

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER

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YNEILL, NEBRASKA

Marie Peary, daughter of the explorer, is the plucky little girl who was born in the Arctic regions some twelve years or so ago and about whom and her adventures there her mother has written a charming book. The Peary home is one of the wonders of the new world, if only because of the marvelous collection of furs which may there be seen. Many of these furs belong to their little daughter and there is certainly no more beautiful collection of white bear skins in America, while the famous elderdown quilt presented to the explorer's wife and child by the natives of South Greenland is quite a work of art.

"Inquiry is made now and then," said James Atkinson, of Philadelphia, "as to where Patrick Henry, the tongue of the revolution, is buried. The great orator lies in a quiet grave on the estate in Charlotte county, Virginia, where he formerly lived. Red Hill is the name of the estate, which is on the Staunton river, thirty-eight miles from Lynchburg. When Patrick Henry bought the place it comprised about 3,500 acres. One of the nearest neighbors was the celebrated John Randolph, of Roanoke, fifteen miles away. Red Hill is now owned by Henry's grandson, William Wirt Henry.

An English physician declares that it is better to keep scarlet fever patients at home, where the germs die out gradually in the fresh air, than to send them to a hospital, where they are in the midst of dozens of other cases in all stages of the disease. On their return to school the germs are likely to activity by the foul air in the room, and the disease is spread to others by coughing, etc.

Germany has forty-three large steamships in her South American service, and six more are nearly ready for launching. The forty-nine vessels aggregate 217,195 gross tons. Most of them are of recent construction, nineteen having been built in the years 1905 to 1906. They ply on four routes, all starting from Hamburg, connecting the latter port with the La Plata states and Brazil.

In 1891 Castlene Gercalon died in Oakland, Cal., leaving \$700,000 for the establishment of a hospital for incurables. The law's delay intervened and the trustees have only just received permission to proceed with the execution of the will. The buildings are to cost \$250,000, and \$500,000 is, according to the will, to be kept as a fund for the maintenance of the hospital.

Fossil of blue ivory is sometimes found in commerce, and is used occasionally in the manufacture of jewelry. It is evidently from the tusks of antediluvian mammoths buried in the earth for thousands of years, during which time they have become slowly petrified with metallic salts, which have given them a peculiar blue color, allowing them to be used as turquoise.

According to the Japanese Blue Book for 1895, the island of Japan, comprising nearly 100 main and nearly 600 adjacent small islands, has about 18,000 miles of seacoast. It has an area of 161,148 square miles. The total population was a little over 33,000,000 in 1872, and has risen to 47,702,000, being 8,659,235, for Formosa, these being the figures given at the close of 1904.

A bird which can talk in two languages and whose vocabulary consists of a few phrases is the latest addition to the London zoological gardens. The bird belongs to a species which flourishes in northern India. Three of its phrases are in an Indian dialect and the rest in English. The bird's name is Tommy and it asks all visitors "Who are you?"

Recently a third survey of the historic Mason and Dixon's line between Pennsylvania and Maryland has been completed. The new survey was not on account of any dispute as to the boundary, but for the purpose of restoring to their places many of the historic monuments along the line, first surveyed in 1767, which had been removed.

"By next January," says the London Mail, "the Royal field artillery in the United Kingdom, numbering thirty-three batteries, will be in such a condition that in case of war two batteries would have to unite to form one efficient battery for service in the field." Recruits will not come forward and there are few re-enlistments.

The advantages of motor traction are beginning to be appreciated in South Africa. In the upper part of Transvaal (Kaffraria) a series of motor cycles has recently been published, ridden by natives, to carry the mails from Mt. Frere to the outlying stations, and so on to Koksstad, a distance of seventy miles.

The immigration to this country for the fiscal year ending June 30 footed up 1,027,429 people and exceeds all previous records. It surpasses the flood tide of 1903 by almost 150,000, and means an addition of one-eighth to the population of the country in a single year, in addition to the natural increase by births.

An interesting decision by the West Virginia supreme court of appeals holds that where a street car company stops its cars for the purpose of receiving passengers it is charged with the highest degree of care to see that all passengers lawfully entering its cars get to a place of safety before starting its cars.

Organ grinders in Verrievre, Belgium, are by law compelled to appear every morning before the police superintendent and play their instruments. The organs which chance to be out of tune must be set in order before a license to play on the streets will be granted.

The Imperial Tobacco company of Great Britain reports profits for the half year ended April 30 substantially increased over the same period last year. An interim dividend of 6 per cent. has been declared on the preferred ordinary shares.

Only a stone's throw from the Elmer station on the railway up the Jungfrau mountain, Switzerland, which has just been opened, lies one of the refuge huts, "Berghutte," which it takes expert climbers nine hours to reach.

WIFE BREAKS CAMP

WHILE HE IS AT CAMP

Captain Kroeger, While Attending Nebraska Guard Encampment, Loses Wife.

FOUND HANDSOMER MAN

Little Child Was Turned Over to Another—When the Father Returns He Finds His Wife with Another.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 23.—While Captain A. W. Kroeger of the Omaha Light Infantry was pitching camp with the Nebraska national guard at Kearney this week, Mrs. Kroeger was breaking camp at the Kroeger home, 4210 Pierce street, so the records at the police station read.

Captain Kroeger returned from camp with his company. Returning home he found his 5-months-old baby in charge of the hired girl and his wife gone for parts unknown. He immediately placed the matter in the hands of the police, with the result that after several days' search Mrs. Kroeger was located Saturday afternoon by Detective Ferris in a room at Sixteenth and Cass streets with a man by the name of A. Skindind. Skindind is charged at the city jail with being a suspicious character, while Mrs. Kroeger was allowed to return to her home with her husband.

CARTRIDGE MANGLES HAND.

Beatrice Boy Picks Up Piece of Dynamite Ignorant of Nature.

Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 23.—Clarence Lash, the 13-year-old son of J. O. Lash, who lives southeast of town, was badly hurt by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge. He was playing at a sand-bank where some workmen had dropped a cartridge while engaged in blasting. Picking up the cartridge he began picking it with a pin and an explosion followed. His left hand was mangled so badly that the thumb and forefinger were amputated. A piece of flesh was blown out of the forefinger and he was also badly burned about the face. It is thought he will recover.

HIS HAND UNDER WHEELS.

Nebraska Boy Tries to Climb Up on Car with Serious Result.

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 22.—Jacob Freiden, a 7-year-old son of Samuel Freiden, had his right hand mangled and the last three fingers of his left cut off while attempting to catch on to a freight train on the Union Pacific. He was playing with a number of other boys when a train passed, moving slowly. A boy who was with him says that Jake tried to catch on to about the middle car and he fell down. He was taken to the Fremont hospital. The hand will have to be amputated at the wrist and the ends of three fingers of the other taken off.

KIDNAPED GIRL FOUND.

Nebraska Woman Finds Long Lost Family After Seventeen Years of Wandering.

Norfolk, Neb., Aug. 23.—Mrs. Herman Wippen of St. Louis arrived at Gross, Neb., today and proved to be the long lost daughter of Mike Scheinost, from whom, on a Brown county ranch, she was kidnaped eighteen years ago. She went to Butte from St. Louis, believing her father to be Anton Scheinost, but he is her uncle. She remained over night at the uncle's house and drove to Gross, an inland town, today. She had been with a circus woman till five years ago. She thought the woman, Mrs. Beard, was her mother, but the performer told her at death that her name was Lele Franklin and she had been stolen from a Nebraska town.

NEGRO WITH WANAMAKER

But Washington Did Not Escort Any Female Member of Family.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 23.—President Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial school (colored), has addressed a letter under New York date to the Age Herald, of this city, concerning his recent visit to John Wanamaker at Saratoga. He says: "I did not escort any female member of Mr. Wanamaker's family to or from the dining room. I did dine with Mr. Wanamaker and members of his family at a hotel at his request, for the purpose of talking on business, but at the time was a guest myself at a colored hotel in Saratoga."

"During the last fifteen years I have been at the hotel where Mr. Wanamaker was on three different occasions, when I was to speak at public meetings, as I was at this time, and no comment was made on it."

TAGGART DIVORCE CASE

Court Refuses to Dismiss Charges Against Four Men.

Wooster, O., Aug. 22.—Judge Eason has rendered his decision in regard to the motion filed to rule out the charges against the principal men named as co-respondents in the Taggart divorce case. Judge Eason stated that he would dismiss the charges against Captain Ritter and against Clinton Spencer of Chicago, but that he would not dismiss the charges against General Miner, Lieutenant Fortesque, Captain Bash and William Taggart. In regard to the letters, Judge Eason stated that if half of the charges against Miner, Fortesque, Bash and William Taggart, stating that the evidence so far produced must be disproved or it was against them.

VINSON WALSH KILLED.

Loses His Life in an Auto Accident—Four Others Hurt.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 21.—Vinson Walsh, son of Thomas F. Walsh of Washington, was killed, and four other prominent members of the Newport summer colony were injured in an automobile accident here Saturday afternoon.

The automobile, which was driven by young Walsh, struck the railing of a bridge spanning a creek near Eastern Point and plunged into the water.

SIDEBOARDS FOR

BANK ACCOUNTS

Golden Harvest of 1905 Is Enriching Many Nebraska Farmers.

HAVE MARVELOUS CROPS

The Same Country in Which Settlers Deserted Their Holdings Some Years Ago Is Today Yielding Bumper Crops of Grain.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 21.—The farmers of Nebraska are ordering sideboards for their bank accounts to prevent the surplusage falling overboard. Just now they are threshing out the biggest wheat harvest, with the largest average of pound weight, bushel and the best quality ever raised by the state. The golden flood has already started towards market, and at every banking center in the west huge sums of money have been gathered for the purpose of expeditiously moving it.

Finest in Quality. Grain men and railroaders crop experts say that the wheat this year is the finest in quality and in milling results that has yet been marketed in the state. Burlington crop experts, after careful computation, say that the crop will easily reach 40,000,000 bushels, against 25,000,000 last year. The average is but slightly greater—about 8 per cent. None of the grain that has been tested has gone below sixty pounds and the bulk will run from sixty-two to sixty-four. Last year the wheat ran from forty-two to six pounds.

Harvest About Finished. Harvesting is about over in the state and threshing is the order of the day. The movement of grain, judging from the quantity at the start, will be very heavy for the next two months. Manipulation in Chicago and Minneapolis, where the bulls had a long line of wheat to get rid of, has kept prices up, and there is a rush of farmers to rake in the present top prices. A 40,000,000 bushel crop means in the neighborhood of \$28,000,000 addition to the bank credit of the farmers. Many of them have wheat that will run for a bushel to the acre, and at 70 cents, the price just now, that means a good gross revenue on land that cost many of the wheat growers \$20 and \$25 an acre.

Other Crops Good. In addition to the wheat crop all conditions are favorable for large crops of cereals and grasses. Rains in the last half of May delayed corn planting for several weeks, and much shaking of heads has been indulged in over the prospect of its ripening before killing frosts comes. The hot weather of the past two weeks, however, has not only brought corn up to about its normal stage, but it has boomed every other crop, barley and rye, as well as alfalfa and prairie hay.

Eight Years of Plenty. This is the eighth successive year of big crops for the state, and not adequate provision of affairs has poured money into the laps of producers, but it has wonderfully revived every line of trade in the state. The western states have comparatively little manufactures, and these are inadequate to supply even the home demand. Every business, from the banks down to the smallest store, is bottomed upon agriculture. The one topic of conversation uppermost from April until July and from August until September is crops. Every farmer who comes to town for any purpose is viewed as to prospects, and for the entire period, when the rain is falling or being withheld, the pessimists have the time of their lives. If it rains, the wheat is hurt by rust; if it is warm and dry, the wheat is hurt by chinch bug or by rust; if it is warm and dry, the wheat is hurt by chinch bug or by rust; if it is warm and dry, the wheat is hurt by chinch bug or by rust.

Farmers Out of Debt. In these eight years every acre of farm land in the state has doubled in value, every town lot and city business property has seen an increase of 40 to 80 per cent, and there never has been such an amount of building done as in the present period. Here in the city of Lincoln 713 new houses have been put up since the 1st of October. The same story comes from every other town in the state, and there never has been a period when business failures have been so numerous. Here in the millions of dollars of mortgages have been paid off by the inhabitants of the state. This does not refer exclusively to the farmers. Millions in farm mortgages have been wiped off, and as the prosperity has reached other classes, they have reduced their debts also.

Banks Prosperous. In 1896, in the history of the state there was less than \$20,000,000 on deposit, of which but \$10,000,000 was in state banks. This week the state banking department gave out a statement showing that the total deposits, state and national, totaled up \$120,000,000, of which \$44,000,000 is in state banks, an 18 per cent. increase in one year. This is greater even than Kansas, and Bank Commissioner Royce asserts that statistics show that in the last eight years wealth more rapidly and in greater volume than any other state in the union.

Marvelous Development. Most marvelous in its development has been that portion of the state included in the short grass country, a tract that runs from southwestern Kansas across a tier of four or five counties stretching from east to west up to northwestern Nebraska. Ten years ago nobody had a good word to say for that section. Agriculture had been tried, and more than 60 per cent. of the farmers had abandoned their places and gone back to their native homes in Iowa or Illinois. There were no mineral resources. There were no forests. Droughts and hot winds had yearly killed all wheat and corn and even burned to a crisp the buffalo grass that gave the district its name. Where

neither grass nor grain can be raised is no place for cattle. Thousands of men moved away off the farms and the people of the towns followed suit. Farm houses were left tenantless and in some cases entire towns were depopulated. Everybody who remained was "agin" the government," and on the relief. Today the same district is raising big crops of wheat, oats, corn, rye, potatoes, kafir corn, alfalfa and millet. It is sending thousands of fat cattle to market, and the towns and the farms have nearly all filled up again.

Rainfall Increasing. The increased rainfall is responsible for this magic change in great part, through the use of improved methods of cultivation and conservation of moisture have played their parts. The baked soil is no longer baked and the demolition of the hard-rooted and much-matted buffalo grass and the substitution of plowed areas makes it possible to save the water that once ran off at once into streams and coulees. The statement was recently made that out of the station of old Fort Hays in Kansas the Union Pacific last year hauled 2,104 cars of grain. Twenty years ago this was down on the maps of the great American desert. Now it is the center of a big wheat belt. One-third of Kansas' wheat crop and one-fifth of that of Nebraska will be garnered from that section this year.

Farms; Gold Mines. Last year, according to the computations of the state Bureau of agricultural statistics, Nebraska farms and stock ranges produced nearly \$284,000,000, and four-fifths of this was shipped out of the state and sold. This year the volume will be greater, but whether the total receipts will be greater in proportion is a question that the markets have yet to determine. Nebraskans grow light-headed in figuring upon what will follow the repetition of this flood of dollars her way this year. Real estate will continue to rise in value, business will expand in every line, and every citizen will be almost compelled to hire somebody to count his money for him as it rolls in.

TORNADO DESTRUCTIVE.

Great Damage is Done in Lincoln County, Neb.

Wellfleet, Neb., Aug. 21.—A destructive tornado passed north of this place last night, destroying barns, crops, stock and stacks of hay. At the farm of Volney Thomas, twenty-six head of horses were crushed to death. Next in the path was Mr. Reynolds' ranch, where it killed fifty-six head of cattle and crippled many more. So far as reported no lives were lost or serious injuries inflicted.

GIRLS IN SWINDLE.

Young Woman Says They Had Her Under Hypnotic Spell.

Dodge, Neb., Aug. 21.—The arrest of two gypsy girls for obtaining property from Miss Mathiesen, a milliner of this place, has caused a good deal of interest, because of the peculiar circumstances of the case are of an unusual nature. The two girls called upon Miss Mathiesen and told her fortune and induced her to believe that she was about to have some serious troubles. They pointed out, however, that this could be averted if she would have implicit trust in them. But it was a part of their scheme to also have her deposit with them a quantity of millinery, consisting of a dozen or so of hats, some silk and ribbons and a diamond ring, which she did. The goods were not returned. The gypsies went to Howells, where they were arrested and brought back to Dodge.

NO SALOON AT HOMER.

Citizens Aid in Work of Defeating Purpose of Petitioners.

Homer, Neb., Aug. 19.—Another effort to re-establish the saloon business in this place proved futile yesterday afternoon when Odell & Smith, applicants for a liquor license, withdrew their petition asking for a license at the special meeting of the village council held this afternoon. The petitioners were represented by Attorney E. J. Eames and the remonstrators by Attorney J. E. Evans of Dakota City. Counsel for both sides agreed that the incorporation of Smith's addition to Homer was illegal.

Henry Loomis, one of the members of the town board and a resident of Smith's addition, when the facts were presented resigned his office as trustee. T. D. Curtis, who is a member under the same circumstances, he will remain in office until the courts decide otherwise. Attorney Evans, who appeared for the remonstrators, received pay for his services from the fund of \$500 which was subscribed last spring by the business men of Homer to prevent the selling of liquors, both legally and illegally in our village.

TIED TO ENGINE.

Dying Man Found Strapped to Pilot of Great Northern Engine When It Pulled Into Norfolk, Neb.

Norfolk, Neb., Aug. 21.—When the Great Northern freight train from St. Paul pulled around the curve into Brunswick, Neb., late last night, persons who stood on the platform of the station were startled with the sight of a human figure lying apparently dead on the pilot of the engine, bleeding at the mouth and strapped down to the steel horse with ropes around his waist. The man was a stranger in the vicinity and no explanation could be given to the mystery. The engineers were ignorant of his presence about the locomotive, having no sign of him at their preceding stop, Plainview, and learning nothing of him en route. The mysterious passenger was cut loose and carried into the station. It was found that he had been tied to the engine by some one, or whether, having climbed on himself and felt a fit approaching, he had tied himself down for safety, was the problem that perplexed the citizens.

ARREST DEPUTY P. M.

Official Confesses to Rifling Letters After a Decoy Betrays Him.

Shelbyville, Ind., Aug. 21.—Frank Ince, deputy postmaster, was arrested Wednesday morning by postoffice inspectors, charged with rifling letters. He was caught by a decoy letter and confessed.

LOOTED MAIL WAS

FOUND ON TRACK

Mysterious Loss of Letters on Northwestern Is Being Investigated.

DRAFTS IN MISSING MAIL

Nearly All the Mail Had Been Sorted Out for Fremont and Had Been Carried Beyond That Station—Not the First Loss.

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 19.—The finding of \$3,000 worth of drafts on the First National and Commercial National banks of this city beside the Northwestern railroad track about five miles east of Arlington, on the Omaha line, has caused a small sensation in postal circles and started an investigation in which the postal inspectors are participating in a lively way.

The drafts along with a number of letters mailed from towns along the main and branch lines of the road were found by a section foreman named J. W. Johnson, who promptly turned them over to Tom Fennell, who is vice president of the state bank at Arlington. The drafts and letters were scattered along the railroad track, indicating they had been dropped or thrown from a moving train. Some of the letters had been opened and their contents removed. The letters all bore postmarks showing they were mailed Sunday evening or Monday morning, which indicates they were placed aboard the morning Northwestern main line train that arrived in Fremont at 9 o'clock Monday morning. How they came to be carried past this place to which they were plainly postmarked is a mystery the authorities are trying to solve.

The consignment of drafts to the First National bank of this city was sent from Creston, Platte county, a town on the Scribner line. The papers had been paid by the Creston bank and were sent to the bank here for record. They are valueless to anyone but the Creston bank, and that institution will not be loser since they will reimburse it upon the showing of its records.

SECTION HAND'S RISE.

Rapid Advance Made by Hugh Wilson, of Lincoln, in Six Years.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 19.—Burlington railroad officials in Lincoln have been advised of the appointment of Hugh Wilson as division superintendent on the Missouri Pacific railroad with headquarters in Carthage, Mo. Mr. Wilson is only 29 years old. He is one of the youngest division superintendents on any American railroad. His advancement has been rapid. Six years ago he was a section hand on the Burlington in Nebraska. He is a graduate of the engineering department of Nebraska university.

QUARRELED; KILLED SELF.

Farmer Commits Suicide as Result of a Divorce Suit.

St. Paul, Neb., Aug. 18.—On the day that the assault and battery case between himself and his wife was to have been heard, Joseph Toman, a Bohemian farmer, killed himself three miles east of here by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. Two months ago Toman's wife filed a petition for divorce, alleging cruelty. She had been married to Toman a year and a half. Toman is a farmer and his wife is a housewife. Toman filed a cross-petition, charging infidelity, and naming two well known citizens and a non-resident as co-respondents. A bitter family feud resulted. Last week Toman went to the house of the Sofks and threatened to shoot the woman and take poison unless the suit was dismissed. Mrs. Toman then filed a charge of assault and battery.

NEBRASKA WOMAN SUICIDES.

Mrs. Bertha Finney, of Lincoln, Shoots Herself in Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—Mrs. Bertha E. Finney, of Lincoln, Neb., shot herself in the left temple yesterday at the home of a sister, Mrs. W. W. Oakes, in this city, and died as a result three hours later. Mrs. Finney was one of the wealthy women of Lincoln. Her first husband, C. P. Quick, was a Nebraska pioneer. Her second husband was E. F. Finney, father of Dr. E. B. Finney, of Lincoln.

FOR WAR; NOT WORK.

Fifty Private Soldiers Have Deserted from Fort Snelling.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 19.—A wholesale desertion of privates from the army post at Fort Snelling was reported at army headquarters here today, when it was announced that about fifty privates had quietly left the post without asking the permission of the commanding officer and without leaving their future addresses. The cause of the desertion is said to have been a disinclination on the part of the men to do manual labor. The desertion occurred shortly after August 1, when the men were paid. The government recently purchased a large tract of land to extend the rifle range at the post, and instead of hiring common labor to do the work, it pressed the privates to do the leveling and grading.

KEEP SAILORS IN CHAINS

Bark Dundee Reaches Singapore with Mutinous Crew.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 19.—With her mutinous crew the British bark Dundee has arrived at Singapore from Java, according to a telegram received here today. The Dundee was bound from Bremen to Anjer, and in the Japan port her crew refused to do further duty. Several of the ringleaders were placed in irons and with these men out of the way she set sail for Singapore with the intention of prosecuting the men.

THREE DEAD; TEN INJURED

Trolley Car and Fast Train in Accident—Said to Be Fault of Gate Tender.

Cincinnati, O., Aug. 19.—Through the mistake or negligence of some one a fast running through express from New York to Cincinnati on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern crashed into a Winton Place trolley car on the grade crossing at Mitchell avenue, Winton Place, a suburb of this city, last night, and three people were killed and ten others injured.

WOMAN AND HER

CHILDREN ARE LOST

Dark Mystery in Disappearance of Saline County Farmer's Wife.

USELESS SEARCH IS MADE

Footprints in a Corn Field Are the Only Trace So Far Discovered—It Is Feared Woman Became Insane from Heat.

Wilber, Neb., Aug. 18.—Mrs. Slama, wife of Joseph Slama, a farmer living about nine miles southwest of Wilber, disappeared from her home with her little stepdaughter, aged 6, and her own child of about a year, last Thursday evening. She had been to town in the afternoon, where she appeared in her usual health and rational, and invited some friends to pass Sunday on the farm. On returning home she sat on the porch while other members of the family did the evening chores. When supper was ready she and the children were missing and no trace of them has yet been found except some footprints in a cornfield where they had eaten green corn. Search has been made by friends ever since, but nothing has resulted. A systematic search by citizens under the direction of the sheriff will be had today.

No cause is known for the woman's strange disappearance except that she has been for years a great sufferer from acute headache and the excessive heat may have affected her mind. FARMER SHOT AT BOY. Two of the Shots Took Effect in Lad's Body. Norfolk, Neb., Aug. 18.—Because he swam in the Elkhorn river at a spot where a sign had "Keep Out," Barney Elseifer, aged 20 years, was shot twice by a farmer named Dietz. The two charges from the shotgun splintered Elseifer's right leg, the thigh and ankle, and it is not known whether he can recover. Elseifer, with a crowd of boys, was bathing in the river and had waded into Dietz's premises. Dietz approached, loaded gun in hand, ordering the swimmers to leave. Their repartee angered him and he shot at the crowd, the loud striking Elseifer. Dietz then took the swimmers' clothing and when they attempted to regain the garments he ordered them to halt. Still pursued, he deliberately shot Elseifer, but a few feet distant. The gun was wrested from him, still containing a loaded shell, after a hard battle. Officers have gone for Dietz. He had frequently threatened the boys. Elseifer is the only son of J. B. Elseifer, Norfolk, Union Pacific railroad station agent at Norfolk. Young Elseifer is handsome and popular. The citizens are highly enraged.

MANY A MOUTH WATERY

Sunken Steamer and Cargo of Whisky Found After Fifty Years.

Bellevue, Neb., Aug. 17.—After lying in the mud and under the stream and river for fifty-three years the old steamboat City of New Orleans has been discovered by the recent high water and its cargo of 160 barrels of whisky probably will be recovered. The remains of the boat were found two miles above this place. The finders had placed guards in charge and are rigging a derrick above the old hull so that the barrels may be hoisted out. The City of New Orleans was one of the early steamboats which plied the Missouri river and was owned by Captain La Barge of St. Louis. In 1852 the boat went up stream, having a cargo of 160 barrels of whisky for traders near Sioux City. Near night the vessel struck a snag and sank, the crew taking to the boats. The hull drifted with the stream and, although efforts were made at the time to locate it they were unsuccessful. Originally the cargo was supposed to have been valued at \$75,000, but fifty-year-old whisky is worth much more today than the same grades were when new. During the high water of this spring the Missouri began cutting into the bank above Bellevue, with the result that when John McCarthy and another resident of Bellevue island were rowing to the mainland they were astonished to see the remains of an old steamboat firmly embedded in the sand, only a portion being above water. The story of the City of New Orleans is known all along the river here and the news quickly spread. McCarthy made a hasty examination and discovered the whisky barrels in the hold.

CORN YARNS FROM NEBRASKA

Dubois, Neb., Aug. 115.—Nearly 7,000 people from the surrounding country attended the corn carnival here yesterday. It required fifteen ears of corn to feed the multitude.

Pierce, Neb., Aug. 15.—While J. H. Williams was hauling a small ear of corn to town yesterday, the weight of the ear on the wagon broke down on the bridge over Dry creek and Williams' valuable team of mules was killed.

Hartington, Neb., Aug. 15.—A terrible accident, which cost nine lives, occurred at St. James, a village near here, last night, during a light wind storm. During the height of the wind a stalk of corn growing in the yard of the home of J. M. Comeback toppled over on the house, crushing it like an egg shell and killing Mrs. and Mrs. Comeback, their four children, a servant girl and two hired men.

Emerson, Neb., Aug. 15.—John D. a 2:04 trotter owned by Dr. T. B. Meadows, valued at \$8,000, was choked to death last night. Dr. Meadows was attending a patient a mile west of town. The doctor had tied the horse to a corstallk in the yard. A light rain was falling and the stalk grew so fast that when the doctor returned the horse had been lifted clear off the ground and choked to death.

O'Neill, Neb., Aug. 15.—The Short Line local, No. 13, eastbound, was wrecked here this morning in a peculiar manner. A corn seed which had probably fallen from a freight car took root alongside the track and grew so fast that it pushed the track clear off the right-of-way. This occurred this side of a deep cut a mile west of town, and before the engineer could stop the train it ran onto the "pushout" and was wrecked. Fortunately the train was slowing up for the Elkhorn bridge, a few hundred yards further on and no one was hurt.