

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Kansas reports a great scarcity of school teachers.

Smallpox is spreading rapidly on the island of St. Vincent.

Thomas W. Keene, the oldest active Odd Fellow in Illinois, is dead at his home at Washington, Ill., at the age of 80.

Experiments in wireless telephoning were conducted successfully between Sassnitz and Kolberg, Germany, a distance of 105 miles.

C. P. Olson, for 25 years superintendent of bridges of the Burlington railroad system west of the Missouri river, was drowned at Burlington, Ia.

The comptroller of the currency has declared a dividend of 10 per cent in favor of the creditors of the insolvent Lemars National bank of Lemars, Ia.

A territorial charter was granted to the Guthrie, Shawnee & Coalgate railroad company, with \$1,000,000 capital, to build a line from Guthrie westward to Beaver, a distance of 150 miles.

The largest shipment of cattle ever taken across the Atlantic left Portland, Me., on the steamship Norseman of the Dominion line. In all there were 1,179 head of cattle, and 1,398 sheep.

Captain C. W. Phillips, commanding the Panama Railroad company's steamship Advance, disappeared at sea on August 21, during the voyage of that vessel from Colon to New York.

Cholera official statistics, says a Manila dispatch, show a total to date of 24,266 cases and 18,040 deaths. The actual number of cases and deaths is greatly in excess of the official reports.

The rumors that an Australian missionary named Bruce and an English missionary named Lewis have been murdered at Chen Chou, in Hu Nan province, continue persistently to be heard.

At Washington, Rev. Robert Nourse, Congregational minister and lecturer, was stricken with heart failure while in the pulpit of the First Congregational church. It is thought he will recover.

Grace Lino, aged 12, daughter of Harry Lino, of Kalamazoo, and W. Wilber Macey, of Chicago, were drowned at Camp Bell lake, near Kalamazoo, by falling from a raft used in gathering water lilies.

During a fit of laughter Thomas C. Garrett, aged 27, a drug clerk from Chicago, lost his balance, fell out of a boat at St. Joseph, Mich., and the body was recovered in fifteen minutes but life was extinct.

It is understood that General Weyer, the Spanish minister of war, has decided to resign his post in consequence of certain court officials having overridden his orders permitting journalists to attend court functions.

State Superintendent Nelson of Kansas says it is probable that the opening of the Kansas schools will have to be postponed next month on account of the inability of the American Book company to furnish books.

United States Minister Bowen at Caracas, Venezuela, advises the state department by telegraph that a government warship recently arriving at La Guayra reports that for two days she bombarded Ciudad Bolivar, after which she withdrew, having exhausted her ammunition.

The Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin says an evidence of the growing Americanization of the world is shown in a plan to establish a post-graduate medical school at Frankfurt after an American model. A private person has contributed \$500,000 for the establishment of this school.

A telegram was received at the war department from Governor Orman of Colorado stating that that state had reconsidered its former decision not to participate in the army maneuvers at Fort Riley, Kan., next fall. The governor says that he will be able to dispatch 250 of the Colorado National Guard.

At Carlinville, Ill., Rev. Henry Truener, pastor of the Colored Baptist church, shot and instantly killed his 6-year-old son, whom he mistook for a burglar. The father, who was heartbroken over the affair, was arrested, but the coroner's jury discharged him from custody, finding that the shooting was the result of a mistake.

Congressman Long of Kansas is quite ill from nervous prostration. Ragtime music is to be cut out in the Grand Army parade at Washington.

The new ship Maine proves to be the fastest of American battleships. Archduchess Marguerite Sophie of Austria, wife of Albert, duke of Wurttemberg, died at Gmunden, Austria, as the result of an operation for appendicitis. She was born in 1870.

Senator Mitchell of Oregon is about to sail for Honolulu.

THE SHAW RULING

A CIRCULAR REGARDING ENTRY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS.

WHAT THE TOURIST MAY BRING

Articles on Which Exemptions of Duty Will Be Allowed—Difference Between Ordinary Wearing Apparel and Merchandise.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 30.—Secretary Shaw has issued the following circular regarding the free entry of personal effects under the act of 1897: To Collectors and Other Officers of the Customs:

It having been brought to the attention of the department that certain persons have sought to place a strained construction upon the department circular No. 48 under date of May 7, 1902, the following explanation thereof and supplemental instructions are hereby issued:

The language employed in the circular referred to is as follows: "Exemption from duty will be allowed on wearing apparel, articles of personal adornment, toilet articles and such other personal effects of a value not exceeding \$100 as are ordinarily purchased abroad by tourists, provided they are not intended for the use of other persons or for sale."

There is no warrant in this language or in any ruling of the department that justifies the importation of cigars, spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in any other quantity or manner than provided by law; neither is there anything in the circular to warrant the exemption of merchandise as such from duties. The statutes uses this language, "wearing apparel, articles of personal adornment, toilet articles and similar personal effects."

For some years it was held that similar personal effects, in order to be exempt, must be similar to "wearing apparel," or similar to "articles of personal adornment," or similar to "toilet articles." The department still holds that exempt articles must in a sense be similar—that is, they must be of the same general class of articles as tourists ordinarily purchase abroad.

"The difficulty, it will be seen, lies in applying these rules in the light of the statute to particular cases, and it is the intention to clothe the customs officers with some measure of discretion. A dress pattern is certainly similar to a gown, while a bolt of dress goods is merchandise. A pair of silk hose is wearing apparel, but is merchandise. Customs officers are expected to protect the revenue of the country, but they are not expected to administer the laws with captious and vexatious discriminations. Whenever circumstances indicate that the returning tourist is attempting to impose upon the government, the maximum rate of duty should be collected, and then all questions involved can be determined on appeal."

Malleable Iron Combine.

SHARON, Pa., Aug. 30.—A combination of the foremost malleable iron concerns of the country, with a capitalization of \$25,000,000, is under consideration and will probably soon be effected.

According to the reported plans the headquarters of the combination will be in Chicago, where the National Malleable Iron Casting company, the largest concern of the kind in the United States, has its home office.

The concerns mentioned for places in the consolidation are: Illinois Malleable Iron company, Stockholm Manufacturing company, Chicago Malleable Casting company, all of Chicago; Dayton Malleable Iron company, Dayton, O.; Michigan Malleable Iron company, Detroit; Pratt & Letchworth, Buffalo, N. Y.; Northwestern and Wisconsin Malleable Iron works, Milwaukee.

Hearing Speedily Closed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—The hearing before Special Examiner Mabie in the Peter Power suit, brought to prevent the turning over of the stock of the Northern Pacific railroad to the Northern Securities company, was brought to an abrupt conclusion today, when D. W. Guthrie, counsel for the railroads interested, asked an adjournment sine die. No testimony was taken. Under the ruling of the court all the testimony taken in the case had to be filed with the clerk of the United States circuit court in Minnesota on Monday next.

Scheme to Beat Ship Combine.

LONDON, Sept. 30.—The Daily Mail says there is reason to believe that the British government's scheme for countering the Morgan combine is now complete. The details of the scheme are not known, but the broad principle will be planned to protect freights carried in British vessels against any attempts to corner trade. Those conversant with the facts affirm that the government scheme is likely to have a serious effect on the shipping trust.

A FEATURE OF THE FAIR.

Large Collection of Historical Relics and Documents.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 1.—The state historical society will display at the state fair a large collection of historical relics and documents in a tent just south of the west entrance of Mercantile hall. It is the intention to cover pretty thoroughly the field of the state history so far as possible with the material at the disposal of the society. Archaeological specimens from various sections both in mechanical and farm implements and pottery will be shown. Modern Indian work will also occupy a part of the space. Nebraska relics from old Ft. Calhoun will be exhibited. A number of early newspapers published in the state during the territorial stage and its early statehood will also be shown. An instructive part of the display will be the methods of preserving and filing the papers. A library of books by Nebraskans and old works of interest will be a part of the exhibit.

Many of the members of the First Nebraska volunteers while in the Philippines made collections of interesting bits of native work and natural products of the islands. Many of these collections have been either loaned or given to the society and a part of them will be displayed to the public. Photographs and domestic and agricultural utensils used in Nebraska in early days will be on exhibition.

FIND INTERESTING RELICS.

They Will Go Into the Collection of the Historical Society.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 1.—The members of the historical society staff have made some interesting additions to the stock of old documents on file at the library. E. E. Blackman and A. E. Sheldon, while on a recent trip into Kansas, secured for a small sum the entire library of ex-Congressman Davis of that state. Besides several hundred volumes, the collection includes a complete file of a paper published by Mr. Davis during the flowery days of the Farmers' alliance. Davis was one of the originators of the movement and the copies of his paper which he used to spread the influence of the organization will be a valuable contribution to historical literature.

Mr. Sheldon recently spent some time in the southeastern part of the state investigating the French settlements in Richardson and Nemaha counties. They are near Rulo in Richardson and Glen Rock and St. Dero in Nemaha county. Many of the old families have been there since 1859. He succeeded in borrowing the council and court records of the town of Rulo covering a period of nearly twenty years between 1859 and 1877.

President Burt in Court.

OMAHA, Sept. 1.—When Horace G. Burt, president of the Union Pacific railroad, appeared in police court to be arraigned on the charge of false imprisonment on ten separate counts, he found as large and interested audience as has appeared in police court for many a day. The strikers were out in a large force to see their late chief, and he in turn carefully scanned the court room to see who was there, and probably to make mental notations for future reference. A plea of "not guilty" was entered in each case, and through his attorney, Edson Rich, Mr. Burt asked for a continuance that W. Arnett, the labor agent who brought the ten complaints from Indianapolis, is named in the complaints with him, might be located and brought here as an important witness. The case was continued to Wednesday, September 3, and Mr. Burt furnished bonds in each of the ten cases in the sum of \$300, which were signed by Edson Rich and Charles Dundy.

Lightning Destroys a House.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 30.—The residence of Mrs. Mary Hubka, located near Virginia, this county, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground with all its contents. The family escaped with only personal effects. Loss \$1,000, with \$550 insurance.

Mr. Bryan Will Speak.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—W. J. Bryan will address the Grand Army of the Republic reunion at Hastings on the afternoon of September 8 and will open the democratic campaign of Missouri with a speech at Joplin on the evening of September 9.

The Retail Grocers.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—Preparations are being made for the entertainment of the Nebraska Retail Grocers' association when it holds its state convention in Lincoln, October 16, 17 and 18. A banquet will be one of the principal events in the way of entertainment.

Railroad Sends Specialist.

STANTON, Neb., Aug. 30.—Hog cholera is quite prevalent northeast of town. Dr. Jackson, a specialist in that disease, sent out by the Fremont Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad company, is here and doing everything possible to check the disease.

Alleged Horse Thieves Arrested.

ALBION, Neb., Aug. 30.—Sheriff Clark of this county and Deputy Sheriff Frank Stout of Ellis county, Kansas, arrested on the Lockwood ranch, north of this city, Charles Howell and John Flynn. August 16 a farmer named Justus Walters, living near Hayes City, Kan., had four horses, two sets of harness, a wagon and fifteen bushels of oats stolen. The men under arrest are supposed to be the guilty parties.

NINE BANKS INCORPORATE.

One Omaha Institution Included in the List.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—The state banking board has approved the articles of incorporation and authorized charters to be issued to the following banks:

Commercial State bank of Coleridge, Cedar county; capital, \$20,000; directors, George A. Gray, T. T. Linkhart, N. I. Nielsen, U. G. Bridenbaugh and John Horsch. Farmers State bank of Ithaca, Saunders county; capital, \$5,000; G. F. Wagner, president; W. E. Deck, vice president; J. M. Hall, cashier. American Exchange bank, Bristow, Boyd county; capital, \$10,000; John Frostom, president; Edward Renard, vice president; D. M. Schmitz, cashier. State bank of Bee, Seward county; capital, \$5,000; H. T. Jones, president; George B. Campbell, vice president; W. B. Thorpe, cashier. The Farmers' bank of Sholes, Wayne county; capital, \$5,000; M. S. Merrill, president. The Grafton State bank of Grafton, Fillmore county; capital, \$10,000; Frank W. Sloan, president; George E. Aldrich, vice president. Archer State bank of Archer, Merrick county; capital, \$5,000; incorporators, Joe A. Hays, J. B. Templin and C. Hostetter. First National bank, Hartington, Cedar county; capital, \$30,000; directors, J. G. Beste, George S. Scoville, J. C. Robinson, W. S. Weston, L. E. Jones, jr., Stephen Seim and C. D. Chandler. J. L. Brandeis & Son, bankers, Omaha; capital, \$50,000; incorporators, Arthur D., Emil B. and Hugh H. Brandeis.

DROWNING OF MR. OLSON.

Steps Off an Excursion Steamer at Burlington.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—Further details have been received concerning the drowning of Charles P. Olson of Lincoln, superintendent of bridges for the Burlington, at Burlington, Ia.

A telegram from an official of the road at Burlington to General Superintendent Calvert stated that Olson was on an excursion boat which was standing close to the landing. The railing on the boat on the river side was broken, and Mr. Olson, failing to notice the break, stepped off and was drowned. The news of the sudden death of Mr. Olson was received with keen regret and sorrow by his friends and railroad associates. He was a genial and companionable man, and was highly regarded by his superiors in office and those who labored under him in his department. Late reports from Burlington state that the body has not yet been found. The dead man was 58 years old. He leaves a wife and two children, Mrs. H. M. Stratton of Chester and a son about 22 years of age, who lives at home.

Blue River Baptists Elect.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 30.—The Blue River Baptist association held a three days' session at Union hall, Island Grove township. Officers were elected for the year as follows: Moderator, Rev. D. L. McBride of Liberty; clerk, Miss Nellie Winters of Western; treasurer, Isaac Staples of Beatrice.

Can Invoke No Treaty Now.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Francis L. Lerner a former seaman of the French bark Biarritz, which recently sailed hence from France, has been released from the custody into which he was ordered by the French consul general, but has been immediately re-arrested, this time on a formal charge which puts him in the hands of the United States authorities.

Remains of the Fairs Start.

HAVRE, France, Aug. 30.—The remains of Charles L. and Mrs. Fair arrived here today from Paris and will be forwarded to Southampton tonight, where they will be put aboard the St. Louis, which sails Saturday.

Grabs the Fruit Industry.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 30.—By the conclusion effected in London between Elder, Dempster & Co of Liverpool the Fyfes of Aberdeen, the Imperial Direct West India Mail service and the United Fruit company of New Orleans and Boston, the latter concern obtains a monopoly of the Jamaica fruit industry and controls the British and American fruit markets. The company will henceforth load every British fruit ship.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations from South Omaha and Kansas City.

SOUTH OMAHA. CATTLE—There was quite a decrease as compared with the previous days of this week in the number of cattle that arrived. The quality of the offerings was also nothing extra and receipts included very few beef steers, either native or western. The few cars of corn fed steers sold freely at just about yesterday's prices. One load of pretty good cattle showed very little change. Anything desirable sold without much difficulty at just about steady prices, but still the market was not what would be called active. The demand for stockers and feeders continued from the country. In fact more cattle were shipped out than on any other day this week, so that in spite of the big receipts the good stuff has found a ready outlet. Western beef steers were scarce and in fact there was nothing really choice offered. The better grades, though, commanded fully steady prices, while inferior kinds were dull and no more than steady. Choice western feeders were also ready sellers at good prices.

HOGS—There were more hogs here today than on any previous day this week, but still the supply was light. Chicago was reported 50¢ lower and the market here opened about a nickel lower. Later on, however, the market firmed up as it became evident that the demand was greater than the supply, and the last hogs brought just about steady prices with yesterday. Trading was rather slow on the opening, but quite active on the close. The long string went at \$7.25, with the bulk from \$7.20 to \$7.30. As high as \$7.40 was paid for a choice bunch.

SHEEP—Quotations for clipped stock: Good to choice yearlings, \$3.75@4.00; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; good to choice wethers, \$3.25@3.50; fair to good wethers, \$3.00@3.25; good to choice ewes, \$3.00@3.25; fair to good ewes, \$2.75@3.00; good to choice lambs, \$3.00@3.25; fair to good lambs, \$2.75@3.00; feeder wethers, \$2.75@3.00; yearlings, \$3.25@3.50; feeder lambs, \$3.50@4.25; feeder ewes, \$1.25@1.50.

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE—Market steady; native steers, \$3.75@4.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.00@3.50; Texas cows, \$2.50@3.10; native cows and heifers, \$1.50@2.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@3.10; bulls, \$2.50@3.40; calves, \$2.75@3.50.

HOGS—Market weak to 5¢ lower; bulk of sales, \$7.50@7.75; heavy, \$7.00@7.25; packers, \$7.25@7.50; medium, \$7.40@7.65; light, \$7.15@7.35; porkers, \$7.50@7.75; pigs, \$6.25@7.00.

SHEEP—Market steady; muttons, \$3.40@4.25; lambs, \$3.75@5.50; range wethers, \$3.10@4.25; ewes, \$3.25@4.15.

PALMA STANDS ALONE.

Has Not a Single Newspaper Giving Him Hearty Support.

HAVANA, Aug. 30.—President Palma finds himself today without the support of a single newspaper controlled by Cubans.

The editorials published in the Cuban press are, considered collectively, remarkable for their bitterness and outspoken opposition to the chief executive. The only paper which supports the president is the Diario de la Marina, formerly the organ of the Spanish government and at present representing the Spanish colony in the island.

One of the causes for the opposition to President Palma was that he granted the Castenada concession for the establishment of an electric light plant at Havana. This concession has been a subject of bitter opposition in the house of commons, and some of the papers are demanding the president's impeachment unless the concession is revoked. The impeachment question has been on the table for a week. The house of parliament has divided on the question.

The paper La Discussion says that although the president was elected an independent ticket and received the endorsement of the republican and national parties, he has carried his independence too far and today has the support of neither party.

It is rumored that certain leading republicans are urging the president to announce himself a member of the republican party and are guaranteeing him a majority in the house if he does so. La Discussion advocates such a declaration from the president.

New Use for Horseskins.

One of the novelties is an automobile coat for men and women made of horseskin, says the New York Evening Journal. Sable and long hair furs are not suitable, or they catch the dust. The skins of colts, either in white or brown, have come in great favor, the white trimmed with a darker fur, and automobilists do not disdain peabeds. They all require lining. Helmet shaped head-dresses of the same skin often accompany these coats.

Cowardly fear finds no favor with God.



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