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KEARNEY'S assessed valuation is \$618,947.

YORK college turned out seventeen graduates.

THERE were three graduates from Hastings college.

The new creamery at Carroll is completed and in operation.

In some sections of Nebraska cutworms have done much damage to corn.

The funeral of ex-Senator Hitchcock at Tecumseh was very largely attended.

GRAND ISLAND will abolish wood sidewalks and no more of that character will be built.

The state school apportionment of \$362,000 is now being disbursed to the various counties.

A WAGON passed over the body of little Holey Summers of Bradshaw which caused his death.

The tow mills of the Nebraska binder twine company at Fremont are running day and night.

NATIONAL Independence day will be celebrated at the Crete Chautauqua assembly this summer on July 5.

THERE is not a vacant store in the city of Humboldt. Several new business enterprises are now under way.

The cream separator at Valparaiso, received on Monday 14,290 pounds of milk, and about 10,000 each day since.

FRED HANNAH, Omaha, out of work and despondent, took his life by poison, leaving a wife and seven children.

BUGLARS visited Red Cloud, forced an entrance into the residence of G. R. Chaney and secured quite a lot of valuables.

REV. WORTH left his home at Platt Center on Saturday and within thirty-six hours drove seventy-five miles and delivered four sermons. That's energy.

At Sutton a mad dog after biting three dogs and a cow was killed. The three bitten dogs were also killed and the cow tied up to await the developments of the poison.

The telephone line recently erected by a local company at North Platte is in working order and begins business with fifty-five subscribers, who are charged \$2 per month.

SAVES the Bradshaw Republican: "There is now standing in cribs at this place, 152,800 bushels of corn, besides the immense cribs owned by the farmers in the vicinity of this town."

A STRONG movement has been inaugurated in Weeping Water toward ridding the town of fallen women. A committee of five has been appointed to proceed systematically to that end.

The supreme court of Nebraska has adjourned for the summer vacation without passing on the Omaha charter cases. This will send the cases over until September as the court does not sit in July nor August.

Mrs. JOHN ALDER, wife of a farmer living a mile from Fairbury, committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid. She was about 45 years old and the mother of twelve children, the youngest only a few months old.

REV. J. B. MAXFIELD, presiding elder, of Omaha, was very seriously injured at Arlington. While entering the residence of Rev. Stambaugh, he slipped and fell heavily upon his face, cutting his nose and severely bruising his face.

News was received at Hastings of the drowning of Arcule Guillette of that place at New York city. He was well known at the state university at Lincoln and was reared from boyhood in Hastings. He had a sister there and one at Lincoln.

An order has been made in Washington by the superintendent of the free delivery system to increase the carrier force of the Omaha postoffice by five carriers. This order is made on account of the showing of the showing of the office.

WHILE building a fire in a kitchen stove in North Platte, Mrs. John Schramm's clothing caught fire and she was frightfully burned, her clothing being almost entirely burned off. Her wounds are serious, yet it is thought she will recover.

WILHELM CRANDALL, 17 years old, son of E. Crandall of Ainsworth, was shot with a shotgun while out riding in a cart. There was a hole in the bottom of the cart and the gun slipped through while he was trying to pull it back through the hole. Part of his collar bone was shot away. There is hope of his recovery.

The Masonic grand lodge in session in Lincoln last week elected officers as follows: Grand master, J. B. Dinsmore; Sutton; deputy grand master, Frank H. Young; Broken Bow; grand senior warden, Wm. W. Keyser; Omaha; grand junior warden, A. W. Krites; Chadron; treasurer, Chris Hartman; Omaha; secretary, W. R. Bowen, Omaha.

The farmers' excursion from Illinois arrived in Hastings last week. The visitors were met at the depot by local real estate men, who escorted them to the Lyndall hotel. Next morning they were driven about the city, after which they were taken out into the country to see the farms. The excursion is the result of the efforts of the local real estate men to combine with the eastern real estate men.

GEORGE T. HARDING, who suicided at Het Springs, Ark., was a former resident of Beatrice and a brakeman on the U. P. There he and his wife had trouble, and after moving to Valparaiso they separated, a young man who followed them being the cause of their domestic unhappiness.

In attempting to board a freight train moving at the rate of eighteen or twenty miles an hour between the stations of Cairo and St. Michael, Dwight Hamilton missed his hold and fell under the wheels and his right leg was badly crushed and mangled. He was taken to Ravenna for medical

TO FIGHT BUTTERINE.

THE WESTERN INTERESTS GET IN LINE.

Ex-Gov. Wood of Wisconsin at the Head of the Movement—Dairyman Propose to Go State Politics With a Big Vote—Farmers Enlisted in the Conflict.

To Drive Out Butterine. CHICAGO, June 21.—The creamery proprietors, the butter dealers and the dairy farmers of the big butter producing states—Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, Michigan and the Dakotas—are being formed into a compact fighting organization of not less than 500,000, and possibly more than 1,000,000 voters and vote controllers are being pledged in writing to work unceasingly for legislation that will prevent the coloring of butterine.

It is proposed, before the legislatures of these dairy states meet again to raise a great fund to drive the butterine manufacturers from their strongholds, and if the industry finds loopholes in state legislation the organization will move on Washington. W. D. Hoard of Fort Atkinson, Wis., for newly governor of Wisconsin, and president of the National Dairy union, is giving the movement all the benefit of his organizing ability and political acumen. Charles Y. Knight of Chicago, secretary of the National Dairy union and manager of the anti-butterine fight in the Illinois legislature, is secretary and treasurer of the new movement.

The National Dairy union has nearly 4,000 creameries in the north Mississippi valley, and around these the union is building up its fighting organization. Each creamery has on an average of 100 patrons, or 400,000 in all.

The price paid by the creameries to these farmers for milk is regulated by the price of butter. As extension of competition with butterine raises the price of milk, it is expected that the 400,000 farmers will rally against the butter substitute. The farmers who work up their milk into butter in their own dairies outnumber those who sell to creameries. They are expected to take an interest in this movement. The same view is held of the farmers who ship milk to the cities, the price of their product being influenced always by the price it will bring at the creameries. Then there are creamery operators and their employees, and the men who handle butter in the big cities, the commission men—all these are interested in one way and another in working for butter and against butterine. This indicates why the active spirits of the National Dairy union are figuring on a political army of 1,000,000 men or more.

The creameries are doing the enlisting. Every such institution throughout the butter-producing states of the West is being supplied with enrollment blanks, to be signed by their farmer patrons. These pledge themselves to work for anti-butterine legislation and to fight "the men in high places who are unfriendly to the dairymen." The signers also authorize the creamery manager to deduct 25 cents a month from their bills as a contribution to the campaign fund. This fund will in a short time, it is thought, amount to \$1,000,000.

STATE OF CUBAN TRADE

War Causes a Loss of \$83,000,000 During the Past Year.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—A significant report on our trade with Cuba from 1887 to 1897, prepared by Chas. F. Hitchcock of the foreign markets section of the Agricultural department, has been promulgated by Secretary of Agriculture Wilson. The statistics show very clearly the effect of present hostilities in Cuba upon the commercial intercourse of the United States with that island. During the last fiscal year, 1896, the total value of our Cuban trade amounted to only \$47,548,110 as compared with \$103,864,204 in 1893, the year preceding the breaking out of the war. This was a falling off of more than 50 per cent in three years. Returns already available for the current fiscal year indicate still further decline, the records for the nine months ending March 31, 1897, placing the total value of the trade for that period as low as \$14,926,817. At this rate the figures for the fiscal year will hardly reach \$30,000,000, or less than one-fifth the value recorded for 1893.

Killed by a Pot of Coffee.

COLUMBIA, Mo., June 21.—The 2-year-old child of W. D. Watts of Dewley Mills, near Columbia, was accidentally killed yesterday. While sitting with her parents at the dinner table a pot of coffee was turned over and its contents so frightfully scalded the child that she died in a few minutes.

Committed Suicide After Praying.

COVINGTON, Ky., June 21.—Immediately after family prayer this morning Miss Amelia Baer, aged 22 years, went into the parlor and cut her throat from ear to ear with her brother's razor. There was no known cause for the suicide. The coroner's verdict was temporary insanity.

Loomis Defends Himself.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Charles A. Loomis, late Republican candidate for Congress in the Second district of Missouri, called on Assistant Postmaster General Bristow yesterday to answer certain charges to the effect that he has been using his political standing in furtherance of an office brokerage business. The interview lasted some time, and Mr. Loomis made a strong impression on the assistant postmaster general, and gave a satisfactory explanation of the matters touched upon in the charges.

Many European Fishermen Lost.

ANTWERP, June 21.—Seven Belgian fishing boats have been lost, with all their crews, and twenty fishing boats have been lost off Scheviningen, on the Dutch coast.

In the pocket of Superintendent Morrison, who was recently killed at Cygnit, Ohio, in a nitro-glycerine explosion, there was found a silver dollar in the face of which a ten-cent piece had been embedded by the force of the explosion. On the other side of the dollar is the plain imprint of the opposite side of another dollar.

THE CUBAN POLICY.

Denial by the State Department that it is Fixed.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—It can be stated upon the best authority that all the publications purporting to outline the Cuban policy of President McKinley that have been made up to the present time have been in disregard of the fact that up to this moment the case of the United States government has not yet been made up, and that even in the discussions of the subject of the relations to Cuba that have taken place in the cabinet circles the point has not been reached where it could be said that the executive had finally determined upon any certain plan of action.

At the state department an authoritative denial is given of the statement cabled to London that General Woodford, the newly appointed United States minister to Spain, has been instructed to intimate to the Spanish authorities that if Spain should refuse to grant freedom to Cuba she must be prepared to yield to force.

General Woodford's instructions will be much more complex than are usually given to an American minister. Not only will he be charged with all of the details of the Ruiz case, which in itself promises to present formidable legal problems, but he will also take with him all evidence necessary to establish the losses suffered by United States citizens in Cuba from the continuance of the war, with much other data in support of the suggestion of this government that it can scarcely continue to countenance a prolongation of present conditions.

Upon the answer returned by the Spanish government to these representations by General Woodford will depend the course to be followed by the United States.

Before leaving for Madrid General Woodford will hold several conferences with Special Commissioner Calhoun.

NICHOLAS FORD DEAD.

An Ex-Congressman and Once Prominent Missouri Politician.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., June 21.—Ex-Congressman Nicholas Ford, who for twenty years was a prominent merchant of this city, and at one time a national figure as a Greenbacker, and who also ran for governor on that ticket, died last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. A. McDonald, at Miltonvale, Kan.

Mr. Ford was elected to Congress in the famous "shoo-fly" campaign. He served only one term, being succeeded by James M. Burnes. In 1884 Mr. Ford ran for governor against Marmaduke. He was the regular Republican nominee and was endorsed by the Greenbackers and one or two minor organizations. He received 207,939 votes, against 218,885 for Marmaduke.

CONSULAR PLACES.

The President Makes a Number of Important Diplomatic Nominations.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate: Charles L. Cook of Pennsylvania, to be consul general at Dresden, Saxony; George F. Lincoln of Connecticut, consul at Antwerp, Belgium; Walter Schumann of New York, consul at Mayence, Germany; Charles E. Turner of Connecticut, consul general at Ottawa, Canada; Hector DeCastra of New York, consul general at Rome, Italy; Hilary S. Brunot of Pennsylvania, consul at St. Etienne, France; Addison Davis James, marshal of the district of Kentucky.

WOMAN'S RARE COOLNESS.

Mrs. Kurtz of Peoria Saves Herself and Child on a Trestle Under a Train.

PEORIA, Ill., June 21.—A train of cars was pushed into a large crowd of people who were standing on the trestles of the Peoria Terminal railroad watching men drag the river for the body of William Mittemdorf, who had been drowned. Nancy Berry, aged 17 years, was run over and fatally hurt.

Mrs. Lizzie Kurtz, wife of a carpenter, lay face downward on the trestle and held her babe between the ties while the entire train passed over her. She was rescued from her perilous position in safety just in time, for she was about to drop her babe to the water below.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

Scale of Shades—Inches.

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The past week has been about 2 per cent cooler than usual in the western counties and about 2 per cent warmer than usual in the eastern counties; the average for the state as a whole has been about normal.

The rainfall has been below normal in the northern and eastern counties and above normal in the greater part of the central counties and the southern counties west of Pawnee.

The past week has been the best growing week of this season. Small grain in parts of the eastern portion of the state has suffered slightly from lack of rain, but generally grain is in excellent condition. Rye is beginning to ripen and the harvest will soon begin. Winter wheat is in full head and promises a full crop in the south-central counties. Corn has made good growth but is still very backward. Some little replanting is still being done. Even with the replanting that has been done the stand of corn is still generally poor. The alfalfa harvest has been delayed and some damage done to the crops by the heavy rains. Cherries and strawberries are ripe and are generally an excellent crop. Apples are blighted considerably and the indications now seem to be that the crop will be below the average.

The New University Building.

The state board of regents of the University of Nebraska was in session last week inspecting plans for the new engineering building, for which the legislature appropriated \$30,000. The decision was reached by accepting the plans of P. W. Grant & Co. of Beatrice.

The other firms to present plans were: C. F. Beindorff & Co., Omaha; Irvine & Co., Omaha; J. Tyler & Son, Lincoln; G. W. Schaeffer, Lincoln; C. C. Rittenhouse, Hastings, and Henry L. Page & Co. Chicago.

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THE BARTLEY TRIAL.

COURT OVERRULES THE MOTION TO DISMISS.

Judge Baker Has no Doubt About the Sufficiency of the Information—A Knockout Blow to the Defense—How It was Accepted by Mr. Bartley.

The Motion Overruled. In the Bartley trial at Omaha, counsel consumed much time in making arguments on the motion for a dismissal of the case. The motion was overruled by the court and the defense was ordered to proceed. As soon as arguments were completed Judge Baker passed upon the motion. He said there was no question in his mind about the sufficiency of the information; the question was, does the proof support the allegations and is a credit in a bank money? If a bank credit is money, that settled the whole question. The judge said that of the millions of dollars on deposit in banks only a very small proportion was in actual cash. The business of the country was done by means of checks and drafts, and in many cases not a cent of actual money passed, but no one could say that no money was involved. The state treasurer could not say that because he embezzled the checks and drafts sent in by the various counties that he did not embezzle money. The court said that the deposit in the Omaha National was not a loan, as spoken of by Judge Post in the Hill case. The bank did not borrow the money, it simply said it would safely keep the money and pay it over on demand. The state depository law provided that the state treasurer must deposit the money in a bank. When he did so the money lost its identity, but the treasurer still had control over it, and when he turned his office over to another he was supposed to have the same money.

"When Bartley drew the check in payment of the warrant I am satisfied he did not convert the check," said Judge Baker. "If the check had been presented and had not been paid then it would not have been embezzlement. When he drew the check he authorized Millard to take from the public money that amount of money. When the money was paid to Millard it was the state's money to be disposed of as he disposed of it by placing it to the credit of another bank. If Bartley had had the money in a vault and had said to Millard, 'Here, take this money out of this vault and do thus and so with it,' it would have been the state's money that he was disposing of, but Bartley took another method and the transaction was by means of a check. The check was an order authorizing the payee to take the money for him and such transaction makes the whole transaction Bartley's act. The case might have been pleaded differently, but I think the information is sufficient and the motion is overruled."

This termination of the matter was a knockout blow to the defense. The attorneys had placed great reliance on the conviction that the court would uphold them in their contention against the sufficiency of the information and the decision of the court caused a falling of countenances on the side of the table occupied by the defendant and his attorneys.

Bartley, during the trial, says the Omaha Bee, has preserved a calm and unruffled exterior except when a smile would pass over his face at some bright point made by his attorneys, but after the ruling of the court on this motion his face showed signs of mental strain, and the ruddy, healthy hue which has suffused his cheeks heretofore, was replaced by a pallor which betrayed his anxiety.

While the betrayal of feeling on the part of Bartley's counsel was less apparent in their faces than in his case, the manner in which the introduction of proof commenced by the defense showed that the blow had been a severe one.

Thousands Cheer for Their Monarch—Victoria in First-Class Health.

WINDSOR, England, June 18.—Queen Victoria arrived here from Balmoral at 9 o'clock. Thousands of people lined the route from the railroad station to the castle. Her Majesty looked the picture of health and repeatedly bowed to the cheering of her subjects. It is denied that she is nearly blind from cataract.

As to the queen's general health, evidence of its being perfectly satisfactory for a woman of her age is furnished in the fact that it was at first arranged that on returning to the palace on Jubilee day, June 23, the order of the procession would be reversed in order to enable Her Majesty to return at the earliest possible moment, but she has now decided to keep in the same place along the whole route, thus involving another half hour of fatigue in the streets.

FATHER KNEIPP DEAD.

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A Kneippverein was founded in New York and one in Chicago. An American company was organized a few weeks ago and purchased a tract of land near New York, which is to be made a second Woerishofen.

A 75-Year-Old Duellist.

PARIS, June 18.—General Rebillot, who is 75 years of age, fought a duel with swords yesterday afternoon with M. Camille de St. Croix, the author of an article on the part taken by the general in the coup d'etat of December 2, 1891. General Rebillot was wounded above the eye.

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LILUOKALANI TALKS.

Annexation Declared Not Desired by Native-Americans Blamed.

WASHING TON, June 1.—In an interview, ex-Queen Liliuokalani said of the proposed treaty between the United States and Hawaii: "Fifteen hundred people are giving away my country. The people of my country do not want to be annexed to the United States. Nor do the people of the United States want annexation. It is the work of 1,500 people, mostly Americans, who have settled in Hawaii. Of this number those who are not native born Americans are of American parentage. None of my people want the island annexed. The population of the islands is 109,000. Of this number 40,000 are native Hawaiians. The rest are Americans, Germans, Portuguese, Japanese, Chinese, English and a small proportion from other countries. The 1,500 Americans who are responsible for what was done to-day are running the affairs of the islands. There is no provision made in this treaty for me. In the Harrison treaty I was allowed \$20,000 a year, but that treaty never went into effect. I have never received one dollar from the United States. No one looked after my interests in the preparation of this treaty. Yet my people, who form so large a part of the population of the islands, would want justice done me."

TRAIN ROBBERS FOILED.

Illinois Desperadoes Betrayed by a Comrade—One Mortally Wounded.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 18.—An attempt was made late last night by three men to hold up a Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern passenger train near Selma, Ill., sixty-five miles east of here, but the attempt failed, one of the would-be robbers having informed the sheriff, who, with a posse of six men, went to the scene and found the track piled high with timbers which the desperadoes had placed at a trestle.

At the appearance of the posse the gang scattered and most of them escaped, though fired on by the sheriff and his officers. One of the robbers—Abe Tweed, a paroled convict—was shot and captured, and is now dying in jail at Salem, where he was taken. Thomas Schumaker, another ex-convict, was arrested later.

It is said that the train which left St. Louis last night carried more than \$100,000 in the express car. The trainmen are confident that, if the engine had run into a pile of ties, it, with several cars, would have been derailed and thrown down an embankment, entailing a great loss of life.

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Big Texas Property in Litigation.

CONSCANA, Texas, June 19.—Suits were filed in the district court yesterday by the attorneys for the Cartwright heirs to recover land and property in East Conscana, roughly estimated to be worth \$600,000. On it are many people and a half dozen flowing wells.

Baked the Pope's Bread.

NOTRE DAME, Ind., June 19.—Brother Bartholomew of the Order of the Holy Cross, who, for seventeen years baked all of the bread that was broken on the table of Pope Pius IX, died here yesterday morning at 1:30 o'clock.

JOHN M. FRANCIS DEAD.

Editor and Former United States Minister Passes Away.

TROY, N. Y., June 19.—John M. Francis, senior proprietor and editor-in-chief of the Troy Times, died at his home here.

John Morgan Francis was born at Prattsburgh, N. Y., March 6, 1823. He was the youngest but one of thirteen children and was early thrown on the world. After serving an apprenticeship in a printing office he became an editorial writer on the Palmyra Sentinel. He was next connected with the Rochester Advertiser and in 1846 became editor and proprietor of the Troy Northern Budget. He was a strong free soil Democrat, and earned reputation by his vigorous policy. In 1851 he left the Budget and started the Troy Times, with which he was connected up to his death.

When the Republican party was organized Mr. Francis joined it, and in May, 1851, he was made minister to Greece by President Grant. On the expiration of his term he made a tour of the world. His friend Garfield had him slated for the Belgian mission, but on his assassination President Arthur sent Mr. Francis as minister to Portugal. After holding that post for two years he was made minister to Austria.

NOCURRENCY COMMISSION.

The President Advised That the Senate Will Not Take Prompt Action.

CHICAGO, June 19.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: "It appears to be well settled that no effort will be made by the President to secure authority for the appointment of a currency commission at this session of congress. Until within a week or so the President had believed such a measure might be passed in the closing days of congress, while the two houses were in conference on the tariff bill. But the President is now advised by the Republican leaders in the Senate that it would be useless to present this question. The silver senators, it is said, have decided to oppose any such measure, and they could easily bring about considerable delay. Unless some change comes in the situation the President will be compelled, reluctantly, to permit this important matter to go over to next winter."

RATIFICATION UNCERTAIN.

No Chance for Immediate Annexation of Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Opposition to the Hawaiian annexation project has broken out much more violently than was anticipated by the administration, and the treaty will be roughly handled when it comes up in the Senate for ratification. Whether this opposition will be able to muster sufficient strength in that body to defeat ratification is a speculative problem. It looks now as though the annexation party might not be able to command the necessary two-thirds vote.

In any event, it is now taken for granted that favorable action at this special session, either in the form of treaty ratification or legislation sustaining the administration plans, will be impossible.

Preacher Killed by a Blow of the Fist.

EMET, Ind. Ter., June 19.—The Rev. J. T. Evans of the Baptist church and Elisha Bradburn went to a field to arrange a crop contract and settle a financial difficulty in regard to it. They engaged in a quarrel and Bradburn struck Evans on the neck with his fist, knocking him down. The preacher died in a few moments and Bradburn fled.

McKinley Coming West.

CHICAGO, June 19.—President McKinley and his cabinet will come to Chicago to take part in the unveiling of the John A. Logan statue in the Lake Front park. The President will review a procession of veterans on the day that promises to be one of the biggest in recent years.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKET.

Quotations From New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere.

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