

WILLIAMS IS CLEARED

Acquitted of the Charge of Robbing a Missouri Pacific Car.

Harris, the Man Who is Charged With Killing Jones at Elmwood, is the Next Man to Be Tried—Other Local Happenings About Town of Interest to "News" Readers.

The jury in the case of the State vs. George Williams at half past two o'clock this afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty and the prisoner was discharged.

Williams is the colored man who, in company with four white men who were not captured, was accused of daylight burglary in breaking into a box car at the Missouri Pacific depot in this city the 16th of last April, and stealing therefrom a quantity of merchandise. He was defended by T. Frank Wiles, who is being complimented and congratulated by the members of the bar upon having won his first criminal case.

The trial began yesterday afternoon and the case went to the jury at 11:30 today.

The trial of the case of the State vs. John W. Harris was begun as soon as the Williams jury reported. Harris is charged with murder in the first degree, and is the man who shot and killed Jones at the reunion at Elmwood last July and wounded two other men.

The trouble arose over a game of cards, in which Harris charged that the other men were cheating him. They were playing seven-up for several dollars a game and the prisoner says that he had enough points to win, when Jones called a mis-deal. He refused to stand the work, when the other man grabbed the money and Harris began to shoot, with the result that Jones was killed, another of the men was shot in the leg, and the third only escaped having a bullet put through the heart by a memorandum book, which stopped the missile. The defendant claims that the shooting was done in self defense, and his interests are being looked after by William DeLoe Dornier and Matthew Gering, while County Attorney Root is prosecuting.

PERSONAL MENTION.

John A. Davies went to Omaha this morning.

Miss Ella Clark was a visitor in the metropolis today.

Philip Thieroff was transacting business in Omaha today.

Lowellen A. Moore, the florist, was an Omaha visitor today.

W. K. Fox and H. N. Duvoy were visitors in Omaha today.

Attorney C. A. Rawls went to Omaha on legal business this morning.

Attorney Clarence Tefft of Avoca is in attendance at district court.

S. H. Atwood departed this afternoon for Denver on a business trip.

Captain H. E. Palmer of Omaha was attending to business in the city yesterday.

Julius Pepperberg, the cigar manufacturer, was a business visitor in Pacific Junction today.

Charles Sheeley, the bridge contractor, is in the city on business with the county commissioners.

Miss Minta Manzy was taken quite ill in school yesterday and was taken home in a cab. She is considerably better today.

Mrs. A. W. Atwood departed this evening for Jacksonville, Ill., called there by the serious illness of her sister's husband.

Pat Shields went to Omaha this morning where he is taking treatment for stomach trouble, with which he has been afflicted for several months.

Mrs. Fred Bottell (nee Hattie Chapman) arrived in the city from her home in Chicago for a two week's visit with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Chapman.

I. S. White arrived home this morning from Surprise, where he had spent several days visiting his aged mother. Mr. White says the corn crop in that part of the state was better than in here—the average being forty-five bushels per acre.

M. Hiatt and son, Demmie, returned last evening from Murdock, where they spent Sunday with the former's daughter, Mrs. A. M. Cole. Sunday being her fortieth birthday a number of friends were invited to assist in celebrating the event.

Miss Gene Marshall gave a pleasant party to a number of her friends Saturday evening in honor of Miss Myrtle Keefe of South Omaha, the most of the guests being members of the graduating class of '97. During the evening the party was treated to a hayrack ride, after which refreshments were served and the time spent in social conversation.

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LEM COOPER'S PROMOTION.

A Few Extracts From a Letter Written By Him at Manila and Hong Kong.

[The following letter has been received by Mrs. Henry Cooper from her son, Lem, who is employed as a machinist on board the battleship Oregon.]

LOILA, P. I., Oct. 3, 1899.—As I have some news to write, I will start my letter today. Probably you know of it by this time—I have received my appointment as acting warrant machinist. What do you think of that? It came Sunday, the 1st, and was delivered to me in the afternoon. I have just finished my letter of acceptance, but have not yet sent it in to the captain. He will swear me in and then I will be a full-fledged officer of the United States navy. Of course, the warrant officers don't amount to much compared to the others, but we have a nice room and a fine mess; wear an officer's uniform and a sword. This is rather a high step for a machinist to make, but I am going to do my best to hold it properly and give my best services. We get \$100 per month for the first three years, then \$1,400 a year thereafter, or \$116.75 per month.

We are going to leave in the morning for Manila, and, after remaining there for a few days, we are to go to Hong Kong, China, thence back to the United States.

MANILA, Oct. 7.—I will try to write a few more lines this afternoon, for we leave at 4 p. m. for Hong Kong. I am to stay on this ship for the present, at least. I received orders from Admiral Watson to report for duty on the Oregon, but as I was already on board that vessel, I took my orders and reported to the officer of the ship, deck. I am now assigned to a ship, perhaps for some time. We can't tell how long one is to stay on any ship—it depends on conditions—but it is saying a good deal to be a warrant officer on the Oregon.

They are doing heavy fighting back of Cavite—from the fighting tops of our ship you can see the firing line and volley after volley as it is fired.

HONG KONG, China, Oct. 10.—We have just arrived here, 9 a. m. It is so much cooler here than in Manila. I hope we stay here as long as possible. This looks from the ship as though it is a nice place, but one can't tell until he sees for himself. You know the English own this place. Hong Kong itself is an island with a very narrow channel between the main land. We can see two of the ships that were sunk in Manila and brought here to be repaired. They are very small gunboats, and, I think, are hardly worth the trouble and expense in repairing them.

HONG KONG, Oct. 18.—We got here on the 10th, but I have been so busy that I haven't had an opportunity to write. This seems to be a nice place from what I can see of it. So far one peculiarity is there are no horses and carriages or street cars. They have a two-wheeled buggy called a "rickshaw," and a Chinaman to pull you for 10 cents an hour. They go faster than horses do, and act just like dumb animals. When you want him to stop you hit him on the head with a stick.

We expect to go in the dry dock tomorrow or Friday, and then there will be all kinds of work for us. We have several Chinaman on board doing repairs. They are a failure as machinists, but, then, they only get 40 cents a day, so you can imagine what they are like.

The mail for the United States leaves here at 9 o'clock, so I will have to close with love for all.

Literary Note.

The war in South Africa between the British and the Boers is awakening an intense interest in the dark continent, the land toward which the world's immigration of coming years will be directed. Most opportunely comes the announcement that William Harding, New York cable editor of the Associated Press, has a book on Africa nearly ready, entitled "War in South Africa; The Dark Continent From Savagery to Civilization," to be published this month by the Dominion Company of Chicago. Mr. Harding should be eminently qualified to prepare a comprehensive and valuable work on this subject. Not only has he traveled extensively in the dark continent, but for years all cable information from Africa and the old world has passed through his hands before being given to the American public. The forthcoming volume will contain a full account of Africa from the earliest ages to the present day, including a detailed account of the causes and events of the British-Boer war.

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NEWS OF THE COUNTY.

MURDOCK ITEMS.

MURDOCK, Nov. 17.—Nearly all the citizens of Murdock watched for the meteoric shower last Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Neitzel entertained a few of their friends with games and music. The time passed rapidly and at 3:30 as the meteors failed to appear, they decided to continue their vigils the next night. The same party gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tool on Wednesday evening and waited until four o'clock with no better result. They all decided "they never was no hand for fire works no how."

The work on the Evangelical church is progressing very rapidly and it is expected to be ready for dedication by Dec. 17.

The Methodist Aid society will give supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lake on Thanksgiving evening. Little Theresa Droege of Plattsmouth is spending a few weeks with Mrs. H. R. Neitzel.

A baby girl came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Row.

D. F. Austie of Bethany has been in town for several days writing life insurance for the Union Central.

Frank Newell, brother of Dr. Newell will open up a restaurant in the near future.

Sam Kitt's business has improved so much that it is necessary for him to enlarge his livery barn. The carpenters are rushing the work along so they may be through before winter.

Wolf & Tool have gotten their crib ready and will buy all the ear corn they can get.

LOUISVILLE ITEMS.

Chas Richey went to Plattsmouth on business Thursday.

George E. Sayles, the Cedar Creek general merchant, was in town Thursday.

William Davidson, the Springfield banker and farmer, was in town Wednesday on business.

Gotlieb Sprick, his two sons and a daughter, John and Frank Scherman and Wm. Went were in Omaha Thursday.

Revival services are in progress at the Swedish church, and much interest has been awakened. Large congregations attend.

Louisville's main street can boast of the best sidewalks of any one in the state, but the residence portion is sadly lacking in such accommodations.

The bridge over the Platte at this place needs repairing at the north end and we think it a good time to compel Sarpy county to make the repairs necessary.

James Alloway was in Omaha last Wednesday visiting his wife, who is sick at the Presbyterian hospital. He reports her very much improved, with prospects of being able to come home soon.

The funeral of John Erhart, an old resident of Cass county, occurred on Wednesday from the Lutheran church southwest of town. Mr. Erhart had been ill for a long time, and his death occurred while he was in Lincoln visiting his daughter.

SCRIBBLER.

MYNARD NOTES.

Miss Robinson of South Omaha and Mrs. Swearingen are visiting in Elmwood.

Miss Rosenstihl, the school teacher, is spending a few days with her mother at Springfield.

Miss Fern Greenstate of Elmwood has returned to her home after an extended visit at this place.

W. R. Murray, the apple buyer, who was drawn on the federal jury at Omaha, has gone to that place to assume his duties.

A. L. Cox, our bustling merchant, has equipped his store with gasoline lamps. That makes our little town look quite metropolitan after dark.

A special school meeting was held in this district this week to elect a moderator to succeed Silas Long, resigned. R. M. Cole was selected to fill Mr. Long's place. Ransome has not many children to send to school, but he has a large sense of justice that will make him an ideal school officer.

Some Life Statistics in England.

If we divide the number of adult males in England and Wales into two classes, namely, those who follow some occupation and those who are unemployed—we find that the former class amounts to roughly 8,500,000, and the latter to somewhat over 500,000. At all periods of life the occupied classes have a smaller death rate than the unemployed. Amongst the various occupations, the clergy come off best with the smallest death rate, lawyers die off much more rapidly, and, strange to say, medical men, who so often save the lives of others, have a higher death rate than either the two preceding classes. Of railway servants there are fewer deaths among the drivers and stokers up to their fifty-fifth year than there are amongst the guards, porters and pointsmen; but with those who live beyond their fifty-fifth year the conditions are reversed. A fact which speaks well for the temperance of railway officials is that the deaths among the drivers and stokers arising from alcoholism is the same as among the clergy, and this is considerably less than half the standard for the occupied portion of the male population.

Agriculturists, including farmers and laborers, have good lives, in spite of wet and cold. Why butchers as a class have such a high death rate is not quite understood, but the fact remains that in taking an equal number of butchers and clergymen, the deaths of the former are twice as many as the deaths of the latter class.

For Sale or Trade—A 240 acre farm one and one-half miles from Afton, Ia. Inquire of J. H. Thrasher.

BRIEFLY TOLD.

C. A. Marshall, Dentist.

See Conley for your pumpkins for winter.

Call for the "Exquisite." Every retailer carries them.

Oysters served in any style at Shinn's cafe, Perkins house block.

Bring in your eggs—we will give you 20 cents per dozen. F. T. Davis Co., Union block.

The campaign is now over, but the "Exquisite" is still the most popular 5-cent cigar on the market. H. Spies, manufacturer.

I have just received an installment of Baldwin pianos. See 'em and make useful X-mas gifts. Agency at Sherwood's shoe store. J. O. Weborg.

Lost—A small cloth purse containing \$18 in money—\$15 in gold and \$3 in silver. Finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving same at this office. Clint Thompson.

C. W. Sherman has been engaged by W. W. Coates and H. R. Gering to sell Missouri land and yesterday went to Glenwood to begin work. He will work in different points in Iowa.

Mark White, the late Klondike gold digger, has concluded that farming in Nebraska is more remunerative than gold digging and will begin tilling the soil next spring—having rented his father's farm.

On Saturdays we will give with every cash purchase of \$1, except sugar, a 15 cent bottle of high grade perfume. Don't forget to ask for it. F. T. Davis Co., Union block, north of Methodist church.

If you are suffering from drowsiness in the day time, irritability of temper, sleepless nights, general debility, headache and general want of tone of the system, use Horbine. You will get relief and finally a cure. Price 50 cts. F. G. Fricke & Co.

J. D. Bridges, Editor "Democrat," Lancaster, N. H., says, "One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy for cough I ever used." Immediately relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis, grip and all throat and lung troubles. It prevents consumption. F. G. Fricke & Co.

Abraham Rupley has one of the finest squirrel cages in this part of the country. Mr. Rupley is both the architect and builder and those who are familiar with the tinner's originality well know that this cage is o. k. It is a double-deck affair, about six feet in length by three in breadth, and the squirrels can have all kinds of fun in their new home.

Do you want to fix your rooms up this season? Of course you do, and it is probably high time for it. You intend to buy wall paper? And buy another paper in two or three years? Now, let me talk to you about having a nice decorated house, stylish and up-to-date and save much money on it. Get your rooms painted and decorated in a modern style and you are through with your house for many years. Don't paper every two years and ruin your plaster with it. Call on Louis Ottat for full explanation of the economy of frescoed rooms. He has the experience of many years and a great many references in town. Plattsmouth telephone 253.

George Noland, Rockland, O., says, "My wife had piles forty years. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her. It is the best salve in America." It heals everything and cures all skin diseases. F. G. Fricke & Co.

A Monument to a Negro.

The people of Currituck county, North Carolina, think of erecting a tablet to the memory of a negro named Aaron Thomas, who recently died there at the age of 83. The account says he lived through the war and did his part in caring for the families of the soldiers who were in the military service of the confederacy, and that in the terrible reconstruction period, he was faithful to his old friends." This last is the significant line.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Notice of Sale.

In the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska, in the matter of the estate of Jacob Frederick Huber, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska, in and for said county, made on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1899, for the sale of the real estate hereinafter described, there will be sold at the court house at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 19th day of December, A. D. 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Probate Notice.