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AROUND THE EARTH OCCURRENCES THEREIN FOR A WEEK.

MILLION FOR WIDOW

VICE PRESIDENT HOBART'S WILL MADE PUBLIC.

Twenty Thousand Dollars Given to Charity—Pennsylvania Oleomargarine Dealers Sent to Prison for Removing Brands.

Paterson, N. J.: The will of the late Vice President Garret A. Hobart has been filed in the Passaic County surrogate's office. The value of the estate is not given, but it is understood to be about \$2,500,000. Of the estate Mrs. Jennie Hobart, his widow, receives \$1,000,000, and half of the remainder, after a number of bequests, is to be paid to the son, Garret A. Hobart, Jr., he inheriting the other half when he attains his majority.

The St. Joseph General Hospital, Children's Day Nursery, St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum and the Paterson Orphan Asylum, all of Paterson, receive \$5,000 each. Hobart Tuttle, private secretary to Gov. Voorhees, and a brother-in-law of the vice president, receives \$20,000. A. A. Wilcox, a close friend of Hobart, receives \$10,000; David Hobart, brother of the late vice president, receives \$20,000, and each of his two children is bequeathed \$10,000. The executors of the will are the widow, Mrs. Jennie Hobart, A. A. Wilcox, E. T. Dell and Col. William Barbour.

MINERS WILL FIGHT.

To Continue to Defy Injunction of Federal Courts in Kansas.

Kansas City: Discussing the action of Federal Judge Williams at Fort Scott, Kan., in imprisoning John P. Reese for alleged contempt, James Boston, who also is a member of the national executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, made the assertion that he would at once go into the southeastern Kansas coalfields, that he would do precisely as Mr. Reese had done and that if Judge Williams should imprison him for contempt his place would be taken by another member of the national executive board, who, too, would do as Reese had done. He added that a member of the board would be kept constantly in the coal fields, urging the non-union men there to quit work, despite the federal court's injunction, and that if all the members of the board should be imprisoned, other members would be elected to take their places and fill the federal prisons.

FAMOUS OLEO CASE.

Wilkins and Butler Sent to Prison After Two Years' Legal Fight.

Philadelphia, Pa.: After a legal battle in the United States court covering a period of two years, Joseph Wilkins of Washington, D. C., and Howard Butler of this city, were on Dec. 2 sent to prison to serve sentences imposed upon them for having violated the law regarding the sale of oleomargarine. Wilkins was recently sentenced to imprisonment for six months and to pay a fine of \$1,500, and Butler to four months' imprisonment and a fine of \$500.

Wilkins and Butler were wholesale dealers in oleomargarine in this city. They were caught in the act of removing brands from packages of this commodity in January, 1897, and indicted at the February session of that year by a United States grand jury, their conviction following shortly thereafter.

FATAL FIGHT ON AN ELEVATOR

Former Member of the Sixth Mis- souri Volunteer Killed.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 2—Andrew Winch, a former member of the Sixth Missouri Volunteers in Cuba, engaged in a desperate fight Dec. 2 with R. B. Harmon in an elevator in the Fraternal building, in which the latter is engineer. During the struggle Winch came in contact with the lever which controls the elevator and it started upward. Winch was caught between the ceiling of the second floor and the car and horribly mangled, dying shortly afterward. Harmon is under arrest.

Good Night for Safeblowers.

Fopkax: A gang of professional safeblowers robbed the Mid-Continent Mills, the grocery stores of O. M. Brill and Grant and Oberly Dec. 2. At the latter place they secured \$25 in cash and \$42 in checks. At the other places little was secured. Nitro-glycerine was used to open the grocery safes and the combination was pounded from the mill safe.

Accident to Artillerymen.

Pittsburg: While a section of Battery D of the National Guard of Pennsylvania was firing a governor's salute of seventeen guns during the parade in Allegheny preceding the unveiling of a Spanish gun captured and presented at Allegheny City, a premature discharge of one of the guns occurred and three men were hurt.

St. Paul Grocery House Burned.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2—A fire which started at 10 o'clock in the second evening of a large wholesale grocery house operated by C. O. Barnes spread rapidly and the whole department was by carried off.

John Barrett Suspended.

Chicago: Suspension from the board of trustees for one year is the sentence pronounced by the board directors against John Barrett, of the firm of Barrett, Earnhart & Co., which failed a few weeks ago, on the charge of unbecoming conduct. Mr. Barrett has been an active trader on the board for over twenty years.

Killed at a Crossing.

Hazelton, Pa.: A Pennsylvania Railroad train crashed into a stage at Cranberry crossing, killing three women.

FATE OF GILMORE.

Authentic News of the Lieutenant Is Received at Vigan.

Manila: When the landing party from the United States battleship Oregon, under Lieutenant Commander McCrackin, took the town of Vigan, province of South Ilocos, Sunday, Nov. 20, they found there an escaped prisoner, A. L. Sonnensheim, who furnished the first authentic account of the experience of Lieut. James C. Gilmore of the United States gunboat Yorktown. Mr. Sonnensheim was imprisoned at Abra for a long time with Lieut. Gilmore and seven sailors, but contrived to escape, carrying a concealed note, written in naval cipher, signed "Gilmore."

According to Mr. Sonnensheim, when Lieut. Gilmore's launch entered the river, from Balat harbor, under cover of Ensign W. H. Standley's gun, the landing was received with three volleys.

Two of the Americans were killed and two mortally wounded.

Every man was hit, Lieut. Gilmore receiving a flesh wound in the leg, and his foot stuck fast in the mud. It was a choice between surrender and being slaughtered.

Lieut. Gilmore asked the terms of release. The insurgents proposed that he should procure the delivery of them of the arms and munitions of the Spanish garrison, undertaking, if this were accomplished, to send the Spaniards and Americans to the Yorktown.

A sailor of Lieut. Gilmore's party carried this proposition to the garrison. The Spanish commandant replied that it was an insult to Spanish arms.

The Americans were then bound hand and foot, and taken to San Isidro, when Gen. Luna ordered their execution. They were marched to the plaza, and in the presence of a great crowd, were aligned to be executed. Lieut. Gilmore said: "As an American officer and gentleman, I protest against being shot with my hands tied."

Aznulano interfered and prevented the execution.

When all was over, the men were taken to the execution ground.

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EATEN BY FLAMES.

An Electric Spark Does Great Dam- age in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa.: An electric spark in the basement of Partridge & Richardson's big department store, Nos. 15 to 29 North Eighth street, on Nov. 29, started a fire that in less than four hours laid in ashes nearly an entire block of business houses and caused an estimated loss of nearly \$2,000,000.

The heaviest losers are:

J. B. Lippincott & Co., book publishers, 716 to 720 Filbert street, whose big six-story brick building, containing rare and valuable plates and machinery, was completely gutted, involving a loss estimated by a member of the firm at \$500,000.

The next heaviest losers are Partridge & Richardson, extending south on Eighth street from Filbert a distance of about 125 feet, and with a depth of 100 feet. Their loss on building and contents is estimated at \$700,000.

Lit Bros., whose department store adjoins the Lippincott building, estimate their loss at \$850,000. Other losses amount to \$150,000.

In addition to the big house mentioned numerous smaller stores were either gutted or badly damaged. Chief among these are Bailey's Five and Ten Cent store, on North Eighth street, loss \$100,000, and Rosenbergs' millinery establishment, North Eighth street, loss \$60,000.

Various other establishments were slightly damaged by smoke and water.

DEPART WITH THE CASH.

Philadelphia "Get Rich Quick" Con- cern Closes Its Doors.

Philadelphia: The doors of the home office of the Investors' Trust, 1221 Arch street, doing business exclusively with patrons outside the city and promising large profits on investments, have been closed, and efforts to find Lippman Keene, president; Charles L. Work, secretary and Miss M. C. Carson, cashier, have been unavailing.

The company began business here four years ago. Its plan was to invite the investment of capital, inducements being held out of interest ranging from 100 to 200 per cent. In explaining why such large gains are made the company asserted in its literature that it was in the confidence of stock manipulators, and therefore in a position to know which way stocks would go. As the result of these statements cash flowed in in a steady stream. It is thought the firm has over \$100,000 invested for its patrons.

TO REMOVE TROOPS.

Root's Recommendation Regarding the Forces in Cuba.

Washington: Gen. Leonard Wood, who reached Washington Nov. 28, had a conference with the secretary of war next day. After the conference Root announced his recommendations as to the removal of troops from Cuba had been approved, and orders will be issued putting them into effect.

Alleged Briber Gives Bail.

Lansing, Mich.: State Land Commissioner William H. French, one of the men indicted by the grand jury, appeared in the circuit court Nov. 28 and was admitted to bail in the sum of \$3,000, by William G. Thompson, State Treasurer.

George A. Steel and State Printer Robert Smith as sureties. He is charged with offering, promising and giving bribes to legislative officers.

Pinigree to Sue for Libel.

Detroit, Mich.: An announcement is made that libel suits amounting to \$150,000 were about to be begun against the Detroit Free Press by Gov. Pinigree and several others. Press by Gov. Pinigree claims \$250,000. Assistant Corporation Counsel C. D. Joslyn \$10,000, and Assistant Corporation Counsel D. J. Sutton \$100,000.

Combine in Montana Shes.

Billings, Mont.: The Consolidated Montana Sheep and Lamb Company, which has been amalgamating the sheep industry of that state, with a capital of \$10,000,000, now has options on 500,000 head of sheep and 500,000 acres of the best sheep raising land in the state.

SHIP DRIVEN BACK.

Transport Strikes Heavy Seas Off Cape Flattery.

Seattle, Wash.: With a cargo of dying horses and mules and fifty-five empty stalls the United States transport Victoria returned to port Nov. 28, being forced by unprecedented stress of weather off Cape Flattery to turn back from her voyage to the Philippines. Of the 410 horses and mules carried by the Victoria, taken on board Nov. 23, fifty-five were literally pounded to death against the sides of their stalls in the storm, and the remaining animals were so badly bruised that the officials of the vessel believe that many cannot be saved. The animals were for use in the Philippines.

Purser Lockwood was seen and said that during the thirty-six voyages he had made across the Pacific he had never seen such a stress of weather as was encountered by the Victoria. The furthest point reached was 200 miles west of the cape. While the storm was at its height the oil bags were entirely emptied and everything was done to ease the motion of the ship. Aside from the loss of the animals no other damage was done, the Victoria behaving splendidly.

WOOD ARRIVES FROM CUBA.

Has No Knowledge of Reason for His Call to Washington.

New York: Gen. Wood, governor general of the province of Santiago, Cuba, was a passenger on the transport McPherson, which arrived from Santiago Nov. 28. Wood said:

"I have no knowledge of the business for which I was called to Washington beyond an order to report. The condition of Santiago in relation to public affairs is improving daily. We employ many men on public works, such as railroads, etc. The people are employed and contented. We have no destitution. I have great hopes for the early development of the mining industries of Santiago province, with its wonderfully rich deposits of iron, copper and zinc ores, which are bound to add to the prosperity of the island."

TO WORK WITH DEMOCRATS

Silver Republican Leaders Discuss Plans for 1900 Campaign.

Chicago: The executive committee of the National Silver Republican party met at the Auditorium Nov. 28 to discuss plans for the next presidential campaign. Through an official statement was made by Chairman Charles A. Towne, the sentiment of the members of the committee apparently favored holding the national Democratic convention and the endorsement by the Silver Republicans of the nominees of that convention providing the silver plank of the convention of 1896 is adopted.

BRYAN WILL STAY IN TEXAS

Will Prepare for Campaign of 1900 in Lone Star State.

Austin, Tex.: W. J. Bryan and wife are here to spend the winter. They are the guests of former Governor Hogg temporarily, but will shortly rent a private residence for the winter. Mr. Bryan said he had come to Texas to spend the winter, to rest up and prepare for the campaign of 1900, which he expected would be a very hard one, and that he would only make a few speeches in Texas during his stay.

Beats Uncle Sam Out of \$60,000.

New York: David D. Badeau, 42 years old, who conducted a store at 13 Broadway for the past sixteen months, has been arrested by federal officials, charged with buying and selling washed revenue stamps.

See Yellowstone Park Sights.

Washington: Acting Superintendent Bowen, of the Yellowstone National Park, in his annual report to Secretary Hitchcock, announces a total of 8,779 visitors to the park during the year. He recommends an appropriation of \$3,000 for projected improvements, including many new roads and bridges. The report says that as a game reserve the park is probably the greatest in the world.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$7.25; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, fat to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 65c to 66c; No. 2 white, 65c to 66c; No. 2 yellow, 52c to 53c; No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 18c; potatoes, choice, 35c to 45c per bushel.
Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 65c to 67c; No. 2 white, 32c to 33c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c.
St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$6.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 71c to 72c; No. 2, No. 2 yellow, 52c to 53c; No. 2, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; No. 2, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 18c; potatoes, choice, 35c to 45c per bushel.
Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$6.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 68c to 70c; No. 2, No. 2 mixed, 31c to 32c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 27c; No. 2, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 18c; potatoes, choice, 35c to 45c per bushel.
Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$6.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 68c to 70c; No. 2, No. 2 mixed, 31c to 32c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 27c; No. 2, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 18c; potatoes, choice, 35c to 45c per bushel.
Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$6.75; hogs, common to choice, \$3.25 to \$4.25; sheep, fat to choice wethers, \$3.00 to \$4.50; lambs, common to extra, \$4.50 to \$5.25.
New York—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$6.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 72c to 74c; No. 2, No. 2 yellow, 52c to 53c; No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 18c; potatoes, choice, 35c to 45c per bushel.

A MAXIM DETACHMENT IN NATAL.



These troops represent the Natal carbiniers, who took part in the recent engagements at Glencoe and Elandslaagte.

BATTLE AT GRAS PAN.

Gen. Methuen Meets Boer Force Ten Miles from Belmont.

Gen. Lord Methuen's force, advancing to the relief of Kimberley, again met the Boer army at Gras Pan, ten miles north of Belmont, Saturday, and a desperate battle, lasting many hours, ensued. The engagement was not ended when the official report was sent, but it was considered as a British victory, despite heavy losses, in which the naval detachment stood more than its share. A recapitulation of the losses by Gen. Methuen's forces at Gras Pan shows that fifty Boers were killed and twice as many wounded. The battle began at 6 a. m. and lasted until 10 p. m. Boer losses must have been much heavier than known. Fifty horses were found dead where the Boers withstood a steady rain of shrapnel. The British did not pursue the routed forces of the enemy, but halted one day to rest.

MACARTHUR ROUTS REBELS.

Occupies Mangataram and Drives Filip- inos Toward Mountains.

Manila advises say that Gen. MacArthur's force has occupied Mangataram, west of Bayambang, in the valley of the Rio Agno. Seven Americans who had escaped from the insurgents were found at Mangataram. Three other Americans escaped from the rebels at the same time. The escaping American prisoners say that four American deserters are serving with the insurgents. The insurgents remaining in the west are retreating before MacArthur into the mountains, dragging six guns. They are in command of Gen. Alejandro. Maj. Bell is in pursuit of them.

THE SLIPPERY AGUINALDO.

Aguinaldo in case of capture, the authorities would have to consider the effect of their policy upon the natives.

When the insurrection is finally subdued, a civilian or a committee will be sent to govern the Philippines. The archipelago will be divided into four military departments, the island of Luzon in two, over which Gen. Lawton and MacArthur will probably preside.

Admiral Watson Monday called a conference of the reported surrender of the entire province of Zamboanga, island of Mindanao. An unconditional surrender was made by the natives to Commander Very of the Castine. Gen. Otis' troops now occupy Zamboanga, which is the principal city of the island. The southern half of the island is pacified and American authority supreme in the district. Secretary Root and Secretary Long are slated and predict that the remnants of the native army will meet away without offering further effective resistance.

DEATH OF GEORGE R. DAVIS.

Director General of World's Fair Expires in Chicago.

Col. George R. Davis died at the family residence, 632 Washington boulevard, Chicago, Saturday night. At the bedside were his wife, his two sons, Benjamin and George R. Davis, and his four daughters, Delia, Nellie, George Belle, Elizabeth Davis and the attending physicians, Drs. Patton and Foster.

On Nov. 13 Col. Davis was stricken with heart trouble and a specialist was called at once. His patient was found in a critical condition, but owing to his great vitality rallied and for several days there was hope of his recovery. On Saturday, however, he began to sink and an hour before he passed away he became unconscious.

VALU OF HOBART ESTATE.

Dead Vice President's Wealth Is Estimated at \$5,000,000.

It is estimated that Vice-President Hobart left an estate valued at \$5,000,000, or perhaps more. He carried life insurance with several large companies amounting in the aggregate to \$350,000. The remains of the late Vice-President will not be placed under ground, but will be inclosed in a mass tomb especially built for their reception in Cedar Lawn cemetery. In the meantime the body will be left in the receiving vault at the Paterson cemetery, where it now lies.

News of Minor Notes.

Kentucky tobacco growers want to ignore the trust by selling direct to consumers.

Body of John Stebb, Pittsburg, Pa., found near the railroad. Believed he was murdered.

During the last fiscal year 14,604 postmasters were appointed, 13,523 being fourth-class.

Pilot William Durham of the ferryboat Chicago is held blameable for the collision at New York, in which five lives were lost.

Conflict between colored troops and Mexican residents, Laredo, Texas, has caused the government to temporarily abandon the garrison.

Christian Endeavorers, Mount Vernon, N. Y., are waging war on saloons and gambling joints.

Zola trial, Paris, has been indefinitely postponed, in view of the proposed Government amnesty.

Jennie Coleman committed suicide at New York. She said she was once the wife of "Lucky" Baldwin of California.

Many daring burglaries committed in the City of Mexico are believed to be the work of professional American operators. An American syndicate has bought 70,000 acres of land near Nuevitras, Cuba, to establish a village for workmen.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Thomas W. Tipton, One of this State's First United States Sena- tors, Passes Away in Wash- ington After a Long Illness.

Thomas W. Tipton, one of Nebraska's first United States senators, died in Washington on Nov. 28, after a long illness. He was born in Cadiz, Ohio, August 5, 1817, and was elected to the legislature of Ohio in 1845, but after some time settled in Nebraska. He was elected a delegate to the Nebraska constitutional convention, and became, in 1850, a member of the territorial council. He subsequently he studied for the law and was appointed attorney general of the first Nebraska territory in 1854. He was subsequently elected to the Nebraska legislature in 1854, and was elected senator from Nebraska from March 4, 1857, till March 3, 1865. At the time of his death Mr. Tipton was about completing his reminiscences of the history of Nebraska for the state historical society.

HERE'S A PRIZE SNAKE STORY

Man and Woman Have a Blood- curdling Adventure.

Black Berry, whose farm is on the Niobrara river, twenty-five miles north-east of O'Neill, tells the best snake story of the season. It runs as follows:

One day last week Mr. Berry and Miss Caldwell of Sioux City, his niece, were striding along the river bottom east of the house through a beautiful natural grove, when all at once they discovered the warning whir of hundreds of horny tails in the midst of a congress of rattlesnakes that seemed to be in session as a committee of the whole for executive business.

One of the Snake Bites

Mr. Berry happened to have a spade in his hand and with it laid about him vigorously right and left. Miss Caldwell assisted with a club. When the battle was over they counted 236 dead rattlesnakes and half as many blue racers. A great many of the snakes had as high as eleven rattles. They were an extraordinary variety lot and instead of attempting to escape came savagely at the intruders and fought desperately until the last one was exterminated. They were not only very highly as venomous as an exceedingly perious poison.

In speaking of his experience with the rattlesnakes, Mr. Berry said he had been in some pretty close places, but was not so thoroughly frightened as when he found himself outflanked by these snakes on the river. He said that a woman, Mrs. Berry, said she had never seen so brave a woman. When the fight was the fiercest and the snakes the fiercest, it looked like a sure case of being bitten, she neither screamed nor fainted, but coolly laid them out with her club.

A peculiar thing about the matter is that a rattlesnake is rarely seen south of the river, while they are quite numerous on the Boyd County side. It is Mr. Berry's opinion that they crossed the river and were going into winter quarters in a den that is thought to be in that vicinity. A big trail was made near the same place several years ago.

Omaha Printers Win.

The threatened strike among the printers of Omaha, Neb., has been averted. The printers employed by the publishers of Omaha has been averted by peaceful conference. The employers submitted a proposition offering to split the difference with the printers by paying \$10.00 a week instead of \$17, as demanded. The proposition was accepted by the Typographical Union, and its rejection by the allied unions. The committee from the unions carried back to the employers the final ultimatum that nothing less than the first proposed \$17 per week would be considered. They were rejoiced when the spokesman of the employers informed them that the latter had decided to pay the scale.

Why a Lodge Will Not Pray.

Sherman McFadden died at Lushton after two weeks' illness. He died of fever, the exact symptoms of which are not known, as he was attended by a physician. He and his wife were both of them scientists and he had no faith in it because of it. He was a son of Capt. J. McFadden, sheriff of Fillmore county. Both he and his wife refused to have a doctor. A Christian minister from Lincoln treated him. The last request of Mr. McFadden was to employ a physician, but both objected. The policy of \$2,000 on the life of McFadden will be contested on this account.

Must Pay Penalty for Crime.

The Wilson brothers, young lawyers who were found guilty of embezzlement and who immediately fled a motion for their release, appeared in court at Auburn the other day with their feet in serious condition. They were placed in the jail from which the money was embezzled. The motion was then withdrawn. Judge Stull refused to discharge the prisoners, as they had been found guilty of a crime.

Heap Mill to Resume.

A new company has purchased the heap and low mill at Hazletlock which has been idle for the last year, and will resume business. Work cannot be begun by the factory for about ten months, or until the 1900 crop can be sown and harvested. The company will proceed at once to secure seed and contract for the crop.

Samuel Elbert Is Dead.

A private dispatch from Galveston, Texas, announces the death of Samuel H. Elbert, ex-governor of Colorado, in that city. Mr. Elbert was a delegate of Nebraska to the convention nominated Lincoln for president in 1860.

Shelton Men Buy New Fledged sheep

H. J. Robbins and Mr. Elbert have bought their homes in Shelton, they have twenty-five cars of sheep, which they intend feeding near there. The stock is being sent to grow in New Mexico.

End of Harris

The jury in the Harris case, returning guilty, John W. Harris, ex-governor of Nebraska, during the remaining soldiers at Elmwood last summer killed was the result of a fight fought over a game of cards.

Gas Tank at Holdrege

The gas tank under Frank C. Jones' store at Holdrege, which exploded on Tuesday night, has been repaired and put in operation again. The tank and generator are a work.

UP TO CIVIL COURTS.

Corporal Faire and Privated Joob- ens Acquitted by Courtmartial.

Corporal John S. Faire and Private Henry J. Joobens were acquitted by courtmartial in Omaha of manslaughter, the specific charge being the killing of a fleeing deserter—Private Samuel Morgall of the Eighth Cavalry.

BIBLE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Supt. Jackson Gives an opinion in Case Referred to Him.

One of the school directors of the Gage County district has asked Supt. Jackson whether he would restrain his opinion from reading the bible or singing religious songs before her class. Mandamus proceedings were recently instituted in the district court at Beatrice to compel the school board to discontinue the practice of reading the scriptures at the opening of school. Supt. Jackson rendered a decision which is quite in favor of the bible, holding that there is nothing in the laws of Nebraska to prevent simple reading, without note or comment, or repeating the Lord's prayer.

F. C. HILLS DIES OF POISON.

Ate Breakfast Food with Which Arsenic Had Been Mixed.

F. C. Hills of Sioux City, general manager of the Sioux City, O'Neill and Western Railroad, which runs from Sioux City to O'Neill, died Nov. 23, as a result of eating breakfast food in which had been mixed powdered arsenic. His wife also partook of the poisoned food, but it is thought she will recover. The food which caused Mr. Hills' sudden death had been poisoned for the purpose of exterminating mice, and was served on the breakfast table through the dreadful error of a new servant girl.

Fined for Selling Whisky.

In the district court at Ainsworth a few days ago in the case of the state against A. W. Weyrauch, the defendant pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$100. Weyrauch was one of the persons indicted for illegal whisky selling. He jumped his bail bond, was brought back from Omaha a few weeks ago and concluded to plead guilty rather than stand trial.

Nebraska Woman Shot.

A state convention of the Nebraska Woman Suffrage Association was in session at the home of the capt. in Lincoln Nov. 27, 28 and 29. There was a fair attendance of delegates from counties in the state and among the outside were Miss Carrie Chapman Cattell and Rev. M. H. Ueblin of Illinois.

Boy's Face Torn by Dog's

Stephen, the 14-year-old son of Mrs