WELCH GETS ALL THE PROFIT

Objectionable Feature of the Penitentiary Labor Contract.

WARDEN AND GOVERNOR CLASH AGAIN

Proposition of Ledigh Turned Down at Holcomb's Instance—Good Thing Now Enjoyed by the Cooperage Contractor.

LINCOLN, June 10.—(Special.)—For some time past there has been a clash between Warden Ledigh of the state penitentiary and the Board of Public Lands and Buildings over the matter of labor contracts at the pen. The trouble first arose when Ledigh advanced the theory that the state should operate the factories at the penitentiary, employ the labor of the prisoners and secure to the taxpayers the profits that now go to a few individuals. He made a special investigation in regard to the cooperage establishment and figured that there would be a handsome profit in the business and that the state would not be in competition with free labor, for the reason that there was not another extensive barrel factory in the state. He argued, too, that there was no chance of loss for the reason that the product of the cooperage is a staple article on the market.

For some reason not then explained the governor opposed the plan and used his influence on the board to have a contract made with the Lincoln Cooperage company, giving it a practical monopoly on the business until September, 1899. The contract was thus placed in the control of M. D. Welch, who has been connected with the business deals of the penitentiary managers from Boss Stout down to the present time. Welch was given the labor of the men in the penitentiary at 35 cents per day for each man and the business of the company is so profitable that it is said fully $2,000 per month is cleared. It was this profit that Ledigh wanted to turn over to the state and which Holcomb, backed by other members of the board, wanted to turn over to Welch. The anxiety for the financial welfare of Welch was too strong and he was given the contract against the protest of the warden.

Accuses Welch of Bluffing.

In the meantime Welch's company has been making a move toward the establishment of a large barrel factory at South Omaha to be operated by free labor. It is said by those who have investigated the matter that Welch has had no real intention of putting in a new factory, the move being a "bluff" to prevent some other company from going into business in competition with his factory at the penitentiary.

The Buckstaff Manufacturing company, which operated the foundry and harness departments at the pen, has finished its contract and removed its machinery to the city where the factory will be established, only free labor to be employed hereafter.

It seems that the people of Red Willow county are not pleased with J. B. Meserve as a militia organizer and that Mr. Meserve has thrown up his job and come back to Lincoln in disgust. The populist paper published at McCook says this week that the company is filling up fairly well in spite of the fact that it has had no recruiting officers, and "no head whatever." It adds that "Mr. Meserve, when he found the company could not make itself at McCook, turned the blanks over to the State Bank of Indianola." After Meserve gave up the job John J. Lamborn, a republican, interested himself in the recruiting of the company and is now making pretty good headway.

Adjutant General Barry has issued an order directing Captain Murdock of the Wymore light artillery to call a special election at some convenient time for the election of a first and second lieutenant, and for the appointment of such additional sergeants as provided in section 20, chapter 1, session laws of 1897.

Eugene Moore's Trial.

In the Eugene Moore case in district court today the examination of the witnesses for the state was completed. The testimony introduced proved conclusively that Moore had received the $250 fee from the Omaha Fire Insurance company while he was acting as state auditor. It also showed that since retiring from the office Moore had paid over to the state $4,000, being a part of the money due for fees. This afternoon after the state had completed its showing the attorneys for Moore filed a motion asking that the jury be instructed to bring in a verdict for the defendant, relying on the theory that the prisoner should be presumed to be innocent, and that the further presumption must be that the $250 fee from the Omaha insurance company was included in the $4,000 payment made by Moore.

The testimony today cleared up one matter about which there has been much controversy. During the spring of 1897 Moore had $4,000 deposited in a Lincoln bank. He drew out $1,500 and paid it over to the state treasurer. Shortly afterward the balance, $2,500, was paid over. It was industriously circulated at that time that Moore had attempted to draw out and secrete this money, and was only prevented from doing so by the vigilance of certain popocratic officials. The evidence today showed that Moore sent Jack MacColl to the bank for the $2,500 with instructions to pay it over to the state treasurer. The bank officials suggested to MacColl that a check be issued direct to the treasurer. MacColl went back to Moore, had the check made out in that form, and turned it over to the state, the state officials having nothing to do with the matter at the bank, and Moore making no objection to the course suggested by the bank officials.

Lincoln Local Notes.

Blanche Miller and Alice Demewick, the two Council Bluffs girls who were rescued from female procurers here, are still held in the woman's ward of the city jail waiting for instructions from home.

W. D. Hunter of the university has received word from the head of the United States entomological division at Washington that the locusts have become numerous in Idaho, and asking him to spend two months of his summer vacation in that state. He will leave soon to begin the battle against the pest.

The funeral services of Mrs. M. D. Tiffany, who died recently in Beatrice, were held at the Lincoln hotel in this city today. A large number of the deceased friend's were in attendance. Elder H. T. Davis spoke in behalf of the old settlers' association, and Prof. Hartley spoke of Mrs. Tiffany's work in the public schools of Lincoln, where she was employed as teacher for several years. The burial service was read by Rev. H. Percy Silver of the Episcopal church. Interment will be at Weeping Water, the former home of the family.

Omaha people at the hotels: At the Lindell—Will E. Brooke, B. W. Write, C. D. Cannon, H. C. Rountree, Lou Levy. At the Lincoln—J. W. Magee, M. S. Crump, W. C. Sunderland, N. G. Chilberg.

Prohibition State Ticket.

LINCOLN, June 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The prohibition convention closed its labors tonight with a meeting at the Funke opera house, where Samuel Dickie of Michigan delivered an address. During the day the following state ticket was nominated: Governor, V. Muir, Brownville; lieutenant governor, N. S. Lowrie, O'Neill; treasurer, Hiram Burch, University Place; auditor, C. C. Crowell, Blair; secretary of state, C. K. Lawson, Santee; commissioner, B. Blain, Page; attorney general, A. G. Wolfenbarger, Lincoln; superintendent, Mrs. Upton, Lincoln. A state committee was formed with A. G. Wolfenbarger as chairman, S. D. Fitzhie, secretary, and L. O. Jones, treasurer, and members as follows: First district, C. H. Gilmore; Second, C. C. Crowell; Third, R. Carnahan; Fourth, Isabella Speirlock; Sixth, B. Blain.

Nebraska Drenched Again.

PENDER, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—A heavy drenching rain from the northwest has been falling here since early morning, and in consequence the cornfields are flooded and the small grain will doubtless be damaged. The continuous wet weather has retarded working in the cornfields and they are becoming very foul.

CULBERTSON, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—One half of an inch of rain fell here yesterday. This makes one and one-tenth inches in two days. Last month four inches fell. All farming work has been stopped and water is standing in all low places.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The heavy rains of yesterday have filled the Nemaha bank full and the Long Branch overflowed the lower part of the city. Those living there, fearing a repetition of previous years, many of them moved their families and household goods to higher ground, but the waters are subsiding without any particular damage excepting the flooding of cellars and wells.

ITHACA, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—It has rained almost every day or night for the last week. The ground is too wet for the farmers to plow corn. Many fields have not been cultivated yet. Some of these are as green as pastures. Small grain will be an immense crop if nothing prevents from now on to harvest.

ST. EDWARD, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—About 2:30 this morning a heavy rain set in and up to 4 o'clock this afternoon it is still raining.

FALLS CITY, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—It has been raining almost continually here for the last few days and it is feared this section will be visited by an overflow as a result. The Nemaha and Muddy are now almost out of their banks. The wheat has been injured to a great extent.

WEST POINT, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The rain continues to fall steadily, with occasional very heavy showers and has been doing so without a moment's intermission for forty-eight hours. Country roads are almost impassable and many bridges and culverts washed away. The low lying portions of the city are under water and the Elkhorn river is bank high and is still rising. Farmers who have succeeded in reaching town report that the wheat on the low lands is practically ruined, but on high rolling land it has not sustained much damage. Corn on low lands is suffering and is turning yellow. The temperature is very low and in many residences fires are kept burning.

SHELTON, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Rain fell almost all day yesterday and last night and the ground is so wet that farming is at a standstill. Corn is getting very grassy and weedy.

FAIRMONT, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Fairmont has had seven inches of rain in the last six days. Crops of all kinds are looking fine.

ST. PAUL, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Another three-fourths inch of rain has fallen here today and the ground is now so wet that farmers are unable to cultivate corn, and it is needing it badly.

NORTH LOUP, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Heavy rain fell again all day Thursday, commencing before daylight and lasting until after night. Irrigation is at a discount. The native strawberry has appeared on the market and the crop will be something enormous.

GERING, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Considerable alarm is felt for the safety of the headgates on some of the irrigation canals on the Platte river across into Wyoming on account of the extraordinarily high water. The Torrington, Lucerne, P. F., and other canals are among those affected.

SILVER CREEK, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Today it is raining again and there has been almost a continuous rain since four weeks ago tonight. Much corn has been ruined and much is getting so weedy that it will be impossible to clean it out, even with good weather. Much land that was intended to be planted has not been planted for the reason that the ground was too wet. As yet small grain has not suffered much.

PAWNEE, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—This section of the country has had more rain this week than for a long time. The farmers are complaining of too much rain.

BLAIR, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Another heavy rain fell yesterday and last night and the creeks are up to the banks, but the small grain seems to stand it without much damage as yet. The weeds are getting a good start in the cornfields.

Wild Indian Fourth at Niobrara.

NIOBRARA, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The committee having charge of arrangement for the Fourth of July here promises to make it the most attractive one held for years, something that will be different than ever before. The Ponca Indians, who are the fathers of the great Omaha dances, will take an active part and they will be well worth coming miles to see. A regular wild west will be witnessed. The Poncas and Santees will come together as war parties, giving battle, and then showing how a frontier town is pounced upon by hostile red men. One of the Concord stages owned by a mail route company will be used, which will be passengered by prominent business men, who will undergo an actual attack from the Indians. The hotel men will give a free 'bus ride between trains and the citizens committee will give excellent entertainment to all strangers who come to witness the truly wild day at Niobrara.

W. C. T. U. Convention.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The Fifth District Woman's Christian Temperance Union held its fourteenth annual convention at Sutton June 8, 9 and 10. Twenty-three delegates were in attendance. Considerable progress was noted in department work. The officers of the preceding year were elected with one exception—Mrs. Ione Troyer—who declined to serve longer. She was given the Chautauqua salute and a vote of thanks for her eleven years of faithful service as treasurer. Mrs. Archer of Nelson was elected treasurer. An expression of gratitude was accorded Colonel C. J. Bills of the Second regiment, Nebraska volunteers, for his action in not allowing liquor to be sold in his regiment. Mrs. Angie Newman delivered the address Thursday evening.

Emerson Will Celebrate.

EMERSON, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The Fourth of July will be celebrated under the auspices of the Emerson Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors.

R. M. Patton, a farmer four miles northeast of town, was thrown from his riding cultivator yesterday and the horses became frightened, and running in a circle, passed over his body three times, breaking his legs in several places and inflicting severe internal injuries. He may recover.

Grading at Gering.

GERING, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—A large amount of work is being expended upon the streets of this city this spring, the more important ones having been graded. A sidewalk ordinance covering several blocks has been adopted and there will soon be a large amount of walks laid.

Commencement at Red Cloud.

RED CLOUD, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The commencement exercises of the public schools were held Tuesday evening. The address of the evening was given by Rev. S. Wright Butler, D. D., of Omaha. The valedictory address was given by Miss Maude Miller. The members of the graduating class were: Jessie M. Dunker, Maude Miller, Paul Dickson, Sadie V. Overing, Charles Perry, Edward Cook, Herbert Cook, Viola Ward, Daisy Frisbil, May Trunkey, Irene Miner, Dora Groat, Vance Foe. Immediately after the exercises the tenth annual banquet of the Red Cloud Alumni association was held. Prof. George Caster was toastmaster.

Warm Welcome for Colby.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 10.—(Special Telegram.)—General L. W. Colby was welcomed home tonight with a demonstration in honor of his appointment to the army. At the depot he was met by a large crowd of enthusiastic admirers, including Captain Murdock's battery of light artillery, which boomed a salute. Reaching the depot the procession marched to the opera house, where short addresses were made by Judge Enlow, Hon. R. S. Bibb and Senator Murphy, including a brief address by Hon. M. E. Shultz, who presided. General Colby occupied a seat on the stage and when called upon thanked the people for their presence with the wish to defer any remarks until his return from the seat of trouble. Following the addresses he held an informal reception upon the stage, receiving the congratulations of friends. There was a very large turnout, including people from nearby points, and a noisy demonstration was continued until a late hour. General Colby took the oath of office before leaving Washington and after remaining here two or three days will leave for Chickamauga.

Sunday School Convention.

ITHACA, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The Saunders county Sunday school convention closed a one and a half days' session here last evening. Owing to the many rains and muddy roads only about fifty delegates attended. L. O. Jones of Lincoln addressed the convention Wednesday evening on "How to make the Sunday school go." The convention next year will be held at Valparaiso.

Teachers Elected.

FALLS CITY, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—At the last regular meeting of the Board of Education the remainder of the teachers were chosen for the ensuing year, as follows: Miss Anna Taylor, Miss Lillian Dorrington, Miss Nellie Gilwan, Miss Mamie Cameron, Miss Florence Cleaver, Miss Effie Foster, Miss Lois Keeling. The corps of teachers for next year is now complete.

Hot Election.

GERING, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The election on the proposed Castle Rock irrigation district was a hotly contested one, but the proposition carried by the narrow margin of one vote. The matter will result in an injunction against the county board from declaring the district organized, however, and the case will probably be in the courts for some time.

Paper Changes Hands.

FALLS CITY, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The Populist of this place has changed hands again, W. P. Beer, now being editor and proprietor. Mr. Beer issued his first paper this week and hereafter it will be known as the Falls City Times. The Daily Herald, which has been issued from this office for the last six weeks, has suspended.

Valley County Mortgages.

ORD, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Valley county's mortgage indebtedness for the month of May is as follows: Twelve farm mortgages, amounting to $13,215.39; thirty satisfied, amounting to $22,223.80; one town mortgage filed, $500; four satisfied, $1,325; ninety-six chattel mortgages filed, $29,874.06; thirty-five satisfied, $7,264.66.

Hit by a Train.

PENDER, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—William Hensley (Indian) and wife of Winnebago agency met with a misfortune last Monday evening at Thurston a little town four miles north of this place, by having their team of ponies killed and the spring wagon to which they were hitched, completely demolished by a freight train.

Bondsmen Have to Settle.

ITHACA, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Frank W. Schroeder, the postmaster who joined the army and has gone to Manila, has left his bondsmen to settle about $1,000 on notes and accounts. His uncle, Henry Schroeder, has paid the bills, saving the other bondsmen. Alex Robb has been appointed postmaster.

New Elevator at Shelton.

SHELTON, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Several cars of stone and brick are now being unloaded for the foundation of the new elevator being put up by the Omaha Elevator company. It will be erected on the site where the one which burned down over a year ago stood.

Christian Endeavor Convention.

PAWNEE, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The sixth annual convention of the Fourth district of Nebraska Christian Endeavor Union closed in this city last night after a successful meeting held in the Presbyterian church. There were about fifty delegates from other places present.

Masons Elect Officers.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The members of the Humboldt lodge No. 64, A. F. and A. M., have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. M., H. S. Norton; S. W., L. S. Hockett; J. W., C. E. Wims; treasurer, S. M. Philipot; secretary, E. S. Norton.

Boy Breaks an Arm.

CHAPPEL, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The 4-year-old son of Fred Anderson of this place, while playing today, fell and broke his arm near the wrist. Medical aid was at once summoned and the broken member set.

To Visit the Exposition.

BLAIR, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—The camp of Maccabees of this place is making great preparations for the excursion tomorrow to the Omaha exposition. If the weather is fine a large delegation will go.

Big Corn-Shelling Job.

BERLIN, Neb., June 10.—(Special.)—Duff & Co., by their manager, C. C. Tarey, began today shelling out their big cribs of corn and about 10,000 bushels will be dumped into the elevator ready for shipment.

Promised Land and Mules.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 10.—Captain Wilbur Colvin, who raised a company of immunes here recently has been informed by Colonel P. H. Ray, who is recruiting the regiment at Macon that they were not acceptable. Captain Colvin held out as an inducement to the men to join his company that all immunes would receive "forty acres of land in Cuba and a mule each, as soon as the war was over," basing his offer on the bill for the protection of homestead settlers who enter the army or navy during the war and which was passed by the senate June 1. Captain Colvin says he misconstrued the meaning of the dispatch. Captain Frank Gordon, a son of General John B. Gordon and a former lieutenant in the governor's horse guard, is recruiting a company of volunteers for Colonel Ray's regiment.

Missouri Cutting in on Its Banks.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., June 10.—The Missouri river is higher at this point than it has been for several years and is cutting away considerable farming land north of the city. Fears are entertained that it will break through the levee at Hamburg, Ia., eighty miles north, and the banks are being patrolled by citizens.

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MARKETS MORE CONFIDENT

Bottling of Cervera is the Strengthening Influence.

INDUSTRIES OF ALL KINDS UPLIFTED

Money Market is Easier and There is an Anxiety to Make Loans on Long Time at Low Rates.

NEW YORK, June 10.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade will say tomorrow:

The certainty that the Spanish Atlantic fleet is imprisoned and powerless to do harm has helped to make the tone of the markets more confident. Every step of progress during the week which has looked toward an early termination of the struggle has been reflected in the market and in lower rates for money. All industries have felt the uplifting influence. In finances the growing anxiety to lend on even long exchange at low rates in place of shipments of gold to this country begins to accumulate a standing credit in favor of the United States. A stronger situation it would be difficult to describe.

Men have been buying and selling stocks with some blindness, though the course of events has all the time warranted a higher market. Other countries have yet to pay in some way an enormous balance to the United States on merchandise transactions and it will save speculators much trouble and loss to keep the fact in mind.

Men talk as if wheat had gone down out of sight, but the collapse of May speculation has only made it more evident that the outside world requires nearly if not quite all the wheat this country can spare. Last week Atlantic exports, flour included, were 4,206,298 bushels, against 1,634,602 last year, and Pacific exports were 253,213, against 125,212 last year, and it is close to the end of the season. Over 210,000,000 bushels of wheat have already been exported and almost 200,000,000 bushels of corn. 4,134,800 bushels during the past week, against 1,787,035 last year, and the market is justified in feeling that those who have gone so far beyond all precedent in defying current reports are entitled to pay for it.

Iron and steel production has declined because several establishments have stopped for repairs. Yet the weekly output June 1, 225,837 tons, against 224,163 May 1, with the unsold stocks, which decreased 18,142 tons during the month, indicates a consumption weekly of 232,876 tons, against 278,258 in April, so that the ablest iron journals are in error in saying that the apparent consumption does not keep pace with the production of 1,000,000 tons monthly. Eastern markets are much more embarrassed than before, while the western are crowded beyond all precedent. But prices are not changing in either section and the prospect for the manufacturer is unsatisfactory, as would be expected with the prospects.

The woolen manufacturers are buying no wool and the sales at the three chief markets during the past week were only 2,549,300 pounds, against 4,878,700 in 1892. But the demand for goods proves somewhat better in many directions than was expected and the government requirements have compelled some manufacturers to buy somewhat largely of wool which they have not expected to require. The auction sale of carpets, resulting in prices said to average 50 per cent below the list quotations, does not encourage buying and in carpet wools the market is decidedly tame.

In cotton goods there is a stronger tone throughout, with print cloths sustained at the recent advance, but the coming crop is watched with anxiety. It is still somewhat doubtful whether the demand for goods during the past two months has been materially checked by the expectation that the price of cotton and consequently the price of goods would decline and if so a marked advance in prices and increase in demand may be expected.

Failures for the week have been 202 in the United States, against 202 last year, and seventeen in Canada, against thirty last year.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

Spring Business This Year Largely Meets Expectations.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Accompanying reports of a seasonable quieting down of the spring demand for and movement of merchandise come as proofs that the spring business of the year 1898, with a few notable exceptions, has largely met expectations. Particularly confirming this latter view of the case are the heavy totals of bank clearings, large railway earnings, heavy exports, a total of failures well down to the normal and exceptional steadiness in prices following the notable advances registered some time ago.

Weak or lower prices for a number of cereals during the past week in the face of a heavy export business point to the good crop prospects for wheat and other grains, influencing holders toward parting with their stocks.

Statistics of pig iron production point to a slight reduction in the output during the month just closed, due largely to shutdowns for repairs, but the failure of stocks to accumulate gives proof that the immense recent production has been met by an equally large consumptive demand.

The leading feature of the week in the iron trade has been the collapse of the so-called gentlemen's agreement in the southern iron industry and prices are lower as a consequence, but an advance in Bessemer pig is taken to indicate that the makers are getting in better shape to control the output than for some time past.

The features of the iron and steel trade are the numerous small orders, amounting to a fairly large aggregate, for immediate delivery and a large number of orders for the raw and finished products for export, but new business on next season's account does not come forward quickly.

Following the little spurt in the demand for raw wool, largely on army orders, has come a perceptibly less active demand for this staple at the east and the unsatisfactory conditions in manufacturing are reflected in talk of curtailment of production.

The tone of cotton remains fairly firm and most makes of ginghams have been advanced, but cuts in some makes of prints are announced to clear up stocks.

Features of the price situation this week are the steadiness of nearly all classes of groceries, of raw cotton, prices of print cloths and of hides, leather and lumber, while decreases are reported in the cereals, lard, pork, copper and steel rails.

Cereal exports are slightly smaller than last week, but are still above the totals in the corresponding weeks of previous years.

Wheat exports this week aggregate 4,726,982 bushels, against 5,248,909 bushels last week, 1,890,000 bushels in this week a year ago, 2,922,000 bushels in 1896 and 1,781,000 bushels in 1895.

Corn exports for the week are 4,774,302 bushels, against 4,065,007 bushels last week, 2,398,000 bushels in this week a year ago, 1,126,000 bushels in 1896 and 655,000 bushels in 1895.

Business failures in the Dominion of Canada this week number sixteen, against twenty-one last week, thirty-eight this week a year ago, thirty-eight in 1896 and twenty-one in 1895.

Business failures this week number 221, an increase over last week of forty-three, but compare with a total in the week last year of 156, year before 184, in 1895 of 182 and 1894 of 227.

REVIEW OF THE STOCK MARKET.

There is Evidence of Realizing in Certain Lines of Stocks.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Bradstreet's Financial Review tomorrow will say:

More or less activity has been shown in the movement this week. War and war news have been less of a factor, but while the tone of speculation has been generally strong there has been evidence of realizing in groups of stocks which led the recent advance, while others have come into prominence.

The bond market's activity has reflected the renewed presence of investors. Governments have declined a little in consequence of the passage of the war revenue bill by the senate with a bond clause and the certainty thus created that the government would soon bring out a new issue.

On the other hand, the railroad bond list has been active and advancing, the scarcity of and higher prices for gilt-edged securities creating a demand for the second and even third grade of railroad mortgages.

London has both bought and sold American stocks, though there still appears to be a lack of public interest in our securities abroad, and the advances in the London quotations for them for several days are ascribed to purchasing orders from this side.

While the market here has been active there has been a falling off in the amount of public participation and the efforts of the manipulators have been more favorable in some movements, particularly the decline of sugar and the advance of various specialties. The sentiment of the street continues bullish.

The ease of money is a supporting factor and while the delays in the progress of the war and the conflicting news or absence of any news whatever from the scene of hostilities has been calculated to hold back speculation, the underlying feeling is of confidence in the results and in the strongly bullish effect, to further success of our arms.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TOTALS.

Aggregate of Business Transactions by the Associated Banks.

NEW YORK, June 10.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's shows the bank clearings at eighty-nine cities for the week ended June 9, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.	Amount.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$ 708,541,384	37.3	
Boston	102,815,780	12.5	
Chicago	119,124,304	51.7	
Philadelphia	76,426,241	30.7	
St. Louis	29,396,562	17.0	
Pittsburg	16,605,812	12.0	
Baltimore	19,941,958	49.6	
San Francisco	14,765,656	11.9	
Cincinnati	12,237,950		
Kansas City	10,708,229	7.9	
New Orleans	6,794,675	19.0	
Minneapolis	8,112,567	21.7	
Detroit	6,702,398	11.1	
Cleveland	6,976,775	18.7	
OMAHA	6,462,782	41.4	
Louisville	6,359,370		1.2
Providence	4,726,700		5.0
Milwaukee	5,060,257	25.3	
St. Paul	4,001,573	35.6	
Buffalo	4,245,628	3.4	
Indianapolis	3,042,686		
Columbus, O.	4,061,200	12.1	
Savannah	1,796,357	10.2	
Denver	3,296,537	4.7	
Hartford	2,590,920	9.2	
Richmond	2,805,193	25.7	
Memphis	1,229,514		
Washington	2,124,775		3.2
Peoria	1,572,203	9.0	
Rochester	2,121,412	7.6	
New Haven	1,571,094		
Worcester	1,424,189		3.9
Atlanta	1,516,728	28.2	
Salt Lake City	1,543,551	17.2	
Springfield, Mass.	1,228,925		
Fort Worth	1,078,260	40.1	
Portland, Me.	1,429,172	12.3	
Portland, Ore	1,374,590	40.2	
St. Joseph	1,246,869	175.9	
Los Angeles	1,471,614	35.7	
Norfolk	880,658	17.2	
Syracuse	1,289,180	30.1	
Des Moines	1,025,735	58.1	
Nashville	1,289,551	9.6	
Wilmington, Del.	780,180	7.0	
Fall River	699,969		15.1
Scranton	878,739	12.3	
Grand Rapids	1,021,722	34.1	
Augusta, Ga.	597,399	9.1	
Lowell	696,701	30.8	
Dayton, O.	75,996	27.7	
Seattle	1,381,903	120.1	
Tacoma	1,059,867	125.8	
Spokane	840,156	44.6	
Sioux City	795,725	17.5	
New Bedford	791,875	74.9	
Knoxville, Tenn.	652,097	40.3	
Topeka	595,037	65.0	
Birmingham	437,317	21.7	
Wichita	468,152	6.1	
Binghamton	337,200	7.2	
Lincoln	401,169	12.4	
Lexington, Ky.	340,249	18.0	
Jacksonville, Fla.	228,328		4.1
Kalamazoo	348,135	15.1	
Akron	340,540	15.4	
Bay City	273,954	21.5	
Chattanooga	268,035	29.4	
Rockford, Ill.	228,171		10.2
Canton, O.	218,400	25.2	
Springfield, O.	231,057	27.6	
Fargo, N. D.	257,794	54.7	
Sioux Falls, S. D.	95,236	86.2	
Hastings, Neb.	111,575	5.9	
Fremont, Neb.	127,243	56.2	
Davenport	989,975	21.3	
Toledo	1,779,963	9.0	
Galveston	4,509,000	20.0	
Houston	4,160,360	32.5	
Youngstown	281,745		
Macon	373,737		
Evansville	766,224		
Helena	962,649		
Totals, U. S.	$1,324,796,412	31.2	
Totals outside New York	526,225,068	23.4	
DOMINION OF CANADA.			
Montreal	$ 14,982,184	8.3	
Toronto	9,631,526	18.7	
Winnipeg	1,112,608		11.2
Halifax	1,246,685	5.9	
Hamilton	847,956	26.2	
St. John, N. B.	751,022	12.5	
Totals	$ 28,472,979	11.4	

ANNEXATIONISTS ARE AHEAD

They Secure an Agreement to Consider the Resolution, Vote to Be Taken Wednesday.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—The feature of today's session of the house was the securing of an agreement to consider and vote upon the Newlands' resolution to annex Hawaii. Beginning tomorrow the debate on the bill will proceed until 5 o'clock next Wednesday afternoon, when a vote will be taken. The annexationists came today determined to force consideration, and for three hours the opposition filibustered.

Consideration of the resolutions today could have been prevented, as under the rules a recess until the evening session necessarily would have been taken at 5 o'clock, but it was plain that the annexationists would win their victory tomorrow. Realizing this, and knowing the resolutions would pass and go to the country, involving a prominent issue, the opposition treated for liberal debate, and its demands were granted readily.

Eight democrats voted with the annexationists in the movement today to force consideration of the resolutions, they being Messrs. Berry (Ky.), Devries (Cal.), Livingston (Ga.), Brucker (Mich.), Cummings, Sulzer and Vehlage (N. Y.), and Cochran (Mo.) It is alleged at least twenty democrats will favor the passage of the resolutions.

The bill to enable volunteer soldiers to vote at congressional elections was passed, and a number of minor measures, chiefly of a private nature, were considered.

BRINGS UP HAWAIIAN QUESTION.

House by Decisive Vote Sidetracks Private Bills.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—By 140 to 88 a motion by Mr. Grosvenor to dispense with private bill day was carried. Grosvenor announced his purpose was to take up the Hawaiian annexation resolution. The opponents filibustered immediately after the vote.

The house has agreed to proceed with the debate of the Hawaiian resolution until 5 o'clock next Wednesday when a vote shall be taken.

Nominations by the President.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—The president today sent these nominations to the senate:

Interior—George A. McKenzie, to be receiver of public moneys at Stockton, Cal.; F. W. King, receiver of public moneys at Wakeeney, Kan.

Treasury—Frederick A. Wing, assayer in charge of the assay office at Seattle, Wash.

Complete the Thread Combine.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Semi-official details concerning the consolidation of the various American thread manufacturing companies were made public today. The scheme, which was promoted by J. and W. Seligman & Co., embraces the amalgamation of all the leading thread manufacturing companies in this country and England. Sixty per cent of the capital stock of the American Thread company is said to be controlled by the English companies, which have a capital of $75,000,000, while the American Thread company, which was organized with English capital, holds only about $1,000,000 worth of stock in the English company. There are reports that the combined companies may buy in several large factories in Germany and Belgium. Should this be done, the combination will have an absolute monopoly of the thread output in England and America.

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BANDITS HOLD UP A TRAIN

They Fatally Wound the Fireman and Secure Money from the Express Car.

AUSTIN, Tex., June 10.—The through mail and express train of the Sante Fe railroad was held up by four bandits last night near Coleman Junction, on the Lampasas division and it is believed that considerable booty was secured. The fireman offered resistance, and was seriously if not fatally shot by the highwaymen.

The place where the train was robbed is very lonely and is isolated to that degree that it afforded safety to the robbers and left the train crew and passengers almost at the mercy of the bandits. It is said that considerable money was taken from the passengers.

The express car was entered, but there are conflicting statements here as to whether there was any money secured or not. One story is that several thousand dollars were taken and the other that only a small amount was secured, but it is generally believed that the bandits got some money from the car.

It is known that while considerable money was secured, none of the passengers were hurt and the fireman was the only member of the train crew injured.

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Recovers Missing Revolver.

KANSAS CITY, June 10.—A special to the Star from Lawrence, Kan., says: Detective Dell Harbough, who has been working up the Collins murder case, and at whose instance the arrest of the negroes, Jordan and Harper, was made last night at Topeka and the subsequent arrest of John Henry Collins, charged with killing his father, returned here today and secured at a pawnbroker's shop the diamond and revolver which young Collins had given Harper. The revolver is supposed to be the missing weapon that disappeared from the Collins residence on the day of the murder. Both articles are alleged to have been given to Jordan by Collins in an effort to get him to murder the elder Collins.

Judge Bound to Hold Court.

ST. LOUIS, June 10.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Rowland, Clay county, Ky., says: A company of state troops, with Assistant Adjutant General Forrester at their head, arrived here today and left in vehicles for Manchester, the site of the Baker-Howard feud, where Judge Brown is attempting to hold court. Judge Brown is with the troops and has warned the Whites and Howards, who are holding the town, that if a demonstration is made against the troops, serious trouble will follow. The Bakers, who are surrounding the town, broke into a warehouse and secured six barrels of whisky last night, and a messenger from the scene this morning says they are all drunk and will attempt to follow the troops into the place. The state troops are new volunteers and are green, having only secured their uniforms and guns a week ago. Judge Brown is determined to hold court as usual.

TODAY'S WEATHER FORECAST

There Will Be Partly Cloudy Weather, Cooler in Eastern Portions, with Variable Winds.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—Forecast for Saturday:

For Nebraska and South Dakota—Partly cloudy weather; cooler in eastern portions; variable winds.

For Iowa—Cloudy weather, with showers; variable winds.

Missouri and Kansas—Partly cloudy weather; southerly winds, becoming variable.

For Wyoming—Partly cloudy weather; southerly winds, becoming variable.

Local Record.

OFFICE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, June 10.—Record of temperature and rainfall compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1898.	1897.	1896.	1895.
Maximum temperature	74	89	75	79
Minimum temperature	65	66	58	59
Average temperature	70	78	66	64
Rainfall	.18	T	.00	.07

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