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YNEILL, NEBRASKA

There is a legend among the Cornish miners that St. Piran, an Irish hermit, was the discoverer of tin. His ancient church in the parish of Perranzabuloe, in Cornwall, laid bare of sand by sea many years ago, has recently been repaired. Cornish miners still keep the feast of St. Piran, forgetting that their forefathers long previously sold it to the Phoenicians. Possibly the legend points to the fact that this Irishman was a skillful metallurgist.

Lloyd George, now a member of the British cabinet, was addressing a meeting in Wales, and his chairman said: "I half to introduce you to the member of Carnarvon borough. He has come here to reply to what the bishop of St. Asaph said the other night about Welsh disestablishment. In my opinion, gentlemen, the bishop of St. Asaph is one of the biggest liars in creation; but he has his match in Lloyd George!"

The late Oorden Goelet, when a director in a gas company, was called upon to pass upon the making of a contract with another company. He said to his fellow directors: "Gentlemen, I happen to be a director in that company and I never will consent to be a director in one company and pass upon business with another company in which I am a director. I will resign first." And resign he did.

Until the age of 11 or 12, boys are taller and heavier than girls. Then the girls for the next few years surpass the boys both in weight and height; but the boys soon overtake and pass them. Sons of non-laboring parents are taller and heavier than those of laboring parents. The heads of girls are a little rounder than those of boys, and always a little smaller.

Ray Vanetlesch, a newspaper man, broke the world's typing record at Pueblo, Colo., taking 2,600 words during the first thirty minutes, and finishing the hour with 4,917 words, over the long distance telephone from Denver, 120 miles away. The previous hour record, 5,830 words, was made by Paul Mander, at New York, on November 4, 1905.

When any one with normal eyesight stands at right angles to a ray of sunlight it is easy to see floating dust particles which are not discoverable with the aid of the strongest microscope. What is seen by the unaided eye is not the particle of solid matter, but the cone of light reflected from it and occupying a much greater space.

In Switzerland a state monopoly covers both the distillation and sale of all intoxicants, and much good has already resulted, at the same time bringing in an annual revenue to the government of \$1,000,000. The money is distributed among the cantons, with the proviso that 10 per cent. be spent in combating intemperance.

The time required for a journey round the earth by a man walking day and night, without resting, would be 428 days; an express train, forty days; sound, at medium temperature, 2 1/2 hours; light, a little over one-tenth of a second, and electricity, passing through a copper wire, a little under one-tenth of a second.

Toistoy has lately added bookbinding to the numerous skilled trades which he already practices. He spent the first half of the past winter in binding in leather a library of four hundred paper-bound volumes, doing everything from the making of the covers to the gliding and lettering with his own hands.

Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) has purchased a summer home in Redding, Conn. Deeds have been passed conveying to Mr. Clemens the Noah Boutor farm of eighty-five acres on the west side of the town, close to the homes of several well known literary men who spend their summers there.

Yellow spectacles for weak eyes were recommended by Dr. Motals in a paper he read before the Academy of Medicine at Paris. The doctor declares that yellow is very soothing to weak eyes, and that for fifteen years he has prescribed glasses of this color with excellent results.

An unfortunate Parisian the other day happened to call for professional assistance on a dentist who was insane. The dentist pulled out eight of his patient's teeth, quieting his objections with a revolver. Afterward he shot two policemen, while being arrested.

H. K. Raine, a London artist who paints in the wax, has executed a portrait of W. P. Frith, R. A. for the next Royal Academy exhibition, London. "I have done it in five sittings," he says. "If I had done it in the light it would have taken double the time."

In a recent speech at Taunton, England, the bishop of Bath and Wells said it was sin for a man of leisure to take the Lord's day for pleasure, but a hard-worked man, who never had a chance for a recreation except on that day, did no wrong to take it then.

Sir William C. Van Horne, chairman of the Canadian Pacific, said in an interview that work on 400 miles of second track on the Canadian Pacific was already in progress and that that route would be the first double track line across the continent.

Opposition is growing in Germany to the present system of education, which gives so much time to the learning of dead languages. It is argued that the game is not worth the candle, except for those who intend to teach languages.

The manioc root of Madagascar yields almost 95 per cent. of sugar. It has been used extensively for the manufacture of starch and glucose, and several Paris distillers are now making from ten to thirteen gallons of crude alcohol.

A model of a Newfoundland dog it back and white, by C. W. Witt, was one of the sights of the London exhibition of 1881. It was sold for \$5,250 to the late John Corbet. At the recent sale of his effects it brought \$394.

In Australian gold mines it is considered that ventilation becomes bad when the proportion of oxygen falls below 20 per cent. or less than seventy cubic feet of air a minute is supplied for every man working in a mine.

Germany ate 96,834 horses in 1905 which was 15,522 more than in 1904. Also 467 more dogs were eaten, not counting the careful statistician adds, those dogs which were slaughtered privately for table uses.

Miss Florence L. Nicholson, secretary of a London children's dinner fund said the other day: "It is a common thing in the slums of Bethnal Green to see a baby sucking a whisk steered in gin."

ROSEWATER IS IN RACE FOR SENATOR

Editor of Omaha Bee Has His Candidacy Launched by Son.

NO CONTEST OF DOLLARS

This Sort of Conflict Is Said to Be Tabooed—Governor Mickey Said to Have Eye on the Same Place.

Omaha, Neb., May 9.—The Omaha Bee this morning contains the following article announcing the candidacy of Edward Rosewater for United States senator: "Many people in all parts of Nebraska have for some time been urging that Edward Rosewater become their candidate for United States senator. Responding to these requests, he hereby announces for my father in his absence at Rome as the official representative of the United States at the Universal Postal congress that a delegation will be offered for the endorsement of the Republicans of Douglas county and I invite the co-operation of Roosevelt republicans throughout the state for his nomination in state convention."

"The position of Edward Rosewater on public questions is too well known to require repetition. For more than a third of a century he has been working as a consistent republican in season and out of season for the very measures that constitute the principal features of the legislative program now advocated by President Roosevelt. His whole political career has been an unrelenting battle for the common people against the domination of corporate interests and the encroachment of over-greedy capital."

Could Serve Nebraska.

"All the property interests of Mr. Rosewater are in Nebraska, to whose upbuilding he has devoted his life energy, and as senator he would have no interests elsewhere to divert or divide his attention. His intimate familiarity with the resources and needs of Nebraska and his wide personal acquaintance with influential public men should make him most useful in the service of his fellow citizens as their representative at Washington. Were it not for the conviction that he could in that capacity accomplish substantial good for the development and prosperity of Nebraska and the west he would not consent to submit his name for consideration."

"One thing more should be distinctly understood in advance. Mr. Rosewater will not enter into a contest of dollars to secure the nomination for United States senator; he could not if he would and would not if he could. He will look to the whole people of Nebraska to elect the man who has championed for so many years, as well as to the substantial business interests to rally to his support. But neither will he be a mere passive candidate. A vigorous effort will be made in his behalf, if necessary, both in his home county and other counties."

"All Nebraskans who want their state represented in the United States senate by a man of mental vigor and positive opinions on every important question of the hour who at the same time is absolutely free from corporation strings are cordially invited to join in this movement. I also invite all in accord with Mr. Rosewater's candidacy to communicate with me."

"Victor Rosewater."

Mickey May Be Candidate.

Lincoln, Neb., May 7.—Governor Mickey, according to a number of his political friends, will not desert in his efforts to secure the senatorial endorsement of the next republican convention. His decision to remove to Omaha is regarded as the first move in that direction.

The victory of Mayor-elect Dahlman is regarded by Lincoln politicians as the death blow to the candidacy of John L. Webster. It is declared that Mickey will meet with bitter opposition. Wattle is too rich and Rosewater impossible on account of the pugnaciousness of his political enemies.

So the Mickey adherents will suggest an Omaha candidate by adoption. Mickey will pledge Omahans his services as a resident senator and hope for support as a compromise candidate. Friends of Norris Brown have foreseen this move and have been laboring to get Mickey in the race for a third term.

The boom of Mayor Miles, of Hastings, has been emphasized by the endorsement of the United Commercial Travelers. He was pledged the hearty support of that organization, and each member has promised to boom the interests of Miles in all parts of the state.

KILLING FROST IN NEBRASKA.

Fared That the Fruit Crop Has Been Seriously Damaged.

Lincoln, Neb., May 9.—There was a killing frost in parts of Nebraska Saturday night, but the damage done cannot be accurately measured. Frost covered the ground in this county, and at Broken Bow ice was formed. The principal damage will be to fruit.

FREMONT WILL OWN PLANT.

Will Appropriate Money for Erection of Electric Light Works.

Fremont, Neb., May 9.—At a special meeting the city council adopted the report of Expert Chapman and decided to rebuild the municipal light and water station at an estimated cost of \$82,000. A call is to be issued for a special election next month, when the question of issuing bonds will be voted upon. It is the intention to have the plant ready for operation by December 1.

THREE SCORE AND TEN.

Uncle Joe Cannon Has Prayer Offered in His Behalf.

Washington, May 7.—Speaker Cannon is 70 years old today. When "Uncle Joe" ascended to the rostrum in the house long continued applause followed his steps. The chaplain prayed for him.

MEETS HORRIBLE DEATH.

Butler County Farmer Mangled by Disc Pulverizer in a Run-away.

LOST HER MIND IN THE WOODS

Strangely Affected Young Woman an Inmate of Nebraska Asylum.

CONTINUES IN TERROR

When a Babe She Was Lost in an Iowa Forest, and Her Mind Has Been a Blank Ever Since—News of the State.

Fairbury, Neb., May 8.—W. F. Downey, superintendent of the Jefferson county poor farm reports under his charge at that institution a woman apparently 25 years of age and endowed with good physique and splendid health, but lacking intelligence. When she starts out walking she keeps going in the same direction until headed off and is unable to return to the starting point; in fact does not know when she gets back. She has a vacant stare, and has to be watched like an infant.

It seems that when 3 years of age her parents were living in one of the forests of Iowa and that she wandered away from home and became lost among the tall trees and wandered for twenty-four hours and when a searching party found her, she had the same vacant stare in her eyes that she retains to this day. She knew no one then and to this day she is in the same condition. It matters not whether surrounded by her family or strangers, they are all the same.

The mental agony she endured during the long night that she roamed the woods alone as a little child, how long a life a blank and she is hopeless. Her family she is neither crazy, nor is she an idiot, but she seems to know less than either. Her parents cared for her the best they could, but reverses finally compelled them to make application to the county for admission to the asylum. She is now in the county farm southwest of Fairbury.

WAS IT WORK OF MAFIA?

Mysterious Explosion at Omaha Believed by Police to Be Work of Italian Black Hand Society.

Omaha, Neb., May 8.—A mysterious explosion, followed by fire, completely destroyed two small dwellings at 517 and 521 North Fourteenth street, this morning.

The police believe the explosion to be the work of members of the Italian mafia or "Blackhand" society. The house where the explosion occurred was occupied by the family of Peter Grangrossy, an Italian, and Grangrossy indicates that he has been threatened. The explosion was at first thought to have been caused by a gasoline stove, but an investigation later disclosed that the explosion had occurred under the house. The brick foundation was blown away in two places and a hole torn in the building from cellar to roof.

The adjoining house was wrecked and caught fire from the flames which immediately enveloped Grangrossy's dwelling after the explosion. No one was injured.

'PHONES OUT OF COMMISSION.'

Inside, Neb., May 5.—During an electrical storm lightning struck a telephone wire and ran into the switching board at central, putting the telephones all out of order and most of the 'phones could not be used for two or three days. People sitting around in the postoffice when the lightning struck received quite a fright, as the telephones rattled like pistols and the whole box seemed on fire.

KEARNEY BOY BADLY BURNED.

Kearney, Neb., May 5.—While engaged in filling the holder of a gasoline stove with gasoline, Reiley Irvine, the 15-year-old son of Mrs. Anna Irvine, was seriously burned through an explosion. The accident happened in Young's barber shop, where the boy has been employed as a porter.

BOY STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

Exeter, Neb., May 5.—As the passenger train on the Northwestern was coming in the switching yards, Denney Glenn, a boy about 10 years old, was struck by the engine and received several bad cuts on his face. The boy was in company with two other boys, and was walking on the track, which he thought was the sidetrack, but proved to be the main line.

DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN.

Subcommittees Named to Assist National Body.

French Lick Springs, Ind., May 5.—Thomas Taggart, chairman of the democratic national convention, has made the following announcement: In a conference held in Washington some weeks ago between the national chairmen of the various state democratic committees, Senator Bailey of Texas and other prominent democrats, the advisability of appointing a subcommittee of the national convention to cooperate with the congressional committee was fully discussed, and it was deemed by all that a subcommittee of the national committee would be very beneficial in assisting the congressional committee in the coming campaign, and as the result of this conference the following subcommittee has been named:

- G. M. Guffy, Pennsylvania; R. M. Johnson, Texas; J. Taylor, Illinois; Virginia; C. W. Woodson, Kentucky; Roger Sullivan, Illinois; Timothy G. Ryan, Wisconsin; John W. McGraw, West Virginia.

Chairman Taggart, of the national committee, will also be a member. Headquarters will be opened in Washington and a meeting of the subcommittee and the congressional committee will be held at an early date.

NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT.

New York, May 5.—The bank statement for the week shows that the banks hold \$3,869,525 over legal reserve requirements, a decrease of \$4,467,855 under last week.

Loans increased..... \$2,960,000
Deposits decreased..... 1,400,000
Circulation decreased..... 250,000
Legal tenders decreased..... 1,232,600
Specie decreased..... 3,870,000
Reserve decreased..... 4,830,200
Surplus decreased..... 4,361,575
Excl. S. deposits decreased..... 2,712,275

Washington—Because they don't get milk and butter to eat, thirteen members of the baseball team of the Fourth battery of field artillery, stationed at Fort Meyer, have turned in their uniforms and refused to play. "Butter and milk or no baseball" is the ultimatum.

PAT CROWE TRIES TO KILL HIS SWEETHEART

Breaks Down Door of Her House and Terrorizes the Inmates.

HE ESSAYS A NEW ROLL

Notorious Kidnaper of the Cudahy Boy Wanted to Commit Murder, but, as Usual, He Escaped the Police Officers.

Omaha, Neb., May 5.—Pat Crowe, kidnaper of Edward Cudahy, figured in a sensational house breaking and shooting affair at the home of George A. Warner Tuesday night. Crowe went to the Warner home about 10 o'clock and asked to see Miss Hazel Montgomery, who had been living there. Mr. Warner informed the bandit that the young woman was not there and they slammed the door in his face. Crowe then kicked in the door, leveled a gun at Mr. and Mrs. Warner and declared he would kill them both if they did not reveal the hiding place of Miss Montgomery, and with a huge revolver still in his hand, began a systematic search of the house for the woman, but could not find her. With numerous parting oaths, Crowe left the house, declaring he would return again.

Meanwhile Warner telephoned police headquarters and Detective Ferris was sent out to await Crowe's return. The detective secreted himself in front of the house and didn't see Crowe when he returned to the alley. The detective followed Crowe for half a mile, when he was lost track of. Crowe had been paying attentions to Miss Montgomery, but she had been trying to avoid him, as he had threatened her on several occasions. Miss Montgomery, who is a daughter of Dr. Ayers of this city, met Crowe while he was incarcerated in the Douglas county jail. Out of a spirit of curiosity she called on him, carrying him flowers and dainty edibles. While his trial was in progress Miss Montgomery was a constant spectator in the court room and her constant attention to the prisoner soon ripened into love.

He told her that he was going on the road at a salary of \$1,000 a week after he was cleared and wanted her to marry him. Monday he persuaded her to call at his house and compelled her to remain there. Tuesday, when she threatened to expose him, he is said to have choked her and then drew a knife across her throat, declaring he would kill her if she attempted to leave.

An opportunity for her to escape presented itself Tuesday afternoon and Miss Montgomery fled to the Warner home for protection. It is learned that Crowe has gone to his brother's home in Council Bluffs. As he is only charged with assault and battery, no effort will be made to arrest him until he returns to Omaha.

GIRL DROWNED IN A SLOUGH.

Heavy Rains Raised Water, and in Crossing It Girl Lost Her Footing.

Lincoln, Neb., May 5.—Miss Agnes Tomaneck, 18 years old, daughter of Frank Tomaneck, a widow, was drowned in a slough on her mother's farm, three miles south of here. With a sister, 12 years old, Agnes had crossed the slough to milk the cows. Returning home they failed to notice that the heavy rainfall—the greatest here—had swollen the water in the slough to a dangerous depth. Agnes lost her footing and fell. She caught at the dress of the younger sister to save her, but the little girl was unable to pull her out and ran home and gave the alarm. The body was found three-fourths of a mile down the slough.

CHAMPION SHORTHORN COW.

Produces 10,487 Pounds of Milk and 482 of Butter in a Year.

Lincoln, Neb., May 5.—Florence Aldridge, Nebraska's experimental station at the state farm, is the champion Shorthorn cow of the world, according to information derived from statistics compiled by Professor Archibald Haacker. Florence, who is a pure bred Shorthorn, about 8 years old, during the last year produced 10,487 pounds of milk, which made 482.84 pounds of butter. No other cow of her breed has ever equaled this record.

The greatest butter producing cow in the world is a Guernsey, Yexa Sunbeam, of Rosendale, Wis. Last year she produced 14,900 pounds of milk, from which 1,000.15 pounds of butter were made. During the last year at the Nebraska state farm a careful record has been kept for purposes of comparison between Florence, the Shorthorn, and a pure blood Holstein cow, Karen II. Karen produced 11,955.7 pounds of milk, from which 473.21 pounds of butter were made, the exceeding the Shorthorn in milk by 508.7 pounds, but falling below in butter by 3.63 pounds. An offer of \$500 has been made to Professor Haacker for the Shorthorn cow, but it has been refused.

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MAYOR MAKES APPOINTMENTS.

Tekamah, Neb., May 3.—At an adjourned meeting of the city council the following appointments were made by Mayor Anderson and confirmed by the council: City attorney, Walter M. Hopewell; marshal and night watchman, W. F. Howell; street commissioner, J. H. Crom; engineer, J. W. Sherman; cemetery sexton, J. S. Robinson.

KILLED BY LIVE WIRE.

Davenport Lad Electrocutted in Basement of a Saloon.

Davenport, Ia., May 3.—John Gaidlett was killed by live wire in the basement of a saloon. He was a boy about 15 years of age.

STATE DENTISTS ELECT.

Officers Chosen for Ensuing Year—Convention at Cedar Rapids Next.

Des Moines, Ia., May 3.—The State Dental association, elected Cedar Rapids for the next meeting place and elected the following officers: President, W. M. Finn, Cedar Rapids; vice president, C. E. Woodbury, Council Bluffs; secretary, L. Topliss, Des Moines; treasurer, G. W. Shiffner, Burlington; ex-council, W. G. Crandell, Spencer; F. W. Conover, Decorah; H. F. Echtermach, Marshalltown.

DEMOCRATIC MAYOR ELECTED AT OMAHA

Nebraska Metropolis Democratic—The First Time in Sixteen Years.

J. C. DAHLMAN THE MAN

Won by Big Majorities, Pulling All His Ticket With Him With the Exception of One Republican Councillman.

Omaha, Neb., May 4.—For the first time in sixteen years Omaha has elected a democratic mayor. The weather was beautiful—in fact, what might be termed republican weather—but it was a Dahlman day, and when the votes were counted the democratic candidate for mayor had been elected by 2,500. The balloting began early, fast and furious, and never ceased until the polls closed at 6 o'clock. The use of the voting machines again proved troublesome to people who wanted to scratch tickets, but expeditious in the counting.

The first returns came in over the phone from the Fourth precinct of the Sixth ward at exactly four minutes past 6 o'clock, and within an hour every one of the fifty-four precincts of the city had reported and the figures were in the way of tabulation. At first it looked as if Dahlman, with his big plurality, had pulled through with him, all of his associates on the democratic ticket, but final footings show that of the republican nominees had won one of the republican nominees, had won out. The worst beaten man on the ticket is John H. Webster, mayor elect, who was party chief on the republican ticket, who fell behind Withnell, his democratic opponent, by over 4,200 votes. The range of the voting is seen from this tremendous democratic plurality to Zimmerman's republican plurality of more than 1,000.

GOOD WEATHER IN NEBRASKA.

Official Reports for the Week Show Conditions Are Favorable.

Lincoln, Neb., May 4.—The following is an extract from the weekly crop report: "The weather of the past week was warm with an excess of sunshine and brisk to high southerly winds on Tuesday, Wednesday, and most of Thursday. Cloudiness increased Thursday night and a light shower occurred in places. Friday was partly cloudy and somewhat cooler, with heavy showers in the afternoon or evening, accompanied in a few southwest counties by some hail. Saturday and Sunday were partly cloudy, with a few light showers. The past week averaged warmer than usual in nearly all parts of the state. The excess ranged from 3 to 8 degrees. The lowest temperatures were 60 degrees and occurred on several days the latter part of the week. The rainfall was above the normal in nearly all parts of the state. It ranged from less than half an inch in the northwestern counties to more than three inches in several central counties."

TRIAL IS POSTPONED.

Man Who Attempted to Kill Three People Will Be Tried May 15.

Windsor, Neb., May 2.—The trial of August Miller, who attempted to kill his wife, father-in-law and mother-in-law near here March 22, has been postponed until May 15 to allow the father-in-law, Fred Koneck, who here had recovered from his wounds, to testify. The trial comes off at Stanton.

NEW COUNCIL AT PIERCE.

Pierce, Neb., May 2.—The new city officials were installed in office last night, viz: Woods Cones, mayor; Frank Moirman, clerk; M. Inhelder, treasurer; George W. Little, police judge; M. F. Hentzel, engineer; W. B. Donaldson and H. C. Miller, councilmen from the East ward; H. W. Bach and W. E. Powers, councilmen from the West ward. The members of the council had agreed to support J. A. Long for the office of Marshal and accordingly he was appointed by Mayor Cones. Mr. Long was not an applicant for the position, but was elected there being no understanding he would serve if chosen. Four saloon licenses were granted. There were five saloons last year, but one did not apply this year, probably on account of lack of patronage. As the Fremont Brewing company have the building rented for a term of years it is quite probable that there will be another saloon in the building. The four saloonkeepers have signed a paper agreeing that their saloons will be kept closed on Sunday—both front and back doors so the thirty mortals will have to go dry on Sunday hereafter. The new councilman at it like old timers and are planning to extend the water mains and make other improvements the coming year.

New York—Ready to commit murder, if necessary for his own safety, a burglar broke into the house of George E. Gale, in Brooklyn. He confessed himself thwarted in his design when a finger ring, bearing the initials of the burglar, was thrust into his hand, and he was asked to take it and go. The ring was valuable intrinsically—far more valuable than any loot the midnight intruder carried away, but declaring himself to be a member of the same fraternity as the man whose house he had entered, he cast the ring aside and fled. That he was a professional cracksmen of more than ordinary acumen the police have determined.

Pittsburg, Pa.—I am like a jelly fish. I float all around and touch this one and that one, and if they respond I embrace them." This statement was made by the Rev. Charles T. Russell to his wife, the latter testified in her suit for divorce. Russell owns a concern devoted to issuing publications advocating his interpretation of scriptures. He doesn't believe in hell, Mrs. Russell testified she wrote much of the matter that made her husband famous. She said her husband's head was turned by the adulation of other women.

BAILEY LEFT \$5,000,000

Will of the Great Showman is Filed in the East.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., May 1.—The will of James A. Bailey, the circus king, was filed in the Westchester surrogate's office at White Plains, Mr. Bailey leaves his entire estate to his widow, Ruth Louise Bailey, and names her as sole executrix. The estate is believed will amount to more than \$5,000,000, but the value is not given in the tax affidavit. Much to the surprise of many of his friends, Mr. Bailey did not name his successor as the head of the Barnum & Bailey circus. It is believed that Mrs. Bailey will favor the selection of her brother, Joseph McCaddon, who since the death of his wife has been living at the Bailey mansion in Mount Vernon.

EX-GOVERNOR BOYD, OF NEBRASKA, DEAD

Prominent Westerner Passed Away at Omaha After Long Illness.

LED A STRENUOUS LIFE

Had to Go to the Supreme Court of the Nation in Order to Get Possession of the Governor's Office.

Omaha, Neb., May 3.—James E. Boyd, former governor of Nebraska, died at 2:30 yesterday afternoon at his home, Nineteenth and Davenport streets, after a long illness. His wife, his daughters, Mrs. Bierbower and Mrs. D. O. Clark; his son James E. Boyd; sister, Mrs. C. T. Taylor, and D. O. Clark were beside him at the end.

Former Governor Boyd had been unconscious since Sunday afternoon. In the morning he made a gesture with his hand, to signify that he did not wish more nourishment, saying, "I am dying and I know it." Since that time life has been sustained by injections.

James E. Boyd lived a life that made history for Nebraska—the state in which he spent practically a half century of it. As a fighter in public life his record as legislator, councilman, mayor, governor, water commissioner—all stands out in bold relief. The only man the supreme court of the United States ever declared by its degree to be a citizen of the United States, his name occupies a prominent place in the constitutional law of the country. As a capitalist and investor, his buildings remain as the substantial testimonial of his success. As a man of strong friendships, and of courage in strong hatreds—the latter forgiven in their own good time—he leaves the memory of a personality that will be borne until the present generation shall have passed away.

native of Ireland, born in the County Tyrone, September 8, 1834, he came to America as a boy with his father, settling in Belmont county, Ohio, in June, 1844. After the age of 13 years he had never attended school a day. Yet he was educated to a high degree—not the rough and ready education of most self-made men—but with thoroughness and polish that made him at ease everywhere.

In 1856, he came to Omaha with his brother, John M. Boyd, and they worked as carpenters and joiners, he continuing for three years, or until after his brother had gone to St. Joseph. During this time, on August 22, 1858, he was married to Anna M. Henry of Hamilton, N. Y., who had come to Omaha a few months before.

He was elected mayor of Omaha in 1881, and in 1890 was the candidate of the democratic party for governor. Nebraska had then never been ruled by a democratic governor. That was the year of the great prohibition campaign, in which the temperance people throughout the state were making a fight to put Nebraska into the ranks of the prohibition states. L. D. Richards of Fremont was the candidate of the republican party, which was pledged to prohibition. Boyd and his party were pledged against it. The most bitter campaign Nebraska had ever known was waged. Boyd was elected.

But he was not yet to take his seat as governor. The military governor, John M. Thayer, who died but a few weeks ago, was just finishing his second term as governor. At the behest of leading republican politicians, he refused to yield the chair, on the theory that Mr. Boyd was not a citizen of the United States, and therefore not eligible to the governorship. Angry partisans threatened to take possession of the capitol by force and seat Governor Boyd; Governor Thayer called out the military forces of the state, and the situation in the capitol building to defend his claim to hold over.

After many days of sensational episodes, in which Governor Boyd was seated and then thrown out, the matter came to the court, which was taken to the supreme court of the United States. The facts, as presented, were that Governor Boyd, born in Ireland, had never been naturalized. His father had taken first papers prior to the time that Governor Boyd became a citizen of the United States, and therefore not eligible to the governorship. Angry partisans threatened to take possession of the capitol by force and seat Governor Boyd; Governor Thayer called out the military forces of the state, and the situation in the capitol building to defend his claim to hold over.

During his term as governor he headed the Nebraska delegation to the national convention, then nominated Grover Cleveland for his second term. At that convention the New York delegation, in the turn of politics, decided that Mr. Boyd should become the running mate of Mr. Cleveland, and he learned that New York might present his name for the vice presidential nomination. But he promptly dashed their hopes by informing them that, being born in Ireland, he was not a native born American, and therefore ineligible under the constitution.

PENDER A DRY TOWN.

Saloons Closed Temporarily Pending Hearing of Remonstrances.