

ABOUT NEBRASKA.

Information About Legislative Changes.

Attorney General Leese, says the Lincoln Journal, is in receipt of letters daily asking for information about the changes made by the legislature in the laws affecting the meeting of boards of equalization, supervisors and other bodies.

The board of equalization meets as before. City councils of cities of the second class meet with the boards of supervisors and constitute the boards of equalization for these cities.

The time for the annual school meeting is changed by two laws. The one provides that the meeting shall be on the first Monday in June instead of the first Monday in April.

It is provided that the school district taxes shall be certified to the county clerk on or before the first Monday in July. The boards of equalization are required to levy taxes as voted at the annual meeting and certified to the county clerk.

STATE JOTTINGS IN BRIEF.

Thomas Lamb, who lives with his son eleven miles northwest of Benedict, was found dead in bed. The day previous Mr. Lamb was feeling stout and walked two miles and did his usual amount of work.

A young child of Mr. Peterson, living one and a half miles from Wayne, was bitten by a vicious horse, which tore the entire flesh to the bone from near the shoulder to the forearm on the left side.

Auditor Benton and Treasurer Hill, of the board of equalization, arrived in Lincoln last week. Governor Thayer reached home at the same time.

J. V. Winchell, a New York traveling man, made an attempt at Omaha, in his room at the Millard hotel, to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a penknife.

W. A. Rourke, manager of the Grand Island base ball club, was the recipient of a beautiful gold watch, presented to him by his admirers and lovers of the game in that city.

There was much excitement at Fairbury over a find of a three and one-half foot vein of coal. A very enthusiastic meeting of citizens has taken place.

The Methodist people of David City now have no public place of worship, as they have torn down their old church for the purpose of using the material to aid in the construction of the new one.

A number of the children of Seward are wrestling with the mumps, and one of the school teachers is also thus afflicted. Several Indians from the Winnebago reservation were in Pender last week filing complaints against a teacher in the Winnebago schools.

A party of surveyors last week commenced work on the new town-site adjoining Jackson on the Pacific Short Line. A new town will be laid out directly north of the old site of Jackson.

Decorations day was fittingly celebrated in Nebraska City, the blue and the gray participating. District court commenced in Geneva last week. There are a third more cases on the docket than ever known before in the history of the county.

George Wells, a well-to-do farmer of Howard county, was coming into St. Paul last week, when his horse became frightened, he accidentally dropped the lines and the team got away from him.

Steven Moore, of Omaha, now at Nebraska City, is accused of bastardy by Louisa Kramer, and a warrant is out for his arrest. Moore is said to be in hiding.

The Hebron Journal says that Hon. C. H. Willard is building an elegant residence for himself, a fine tenant house for his farm overseer, barns and other buildings; is constructing fish ponds, grading, fencing, setting out trees and trimming groves.

The fruit outlook in Jefferson county is better than it has been for years. Labor Commissioner Jenkins has made arrangements to go to France next month to make an exhaustive study of the beet sugar question.

The Catholics of Minden will build a large brick church and school house this summer. Minden has a population of 3,000 and expects to reach 4,000 during the year 1890.

The Lincoln Journal reports farmers as saying that corn is now up six inches in many fields, and plowing has already commenced. Corn, oats and clover are also doing well.

A Kansas man brought suit last week before the county judge of Jefferson county to get pay for some cattle his son sold to Mr. Andrews of Steele City. He claimed to have sold the cattle to his son and then to have bought them back before delivering. The Kansas didn't succeed in establishing his claim.

FROM 8,000 TO 10,000 LIVES LOST.

This is the Report That Comes From the Section of Pennsylvania Visited by Floods.

Sang Hollow (Pa.) dispatch: The first accounts sent out of the Johnstown disaster are far below the wildest estimates placed upon the extent of the calamity, and instead of 3,000 or 3,000, it is probable that the death list will reach 8,000—many say 10,000.

These trains were held at Johnstown from Friday at 11 a. m., and were on a siding between Johnstown and Conemaugh station. The awful torrent came down a narrow defile between the mountains, a distance of nine miles, and with a fall of 300 feet in that distance, sweeping away the villages of South Fork, Mineral Point, Woodale and Conemaugh, leaving but one building standing.

The plain in which but yesterday sat Johnstown, sits in the mountain like a jewel of the queen's diadem. The great Gantier Steel works sat in this plain, and the city below it, railroad tracks bounding it at the base of the mountains on the north.

The low arches of the stone viaduct choked up immediately and the water backed back over the entire level of the valley upon which the city stood to a depth of what, from the waterworks, indicate about thirty-eight feet.

The scene to-day was one of the most harrowing possible to the imagination of man to conceive. The accumulated drift gorges up at the viaduct to a height of forty feet and then took fire from the upsetting of stoves or lamps.

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FIFTEEN HUNDRED LIVES REPORTED LOST

And a vast amount of property swept away by the Angry Flood.

Pittsburg dispatch: The flood at Johnstown has resulted in an awful catastrophe. It is said the reservoir above town broke about 5 o'clock this morning, and an immense volume of water rushed down to the city, carrying with it death and destruction.

The latest reliable information received from Johnstown comes through Pennsylvania road officials, who aver that over two hundred dead bodies have been counted floating down the stream at Johnstown alone, while along the lines many additional lives had been lost.

The Associated Press correspondent on a special train en route to the scene of the disaster, says that the telegraph wires being down absolutely for six or seven miles below the immediate scene, and being in unworkable shape for three or four miles distant, it was after 7 o'clock before an accurate outline of the effect of the tidal wave could be learned.

The chief officials of the Pittsburgh and of the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad received most of their first information from the signal tower at Sank Hollow, six miles west of Johnstown.

In order to understand the nature of this calamity, it is necessary to describe respectively locations of the reservoir at Johnstown.

It lies about two and a half miles northeast of Johnstown, and is the site of the old reservoir, which was one of the feeders of the Pennsylvania canal.

Cardinal Gibbons Favors High License. Baltimore dispatch: Cardinal Gibbons is an earnest advocate of high license. In a communication on the subject he says: "I am decidedly opposed to prohibition as a means of preventing intemperance because it does not prohibit.

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THE DEFINITION OF TRUE DEMOCRACY.

It is Given by Ex-President Cleveland in a Banquet Speech.

The Young Men's Democratic club of New York extended a banquet of welcome to ex-President Cleveland, at the Fifth avenue hotel, on the 27th. Nearly five hundred of the leaders of the democratic party were present.

When the presiding officer introduced Mr. Cleveland there was a furor of applause which threatened to overstep all bounds. When quiet was finally restored Mr. Cleveland began his speech.

"Many incidents of my short residence in this good city have served to fill my cup of gratitude and to arouse my appreciation of the kindness and consideration of those with whom I have made my home.

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BY THE WIRE AND OTHERWISE

Eleven business houses in D. Ga., were destroyed by fire on \$40,000 loss.

Cattle thieves are reported as operating on the borders of Dakota Nebraska.

Citizens of Ottawa and Montreal are protesting against the estate acts.

Four persons were burned to death by the explosion of an oil can, Havana, Cuba.

Louis Constan, ex-treasurer of port, Ky., is said to be short in accounts with the city some \$35,000.

The testimony in the case of Maybrick, who is charged with poisoning her husband in London, is very saging.

Mrs. Voyce, of New York, has held in \$10,000 bonds for her treatment of her 7-year-old daughter.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to wreck a train bearing troops to scene of the Braidwood, Ill., disaster.

A single tax party has been formed in South Dakota to urge the incorporation of single tax principles in the state constitution.

An engineer and brakeman were killed on the Houstonian road, and other trainmen were seriously injured near Bridgeport, Conn.

The Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic railroad, which acts as a feeder to the Canadian Pacific, proposes to run vestibule fast trains between Duluth and Duluth, Minn., about June 1st.

Two men seized a well-dressed woman who was walking on the street in Wichita, Kas., bound and gagged her, hurried her into a closed carriage, drove rapidly away. The woman a stranger in the city.

Judge Coin rendered a decision in district court at Rawlins, Wyo., which Mrs. France sued for her share in her deceased husband's realty, held by an assignee, to the extent she cannot recover.

W. W. Thomas, United States minister to Sweden, was received in style by King Oscar. He was escorted to the palace in a royal carriage, Count Horn and received by ministers and court officials. Both Mr. Thomas and the king made speeches.

The pope has ordered that on the day of the unveiling of the monument to Giordano Bruno, who was put to death as a heretic in 1600, all papal grand cardinals shall keep within the groves of the Vatican. Those on foreign legations been ordered to return immediately.

Inoculation Against Yellow Fever.

Pine Bluff, (Ark.) dispatch: Dr. X. son, a member of the college of physicians and surgeons of the province of Quebec, and a late member of the board of health of Panama, read a paper yesterday at the fourth annual meeting of the state medical society Arkansas. The subject was "Yellow Fever," and the result of his experience extending over many years in Panama, Colon, Mexico, Cuba and Tampa, which led to his bold forecast of the Jacksonville epidemic, was brought out.

A. G. Wolfenbarger, of Lincoln has gone to South Dakota, to stump territory in the interest of a prohibition section to be urged as an addition to the new state constitution. His engagements will keep him busy speaking until August 20.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKET

Quotations from New York, Chicago, Omaha and elsewhere.

Table with columns for Market Name (e.g., OMAHA, NEW YORK, CHICAGO, ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY, SIOUX CITY) and various commodity prices (Wheat, Corn, Oats, etc.).