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CAMP AT ROCKY POINT

Higginson's and Hogan's Contingents Arrive Here by River Route.

THREE HUNDRED MEN IN CAMP.

Six Boat Loads Come Down the Platte From Denver and Eight Boats From Butte, Mont.—Several Hundred More Enroute.

The Commonwealers Are Here.

The first boat load of "Gen." Higginson's Colorado contingent of the commonweal arrived at the mouth of the Platte river from Denver at six o'clock Tuesday evening. During the night and yesterday forenoon three more boats arrived and at seven o'clock last evening the fifth boat pulled in. Eight more boats are on the way and were expected to reach here last night or today. Last night about thirty men were in camp at Rocky Point.

This is the division of the "army" that left Denver a month ago, coming down the Platte in boats, and who lost several of their party by drowning when their boats capsized at Brighton, Col. At that time the newspapers reported eighteen drowned, but the "commodore" told a reporter last night that only two were drowned.

Some of the "officers" applied to Mayor Newell for provisions yesterday but the Mayor flatly refused them, and would not allow them to solicit aid from citizens, and instructed the marshal to keep the men in camp and not allow them to come up town. A reporter for THE JOURNAL visited the camp last evening and took a "lay" on the grass in the midst of a dozen or so of the men, where he heard some very fine "roasts" delivered on the mayor and the town generally, and some of the party are "past masters" at the "roasting" business, too. Before the reporter arrived at the camp he was somewhat in sympathy with the "commonweal" cause, but after an hour among them listening to their talk and declarations he changed his opinions. The "commodore" declared that the town would be compelled to feed the men. That they would remain here until the remainder of their party and the Hogan contingent arrived, when they would come up town and see whether they would not be furnished with provisions. But the "commodore" pitched his tune to a minor key when talking to the mayor and marshal yesterday.

The boats in which the party made the trip from Denver are not exactly models of naval architecture, but resemble a piano box with the ends cut away. They are 4x16 feet in size, and will carry five men very comfortably. Some of the boats floated the stars and stripes, and had names and mottoes painted on the sides. One was named "Twins No. 2," another "16 to 1," and "Oregon No. 2." The one that arrived last night declared for "non-interest bearing bonds for the people." Some of the men are very clever fellows. The reporter noticed the blankets and clothing hanging on the bushes, with the appearance of having been wet recently, and inquired what they done when it was raining, the boats having no covering. One of the men answered, "O, why, we just get wet." The men are sun-burned and tanned by their exposure to the weather, but appear to be enjoying the best of health and are apparently satisfied.

A party of tramps were having a noisy celebration over a keg of beer a short distance above the camp of the "commonweal" yesterday afternoon, and the "army" were very solicitous that the reporter tell the people that the gang were not members of the "army."

The Hogan Contingent Arrives.

Shortly after noon the first boat of the Hogan contingent hove in sight and floated down to Rocky Point, where they were welcomed by the Denver party. The Hogan party, four hundred strong, came down the Missouri from Butte, Montana, and have been enroute for a month. Eight more of his boats are on the way between here and Omaha, and will arrive before night. The first boat to arrive was the commissary, and preparations were soon made for dinner. The boat is named "Montana No. 2," and carried a banner saying "We come in peace." The "general" arrived from Omaha this morning by train, and informed a reporter that his party would continue on their way down the river tonight.

At half past three o'clock seven more

Hogan boats were sighted at the mouth of the Platte, and they made a grand sight floating down with the current. The boats tied up at Rocky Point and went into camp. All told, some three hundred men are now in camp at the point.

Robbins Beats Middleton.

Prof. Geo. Middleton went up against very much the worst of it in last night's boxing bout with Fletcher Robbins at Rockwood hall. Middleton was clearly out-classed. At no stage of the contest was he able to withstand Fletcher's rushes, and in the fourth round, when Robbins gave him a stiff right-hander across the jaw, he toppled over like a log and was counted out.

The crowd, which numbered one hundred and fifty people, chose W. F. Hamilton as referee, and promptly at 10:45 the men stepped into the ring. Middleton was in excellent condition and weighed slightly in excess of 130 pounds. Robbins was rather fat and tipped the scales at about 148. The first round was decidedly uninteresting, both men being chary and chose to wait for an opening rather than lead. In the second Robbins opened up by sending Middleton to the floor, and before the end of the round he had delivered several telling blows and escaped untouched. The third was a slasher. Robbins forced matters from the start and sent Middleton to the floor three times, and in addition landed almost at will. Middleton landed twice, but his blows seemingly had no effect. Middleton's Waterloo came early in the fourth. Robbins commenced the "mixing" early, and after chasing his opponent in the corner, sent him down with a right-hander. Middleton arose only to catch a swinging blow on the jaw, and he fell to the floor like a shot. The referee counted the fatal ten seconds and the bout was over—just eight rounds less than the men had expected to battle.

Robbins' easy victory was quite a surprise and his friends are unusually jubilant. It is now proposed to arrange a ten or fifteen-round bout in which he is to do battle with Jimmy Lindsay, the well-known Omaha welter-weight. If proper arrangements can be made the affair will occur within the next ten days, and it promises to attract a bigger crowd of the "red hots" than ever.

Murdered at Holdrege.

Elmer E. Drummond, a young man who was formerly an express messenger between Pacific Junction and Hastings, running through this city, was murdered by highwaymen at Holdrege on Saturday night. Drummond and a companion were riding along the streets of Holdrege on bicycles, when the highwaymen commanded them to throw up their hands. Drummond was a little slow to obey the command and one of the robbers fired, the ball striking the right arm just above the elbow, breaking the arm, entering the right breast just below the nipple, passing through the lungs and lodging close to the heart.

Elmer E. Drummond was a young man about 28 years old, single, and a resident of Holdrege, and was a very active member of the Knights of Pythias lodge. He was a messenger for the Adams express company, and had been running from Holdrege to Cheyenne for about a year. He was a trustworthy, exemplary young man. His parents reside in Bethany Heights Lincoln, Neb., where his body will be taken for interment under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias lodge.

A Business Change.

Fred Herrmann has retired from the dry goods business in Plattsmouth, and is succeeded by the Western dry goods company. For several months past negotiations have been in progress between Fred and Mr. Orrin Shepherd of Kansas City, Kas., which was finally consummated on last Saturday, and the new firm took charge of the store Monday morning.

Mr. Herrmann has been engaged in the dry goods business in Plattsmouth for over a dozen years, and has won a reputation of being one of our foremost and progressive business men. We are glad to know that Plattsmouth will not lose him as a citizen, but that he will give his undivided attention to the bank in which he is interested—the Citizens.

The new firm assumes charge of the business in a manner that denotes experience in the dry goods trade, and they will no doubt prove a valuable acquisition to our list of wide-awake live business men.

The negotiations of this deal were conducted through C. H. Babcock & Co.

A delicate odor in perfume—"Lilac Spray." Sold only by Gering & Co.

COAL FOUND IN CASS

A Four-Foot Vein Discovered Out Near Murdock.

DAVE CAMPBELL REAPPOINTED

The State Supreme Court Makes Him Clerk for Another Term—Barber Rathbun's Tools Recovered—Various Other Notings.

Coal in Western Cass.

The town of Murdock is in a fever of excitement over the discovery of a fine vein of coal Thursday afternoon by Will Sac while drilling a tubular well with a four-inch bit for Evans & Hare. The vein is 111 feet from the surface and is from two to four feet thick. The vein was struck after passing through a thick, tough clay. A four-inch drill was then used to drill through what Mr. Sac thought to be a rock, and, after drilling about two feet, an examination was made and large chunks of coal had come to the surface.

It is hard to ascertain the exact thickness of the vein. A medium hard limestone was reached four feet from the clay and it is safe to say it is two to three feet. The coal is very bright and glossy, which evidently shows its quality. A test of burning was made and it proved to be good. The business men are very enthusiastic over the idea of going down after it, but will wait further developments and see what is beneath the rock.

Dave Campbell Reappointed.

The office of clerk of the state supreme court is a rather fat position, and more than one hungry republican has been laying wires to secure the removal of the present incumbent, Dave Campbell, and in turn get the "sit" for himself. Thursday the court adjourned until September, but before adjourning, however, the court reappointed Mr. Campbell to discharge the duties until further orders. The term for which Clerk Campbell was appointed expires in July, but under the order of the court he continues in office. Mr. Campbell is regarded by members of the bar of the state as a most courteous, efficient and painstaking officer, and he has the congratulations of his friends everywhere, and especially here in Plattsmouth, where he made his home previous to his appointment. The order of the court was adopted in this form: "Whereas the present term of office of the reporter of this court will expire before the convening of the next term of court, and whereas it is necessary that some person be designated to discharge the duties of said office during the interim, it is ordered that David A. Campbell, the present incumbent, be appointed to discharge the duties of said office until the further orders of this court, upon his giving a bond in the sum of \$10,000. Said appointment to take effect upon the expiration of the present term of office."

The Tools Recovered.

C. M. Rathbun, the barber whose shop is in the basement of the Briggs building, has recovered the tools which were stolen from his place the other night. Last Friday Julius Hoffmann, who lives with his mother on Pearl street, went to Rathbun and informed the latter that the tools were at his home. He stated that the party who committed the theft had left them in his possession for safe-keeping. Rathbun went up to Hoffmann's and sure enough the tools were returned and none were missing. Hoffmann refuses to divulge who it was that left the tools with him. The affair is surrounded with an air of mystery, but the authorities propose to ferret it all out and apprehend, if possible, the guilty party.

Mr. Spies Will Rebuild.

Herman Spies, the cigar manufacturer whose factory on lower Main street was destroyed by fire some four months ago, has determined to rebuild. The new structure will be of brick and situated on the same lot as the former factory. The contract will be let within a very few days and the building will be ready for occupancy by August 15. The fire cost Mr. Spies past his insurance considerably over \$1,000, but he is firm in the conviction that Plattsmouth is a good enough location for him, and his determination to rebuild and enlarge is worth much commendation.

Miss Addie Robinson of Ticonic, Iowa, is in the city visiting with Mrs. W. A. Swearingen.

Our + Red + Letter + Day HAS COME.

ELSON, THE CASH CLOTHIER,

Has determined to Sacrifice his Stock of Merchandise, REGARDLESS OF VALUE. Read this list carefully. The prices quoted are Bona-Fide and will Save You Fifty Cents on Every Dollar:

FORMERLY	NOW
Men's light colored Cassimer Suits	\$10.00
Men's Business Suits	7.00
Men's Black Corkscrew Suits	15.00
Boys' Suits	6.50
Children's Suits	2.50
Men's working Pants	1.50
Men's Jeans Pants	1.25
Children's Pants	.85
Men's Merino Underwear	.75
Men's working Shirts	.50
Men's Black Shirts	1.25
Men's Dress Shirts	1.50
Men's Fur Hats	2.00
Men's wool Hats	.75
Men's Straw Hats	.65
Men's working Gloves	.65
Flow Shoes	1.25
Fine Calf Shoes	2.50

DO NOT BUY ONE DOLLAR'S WORTH OF Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Caps, Boots or Shoes Until you have seen this great Sacrifice Sale.

ELSON, THE CASH CLOTHIER, PLATTSMOUTH.

Cut Off Three Hundred More.

Postmaster Fox received the cheerful information from the department at Washington Friday evening to the effect that commencing with the next quarter the appropriation for clerk-hire for the local office, amounting to three hundred dollars per year, would be discontinued. This amount, together with the two hundred dollars cut off the postmaster's salary, makes an even five hundred per year taken off this office. About one more such a cut and Uncle Sam will be calling for some one to volunteer to act as postmaster at Plattsmouth.

Sent to the Asylum.

Jos. Harris, the Iowa farmer who cut up such queer capers the other day down at the Missouri river ferry by trying to swim across the river, was taken to Glenwood, Ia., Thursday and examined by the insane commissioners, who accordingly ordered him forwarded to the Clarinda asylum. He was taken thither Thursday morning. While confined in the jail at Glenwood Harris is said to have torn into pieces three suits of clothes.

About fifty members of the Omaha commercial club arrived by special train over the Missouri Pacific last Thursday, and spent an hour in viewing the city. The visitors were met at the depot by the committee of the local board of trade and were escorted to carriages, which were in waiting, and driven around the town. The list of visitors includes representatives of the leading wholesale houses, manufactories, etc., of Omaha and a number of commission men from South Omaha. The party left for the south, and went as far as Falls City, returning to Omaha by way of Weeping Water and Louisville.

Spring, House-Cleaning and New Furniture

GO HAND IN HAND.

Nature supplies the first, the Busy Housewife must attend the second, but for the last,

Pearlman Is the Careful Buyer's Refuge.

PEARLMAN has the Stock, his Prices are Right and Sure to Suit. If you want anything in the way of NEW FURNITURE, for either Parlor, Bed Room, Dining Room or Kitchen, PEARLMAN has it at the Lowest Price.

PEARLMAN, The House Furnisher. OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE, PLATTSMOUTH.

Some new facts have been brought to light in the mystery of the murder of Maud Rubel at Omaha. A German woman has been found who claims to have seen the body taken from a hack and carried into the shanty where the body was found. She had been at work until quite late and had to pass under the Tenth street viaduct to get home. She claims that she saw two men carry the body into the building. She told the story to some men who could not understand her, and she then became disgusted and did not tell the story again until now, when she repeated it to a man who could understand what she said. The Omaha police will attempt to find out more from her.

Taylor Is Busted.

F. J. Taylor's circus, which showed here two weeks ago, was closed Monday at Bethany, Mo., by the Creston national bank, of Creston, Iowa, on a chattel mortgage for \$4,500. Taylor is practically bankrupt, having lost a fortune in the circus business.

Charley Graves, ex-editor of the Ledger at Union, celebrated with us yesterday and "tooted" a horn in the Union band.

water substance. A blast was put in the bottom of the hole and fired from the bottom. The explosion threw out of the well a number of pieces of... to the dignity of a real court. Call for the horse brand of Johnson's Magnets... Japanese Liver Pellets are small, but great in their effects; no grating... J. O. Phillip of the Missouri Pacific has returned to headquarters at Omaha from a trip over the Nebraska and Kansas division. He says that... and Ida to her mother, who firmly announced that she was "going to spank her till she couldn't sit down." And... Do... were their de... people, it would until it would newspaper