

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

Let's Let the Sheriff Out. New York, Jan. 14. Judge Wallace handed down a decision in the United States court holding that ex-Sheriff Peter Bone cannot be held accountable for \$200,000 seized from Leon Bernard a canon of the Church of Rome, and also dismissed the suit brought in the name of the Catholic presbytery against New York's former sheriff. The \$200,000 in question is part of a fortune of \$2,500,000 that had been accumulated by the bishopric of Tournai, Belgium, in the course of a century. Through a change of bishops the great fortune was unearched in 1875, when Bishop Dumont, for some offense or other, was suspended by Bishop Durroussseau. The new prelate managed to turn the money over to Canon Bernard, a priest of the diocese, and the latter took it with him to this country.

Suffering in Kansas as Usual. St. Louis, Jan. 14. Dispatches from different portions of Kansas report a blizzard in that state. The whole country is covered with snow to the depth of a foot or more. Railroad trains are stuck at several places and traffic is practically suspended. Intense suffering is reported in the destitute districts in several of the western counties. The temperature is not very low yet, but the mercury is falling and severe cold is apprehended. All along the path of last evening's terrible storm in this city large crowds gathered yesterday morning to view the ruins. The number of buildings which were damaged will probably reach 150, with the loss ranging all the way from \$100,000 to \$500,000. A large force of workmen is clearing up the debris. As far as known the list of injured numbers fifteen.

A Tie Vote. DES MOINES, IA, Jan. 11. The house situation is unchanged. Caucuses by both parties were held and are still in session.

The conference committee of the two parties have made a report to the caucuses giving the republicans the temporary speaker and the democrats the chief clerk. The report was not adopted by the democratic caucus. The caucuses are again in session trying to reach an agreement before the time for the temporary organization at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

At 2 o'clock the house was called to order. Head of Green and Hotchkiss of Davis were nominated for the position of temporary speaker. The whole matter was then laid aside for the election of a temporary clerk. On roll call each of the candidates, Fred Lehman and Ben Van Steenburg received fifty votes.

A Handsome Bequest. NEW YORK, Jan. 14. - Millionaire John H. Shoenberger's will has been filed for probate. Shoenberger directs that his widow receive three houses, with everything attached thereto, a number of railroad shares and \$100,000 worth of United States bonds. His brother, two sisters and other relatives are provided for. According to the will the principal object of Shoenberger's life was the establishment at Pittsburg of St. Margaret's memorial hospital as a memorial to his wife. He bequeathed for this purpose nearly \$1,000,000 and provides for the formation of a corporation to take charge of the institution. His other bequests to charitable institutions amount to nearly \$200,000, including \$55,000 to Bishop Seabury of the mission of Minnesota.

On the Rocks. NEW LONDON, CONN., Jan. 13. - The steamer City of Worcester, of the Norwich line, for this port, is on the rocks about one-third of a mile north-northwest of Bartlett's reef lightship. She struck a rock this morning during a dense fog. The captain and other officers of the boat say that they did not hear the lightship's bell and losing their reckoning in the thick fog struck the rock. The steamer rests on round boulders and lies easily.

There are from five to seven feet of water in the second, third and fourth compartments. The other two water tight compartments are not injured. After striking the rocks the steamer's fire went out and she began sounding signals of distress. Failing to receive any response, a boat's crew rowed to this port and reported the disaster to the company's agent.

Stanley in Cairo. CAIRO, Jan. 15. - Henry M. Stanley and his party did not stop over at Suez, as it was reported they would, but proceeded for this city, where they arrived this morning. They were greeted upon their arrival by General Grenfell, commander of the Egyptian troops, and British, the British consular general.

Blown From the Track. MONTREAL, Jan. 14. - A dispatch from St. Hilare says the Grand Trunk train for Montreal was blown from the track. The conductor, brakeman, mail clerk and three passengers were seriously and several others slightly injured.

Goodbye John. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. - Assistant Secretary Tanner has directed the collector of customs at Fort Benton, Mont., to discontinue the practice of issuing to American citizens about to leave the United States certificates that they are good citizens.

Great Damage by Fire. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 15. - The large dry goods store of D. Crawford was damaged to the extent of \$80,000 by fire yesterday morning.

A Successful Invention. WASHINGTON, Jan. 15. - Mr. James R. Branch, secretary and treasurer of the Universal Electric Railway Signal company, gave private exhibition to representatives of the press this afternoon of the merits of the company's new invention of train signalling. The invention is purely electrical and is said to revolutionize the system of signalling now in vogue, especially on single track railroads. The idea is to enable the engineers of locomotives to communicate with each other by telephone or code of signals at any point along the line of the road when they become within a specified distance of each other, running either in the same or in opposite directions. The invention is a marvel of simplicity and is apparently entirely practicable.

No Strike Expected. NEW YORK, Jan. 15. - General Superintendent Toosey of the New York Central railroad said that no notices had been received by the management of any trouble or discontent among the engineers and firemen on the portion of the road between New York and Syracuse as reported in the morning papers. No grievance was known to exist and no strike was expected.

A Fatal Explosion. NEW BRITTON, PA., Jan. 15. - This afternoon the boiler of the steam shovel used by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad in excavating at Fallston, Pa., exploded with such force that several people were blown across the river and driven into the ground, a quarter of a mile away. Besides the regular force employed, a number of Italians and trainmen were sitting in the car back of the shovel. They were all more or less injured. Westley Francis of Pittsburg, a repairer of boilers and engines, who had just arrived, was fatally hurt and died in a few minutes. Thirteen others were more or less hurt, but none fatally.

A Great Cut Rate. CHICAGO, Jan. 16. - A meeting of the southwestern division of the western freight association has been held to consider what action was necessary in consequence of the big cut in cattle rates inaugurated by the Chicago & Alton road. The interested lines were anxious to restrict the application of the reduced rate to through business from points beyond the Missouri river, and to leave the local rates undisturbed. Various propositions were made to the Alton people, which the latter declined to consider, and the meeting finally adjourned until today, when a conference will be had with the trans-Missouri lines on the subject. Great efforts will be made to protect the local rates east of the Missouri river, and to prevent the cut rate from spreading to other Missouri river points than Kansas City.

Perished in the Storm. CALGARY, N. W. T., Jan. 14. - It is reported that John McDonald, who started from Rosebud Thursday with a team to drive Mrs. Wilson and three children to Gleichen, must have perished in Thursday night's storm, which was very severe, as they have not been heard from since.

Johnston Orphans Provided For. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 14. - The Johnston commission meets today in this city and will discuss the erection of staunch bridges, the erection of a hospital and arrangements with the Girard Trust company for establishing an orphan's annuity fund, by which all orphans by the flood will receive \$50 a year until sixteen years of age. The commission's balance is \$200,000.

Against Flood Height. PITTSBURG, Jan. 16. - A special dispatch from Johnston says the water in the Conemaugh river and Stony creek are again at flood height. The Cambria city bridge is in danger of being swept away. The lower part of Millville, near the stone bridge, is again under water, and the occupants of some of the houses are preparing to move out.

Introduced His Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. - Senator Plumb introduced a bill to repeal so much of the act of July 1, 1870, as authorizes the leasing of rights to engage in the business of taking fur seals from the islands of St. Paul and St. George, Alaska. The bill provides that all authority heretofore conferred upon the secretary of the treasury to lease the rights of the seal fisheries to any company shall be repealed. The bill also requires the secretary to promulgate regulations prohibiting the taking or killing of seals or other fur-bearing animals by any but natives and prescribing the number to be taken each year. The bill provides that all skins taken hereafter shall be transported annually to San Francisco to be sold there in the open market to the highest bidder. All the money derived from these sales is to be paid into the treasury and set apart for the education of the natives of Alaska. Dunsell has introduced a similar bill in the house.

Judge McConnell's Decision.

Three of the Cronin Convicts must go to the pen. Kunze granted a New Trial.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15. - Judge McConnell this afternoon in the Cronin case granted the application of Kunze for a new trial, but denied the motion as to the other defendants, Coughlin, Burke and O'Sullivan. Judge McConnell in his decision said in part: "I think it would be a mere pretense for me to take more time to deliberate on this matter. I would not arrive at a different conclusion in several days than I have now. It has weighed heavily upon my mind during the trial that the defendants should have a fair trial. Since its conclusion it has weighed upon my mind whether they had a fair trial and whether the jury had reached such a conclusion that within the limits a judge has the right to question whether the verdict was a just one. It was a just one. Judge Wing suggested that the defendants were prejudiced by not having been granted separate trials, yet the trial disproves this, because the theory generally accepted by the public and urged by the state that the conspiracy was formed in camp 20 was not accepted by the jury, as shown by the acquittal of Beggs. As to the jury, of course it is more satisfactory to the trial judge to have a jury of men without opinion as to the merit of a case and this course was followed in securing the first four jurors, but was dropped when it became evident that it would be impossible to obtain such a jury in the country. The impression of a trial from his whole examination would be taken by a higher court as the judgement of a jury from the manner in which the question was approached. I am convinced that if any one watched the manner of the trial judge during this trial they would have been certain the court was determined to have a fair jury. As to the evidence, the judge is not called upon to say whether, if on the jury, he would have come to the same conclusion. As to one of these defendants I am convinced the evidence is insufficient. First, evidence against John Kunze is that of James, who saw him in a window across the street and never saw him again until in court. I do not think his identification is reliable. I also discredit the identification of William Mertes, who claimed to have seen Kunze one evening. Nieman, the saloon keeper, did not identify Kunze positively. This murder sprang out of Irish politics some way. It is not necessary to even conjecture how, but there is no motive of Kunze to have part in the crime and even if Mertes and James were to be believed, and Nieman had been more positive, there is no difficulty in reconciling these facts with his innocence. I mean to say that he might have been in the Clark street flat and all the other places and still have been innocent. I believe the verdict of the jury in his case was not only unwarranted by the evidence, but was an absurdity. As to the other defendants I over-rule the motion for a new trial.

Stagnation of Coal Trade. SPOKANE, PA., Jan. 15. - Work at the Henry Clay shaft, the largest mine of the Reading company, employing 1,800 men, was suspended indefinitely this evening. No reason is assigned for the stoppage other than the absolute stagnation of the coal trade.

A Modest Claim. NEW YORK, Jan. 14. - A breach of promise of marriage in which the damages are placed at \$100,000 was begun before Judge Ingraham in the supreme court here. The plaintiff is Miss Caroline J. Cammerer, the twenty-three-year-old daughter of Robert Cammerer of Philadelphia. The defendant is Clements Miller, a wealthy real estate dealer. He is a man of family and is about sixty years of age and a prominent member of society. The plaintiff testified that during a ramble in Central park he proposed to her. She gave him no decision then, but on the 17th of December, 1885, at Philadelphia, he again proposed and she accepted him. Soon afterward she learned that he had a wife in an insane asylum. In answer to a demand for an explanation he said he would get a divorce and later assured her father that the divorce had been obtained in Indiana in July 1886. At Rhybeck he introduced her as his betrothed and soon afterward they came to New York to make purchases for the wedding. He so urged her to hasten the ceremony that she became ill and when she recovered he proposed a mock marriage, which she indignantly rejected. He has never returned to see her since then, though he wrote to her several times. These are the allegations of the plaintiff. The defendant denies them all. Colonel Ingersoll, counsel for the defendant, asked for the dismissal of the case on the ground that she was relieved from the engagement. The motion was denied and the case continued to tomorrow.

New Baker Nominating. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. - The president sent the following nomination to the senate: Benjamin B. Baker, of Nebraska, to be United States attorney for the district of Nebraska.

Had Indians.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11. - Secretary Proctor, who has been for some months giving his earnest consideration to the amelioration of the condition of the Apaches who have been held as prisoners of war since Geronimo and his band surrendered to General Miles, submitted his conclusions to the president in two alternative suggestions. One is the purchase of the tract of land in the mountains of North Carolina, the other that the consent of congress be requested for their transfer to some point in the Indian territory if satisfactory negotiations can be completed. The latter suggestion has the approval of the secretary of war and he recommends its adoption.

The Motion Denied. LONDON, Jan. 15. - The motion to commit the managers of the London edition of the New York Herald and the Freeman's Journal of Dublin for contempt of court for publishing certain comments on the O'Shea divorce case was argued today. The motion was dismissed on the ground of informality in the proceedings, but permission was given for a renewal of the motion if the action be taken within a week.

A Town Destroyed by Fire. JACKSON, MISS., Jan. 13. - The business portion of Flora, Miss., with the exception of one small store, burned last night. The town is on a branch of the Illinois Central railroad and has about 1,000 inhabitants.

Confessed and Sentenced. ELKHART, IN., Jan. 13. - Wesley Elkins the twelve-year-old boy who a week ago murdered his father and stepmother living in Elk township, this county, made a complete confession of the crime pleading guilty before the district court now in session here to murder in the first degree, and was sentenced by Judge Hoyt to imprisonment for life at hard labor, at Anamosa. Young Elkins manifested no feeling when the sentence was pronounced. He is undoubtedly the youngest life criminal ever sentenced in this state. The Judge has ordered the confession shall not be given to the public, owing to its sensational character.

A Casualty Insurance Co. BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 13. - The American Casualty Insurance and Security company was incorporated here, with John Gill, Judge William A. Fisher, William Spence, Charles D. Fisher and James A. Gary of Maryland, and Robert Sewell and John A. Hodge of New York as incorporators. The capital stock is \$1,000,000. The concern is novel in the great ramifications of its business, as it will insure almost everything against loss from any cause under the sun. It will insure all kinds of buildings and all kinds of property, including credits, profits, and cases in action. It insures cattle and live stock, steamships, steam boilers and engines, electric plants, plate glass against breakage, etc. It insures against liability of employers for injury to employees. It covers losses or damages from the action of the elements, air, wind, lightning, storm, water, cold, frost, etc., gases, fire, electricity, rust, mildew, poisons, decay, insects, animals, etc., or by accident, negligence, trespass, theft, embezzlement, breach of trust, breach of contract, etc. It guarantees the payment, performance and collection of promissory notes, contracts, bonds, rent, accounts, etc.

POLICEKEEPERS, N. Y., JAN. 13. - For some time past there has been trouble between the union glass owners and the apprentices employed at the Poughkeepsie glass works. When the works started up in October after the summer vacation the union men refused to return to work because of a reduction in wages, and the company has ever since had apprentices and non-union men at work. Last evening a party of union men got into a street fight with some non-union men, during which Eugene Morgabroyd, a non-union man, was badly cut and bruised about the head, and one or two of the others hurt. Warrants for the arrest of several of the fighters have been issued.

Mrs. D. H. Price of Ellwood was severely bitten by a savage dog a few days since. Her little son was first attacked and chased into the house by the animal, which, being unable to follow through the door, tried to jump through the window. Mrs. Price seized a whip and started out to quell the vicious brute, when it turned upon her, biting and lacerating her arm in a frightful manner. The dog then made a desperate attempt to swallow the muzzle of a gun, but was prevented by a timely discharge of the piece.

Henry James Lambert, the Englishman of Plattsmouth who gained national notoriety by writing a letter to Georgia signifying his willingness to help solve the race problem by accepting the liberal offer made by an ex-slave of that state, which was to the effect that he would present \$5,000 to any respectable white man who would take his daughter in marriage, is said to be not altogether a myth. The Herald announces that such a character really exists and that on account of his general peculiarities he has been confined to the county poor farm for the past three years.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

Roller skating has broken out at Gordon. Fullerton ladies have organized a brass band. Loup City is experiencing a religious awakening.

Burwell wants to be the county seat of Garfield county. The new Baptist church at Arnold was dedicated Sunday.

The Presbyterians of Tekamah will build a \$3,000 church. Imperial's schools have been closed on account of scarlet fever.

Fremont's new city hall will be ready for occupancy February 1. W. H. Mills of Curtis recently lost 100 head of hogs from Cholera.

Early closing hours have been adopted by the merchants of Chadron. Davis county paid out \$30,000.00 for running expenses during 1889.

Reform in funerals is being agitated by the clergymen of Tecumseh. An influenza epidemic has broken out in the insane asylum at Hastings.

The Clay Center post-office is to be removed to more commodious quarters. The state bank of Belvidere is preparing to erect a magnificent new building.

The young society people of Hay Springs have organized a dancing club. The Missouri river is now frozen so that foot passengers may cross on the ice.

A merchants carnival is to be given in the near future by the ladies of Chadron. Registered packages containing \$15,000 were burned in the Sidney railroad wreck.

Stockmen of Table Rock are inoculating with Dr. Billings' swine plague preventive. Kearney will blow in \$500 on the editorial fraternity at their annual meeting in that city.

Superior is taking a lively interest in the proposed extension of the Missouri Pacific northward. John Slater, an old and respected citizen of Adams county, died Sunday in Hastings of influenza.

The Loup City canal is to be thirteen miles long and the water will have a direct fall of sixty five feet. After operating at Beatrice for some time the Salvation army has raised the siege an left for other fields.

A stock company has purchased the old school house at Clarke, and will convert it into an opera house. Moorfield is happy over the certainty of a new bank and a second lumber yard being located at that place.

Dakota county again comes out ahead, having been awarded a diploma on its corn display at the Paris exposition. More men are wanted to work on the Gottenburg canal. The work is to be pushed to completion as fast as possible.

The Union Pacific company has built a large ice house at Beatrice and propose putting up 500,000 tons of congealed coolness. Herbert White was tried and found guilty in the federal court at Omaha for selling or giving liquor to an Indian at Homer.

The New York Voice is raising money to send 20,000 copies of that paper to Nebraska families during the present campaign. At the last meeting of the Nebraska City council license was granted to run a roller skating rink. Croquet grounds will follow later.

It is understood that the anti-Sunday law barbers of Omaha have decided to continue shaving on Sunday, notwithstanding the law. A number of new dwellings, a bank and a large new hotel are some of the improvements under contract in the little town of Pera.

The executive committee of the state Sunday school association has arranged a programme, which will be held at Hastings June 3, 4, 5. Richard, the fourteen year old son of Judge O'Connell of Tecumseh, while out riding had one his legs broken by his horse falling on him.

Senator Manderson has introduced a bill for the disposition of the lands of Forts Hartsuff, Sheridan and McPherson military reservations. Chase county leads in more things than one. The county now contains over 1,400 children of school age, a gain of 300 during the year.

A young painter named Hendricks of Sterling is missing. So is \$50, the receipts of a ball given recently by the young men of the town. Alfred Samuelson of Clay Center, who returned to his home from the insane asylum some months ago, was again taken to the asylum last week.

The once famous Indian brass band of the industrial school at Genoa has been re-organized and will be put through a rigid course of training. While interviewing a vicious stallion Dr. W. P. Allen of Chadron received three broken ribs and had a portion of his scalp and one thumb bitten off.

Bishop Graves was given

at Kearney Monday evening assumption of his duties. created missionary district. A. J. Stump has sued Bertrand for \$10,000 damages for alleged injuries his horse falling with him.

The Chadron Journal reported strike of rich silver near Springview, in Keya Paha is probably a fake started for purposes. Some scoundrel has been getting the secrets of the Masonic lodge organized here. At least a large number of our citizens have the grip - Impassible.

A young man named Mesch was suffocated last Sunday night by escaping steam while sleeping in the engine room of the Ardenstorf Leader logging works at Covington. A movement is on foot to compel the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad to join the Burlington & Missouri company in putting in a transfer track at Crawford.

A water famine at Arlington is imminent, a large proportion of the best water having gone dry, and the water in the remaining ones is muddy and cannot be used without filtering. A Crab Or hard undertaker is closing out his winter stock of shrouds. He says: "I have an assortment of fine burial robes for men, women and children, which I am selling cheap."

The sheriff of Nemaha county has got his foot in it by serving papers on parties living on an island in the Missouri river near Peru, and which is claimed by the "Pikes" as their territory. A public banquet will be given at Fullerton about February 1 upon the occasion of the opening of a roller mill just rebuilt after its destruction in August. The mill will have a capacity of 400 barrels per day.

A teacher in the Fremont schools has had placed in her department a fire alarm system of her own contrivance, and with it instructs her scholars how to get out of the rooms quickly and systematically in case of fire. The condition of Conductor Harvey who was seriously injured last week at Eustis, is as favorable as could be expected. It is announced, however, that his broken limb will have to be amputated in order to save his life.

The citizens of Harvard send their dogs out of town to evade the payment of the dog tax, and after the assessor makes his rounds they are brought back. This makes business lively for the marshal, but is hard on the dogs. The Alliance Argus rejoices in that a new bell has just been put in the tower of the United Presbyterian church at that place. It will be used in the double capacity of calling the worshippers together and sounding an alarm in case of fire.

The steam plant for the heating of the nine buildings of the Kearney industrial school is said to be the largest isolated steam plant in the United States. There are 23,000 feet of radiation in the plant and five 16x60 eighty horse-power boilers are required to operate them. The Judge of Platte county refused to issue a license permitting Peter Drong, aged seventy-five, and Sofia Sempet, aged forty, to marry until Sofia promised to support Peter. The latter is blind and a public charge, but Sofia made the required promise, and the license was issued.

A young man named Moore, living about six miles southwest of Tobias, was found dead one day last week with his face covered with blood. During the morning he had been beating a vicious horse and it is supposed that death resulted from a ruptured blood vessel. A young man named Leeper while out riding with his best girl near Auburn met a couple of cow boys who were intoxicated and one of them, to try his skill, lassoed Leeper's head with a rope and pulled him out of his cart. The intoxicated cow pun: alito see the other side of the joke until the police judge explained it.

The B. & M. will probably ask the state for permission to use the Frost Dry Carburettor system of lighting for coaches. A round tank is placed upon the roof of the coach and the can filled with gasoline; a generator just inside the coach turns the gasoline into vapor, which is passed to a burner through a pipe. The light is said to be far superior to any yet tried for car lighting. While a drayman of Dakota City was crossing the Missouri with a wagon load of beer he so far forgot himself as to sing "Down Went McGinty," when team wagon, beer and all went under the ice. It was only by timely assistance that the driver and horses were saved. If the people of Plattsmouth will watch the river for a few days they may find something to their advantage.

Ex-Chancellor Irving W. Munnst, formerly of the state university, and at present consul at Athens, Greece, writes to a friend in Fremont: The official work is light, but with Athens and Actia and all Hellas to contemplate and three foreign languages to keep up with every day, and a steady stream of the most charming people of all nations to enjoy, I never was more busy.