

THERE are two murderers in the Douglas county jail who have been sentenced to be hanged April 17th.

Buy home made goods and build up home industries, is a good policy. Farrell's Fire Extinguisher, made by Farrell & Co., Omaha; Morse-Cox boots and shoes for men, women and children.

PREPARATIONS are under way by the society ladies of Nebraska City to give a minstrel entertainment in the near future, the proceeds of which will be used in assisting the worthy poor of the city.

THE family of E. C. Delan at Ashland fear greatly that he was drowned in the recent disastrous floods that prevailed in Missouri. He had gone there to engage in business and has not been heard from for some time.

GEORGE NELSON, who has been in jail in Nashville, charged with robbing a Bohemian farmer of a sum of money, pleaded guilty to assault with intent to commit robbery and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

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Stand by Nebraska. A Beatrice correspondent of the Lincoln Journal writes: The recent publication in the Chicago Times-Herald of a page article pretending to show that a large percentage of Nebraska's people were seeking homes in the south, has stirred up a host of Gage county people who have been south and who have returned disgusted. The Journal could name at least a score who have been able to get back and as many more who would like to, but can't. Dick Davis, a gentleman who lived in the city for over ten years, caught the southern fever, traded a fine brick block for land in Louisiana, and stayed there less than six months after arriving in the state. He says he was glad to take in exchange for the property mortgaged property in Des Moines, Ia. Joseph Cuitard had a similar experience. Mr. Sulter, who went to Texas from near DeWitt, after staying there one year, sacrificed his land and personal property to enable him to return to Nebraska. These men all tell a similar story. They were enticed to their prospecting trips at a season of the year when things were pretty blue in Nebraska and when the crops and climatic conditions of the south were at their best. Two gentlemen in the city, who have large property interests, were offered free transportation and expenses paid by a southern railroad if they would go south and thereby show at least an indication to change their location. The offer was declined with thanks.

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LATEST FROM TRANSVAAL. The Governor of Cape Colony Proclaims the Invader's Retirement - Transvaal's Demands in Settlement Increase the Gravity of the Situation - Demands of the Boers.

CAPETOWN, Jan. 13.—A proclamation issued by Sir Hercules Robinson, governor of Cape Colony, removes Dr. Jameson from the position of administrator of Mashonaland. He is replaced by Mr. F. J. Newton, secretary of the British colony of Bechuanaland. Delegates from the Orange Free State have been sent to the Transvaal to confer with the government of the republic to the steps to be taken in the event of the Orange Free State being asked to assist the Transvaal.

Captain Thatcher, who fought against the Boers with Jameson's freebooters and then escaped disguised as a reporter, says that when Dr. Jameson tried to get round the Boer position his men were dropping off their horses from exhaustion and hunger. The raiders also suffered terribly from lack of water, and the Maxim rapid firing guns became overheated and jammed. The flag of truce hoisted by the freebooters, was made from a shirt of one of the wounded men, and was waved over their heads from the barrel of a rifle without Jameson's consent. The latter cried like a child when the raiders surrendered, and the men loudly cursed the Rand Uitlanders for failing to send them the promised assistance.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—A dispatch from Johannesburg, dated yesterday, says that the crisis in the Transvaal is not over. President Krueger and Sir Hercules Robinson, the governor of Cape Colony, have failed to agree upon a settlement of the matter in dispute. If these reports be true, the gravity of the situation has increased, and the reason for the assembling of Great Britain's fleet may be found in the strained relations between the president of Transvaal and the governor of Cape Colony. There are also signs that the Orange Free State and the Transvaal government will make common cause against Great Britain, should there be further trouble, and the report of a secret understanding between Germany and the Transvaal continues unbroken in official circles.

The frequently repeated assertion that the British government has purchased Delagoa bay from Portugal, thus cutting off any possibility of the Boers obtaining a seaport, is still unconfirmed and uncontradicted.

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 13.—A feeling of great uneasiness prevails here. It is understood that the Uitlander reform committee is to be tried for high treason before the high court of Pretoria. Several members of the committee have fled and one of them was allowed to depart after depositing a surety for his appearance when called upon. The amount deposited was \$300,000.

The government is greatly incensed at the tardy and incomplete surrender by the Uitlanders of their arms which it is believed, are being concealed. Only about 2,000 rifles have been given up, whereas 26,000 are said to have been issued.

A conference between Sir Hercules Robinson, the governor of Cape Colony and the Transvaal executive is believed to have left the situation strained and difficult to settle. It is understood that the Transvaal demands include the annexation to the Boer Republic of Amatzongaland, lately added to the colony of Natal, the annulment of the convention of 1884 and the institution and enforcement of a passport system throughout the country. The situation is thus regarded as being graver than ever.

It has been reported to the government at Bloemfontein, the capital of the Orange Free State, that documents have been discovered showing that a wide spread plot existed against the Transvaal. Governor Robinson, however, is absolved from all knowledge of the matter.

GRAVE ROBBERY IN DES MOINES. Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 13.—The bodies of Mrs. George Townsend, buried Thursday in Saylorville cemetery near here, and of Sand Bell, a miner recently buried, are missing from their graves. The police searched the Medical college and found the bodies of four men and one woman. Among them those of Mrs. Townsend and Sandy Bell were also identified. No arrests have been made as yet. The facts have caused great excitement in the city.

THE "DUKE OF TOMBSTONE" FALL. CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Edwin Fields, who formerly owned a large part of the city of Tombstone, Ariz., and a mine worth over half a million dollars, was last night taken to the county hospital in the police ambulance. From the hospital he will be taken to the poor house at Dunning to spend his few remaining years. Fields has a wealthy brother, but he is too proud to ask aid.

Minnie Palmer to Marry a Duke. BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 13.—Miss Minnie Palmer, who is playing an engagement at the Lyceum theater here, announced last night that she will be married on May 15, in London, to the Duke of Estrella, of Navarre, whom she met at Trouville last summer.

Shut Down to Keep Up Prices. ELWOOD, Ind., Jan. 13.—All the window glass factories west of Pittsburg closed down for one month to keep up prices, and thousands of men will be out of employment that length of time in consequence.

MRS. VANDERBILT WEDDED. She Becomes the Wife of Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Mrs. Alva E. Vanderbilt, the divorced wife of William K. Vanderbilt, was married to Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont, by Mayor Strong at 10 o'clock this morning. The ceremony was performed at No. 24 East Seventy-second street, the home of the bride. Miss Smith, Mrs. Vanderbilt's sister, and a few personal friends were present. Almost immediately after the couple had been married they left the house, and it is understood, started for Marblehouse at Newport.

Perry Belmont is 40 years old and is a son of the late financier, August Belmont, and a grandson of Commodore Perry. He inherited a large fortune from his father and has long been a conspicuous figure socially in New York. For years he was "Willie K." Vanderbilt's closest friend.

HUDSON WINS HIS CASE. The Kansas Supreme Court Decides the Printership Contest.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 13.—The Supreme court this forenoon handed down an opinion in the Snow-Hudson State printership contest, giving the office to J. K. Hudson, the Republican incumbent.

Mrs. Webb Loses Her Case. TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 13.—Judge R. B. Spillman of Manhattan, sitting as special judge of the Shawnee county district court, last night decided the case of the widow of Leland J. Webb against the A. O. U. W. for her husband's life insurance, against the plaintiff. Webb had been suspended for non-payment of an assessment against her death the claim was set up that he was insane at the time of his delinquency and therefore not responsible. The court holds that payment of a life insurance premium is a matter in which the beneficiaries of a policy are as much interested as the insured, and their neglect to pay in the case of insanity or other disability of the insured is fatal to the contract. The case will be taken to the supreme court.

Smith Advises Against Flynn's Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Secretary Hoke Smith will advise congress not to pass the Flynn free-home bill, which was referred to him for an opinion. This bill, it will be remembered, allowed settlers who had bought lands open to settlement through purchase of the Indians to be relieved from obligation to pay. This report is not unexpected to Mr. Flynn, and he is confident that, in spite of it, he will be able to report the measure to congress favorably. He claims also to be confident that the house will pass the bill, and has further assurances of support in the senate, without the same certainty of ultimate passage.

Dockery for Governor of Missouri. WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—State Auditor Seibert and Secretary of State Lesueur, spent another day conferring with Missouri Democrats in Washington. In the conferences that have been held the merits of the various candidates for governor have been discussed. Senator Cockrell has not been brought to a frame of mind which permits him to think of accepting the nomination for governor. The Senator would like to see Mr. Dockery nominated. He is said to regard him as exceptionally strong at this time. It is not impossible that he may be nominated. Mr. Dockery for governor will be inaugurated soon after their return.

Dakota Divorcees Alarmed. YANKTON, S. D., Jan. 13.—The divorce colony at Yankton has been greatly alarmed by the announcement of District Judge Smith that an investigation is about to be made of alleged false affidavits recently filed in divorce cases. Such affidavits state that the whereabouts of defendants are unknown to plaintiffs, and that service can, consequently, be had only by publication. In instances where such frauds are found to have been perpetrated the judge will, he declares, reopen the cases, even though the plaintiffs have renounced in order to give the defendants an opportunity to make appearances if they so desire.

They Believe in Marriage. ELDORADO SPRINGS, Mo., Jan. 13.—Mrs. T. B. Parsley, of this city, and the U. B. Smith, formerly a captain in the Union army, and well known throughout the South as a conspicuous figure in public life, were married yesterday. Mr. Smith is 73 years old and buried his fourth wife five months ago. Mrs. Smith is 37 years old and has been a widow three months and is now taking unto herself her third husband.

A County Seat Fight. LEXINGTON, Mo., Jan. 13.—A county seat war is on in Lafayette county. A petition is to be presented to the county court by Higginsville citizens, asking that the matter of removing the county seat from Lexington to Higginsville be submitted to the people of the county.

Nina Van Zandt to Lecture. CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Mrs. S. S. Malato, who, as Miss Nina Van Zandt, achieved much notoriety nine years ago by her marriage to August Spies, the Anarchist, will become a lecturer. Mrs. Malato is not living happily with her husband and is going "to lecture for her bread and butter."

Ex-Representative Geber Pardoned. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 13.—Governor Altgeld yesterday granted a pardon to ex-Representative John I. Geber, serving five years at Joliet penitentiary for murder committed during a riot at Little's mine, in Tazewell county, in 1891, when two men were killed and the mine burned.

Another Trust Shake Up. CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Attorney General Moloney has begun quo warranto proceedings against the National Lined Oil company, on the ground that it is a trust. The case is similar to the proceedings pushed to a conclusion against the late whisky trust.

OKLAHOMA NEXT. She Desires a Place in the Sisterhood of States.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Jan. 9.—The town is filled with delegates to the Statehood convention, which commenced today. Nearly all of them are in favor of Statehood for Oklahoma, but there are almost as many schemes for attaining it as there are delegates. Ever since Oklahoma was first opened to settlement there has been an intense rivalry between the different towns. Congress provided that the first legislature of Oklahoma should meet at Guthrie and fix the territorial capital. Then began a fight of the bitterest kind between the different towns. Legislatures voted the capital three times to Oklahoma City and once to Kingfisher, but Governor Steele vetoed it each time, and the capital remains at Guthrie.

The location of the future capital of Oklahoma as a state will depend largely on the boundary lines of the new state. If a state is made of Oklahoma with its present boundaries, Kingfisher or El Reno would be near the center and would stand better chances for the capital than either Perry, Guthrie or Oklahoma City, on the extreme eastern edge of the state. So Kingfisher and El Reno favor immediate statehood of Oklahoma with its present bounds, and the Perry, Guthrie and Oklahoma City people are against it.

Oklahoma City wants a single state made of Oklahoma territory. That would make Oklahoma City the geographical center of the state and put her first in the race for the capital. This local feeling about the future location of the capital is one of the great elements in the fight for statehood and must not be lost sight of by anyone who desires to understand the situation here.

A large element in the convention will favor the formation of a State out of Oklahoma, with the Chickasaw nation added, and with a provision for allowing the other nations of the Indian Territory to come in as they wish, with the consent of Congress. Some Republicans oppose this, because Oklahoma is Republican and nine out of ten people in the Chickasaw nation are Democrats, and that would make the State of Oklahoma Democratic. Republicans say it is a scheme of the Democrats to capture the State, and they would rather see a State made of Oklahoma with its present boundaries.

TO ANNEX HAWAII. A Treaty of Admission With Uncle Sam Proposed in a House Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The subject of the annexation of the Hawaiian islands was broached in the House today by Mr. Spaulding, Republican, of Michigan, in the form of a resolution, which provided that the Sandwich islands be formed into a new State, to be called the State of Hawaii, with a republican form of government, to be adopted by the people, through deputies in convention, with the consent of the existing government. Conditions are imposed that questions of boundary or complications with other governments be transmitted to the President to be laid before Congress for its final action before January 1, 1898; that all property pertaining to the public defense be ceded to the United States, but the State retain all other property, and the United States to be liable for none of its debts.

The resolution proposes as an alternative that Hawaii may be admitted as a state by treaty between the two governments, with one representative in Congress, and proposes an appropriation of \$100,000 for making the treaty.

The resolution was read by unanimous consent and referred to the committee on foreign affairs.

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The Pace That Kills.

Fast Work and Fast Eating Make Three Score Years and Ten a Rippe Old Age in These Days.

(From the Cincinnati Enquirer.) The American people live too fast, eat too fast and drink too fast. This has brought upon many of us a train of nervous and stomach disorders that are very difficult to manage. Investigation and chemical analysis to discover the cause of the trouble, has shown that the cause of the trouble is the discovery of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which has taken very high rank as a specific remedy.

H. P. Owens has written me thirty years of age, who is well known in this community and generally liked because he is a bright, energetic young fellow, resides with his mother at 385 Central Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. He has been a victim of dyspepsia which took the form of continuous constipation, and, strangely enough, his mother suffered from the same trouble. Mr. Owens testified to the merits of Pink Pills in a most interesting way, and said to the Enquirer reporter:

"I am glad to say anything I can for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, because they did me great good, and drink people ought to know of the virtues of a medicine in stomach troubles. It was some time ago when I felt a heavy feeling in my stomach, and I grew very constipated. I did not consult a doctor, but having heard of the Pink Pills I bought a box of them. In two or three days the heavy feeling in my stomach disappeared and my bowels were regular. I did not have to use more than a box of them before I was well. Since that time I have only occasionally been troubled with constipation, and I never get worried, because I know just what to do. Another was also troubled with indigestion and the Pink Pills did the same for her that they did for me—cured her, didn't they, mother?"

When appealed to Mrs. Owens answered: "That is right. I found it was a great medicine, so easy to take and so quick and lasting in its results."

Mr. Owens continued: "I believe that these pills are also good for nervousness. When I had my stomach trouble I was also quite nervous and that disappeared with the dyspepsia. The Pink Pills were all that is claimed for them. You can make any use of this testimonial you see fit."

H. P. Owens has occupied several positions of trust in this city. He was for a time an employe of the Commercial-Gazette. He will go on the road in a few days for a prominent business house. Mr. Owens is quite an enthusiastic as her son about the Pink Pills and her best lady friends can verify her good opinion of this wonderful remedy if they feel disposed to do so at any time. They may be had so general and unanimous as to the excellencies of Pink Pills as the Enquirer has found it to be there is certainly good reason to believe all the good things said—about the safe and simple remedy.

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