

STATE NEWS.

NEBRASKA MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.

—A great dog race has been arranged for the state fair.

—Old settlers of Rushville proposed organizing an association.

—Some Blair parties will establish a Keeley institute in Kansas.

—Organization of the Citizens bank at Bancroft has been completed.

—C. M. Wilson, a Valparaiso druggist, has been closed by his creditors.

—The present season is one of the most productive ever known in Gage county.

—Twenty-three old soldiers from Kearney were present at the Detroit reunion.

—Bricklayers of Omaha want seven hours work on Saturday and eight hours pay.

—Frank Bounce of Dubois had his hand and wrist badly bitten by a vicious dog.

—A Knights of Labor paper is to be started at Omaha, with Anson H. Bigelow as manager.

—During a series of revival meetings in Fairmount there were one hundred conversions.

—The Gage county alliances propose to have a political demonstration at Beatrice before long.

—The farm mortgage recapitulation of the month of July for York county shows a decrease of \$4,192.

—The cigar manufactory of J. S. Culbertson at Beatrice was damaged by fire to the extent of \$190.

—Conservative estimates place the value of all crops in Sherman county at over one million dollars.

—Mr. Yoder, living near Bertrand, had a piece of barley that averaged seventy-five bushels to the acre.

—Prohibitionists of Stanton county have decided to organize a third party and will put a ticket in the field.

—The Adams county teachers institute held a two weeks session in Hastings, with a liberal attendance.

—The county clerk of Custer county has issued certificates for 413 wolf scalps, 297 coyotes and eight wild cats.

—James Collins, 14 years old, of West Point, received an ugly kick in the head from a colt. The boy will recover.

—A little daughter of Fred Bellows, of Weeping Water, received a painful injury by running a rake tooth into her foot.

—Crops in Boyd county this year (almost entirely sod) are excellent and give a bright outlook for the future of the county.

—News has been received at Grand Island of the death of John Reimers, jr., at Keil, Germany, where he had gone for his health.

—John Humpal, a farmer living near Crab Orchard, has threshed his wheat and obtained a yield of nearly forty-two bushels per acre.

—Thurston county will erect a building in which to shelter and protect the county machinery, such as graders and other road working implements.

—John Cunningham, of Omaha, fell from a bridge to the ground, a distance of twenty feet. He was drunk at the time and was therefore not injured.

—W. O. Mismar, of Moorefield, cut forty acres of heavy wheat in twenty-seven hours. This is the best work in the harvest field that has been reported.

—Auditor Benton has refused the application of the supreme lodge of the Bay State League for a certificate to do an insurance business in Nebraska.

—The fact that twenty-two traveling men met at McCook one evening in the regular course of business indicates a revival of trade in Western Nebraska.

—The school district comprising the town of Tobias, at its annual meeting voted to change to a high school district and elected six trustees by acclamation.

—A severe storm occurred at St. Paul. Lightning struck the residence of Dr. A. N. Scott, and it was burned to the ground. Most of the contents were saved.

—Bruce Owen, agent for the Elkhorn railway at Debolt Place, was run over by a freight train No. 40 and had both legs cut off. He died soon after the accident.

—A masked burglar made an ineffectual attempt to hold up the night operator at the B. & M. depot at Tecumseh. He was entirely unsuccessful, but made his escape.

—Mrs. James Shortell, a farmer's wife, living two miles north of Steele City, was burned to death by the explosion of an oil can from which she was pouring oil on the fire.

—The secretary of state commissions G. W. Marsh, clerk of Richardson county, for having sent the neatest and best arranged list of old soldiers for the biennial roster.

—An unknown lad, perhaps 18 years of age, was killed near Union last week while stealing a ride on the Missouri Pacific road and death was instantaneous. He was riding on the trucks.

—The barn of John McEvoy, living near Culbertson, was blown to atoms during a recent storm. Two horses and a colt were in the barn at the time, and strange to say were uninjured.

—The mayor of Omaha drafted a proclamation addressed to the laboring men and strikers informing them that they must remain peaceful and refrain from the destruction of any property.

—The drug stock of Dr. E. J. Murphy, of David City, was taken possession of by the City National bank on a chattel mortgage for \$850. It is thought the stock will pay all creditors in full.

—Vinton, the post trader at Fort Randall, removed his hotel building to Boyd county and will abandon the tradership as unremunerative. Thatcher, post trader at Fort Niobrara, intends doing the same.

—Miss May Mayhew was arrested in Lincoln for housebreaking. The goods she stole were shipped to a man named Perry at St. Joseph. The girl, whose reputation is said to be questionable, made a full confession.

—J. J. Bassett of Adams county has three acres of sugar beets growing. From a test which he has made he finds they average a half pound each in weight which he thinks insures a yield of thirty tons per acre.

—An Omaha two-year-old boy took a swallow of gasoline which his mother had in a cup on her sewing machine. Sweet oil was administered, causing discharge of the illuminating drug and saving the child's life.

—The little daughter of W. M. Vastine, living on a farm twelve miles from Culbertson, was bitten on the lip by a rattlesnake. She was taken to Culbertson as quickly as possible and her life saved by medical treatment.

—The Van Court and Lemest stone quarry at Nebraska closed down last week. The quarry has been supplying the Omaha and Grant smelting works with ten cars of stone per day, and the closing of the smelting works throws one hundred quarrymen out of employment.

—The dry goods store of W. J. Bean, of Broken Bow, was closed under two chattel mortgages, one held by Kroman & Arnold of that place and the other by a bank of Kirksville, Mo. The mortgages aggregate about \$1,200.

—When women speak kindly of each other Gabriel will blow his horn.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE

OF JESUITS OR AMERICANS.

The Grand Island Independent says the Obligation Printed Alongside the Jesuit's Oath Below, is Used by the A. P. A.—It is Not—You Can Decide What Class You Would Rather Have Govern This Country.

JESUIT'S OATH.

I, —, now in the presence of Almighty God, the blessed virgin Mary, the blessed Michael the archangel, the blessed St. John the Baptist, the holy apostles St. Peter and St. Paul and the saints and sacred host of heaven, and to you my ghostly father, I do declare from my heart, without mental reservation that the pope is Christ's vicar-general and is the true and only head of the universal church throughout the earth, and by virtue of the keys of binding and loosing given to his holiness by Jesus Christ he hath power to depose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths, governments, all being illegal without his sacred confirmation, and they may safely be destroyed. Therefore, to the utmost of my power, I will defend this doctrine and his holiness' rights and customs against all usurpers of the heretical or Protestant authority, especially against the now pretended authority and church in England and all adherents, in regard that they be usurped and heretical, opposing the sacred mother church of Rome.

I do renounce and disown any allegiance as due to any heretical king, prince or state, named Protestant, or obedience to any of their inferior magistrates or officers.

I do further declare the doctrine of the church of England, of the Calvinists, Huguenots and other Protestants, to be damnable, and those to be damned who will not forsake the same. I do further declare that I will help, assist and advise all or any of his holiness' agents, in any place wherever I shall be and to do my utmost to extirpate the heretical Protestant doctrine, and to destroy all their pretended power, regal or otherwise. I do further promise and declare, that notwithstanding I am dispensed with to assume any religion heretical for the propagation of the mother church's interest to keep secret and private all her agents counsels as they entrust me, and not to divulge, directly or indirectly, by word, writing or circumstance whatsoever, but to execute all which shall be proposed, given in charge or discovered unto me, by you my ghostly father.

All which I, —, do swear by the blessed trinity, and blessed sacrament which I am about to receive, to perform, on my part to keep inviolably; and do call on all the heavenly and glorious host of heaven to witness my real intentions to keep my oath. In testimony whereof, I take this most holy and blessed sacrament of the eucharist, and witness the same further with my hand and seal, in the face of this holy convent.

Now, what do you think of that? Is that not a nice thing for an American(?) citizen to wear around in this country? Swears to support the holy church (the pope) without a mental reservation, no difference in what country he may be. Swears to help destroy all heretic (Protestant) governments. Swears that he will not obey Protestant officers or magistrates. Swears that all governments are illegal unless confirmed by the church. Swears to aid in breaking down Protestantism. Swears to be solely and wholly a Roman—the obedient servant, to willing tool of the man in Rome.

A. P. A. OBLIGATION.

Grand Island Independent: The following is the obligation taken by persons joining the A. P. A. as shown by the working book as explained by cipher explanation of blank spaces found in said book:

WORKING BOOK OBLIGATION.

Deputy—You will repeat after me the following obligation, giving your name in full. (Persons affirming will raise the right hand.)

I, —, in the presence of Almighty God, and these witnesses, do solemnly promise, declare and swear, that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States, and the state where I reside; I will keep inviolate the secrets of this organization; I will obey its constitution and laws; I will use my best endeavors to promote civil and religious liberty; I will not knowingly vote for, recommend for, nor appoint, nor assist in electing, or appointing a Roman Catholic nor any person sympathizing with Roman Catholicism, to any political position whatever, and in all my public and political action will be governed by the principles of this order; I will oppose all attempts to use the public funds for any sectarian purpose whatever and will ever maintain the great principle of one general unsectarian free school organization; I will never reveal any of the signs, grips, words, passwords or other mysteries of this order, or the names of any of its members, or its numerical strength, to the uninitiated; I will hold these principles above my party affiliation; I will always give a brother of this order preference in all matters of business and also in my act of elective franchise, all things being equal. I will make prompt reports to the chief recording secretary of every initiation made by me. I will advocate the principles of this order. I will use my best endeavors to initiate all true men, and in this way help spread the order; all this I voluntarily promise, declare and swear (or affirm) without hesitation or mental reservation, or any self evasion of mind in me, whatever, so help me God." (Recently incorporated as the American League.)

How many of you who have taken the A. P. A. obligation would recognize the above as that used by the order? What outsider, after reading the Jesuit's oath in the preceding column, believes even that obligation wrong? Is it not the height of impudence for rascals, for traitors, to try to call a halt in the American movement? That oath shows what the Jesuits are here for. It shows they wear the livery of heaven to serve the devil in. While they fawn upon short-sighted Protestants they have their minions working to destroy the government which furnished them a haven when driven from nearly every nation upon the earth. For our part we would not hesitate to choose between the two oaths. We are purely and simply an American, who believes it the duty of every man who comes to live in this country and swears allegiance to the United States, to so swear allegiance as not to have a mental reservation in favor of the pope. We believe in the above obligation, and care little who knows it.