a passenger on the steamer City of Peking, which has just arrived at San Francisco. He is a Du Plessis de Richelieu, who for the last twenty-six years has been in command of the small but efficient fleet that protects the little asiatic nation from foes on the sea. Admiral Richelieu is also a lieutenant in the Danish navy and is now on the way to his native city of Copenhagen on a visit. He will also go to the Paris exposition.

Laureate on Mafeking.

Alfred Austin, the English poet laureate, writes of the relief of Mafeking as follows:
Long as the waves shall roll,
Long as fame guards her scroll,
And men through heart and soul
Thrill to true glory,
Their tale from age to age,
Shall voice and verse engage,
Swelling the splendid page
Of England's story.

Finds No Shortage.

Inspector Sinclair's examination of the books of the postoffice at San Juan, Porto Rico, which he has just completed, shows that no shortage exists and that everything is in excellent order.

Shot for Refusal to Marry.

Wilfred Y. S. Lindgren shot and killed Lydia Carson, a servant, at the county seat of Max Nathan, in Yonkers, N. Y. He then shot himself. Monday the girl rejected Lindgren's offer of marriage.

MAFEKING IS RELIEVED

Long Siege Ends and Wildcat Enthusiasm Prevails at London.

A London, May 18, 9:16 p. m. dispatch says: Mafeking has been relieved.

A Pretoria, May 18 dispatch says: It was officially announced today that when the laagers and forts around Mafeking had been severely bombarded the siege was abandoned, a British force from the south taking possession of the place.

President Steyn left here for the Free State last night. Addressing a crowd on the platform he urged them to be of good cheer.

It is reported that 5,000 British troops have surrounded Christiana and Landrest and other officials have been taken prisoners.

James Milne, the correspondent of the Reuter Telegram company, who has been a prisoner here, was liberated and escorted to the border this morning.

The dispatch of the Associated press announcing the relief of Mafeking was posted outside the Mansion house at London and the news rapidly spread. Immediately a large crowd collected, and at this hour all the streets in the neighborhood are already resounding with cheers.

COVETS BURLINGTON ROAD

Pennsylvania Company Said to be Seeking Control.

The Pennsylvania railroad, it is announced, is seeking control of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, of which C. E. Perkins is the president. It is stated that a definite proposal will be offered the board of directors at their meeting in Chicago next Wednesday looking toward a lease of the entire line. It is said in addition that the Pennsylvania has secured practical control, by recent heavy purchases of stock, similar to the plan followed in gaining control of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Chesapeake & Ohio.

Powder Explodes.

The store of William Peckmeyer at Beulah, Neb., seven miles northeast of Osceola, burned, together with nearly all the contents. The loss will amount to \$3,000, with insurance of \$1,300. The fire was caused by a lamp falling to the floor. No one was present but Mr. Peckmeyer, and he did all he could to save a portion of the goods. In this he was handicapped on account of a leg of powder catching fire and blowing out the entire front of the building.

Election Against Donnelly.

Secretary J. W. Bramwood of the international typographical union headquarters at Indianapolis, says that less than 100 of the 460 local unions had sent in tally sheets showing the result of the election. He has made no tabulated statement of the results, but said, when asked about it, that it was all going one way—against Samuel B. Donnelly.

Strike to Go On.

Negotiations to settle the St. Louis street car strike have been declared off for the present, at least. It is probable the fight will go on to the bitter end. The difference over which the negotiations were broken off was the question of reinstatement of the strikers and the discharging of the men who took the strikers' places.

Governor Smith Acts.

Governor Smith of Montana has disregarded and revoked the action of Lieutenant-Governor Spriggs in appointing W. A. Clark senator to succeed himself. Governor Smith scores the action and says it is tainted with collusion and fraud. He has appointed Hon. Martin Maginnis of Helena.

Charges of Perjury.

Warrants have been issued at San Francisco for the arrest of Mrs. Craven, Justice of the Peace Simpkin and Adolph Sylva. The first two were indicted by the grand jury for perjury and the latter with subordination of perjury, in connection with the Fair-Craven case. Their bail has been fixed at \$10,000 each.

Searching for a Candidate.

Democratic leaders in Cook county, Illinois, have decided to push Judge Murray F. Tuley for the gubernatorial nomination, now that Mayor Harrison has declined to become a candidate. Judge Tuley declined to say whether or not he would be a candidate for the governorship.

Charges Bastardy.

At Columbus, Neb., Miss Annie Jensen of Lindsay swore out a warrant in Justice Hudson's court charging John Mortensen, now a resident of Iowa, with the fatherhood of her illegitimate child. Deputy Sheriff Adam Smith went to Lincoln to secure requisition papers for Mortensen's arrest.

Had His Leg Crushed.

Elden, the twelve-year-old son of Scott Key, living ten miles east of Burwell, Neb., had his right leg crushed by a horse falling on him, while riding after cattle. His injuries are severe.

Denied by Board of Health.

The reports telegraphed from San Francisco that bubonic plague is prevalent in San Francisco are denied by the board of health, the Merchants' association, Mayor Phelan and others interested in the welfare of the city.

Found Dead.

Alois Standenmayer was found dead on the prairie ten miles east of Harrison, Neb., and one mile from the station of Andrews. Indications are that he has been murdered, but particulars are not available.