TOLD IN A FEW WORDS

EVENTS OCCURRING IN ALL SECTIONS SUMMARIZED.

Happenings From Home and Abroad Reduced From Columns to Lines—Everything but Facts Eliminated For Our Readers' Convenience.

Friday, Jan. 10.

President Cleveland in a letter to Senator Caffery says the administration has not consulted a syndicate concerning a bond issue——Eastern capitalists are interested in promoting a new railroad scheme through the northwestern tier of counties from North Platte, Neb., to South Dakota —— Kaiser Wilhelm has been elected honorary member of the Milwaukee Press club —— Attorney E. F. Harl of St. Joseph, Mo., has been arrested, charged with attempting to choke his stepmother to death——The New York postoffices have been furnished with 20 new letter cancelling machines, operated by electricity and capable of stamping 500,000 letters per hour——A mutiny occurred on the Russian cruiser Rurik while in the harbor at Algiers——Norris Holcomb, the well known Connecticut horseman, died at his home in Bloomfield——Class B Cycling Champion Eddie Bald has intimated his intention of riding in England next season——Jockey Griffin, who broke his shoulder at San Francisco, will not be able to ride again until the summer meetings——It is stated on semi-official authority that President Cleveland will issue an order before his term expires placing deputy collectors of internal revenue under civil service rules——The house committee on Pacific railroads will probably give hearings early next month to persons who have an interest in the forthcoming plan for settlement of the government debt——The Ohio society of Chicago will give its annual banquet Jan. 31. Governor-elect Bushnell and General Foraker will be the guests——Louisville and Nashville reports for six months ending Dec. 31 a surplus of $1,086,476, against $400,434 last year——At 70 feet depth a 3-foot vein of sylvanite has been opened in the Garfield Grouse mine in Colorado, which assays $271 to $1,200 a ton——Major General J. M. Schofield and wife of Chicago arrived at Jacksonville, Fla.

Saturday, Jan. 11.

Senator J. C. S. Blackburn was renominated for senator by the Kentucky Democratic joint caucus——Forty young lady students of the state normal school of Missouri have organized an athletic association——Jockeys Slaughter and McIntyre, while racing at Bay District, Cal., were seriously hurt——Peter Hart of Decatur, Ills., fell dead while taking a last look at his dead brother's face——The St. Louis Drug Clerks' association had a banquet and elected officers for the coming year——Chief Justice Snodgrass of Tennessee was indicted by the grand jury for shooting Colonel Beasley——Harvey I. Swarthout, a pioneer merchant of North Platte, Neb., committed suicide——Mrs. Mary Davidson was bound over in $5,000 bail on the charge of blackmailing Rev. D. O. Brown of San Francisco——Ex-President Harrison has bought 25 acres of land at Rome, N. Y.——Ex-Treasurer Bolin of Omaha was arrested for embezzlement——Union Pacific fast mail was derailed at Carter Station, Wy., but no one injured ——Eight masked men dynamited the safe of the Farmers' bank at Verona, Mo., and escaped with $9,000——Aaron Bachrach, aged 84, one of the oldest Hebrew residents of Bloomington, Ills., is dead——Veet Wilburn, who is in jail at Atlantic, Ia., for attempting to kill his wife, tried to commit suicide by butting his head against the steel bars of his cell. This was his second attempt, but he will survive——Santa Fe fast train, the California limited, recently ran from Kansas City to Hudson, 234 miles, at a rate of 53 3-10 miles an hour, including all stops——The Arion Fish company of Duluth, through Max Arms of New York, has consented to plead guilty to the charge of having unlawfully shipped game and will pay a fine of $2,000——Madison W. Harris, a resident of Eau Claire, Wis, since 1857, is dead. In early days he was a captain on the Mississippi river——John McBride has written his formal farewell to the American Federation of Labor——Jan. 14 and 28 the Chesapeake and Ohio and the Big Four will run land seekers' excursions from Chicago to Virginia points at one fare, plus $2, for round trip ——Judge Thomas consented to hear the case against Mayor Meyers, City Attorney Wilmarth, Marshal Bussey and six aldermen at Huron, S. D., in Huron instead of at Aberdeen.

Monday, Jan. 13.

George G. Wright, ex-United States senator and one of the most popular men in Iowa, died at his home in Des Moines ——Mrs. Alva S. Vanderbilt, the divorced wife of William K. Vanderbilt, was married to Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont by Mayor Strong of New York——The death of Representative Wilson breaks the legislative tie in Kentucky and gives the Republicans control——At the meeting of Nebraska beet growers at Fremont a long opinion by Judge Maxwell on the bounty act was read to the effect that the law is illegal and that the Oxnards can be deprived of the benefit of the measure——England is making extraordinary preparations for a huge display of war vessels ——Situation in South Africa is more strained, Transvaal demanding concessions which England is not disposed to make——E. W. McFarland, the gambler who was shot by Royster at Boone, Ia., is dead. Royster is in jail——R. B. Smith, aged 72 years, married his wife, Mrs. T. B. Parsley, aged 37, who was twice a widow, at Eldorado Springs, Mo.——William Ware, the horseman of Ottumwa, Ia., who took 25 grains of morphine last week and lived, died of typhoid fever——A verdict of $5,000 in favor of Charles Moneyhun against the Big Four railroad was returned at Anderson, Ind.——The supreme court of Kansas has decided that J. K. Hudson is the state printer——Secretary Smith has appointed Wilber I. Cram and Frank A. Webster of Burwell, Neb., appraisers of the Fort Hartsuff abandoned military reservation——R. T. Overstreet died at his home in Franklin, Ind. He was the uncle of Congressman Overstreet ——Howard Moore, the 12-year-old son of Major W. A. Moore of Mitchell, S. D., was drowned while skating——Eleven attempted suicides were recorded in New York City in one day, two accomplishing their purpose——The total inheritance tax fixed by Surrogate Fitzgerald of New York on the heirs of the late Jay Gould is $678,538.95——J. W. Morrison of Lisbon, Ia., a life insurance agent, was found dead in bed in a hotel in Clinton, Ia.——Maid Marian, the fast horse of Memphis, Tenn., is dead——A gang of four crooks who made a specialty of robbing mail boxes, was captured at Boston——Hundreds of eastern people are looking in vain for Schlatter, the healer, in Santa Fe, N. M.——J. C. Kyle, a merchant of Topeka, Kan., died leaving an estate of $75,000. He was a bachelor without heirs——Seventeen-year-old Ella Van Doren, recently from Iowa married Sam Snizer, a full-blooded Choctaw, 61 years old, at Denison, Tex.——The window glass trust has shut down for a month to raise the price on glass and freeze out the Jobbers' association, throwing 20,000 men out of employment——The Ministerial alliance at Creston, Ia., has adopted resolutions deprecating the holding of funerals on Sunday, also the purchase of floral tributes on such occasions and the public exposing of the dead.

Tuesday, Jan. 14.

Nancy Davis, who has been blind for 18 years, died at Oakland City, Ind., at the age of 100 years——Jim Corbett announces that he will be at the ringside to challenge the winner of the Fitzsimmons-Maher fight at El Paso——Charley Horn, a 4-year-old boy at Brock, Neb., accidentally shot and killed a little 3-year-old girl while playing with a revolver——Comptroller Eckels can find no constitutional objection to the scheme for international American banks——Senator Jones declares he will insist upon the 15 per cent addition to the sugar schedule in the new tariff bill——Ex-Senator Palmer of Michigan declares that General Harrison will not be a candidate for the presidential nomination——The Memphis and Cincinnati steamboat Congo sank near Caruthersville, Mo. Four persons were supposed to have been drowned——Among the persons arrested at Johannesburg is H. Bettleheim, the Turkish consul——It is now stated that all Canada's striking ministers have agreed to return, except Sir Charles Tupper——The sultan refuses to permit the Red Cross society to distribute funds in Armenia——The destination of English flying squadron, about ready to sail, is said to be the Dardanelles——Peter Hougaard of Chicago turns on the gas and ashyxiates his wife, their five children and himself——Funeral of Judge Wright at Des Moines was largely attended——General Asa Bushnell was inaugurated governor of Ohio, to succeed McKinley——The three Philadelphia boys who were injured in trying to blow open a toy bank with dynamite, died——The indictments have been dismissed which charged ex-City Treasurer Foerstel of St. Louis with embezzlement——The Congregational association at San Francisco has decided to investigate the charges of immorality against Rev. Brown——Commander-in-Chief Walker of the G. A. R. is a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor of Indiana——Professor Richard Garner, who has been in Africa studying monkeys, writes that he is able now to prove that these animals have a language ——A swindler, who pretended to be a son of Marcus Daily, the Montana millionaire, swindled several Kansas City parties, by inducing them to indorse drafts for him.

Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Senator Thurston made his maiden speech in the senate in support of liberal pensions——Governor Jackson's last message was received and read in the Iowa legislature——Ohio legislature elected ex-Governor Foraker United States senator to succeed Senator Brice——Bob Kneebs, the American horseman, was convicted of fraudulently entering the mare Bethel in races in Germany, and received a heavy sentence——M. Henri Brisson was re-elected president of the French chamber of deputies——The senatorial deadlock at Jackson, Miss., still continues——Judge Parker has sentenced Cherokee Bill, the noted outlaw, to be hanged——The Ohio supreme court has decided that a woman cannot hold a notary's commission——The stove warehouse of S. S. Jewett & Co. of Buffalo burned. Loss, $25,000——Brigadier General Charles A. Peckham of New York, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, is dead——The secretary of the navy estimates it would require $1,580,000 for repairs and $26,000 for ordinance to equip the monitors for active service——The English admiralty asks for bids for 10 third class cruisers——A big gold find is reported on the Blue Range, near Graham, N. M., ores running from $9 to $500 a ton——Abraham R. Hauze of Hazleton, Pa., died from hydrophobia, being bit en by a mad dog last October——In Park Place, Pa., John Shanocky was shot and killed a half hour after his wedding by an unknown party——The third celebration of the anniversary of the Hawaiian republic occurs Jan. 17——The crockery store of Gatch & Lauman at Omaha was closed by the sheriff on attachment suits aggregating $32,194 39——Governor Stone of Missouri commuted the death sentence of Joseph Donnelly, who killed Samuel Turner at Mexico, to 50 years in the penitentiary——The daughter of John Sweir of Foster, Ia., was burned to death while attempting to light a fire, her clothing becoming ignited——An insane man named Schaffer from Lincoln county hanged himself to a bedpost at the asylum at Topeka, Kan.——Thirty-one men are under contract to the New York ball club —— The insurgents attacked the town of Bejucal and were repulsed after a five hour battle.

Thursday, Jan. 16.

The Iowa congressional delegation met at Washington and organized to boom Senator Allison for president——Kansas State Bar association is in session at Topeka——United States Consul Jonas at Crefeld, Germany, is dead——Secretary Morton was before senate committee on agriculture to explain why he did not purchase seed last year——Senator Mills' speech on finance was the main feature of the senate session——Success of the popular government loan has caused the bond syndicate to dissolve——Iowa legislature adopted a plan for handling the revision of the code——Allen Dobyns shot and killed himself near Slater, Mo.——The Southern Theological seminary celebrated the enrollment of its 300th student this season by a banquet at Louisville, Ky. This is the largest number of theological students ever enrolled by a seminary in the United States——The North Dakota Mutual Insurance company of Jamestown is in process of formation——The flint glass workers at the Lapell factory at Anderson, Ind., walked out, the result of the company posting a notice that wages would be reduced 10 per cent ——The Cedar Rapids, Ia., board of health will administer the antitoxin treatment for diphtheria free to impecunious patients ——H. Ralph was found dead in the woods near Charles City, Ia. It is supposed he was murdered——Many delegates are arriving at Mitchell, S. D., to attend the state immigration convention——The Cohen House at Hot Springs, Ark., was burned to the ground and Billy Conners, a gambler, was fatally injured——S. M. Lloyd, aged 60, secretary of the board of charities at Springfield, Mo., is missing. Foul play is suspected by his friends——Each of the general officers of the W. C. T. U. will give one month to southern work at as early a date as possible.

Dr. A. P. Sawyer—Sir: After suffering four years with female weakness I was persuaded by a friend to try your Pastilles, and after using them for one year, I can say I am entirely well. I cannot recommend them too highly. Mrs. M. S. Brook Bronson, Bethel Branch Co., Mich. For sale by F. H. Longley.

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Miss Clara Barton is the first woman who ever held an official position under the United States government. When she was about 24 years of age she was appointed clerk in the patent office, which had then been organized but a few years, and she was still holding that position when she began her philanthropic work at the outbreak of the civil war in 1861.

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AN ARTIST IN CRIME.

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CHAPTER XIII.

MR. BARNES GOES SOUTH.

Mr. Barnes now began some researches into the past history of Mr. Alphonse Thauret. Obtaining the date of his first registry at the Hoffman House, he found that to be about a month before the train robbery occurred. Finding the expressman who had brought his baggage to the hotel, it transpired that it had been taken from an English steamship, yet the name Thauret did not appear upon the list of passengers. As it was certain, however, that the man must have arrived by the ship it was evident that Thauret was an alias. Mr. Barnes copied the ship's list for future reference. A search for the name Rose Mitchel was fruitless, though extended to the passenger lists of all arriving steamers for two months prior to the murder.

Believing that Mr. Thauret must have some communication with foreign friends and hoping to obtain some clew by the postmarks of any such letters, Mr. Barnes arranged an espionage of the man's mail. But though the hotel clerk reported to him daily for several weeks there was not one foreign letter. As to money, Mr. Thauret appeared to be well supplied, paying his board bills promptly with checks upon a neighboring national bank, in which it was ascertained that he had deposited to his credit several thousand dollars.

Thus after a long investigation Mr. Barnes was chagrined to admit that he had discovered nothing save that Mr. Thauret had come across the ocean under an assumed name, and even this meager knowledge was a mere matter of inference.

Though baffled in this direction Mr. Barnes had been more successful in another effort which he essayed. This was a line of investigation which he inaugurated hoping to discover the whereabouts of the child Rose Mitchel, who was so skillfully kept in hiding. He had first instructed Lucette as to the part she was to play, and that young woman, anxious once more to stand well with her employer, had exerted herself to her utmost, entirely succeeding in her mission. This was to obtain some of the writing of the child. "Go to the house again," Mr. Barnes had suggested, "and get into conversation with that same servant who met you at the door on your first visit. Then in some manner obtain a specimen of the child's writing. An old copybook would be just the thing." Lucette carried out these instructions to the letter, and by bribing the servant girl at the school obtained exactly what the detective had suggested, a copybook in which little Rose Mitchel had practiced writing.

Armed with this, and selecting a specimen which seemed best suited to his purpose, Mr. Barnes next bribed the mailboy at the Fifth Avenue hotel to examine all letters addressed to Mr. Mitchel until he should find one in the same hand. It was not until early in March that this patient work resulted in success. Then one day the boy reported to Mr. Barnes that the expected letter had at length arrived. The postmark indicated that it had been mailed at East Orange, N. J.

"So that is where the little bird is hidden," said Mr. Barnes to himself when this information reached him. Summoning Lucette, he sent her to East Orange with these instructions:

"Now, my girl, I'll give you another chance to redeem yourself. You are to go to East Orange and find that child. The most promising plan is through the postoffice. I will give you a note to the postmaster that will aid you. Should a letter be sent to the child either by Mitchel himself or by Miss Remsen, you will learn of it through the postmaster. The rest of course will be simple."

"But suppose," said Lucette, "that the child's letters are directed under cover to the parties with whom she is living? What then?"

"Why, stupid, that is what I send you down there for. As the postmaster is an acquaintance of mine I could get the address, should it reach him, without having you there. But that is only a faint hope. We know that the child is in East Orange. East Orange has just so many houses. You must examine every one, if necessary. Now go, and if you don't find the child I have no further need of you. I give you this commission partly as a chance to redeem your other mistake and partly because you have seen the child once and could recognize her."

"I'll find her," said Lucette, and she departed.

A week later Mr. Barnes was in New Orleans, where he devoted himself to discovering, if possible, the early histories of Mr. Mitchel and the murdered woman. Weeks passed, and he made no progress.

One morning in the latter part of April he was feeling somewhat despondent over his ill success, when, as he glanced listlessly through The Picayune the following paragraph caught his eye:

"Mr. Barnes, the celebrated New York detective, is in the city and stopping at the St. Charles hotel. It is believed that he is in search of a desperate criminal, and probably the news loving world will soon be treated to one of the famous detective's clever elucidations of some mysterious crime."

This both annoyed and puzzled Mr. Barnes. He had not told any one his true name and could not guess how the reporters had found his identity. While he was thinking of it a card was brought to him which bore the name, "Richard Sefton."

He directed that the gentleman should be shown to his room, and soon after a man of about 35, with dark complexion, black hair and keen hazel eyes, entered, bowing politely and saying:

"This is Mr. Barnes, I believe."

"Be seated, Mr. Sefton," said Mr. Barnes coldly, "and then tell me why you believe me to be Mr. Barnes, when I registered as James Morton."

"I do not believe you to be Mr. Barnes," said the other, coolly seating himself. "I was inaccurate in using that expression. I know that you are Mr. Barnes."

"Oh! You do! And how, pray, do you know that I am Mr. Barnes?"

"Because it is my business to know people. I am a detective like yourself. I have come to help you."

"You have come to help me! You are very kind, I am sure. But since you are so very clever, perhaps you would not mind telling me how you know that I need help and in what direction."

"With pleasure. You need help because, pardon my saying it, you are working on a case in which time is precious to you, and you have already wasted about six weeks. I say wasted, because you have learned nothing that will aid you in your search."

"In my search for what?"

"Mr. Barnes, you are not overcordial. There should be some fraternal courtesy between us. I have come to you as a friend, honestly wishing to aid you. I have known that you were in the city for some time. I have heard of you, of course. Who in our business has not? Therefore I have spent a great deal of spare time watching you. I did so simply to notice and perhaps to learn something from your methods. In this way I became acquainted with the fact, first, that you are interested in the name Mitchel, and, secondly, in the name Leroy. I have simply put the two together and jumped to the conclusion that you are trying to learn something about Leroy Mitchel. Am I right?"

"Before I reply to you, Mr. Sefton, I must have more assurance of your good will and responsibility. How do I know that you are a detective at all?"

"Quite right! Here is my badge. I am in the department here."

"Very well so far, but now how can you prove that you have any good reason for assisting me?"

"You are a hard man to help, I declare. Why, what object but a friendly one can I have?"

"I am not prepared to answer that at present. Perhaps I shall be able to do so later."

"Oh, very well! You can look me up all you want to. I can stand it, I assure you. But, really, I did want to help, though of course I have no right to intrude. As you say you do not need me, why I"—

"I did not say that I would not accept your aid. You must not think me ungracious. I am simply a detective, and careful from habit. I certainly should not speak confidentially to a man that I meet for the first time, and so disclose any of my own purposes. But it is different with you. You must have had a definite idea by which you expect to give me assistance or you would not have come here. If you are earnest and honest, I see no reason why you should not disclose the main purpose of your visit at once."

"If only to prove my honestly I will do so I believe you are looking for Leroy Mitchel. If so, I can tell you how to find him in a few hours, or, at the worst, in a day or two."

"You know of a Leroy Mitchel who is now in this city?"

"I do. He is over in Algiers, a worker in one of the carhouses. He is a common, drunken brute, and that is the only reason why there would be any difficulty about finding him. When he is sober, he is easy to see, but as soon as he gets some money he is off on another spree."

"Do you know of a woman of the name of Rose Mitchel?"

"Certainly—that is, I did know such a woman once. But she has not been in New Orleans for years. At one time any one could have given you her address. I see now that this man is the one whom you want, for once he passed as this woman's husband."

"You are sure of this?"

"Positive."

"When and where can I see this man?"

"He works in the shops of the Louisiana and Texas railroad, over in Algiers. You can find him through the foreman."

"Mr. Sefton, it may be that you have given me information which will be of service to me. If so, you will not regret it. I will myself examine into the matter. For the present, if I do not make a confidant of you, you must attribute it to caution rather than to distrust."

"Oh, I am not easily offended. I would act in the same manner in your place. But you will find that I am your friend. You can count on me to aid you on demand. I won't trouble you again till you send for me. A note to headquarters will reach me quickest. Good morning."

"Good morning, Mr. Sefton, and thank you." Mr. Barnes extended his hand, feeling that perhaps he had been unnecessarily discourteous.

Mr. Sefton took it with that genial smile of friendship so common to the native southerner.

Left alone, Mr. Barnes at once prepared for a trip to Algiers, determined not to let any more time be lost. He reached the shops just after the men had knocked off for luncheon. The foreman, however, told him that Leroy Mitchel had been at work in the morning, so he waited patiently.

When the men came back to resume work, the foreman pointed out a man who he said was Leroy Mitchel. The fellow had a bad face, and if ever he was a gentleman he had sunk so low through drink that no evidence of it remained in his appearance. Mr. Barnes went up to him and asked when he could have a talk with him.

"Now, if you pay for it," replied the man insolently.

"What do you mean?" asked the detective

"Just what I say," said the other. "We get our pay here by the hour, and if you want my time, why, you'll have to pay for it at union rates." And he laughed as though a good joke had been propounded.

"Then," said Mr. Barnes, taking in the kind of a man with whom he had to deal, "I'll engage you on a job that I have for you and pay you double wages as long as I use you."

"Now you are talking," said the fellow. "Where'll we go?"

"I think I'll take you to my hotel." And thither they proceeded. Up in his own room again Mr. Barnes felt at ease, while his companion certainly made himself comfortable, selecting a rocking chair and putting his feet up on the window sill.

"Now then," began Mr. Barnes, "I want to ask you a few questions. Are you prepared to answer them?"

"That will depend on what they are. If you don't ask impertinent questions or ones that I think I ought to get more than double wages for answering—why, I am with you."

"In the first place, then, are you willing to say whether you ever knew a woman who called herself Rose Mitchel?"

"Well, rather. I lived with her till she broke me."

"Do you know where she is now?"

"I don't, and I don't care to."

"Suppose I were to tell you that she is dead, and that she had left $100,000 which is unclaimed?"

The man jumped to his feet as though shot and stood staring at the detective. He gave a long, low whistle, and a keen, tricky gleam came into his eye, which Mr. Barnes noted. At length he spoke:

"Are you giving me this straight?"

"I am telling you the truth. The woman is dead, and that amount of property is where I can get it for the man who can prove that he is entitled to it."

"And who would that be?" He waited eagerly for the reply, and Mr. Barnes saw that he was playing trump cards.

"Why, Mr. Mitchel, that is what I am down here for. You see, I thought the party would be willing to pay me a good commission for proving him the heir, and that is why I am hunting him up. I started out with the idea that I might find her husband. He would have a claim."

"I see." Saying which, he sat down and seemed lost in thought. The detective deemed it well to wait for him to speak again, which he did.

"See here," he exclaimed. "How much do you want for getting this money for me?"

"I cannot get it at all unless you are the woman's husband," replied the detective.

"Well, I am her husband. Didn't I tell you I lived with her till she broke me?"

"Yes, but are you legally married to her?"

"Why, to be sure. Don't I tell you I am her husband?"

"Then, in the name of the law, I arrest you," said Mr. Barnes, suddenly rising and standing over the man.

"Arrest me," said the fellow, jumping up, pale with fright. "What for?"

"Rose Mitchel has been murdered, and the man who killed her has confessed that he was hired to do it by you."

"He's a blasted liar."

"I hope so for your sake. But as you admit that you are her husband, you are the man we are looking for. I'll have to take you to New York."

"But, I say," said the fellow, now thoroughly alarmed, "there is a big mistake here. I've been lying to you; I'm not the woman's husband, and my name is not Mitchel."

"That won't do, my man. I had you pointed out to me by Sefton, the detective here."

"But he is the very man that hired me to pass off as Mitchel to you."

Mr. Barnes chuckled as he found his ruse successful. He had suspected all along that the New Orleans detective was trying to lead him off on a wrong scent and now thought he saw a chance to turn the tables upon him and get some valuable information.

"That is a very thin story," said he, "but if you will tell me all you know, perhaps I may believe you."

"You bet I'll give you the whole story straight to get out of this scrape. In the first place, my name is Arthur Chambers. I was up in the world once, had money and was respectable. But drink changed all that. Now anybody can buy me for a few dollars, and that is what Sefton did. He came to me about a week ago and told me that a detective was down here from up north nosing around for this Mitchel. He said it was important to an employer of his up in New York to have this detective balked; that he was hired to do it, and to make him lose time; that time, in some way, was an important item."

"You say," interrupted Mr. Barnes, "that Sefton told you he was hired by some one in New York to throw me off the scent?"

"That's what he said," replied Chambers. Mr. Barnes easily guessed who was employing Sefton, and once more he paid the tribute of admiration for the caution and ingenious scheming of Mr. Mitchel.

"Go on," said the detective.

"There ain't much more to tell. Sefton hired me to play off that I was Mitchel, and he gave me a cock and bull yarn to feed you with about a woman named Rose Mitchel."

"What was that story?"

"Say, look here," said Chambers, his confidence and cunning returning as he felt himself out of danger of arrest. You don't want that fairy tale. You would rather have the true story, wouldn't you?"

"Certainly."

"Well, I'm an old timer, I am. There ain't much that's happened in the Crescent that I couldn't remember if I was paid for it."

"See here, my man, you are not dealing with Sefton now. You tell me what I want to know, and if I find it is true I'll pay you for it. But if you play any tricks, I'll make it warm for you."

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ASSETS.

First Mortgage Loans	$107 000 00
Loans secured by stock of this Association	1 400 00
Interest paid	10 898 95
Expenses and taxes paid	3 040 60
Profits	8 247 35
Cash with treasurer	42 51
Total	$130 629 40

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid up	$ 46 770 00
Premiums paid	29 009 75
Interest received	21 998 00
Fines collected	495 90
Matured stock of First series unpaid	31 800 00
Entry fees	462 25
Transfer fees	30 50
Canceled shares in treasury	63 00
Total	$130 629 40

State of Nebraska, Lincoln county, ss.

I Samuel Goozee, secretary of the above-named Association do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of the condition of said Association is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. SAMUEL GOOZEE, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day January, 1896.

H. M. GRIMES, Notary Public.

Approved: THOS. C. PATTERSON, C. F. IDDINGS, VICTOR VONGOETZ, } Directors.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, North Platte, Neb., January 7th, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on February 21st, 1896, viz:

JOSEPH W. STUMP,

who made Homestead Entry No. 16929 for the Northeast quarter of Section 12, Township 11 N., Range 30 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Acton D. Orr, of North Platte, Neb., Clifton C. Dawson, DeWitt W. Van Brocklin and Martin VanBrocklin, all of Watts, Neb.

j116 JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, North Platte, Neb., January 7th, 1896.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Abigail E. Furnish against the heirs of Mordica C. Furnish, deceased, for failure to comply with law as to Timber-culture entry No. 7658 dated October 27th, 1885, upon the south half of the Northeast quarter of Section 19, Township 9 N., Range 29 W., in Lincoln county, Nebraska, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, contestant alleging that there has never been any land broke out or cultivated in any of the years since the land was taken and that no trees have been planted on said land: the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 27th day of February, 1896, at 9 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.

j116 JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

LAND OFFICE AT NORTH PLATTE, NEB., January 4th, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at North Platte, Nebraska, on February 11th, 1896, viz:

JOHN L. McGREW,

who made Homestead Entry No. 16,869, for the east half of the southeast quarter and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter section 30, township 16 north, range 29 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: Lewis C. Elliott and Enoch Cummings, all of North Platte, Neb., Robert J. Minzie, of Myrtle, Neb., and William T. Macrander, of North Platte, Neb.

JOHN F. HINMAN,

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Taking effect January 5th, 1895.

EAST BOUND—Eastern Time.

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Office over North Platte National Bank.

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REFEREES' SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the district court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, rendered in an action pending in said court wherein Irving B. Bostwick et. al., are plaintiffs and Fannie B. Myers et. al. are defendants, the undersigned duly appointed referees in said cause will on the 13th day of February, 1896, at one o'clock p. m. at the east front door of the court house of said county, in North Platte, sell the following described real estate, to-wit: The southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, the north half of the southeast quarter and southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section twenty-seven (27), Town-ship ten (10) north of Range Thirty-one (31) west of the Sixth P. M., at public auction to the highest bidder on the following terms, viz: One-third cash and balance in three equal annual payments with interest at seven per cent per annum on deferred payments.

Deferred payments to be secured by first mortgage on said premises.

Dated North Platte, Neb., Jan'y 8th, 1896.

ORA E. ELDER, A. S. BALDWIN, GEORGE MCALLISTER, } Referees.

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