

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

A new grain elevator is to be built at once at Beverley.

The primary school room at Ohiowa is very much crowded for room.

J. J. Mill of Fillmore county has red clover over five feet in length.

Look out for mad dogs. They have been killed lately south of Valley.

The Sheridan county old settlers' association will be organized at Rushville August 22.

The malarial fever has broken out among the boys and girls of Wilber.

H. E. Oberg of Wausa had the misfortune to run a pencil into his hand, breaking the lead off inside.

Township organization is a subject that is occupying a good deal of the attention of Richardson county voters.

The barn of Louis H. Steiger near Fairmont was struck by lightning last Friday, slightly damaging the barn and killing four mules and one pony.

John Keller of Schuyler had the misfortune to lose five head of young cattle recently. From the way which they died he is certain they were poisoned.

A grand old-fashioned camp meeting will be held at Rock Falls summer resort in Phelps county on September 3, and continue for ten days.

The old settlers of Antelope Creek, will hold their annual picnic and reunion on the last Saturday of the present month at Sheldon's grove.

The Beatrice oat meal mill has resumed operations and is now running night and day on the new crop of oats. The mill has a large number of car load orders ahead.

West Point will hold a special election to vote \$10,000 bonds for a sewerage system to carry off the water and prevent the recurrence of the floods of the present season.

Daley Stoddard, the child elocutionist, in a company of eight, with cornet band, will give a concert at the Nelson opera hall, for the benefit of the Methodist Episcopal ladies' society of Nelson.

Miss Ellis Campbell, who has for the last four years been engaged in teaching music in Auburn, has accepted a position as instructor of music at the asylum for the blind, at Nebraska City.

J. S. Cook's little girl weat of Liberty had the misfortune to break her arm last Monday evening. Her brother put her on a horse and she fell backwards, breaking her arm just above the wrist.

Wednesday last week Dr. Shull of Auburn cut a canker from Mrs. Atkins' hip, which that lady remembers having swallowed seven years ago. The needle was but slightly corroded, and had caused no pain until a few hours before it was removed.

The son and daughter of Mrs. Rankin living six miles northeast of Crete, had a narrow escape from death last Thursday. While in the pasture a fractious bull took after them, and while the boy occupied unhurt, the girl was seriously injured.

One claims to be the banner fruit county of this state. It is estimated that the crop of this year, including all kinds, will reach a valuation of \$30,000 and upward, and every successive season shows an increase.

The bridge across the Republican river at Nepesee fell the other day. Two men and ten head of cattle were crossing it at the time, and it is reported that one of the gentlemen, named Price, was seriously hurt.

The wolves this year have done considerable damage to young stock in the western part of the state. It would be a good plan to hunt these animals down as every year they come in for a portion of the increase.

Dr. Johnson of Friend, Neb., lectured on "Home and Home Making" on Wednesday night at the Methodist Episcopal church, Atkinson, under the auspices of the ladies' aid society.

A Dodge county girl recently dug a well on her father's farm sixty feet in depth. She has since received several offers of marriage, but has wisely concluded to let "well enough alone."

The resources of Ord and Valley counties will be chronicled on 10,000 circulars, which will be distributed among harvest excursionists by a committee appointed by the citizens for that purpose.

The movement of great herds of cattle from vast pasture ranges of the Black Hills is keeping the Elkhorn valley railway road bed red hot by the running of immense cattle trains in transit to eastern markets.

E. G. Collins of Nelson met with a very painful accident last week. While unloading hay his horses became frightened and upset the rake, throwing him off. One of the teeth of the rake caught his hand and almost severed one of his fingers from the hand.

This city council of Cleveland, Ohio, have reduced the price of gas in that city from one dollar to sixty cents per thousand feet.

The Particulars of Clark Woodman's Death.

Cretion, Aug. 22.—The dead body of Clark Woodman, one of the wealthiest citizens of Omaha, Neb., and an influential director of the Inland Oil trust, was found Thursday in his room at the Grand Pacific hotel. The general supposition is that it was a case of suicide, but the cause for such an act is a mystery.

Woodman arrived late Monday night and no one has seen him since that time. Wednesday evening a chambermaid entered the room and found him lying on the bed fully dressed. He was breathing and she supposed he was asleep. The room was not entered until Thursday afternoon, when the dead body was found. On the table beside the bed were two bottles, one containing ammonia and the other spirits of camphor. On a piece of letter paper was written, "Three ounces of chloroform, one ounce of ammonia." A stamped and sealed envelope addressed to "H. C. Clark, Omaha," was also on the table.

Woodman was a member of the grain commission firm of Woodman & Harris of this city. A rumor was current that Woodman lost a large part of his fortune during the recent excitement on the board of trade, but no confirmation of this rumor could be obtained. His partner, J. F. Harris, said that except in company with himself Woodman, never visited the board, and that he did nothing outside of the regular work of the firm. Strangely enough, however, Harris did not know Woodman was in the city until he learned of his death. He could imagine no possible reason for the suicide, if that was the cause of death. Woodman's friends are inclined to the belief that death resulted from heart failure. The letter to Mr. Clark at Omaha may explain the mystery, if it was suicide.

A Father Kills His Own Children.

New York, Aug. 22.—The mails just in from Trujillo, via Panama, under date of July 25, bring the details from the village of Lomos de Seamora in the United States of Columbia of the frightful series of child murders committed there by the peon Marcelino Medina. His wife and daughter are accessories to, if not accomplices, in the killing of thirteen infants. Medina, who has been forced to make a full confession to the commissioner of police, Osvaldo Gueri, takes his detection very coolly, and says that he killed his own ten children because he was too poor to support them and killed his three grand children to hide his daughter's shame. He has, in spite of his wholesale infanticide, six sons and one daughter in his family, and it appears that they all knew of his murders and deprecated them. But, although his people claim to have hated him, and although his neighbors in Lomos de Seamora, where he has lived since 1871, knew of his acts all along, no complaint ever found its way to the ears of the police until July 18, when he went to the town to invoke the aid of the police in bringing back his daughter who had run away with a lover. Her muscular strength was valuable on his ranch and he wanted her back. She was arrested in Quilacos the next day, and in revenge told of her parent's crime.

The old man's confession tells in great detail the various ways in which he murdered each one of the thirteen infants from 1859 to 1891. He killed them all when they were less than five months old. Between 1874 and 1882 he raised the seven children he now has. Excavations made on Medina's ranch have disclosed the skeletons of several of the babies. The brute's favorite method of murder was to squeeze in the children's chests by pressing them against his own.

Denied the Motion.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 21.—Judge Acheson, in the United States circuit court, heard the argument in the William F. Schmetz case. W. S. Pier, representing the plaintiff creditors, presented at length the charges preferred against Mr. Schmetz and others as outlined in these dispatches. W. F. McCook, representing Mr. Schmetz and the other defendants presented numerous affidavits to substantiate his statement that no collusion or fraud had been attempted by either Mr. Schmetz or any of his friends.

At the conclusion of the argument Judge Acheson denied the motion for the appointment of a receiver and the issuance of a preliminary injunction. The sheriff will now proceed with his executions.

Marks to Weaker in Europe.

BERLIN, Aug.—The grain markets opened weaker yesterday. Rye showed no change, while wheat was slightly lower.

Shot His Mistress.

LEIPSI, Aug. 22.—Baron Zoidlitz Neukirch shot his mistress Thursday and then himself. Both are dead.

Two Women Commit Suicide.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 21.—Two women inmates of the jail committed suicide Wednesday morning. Anna Gosnowska, who was committed on Aug. 17, supposed to be insane, was found hanging by a rope made from her clothing, and was dead when removed. Within a quarter of an hour afterwards Mrs. Catherine Smith, committed on Aug. 4 for attempt to murder her deformed son, was also found dead, hanging by her skirt, which she had twisted into a rope.

Another Wreck With Loss of Life.

BERNE, Aug. 19.—Sunday another wholesale loss of life by railroad accident occurred on the Jura-Simplon railroad near the village of Polokofen, not far from this city. A special train carrying a large number of excursionists from the country districts to this city on the way here was run into by the Paris express while sidetracked to allow the latter to pass. The accident resulted in the guard's van, at the rear of the excursion train, and a passenger car being demolished and a large number of passengers being killed.

The exact number of dead and wounded is not known, but twelve corpses have already been recovered from the ruins and it is known that many people have been seriously injured by the collision. No loss of life is reported among the passengers on the Paris express.

A wrecking train carrying doctors and nurses, together with a detachment of engineers, was dispatched to the scene of the accident and crowds of people started in the same direction. The majority of the passengers aboard the excursion train belong to towns in the vicinity of this city. It is thought no American travelers were among the killed. The accident is thought to be the fault of careless railroad officials.

A Serious State of Affairs.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 19.—There is no use in disguising the fact that a most serious state of affairs exists in this country over the agitation against foreigners and others, and the combined fleets of the powers may be called upon at any moment to take effective action looking to redress for outrages by the Chinese government.

The Standard says: Should China persist in her present attitude grave consequences threaten and no one can foresee the issue. This is what the shrewd of Koi o and other secret societies desire. They hope to involve the government with foreign powers and thus distract it knowing that if the powers attack China the empire will probably collapse and the whole of them fall into a state of anarchy which will not be suppressed in our time. Happily European diplomats understand this condition of affairs and, knowing how desperately fragile is the imperial authority in China, will persuade others to deal with it in a gingerly manner.

Will Be Allowed to Land.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—The habeas corpus case of Lon Ebbao, a Chinese passenger who arrived last week on the Oceanic, but was not allowed on the strength of Judge Field's decision to the effect that all Chinese coming to the country must have a certificate that they are merchants, was postponed for a week. Collector Phelps received a telegram from Acting Secretary of the Treasury Nettleton stating that Chinese who may have gone to the United States under instructions in the department circular of July 3 may be admitted on their return to this country under the conditions prescribed in said circular, provided the collector is satisfied of their identity. It is believed that under a majority of the 170 brought by the Oceanic will be all to land.

A Serious Accident.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—By the falling of a freight elevator at Libby, McNeill & Libby's cannery establishment at the stock yards William Clark and John Budavash were fatally injured and John Gilbert seriously hurt. Gilbert was in charge of the machine. He had been called to the second floor and there received a load of trucks and heavy pans. At the next floor above the big wire ropes snapped and the heavy load started downward. The car rebounded upward about sixteen feet. Clark's legs were broken and he was also injured internally. Budavash's left leg was broken and his spine so injured that his recovery is doubtful. Gilbert's arms and legs were crushed, but he will recover.

Was Not Engaged in Peeling.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—The sealing schooner, C. H. White arrived from Ounalarke. She is the vessel which Captain Reiter reported to the navy department as having run away from the Thetis in Bering sea. The captain of the White says he has not received any notification to leave the sea and when the Thetis bore down on him he fled to avoid capture. He left the sea when he learned that it was filled with war ships.

The Owner of the Whaling Schooner Laineda, which was seized in Bering sea has made application to the government authorities for the release of the vessel, which, he claims, was not engaged in peeling.

Keep a Strict Guard.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—The custom house inspectors and internal revenue agents are keeping a strict guard over Chinatown to prevent the transfer of opium. The revenue officers think two forged stamps have been made and that slips stamped by one of them are still in circulation. Wong Goo Ong's store was searched and 600 false stamps found. The revenue officers think forgery was committed by white men.

A HEINOUS CRIME.

Friday Morning He Was Hanged Until Dead

At Last the Cold-Blooded Murderer of Arthur Henry is Avenged.

ED BLAIR IS DEAD.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 21.—Though Thursday was the last day on earth for Ed Blair, it passed unnoticed by any particular incidents. The murderer was very pale, but did not exhibit any signs of weakening. He passed a sleepless night and marks of the terrible strain were borne on his face. In the morning Father Logan baptized him in the Catholic faith and left him in better spirits. Shortly afterward Chaplain Sutton attended him with prayer and scriptural readings. The remainder of the morning was spent in company with his sister, Miss Laura Blair. Conversations were directed mainly upon home topics and the young lady spent considerable time making bouquets for each of the five condemned men in the annex.

Henry Blair, a half brother to the murderer, takes the execution with much ease, saying that Ed brought the trouble upon himself. The remains will be shipped at 2 p. m. to his old home for interment and will be accompanied by his sister.

At 5 p. m. Laura Blair was admitted to the reception room of the annex to bid her brother the last farewell. She remained nearly an hour and Warden Dyer was obliged to send for her. When told that this would be the last opportunity to say good-bye, the most pathetic scene ever witnessed in the institution followed, and the strong hearts of the guards were momentarily softened and tears were shed by them. She hysterically clasped her brother's neck, kissing him and calling his name over and over again. Suddenly she fell from his arms and caught Guard Stansel around the neck and arm, nearly overpowering him, but soon lay quivering and prostrate in his support.

At this opportunity Blair was removed to the death cage. When the young lady realized that he was gone from her side forever she again went into hysterics, shrieking wildly for assistance. Her cries were heard at the front of the office and assistants were sent to bring her from the annex. She was placed in the warden's apartments and a physician attended her. The prostration was so severe that she cannot be taken from the prison for some time.

Blair's crime was indeed a heinous one. It was committed while he was yet a fugitive from justice, at Hartberg, Putnam county, March 17, 1889. Blair was serving a seven-year sentence in the Ohio penitentiary for burglary and it became necessary to take him out to testify against one of his pals. At Blanchester he made a daring escape from his guards by jumping from the train. In company with two pals he had planned to rob the station, of which Arthur Henry was agent. The young agent was summoned to his office by Blair, who professed urgent business with him. When he arrived the two pals, Stout and Shoemaker, remained on the outside and Blair went in. He immediately pulled his revolver and demanded that Henry open the safe. He refused and was shot down in cold blood. Blair fled to Parkersburg, W. Va., where he was captured some weeks later. His conviction speedily followed and the sentence of death was passed to be carried out April 25, 1891. He was respited until June 7 in order to carry his case to the supreme court and again until August 21 to get it before the pardon board. Each effort failed and the murder of Arthur Henry is avenged.

Blair ascended the scaffold with firm step at 12:37 Thursday morning. The drop fell at 12:38. His neck was broken by the fall and he was pronounced dead at 12:39.

Carletons With Us Usual Result.

BRADFORD, Pa., Aug. 22.—Anson L. Pratt, fireman on the Campbell lumber road was killed and John Galvin, engineer, and an unknown young man fatally injured.

Pratt and Galvin, in making up the train, left one car at the top of a steep grade, placing a block of wood under the wheels to hold it, while they pulled another car from the siding. Two young men coming along knocked the block from beneath the wheels and the liberated car started down the grade. One of the young men was on the car which he had helped to start, but becoming frightened at the speed it gained he jumped and was fatally injured. The car smashed into the engine and wrecked it, the car also being wrecked.

Patrol to Return to America.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—Patrol will make an operative trip to America next autumn and winter.

A Bitter Fight.

DALLAS, TEX., Aug. 21.—In the state alliance, now in session here, a bitter fight is being made on the sub-treasury question, but it is evident a majority of the delegates favor the sub-treasury scheme. A resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee whose duty it shall be to ascertain the exact number of bales of cotton produced in Texas this year, for the purpose of protecting planters against the false reports of speculators.

A Millionaire Horse-Whipped.

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—Yesterday, in a crowded court room, Mrs. Edward McMahon horse-whipped a millionaire and his lawyer and then fainted in her husband's arms. The millionaire was Peter Smith, a contractor, and the lawyer was P. McHugh. The cause of the assault was the reading of a deposition by a Canadian detective impugning Mrs. McMahon's chastity. The horsewhipping is the climax of a series of sensations growing out of a long standing family quarrel.

McMahon's marriage some months ago to his second wife, who created the sensation today, was very displeasing to his mother and sister, the latter the wife of Millionaire Smith. McMahon's son had a fortune of \$30,000. It is asserted the stepmother's chief object in marrying McMahon was to obtain possession of this sum. McMahon and his wife on one side and his mother, sister and Smith on the other had charged each other with attempting Little Milton's (the son's) death by poison to prevent the opposing parties securing his custody.

The Canadian deposition read was in furtherance of a legal fight by the Smith faction. Shortly after entering Judge Kohlsaat's court room, Mrs. McMahon walked quickly to where Smith and McHugh were sitting and, with a backsnake whip, before the astonished spectators or bailiff could interfere, slashed Smith and McHugh repeatedly across the face and neck. Judge Kohlsaat took no action in the matter and intimated that the child will not be given to either faction.

Arrested by the Belgian Police.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 20.—During the socialist congress Merico, an Italian anarchist delegate, was arrested by the Belgian police upon the ground that he had been previously expelled from Belgium. While the arrest caused a commotion, it was almost forgotten in the fright caused by the report, that the police were contemplating more arrests. The fright, however, was unfounded.

Sanall of New York, one of the presidents of the day, made a stirring address, in the course of which he said that in the United States the sum of \$70,000,000,000 were annually actually stolen from the hands of those who produce them. "Amid all that wealth," said he, "misery increases so fast that the bread of the brave and the home of the free is in reality a hell." Sanall's bitter arraignment of the land in which he found a home was most vigorously applauded by the many socialists who heard it.

Ramos, a Spanish delegate who had been admitted here declared with much pride and enthusiasm that he represented fifty-five anarchist associations, having headquarters in Barcelona. Other Spanish representatives opposed his admission to the congress. An uproar followed, Ramos finally being retired.

The difficulty of taking any decisive steps likely to benefit workmen as a whole becomes more apparent as this strange congress is sifted. Everybody seems to have a deep grievance, but few seem to have a clearly defined remedy for them. It is thought the discussion of the proposition to hold the next international demonstration in America will cause the utterance of some interesting remarks.

Killed By Her Husband.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 19.—Particulars of a murder on Upper Hopper's island, Dorchester county, about twenty-five miles from Cambridge, Md., have just been received. The murderer is supposed to be William Robinson, a colored man. He was the husband of the victim. The crime was committed on Friday night, but was not discovered until Saturday. A neighbor named Barnes heard Robinson's wife say Friday night she would not live with him any longer and later on heard the woman moaning. In the morning Barnes found the woman dead in the woods near the house. Her throat was cut from ear to ear. The woman's pocketbook was found near her and in it was her marriage license, which was issued on the 4th of July. The couple had been married only six weeks. It is believed that Robinson has taken a schooner for Baltimore. Robinson came from Gloucester county, Virginia about six months ago. The colored people on Hooper's island say he fled from there on account of some crime.

Sentenced for Eight Years.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 20.—Charles Lawrence, ex-assistant cashier of the Keystone bank, who pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with making false entries in the bank's books, was sentenced to eight years imprisonment in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$100 and costs.

In the case of Francis W. Kennedy, president, and Henry W. Kennedy, cashier of the suspended Spring Garden bank, sentence was postponed until September 8.

Thought to be a Murder.

RACINE, Wis., Aug. 20.—The horribly mutilated and nude body of Dennis McCue, a prominent citizen of Rockford Ill., was found in the river yesterday. McCue had not been seen for several days. It is believed that he was foully murdered and thrown into the river where the steamer wheel completed the mutilation of his body. A coroner's jury is investigating his death. His age was fifty-six years.

VERMONT CELEBRATING.

The Great Day Dawned Clear and Beautiful. President Harrison was Present.

The Procession Viewed by Thousands.

GREAT APPLAUSE.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Aug. 21.—Bennington's great day dawned clear and beautiful. The surrounding country for miles emptied its entire population into the town. The decorations were elaborate and beautiful. Col. Webb, accompanied by a mounted grand army post, escorted President Harrison from General McCullough's house to the soldiers' home, where Governor Page and all the living ex-governors of the state greeted him. He then resumed his place in his carriage, which with other vehicles, took their places in line. At 10:30 the procession moved, with Putnam playing of Hartford as an escort to the president in the van, with a score of carriages following, containing distinguished guests. The procession was viewed by thousands of people, the president receiving great applause. The president left the line at the reviewing stand and the column passed before him. When the procession reached the monument the different commands were grouped about it. In the meantime the president and party, the orator of the day, Hon. Edward J. Phelps, Governor Page and other distinguished speakers and guests took positions on the platform at the base of the monument.

The introductory address was made by General Vasey, ex-commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. and president of the day. He was followed by Rev. Charles Parkhurst of Boston, who offered prayer. Governor Page made an address of welcome. He said, in brief: "To-day we again gather on this hallowed ground to celebrate, not our natal day, but our wedding day, the centennial anniversary of the wedding of our destinies as a state to this great federal family and to dedicate to liberty this majestic shaft." With a few well chosen words he extended a welcome to all present.

In an eloquent address Governor Prescott of New Hampshire, president of the monument association, presented the monument to the governor of Vermont. In doing so he alluded in a brief manner to the historic facts covering the inception of the monument idea, its progress and commemoration. Gov. Page, in behalf of his state, made a brief but eloquent speech accepting the monument.

Music followed. Then Hon. Edward J. Phelps, the orator of the day, was introduced. He was received with a roar of applause. In his oration he said, substantially: "Vermont consecrates today her first historic monument, but it is not her alone. New Hampshire and Massachusetts, who fought with and for her in Bennington, have joined in erecting this memorial of common history, and they are hero represented by splendid delegations to share in the triumph of its completion and give to the occasion, by the distinction of their presence, a higher dignity and more generous grace.

The day has a still larger significance. It is truly fortunate. It marks not only the anniversary of a battle and the happy consummation of this structure of the exertions of fifteen years, but likewise the centennial of the entrance of Vermont into a federal union. It is appropriate and gratifying that the chief magistrate of the nation should be our most honored guest. In this scene party differences are forgotten. We are only Americans and in loyalty to that great office and respect for the incumbent who fills it so well, we are this day on the president's side."

The speaker then followed with a lengthy and eloquent resume of the events leading up to the battle of Bennington. The oration was received in a most appreciative manner.

The Women's Hour.

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—The members of the Illinois women's board of world's fair commissioners met here yesterday, but little besides a temporary organization was effected. Mrs. Frances B. Phillips of Bloomington was chosen chairman and Miss Mary Callahan of Crawford county secretary. Governor Pifer was present. He made a short speech and the members of the board of agriculture expressed their views on the work before the body. No action was taken and at noon an adjournment was taken until the afternoon, when a permanent organization was effected.

At the after noon session Director General Davis was present and enlightened the ladies upon the subject of the laws laid down for their observance and gave a brief outline of the work. Each member of the board also expressed her ideas. Today the ladies surveyed the work at Jackson park.

Destroyed By Fire.

CARROLL, Wyo., Aug. 21.—At 6:30 yesterday morning the Union Pacific depot express and telegraph offices at this place were entirely destroyed by fire. The remains of John Crompton, the company's agent, with a revolver lying near, were found in the ruins. The loss to the railroad company is \$6,000. Crompton had been drinking hard for some time and it is thought that he set fire on the depot and then shot himself.