

STATE NEWS ITEMS.

Bennett will have a lodge of Macca bees in a few days.

J. L. Greenlee's name appears as editor of the Blair Courier.

The Gazette is the name of Geneva's new populist paper, and J. J. Burke is its editor.

The old settlers of Dakota county will hold their annual reunion this year on August 30.

The city fathers of Schuyler are thinking seriously of voting themselves an increase of compensation.

Seven prisoners escaped from the Norfolk jail while the circus parade attracted the attention of the jailor.

Schuyler has an organized baseball nine that puts up a good game. They are ready to meet all comers.

In a slugging match at Tekamah, Pokeberry rules, R. C. Lewis knocked Editor Woodruff out in the first round.

Lewis Short and wife of Ainsworth have four girls, the oldest only eighteen months. It was twins on both occasions.

The saloons of South Sioux City run wide open on nights and Sundays in defiance of law and correct moral ethics.

Columbus fishermen the other day brought in an eel from the Loup that was two feet long and weighed five pounds.

The Salvation army people are laying plans to "fortify" Nebraska City if barracks can be secured at reasonable terms.

It is rumored that a move is on foot to organize a stock company at Ponca the object of which will be to build a steam grist mill.

The West Point school board has decided by a vote of 4 to 2 to reduce the salaries of all the teachers, except the principals, \$5 per month.

Work will commence on Fremont's power canal by a force of well diggers, who will ascertain the character of the soil along the proposed line.

The Fremont postoffice makes a good showing of business for the past year, notwithstanding the dull times. It shows a decrease of only \$900.

The egg department in the cold storage plant at Norfolk became so crowded that it was necessary to ship a carload of eggs to Milwaukee for storage.

The creamery at Fremont is now making 1,200 pounds of butter per day, being an increase over the output of the corresponding month for last year of 5,000 pounds.

The ministerial profession of Red Willow county will petition the coming legislature to pass a law fixing the fee for performing the solemn ceremony that unites two hearts.

William Spies, son of a farmer living Abbott, was found dead in the loft near of the barn with a rope twisted about his neck. From the condition of things it is thought the death was accidental.

Major Reimer, a Sarpy county farmer, put his team in the barn and went to dinner, leaving the harness on the horses. On returning he found that a thief had stolen the harness, and a diligent search availed nothing.

The Cozadians are becoming aroused on the subject of irrigation and have appointed committees to solicit money for the employment of an engineer to file water rights and take such other steps as may be deemed necessary.

The Platte river, which is generally a sand bar at this season of the year, is filled with water to the banks. It is something unusual and is accounted for by the recent severe storms in the mountain district. Usually corn could be cultivated in the channel during the month of June.

A tramp called at the residence of C. L. Morrow of Hastings and finding no one at home but the lady of the house demanded a breakfast in a very brutal manner. Mrs. Morrow pulled a six-shooter and invited the tramp to begone in the fraction of a second or take the consequences. He flew.

P. Bouseman, a resident of Tilden, aged seventy years, is missing. He has lived in Madison county for twenty-five years and accumulated considerable property. Of late he has been leading a fast life for one old enough to know better, and his friends think he will come home when his money is gone.

Tom McDermott of Fremont brought to town recently two magnificent specimens of pelicans shot by him on the Platte near his place in Saunders county. He shot three more but they couldn't be got out of the river. One of the birds measured six feet five inches from tip to tip of wings and five feet six inches from tip of tail to end of the beak.

The Chautauque session at Long Pine begins June 29 and closes on the 10th of July. As that is the hottest time of all the glad year, and Long Pine the coolest place upon the sad earth, people who dread the excessive heat will not be slow to avail themselves of this opportunity of enjoying freedom from heat and an intellectual feast all under the same tent.

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California Republicans Have no Difficulty in Making a Choice for Chief Executive.

STRONG FREE SILVER PLATFORM.

They Demand the Exclusion of all Foreign Laborers and Favor Woman Suffrage.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., June 22.—Morris M. Estee, of Napa, was nominated for Governor by the state Republican convention. None of the other candidates made a strong showing, though there was some opposition. A test vote came on an amendment to the report of the committee on order of business offered by the anti-Estee men. The amendment provided that the nominations for Justices of the Supreme bench should be made before that of Governor. The Estee men opposed this and defeated the amendment by a vote of 478 to 347. This showed Estee's strength, and the back of the opposition to him was broken. The convention proceeded according to programme and the platform was adopted without contest.

It indorses the Republican national platform of 1892 and the McKinley tariff, denounces the repeal of the Federal election law and the administration's Hawaiian policy, condemns the Wilson bill as a sectional measure and a corrupt surrender to trusts. The silver plank is as follows:

We favor the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 and the making of silver as well as gold a legal tender for the payment of all debts, both public and private, and we pledge our congressional nominees to support the principles contained in this resolution.

Other resolutions demand the enactment and enforcement of such laws as will absolutely and effectually prohibit the immigration of all foreign laborers, both skilled and unskilled, into this country; favor government aid for the Nicaragua Canal favor a competing transcontinental railroad to San Francisco and the completing of lines throughout the State; demand the enforcement of the Chinese exclusion act and denounce President Cleveland for attempting to abrogate the same, and favor the extension of the suffrage so as to include women.

Has a Shrewd Appearance.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., June 21.—The police of this city have made an important arrest and one which no doubt will result in landing an old offender behind the bars. A man called at the stove and furniture house of W. B. Johnson & sons, of this city, and said he had a relative about to be married and he wanted to fit him up for house-keeping, and proceeded to select 380 worth of goods, which he ordered to be shipped to Barry, Pike county, June 28, at the same time tendering a \$500 draft on the First National of Haskell, Texas, and in a nonchalant manner asking for the change. From the first the firm rather suspected the man and fortunately one of them had been reading the dispatch from Albany, Texas, telling of the forgerie which had been attempted on the bank at Haskell. They made an excuse to go to the bank for the money and while out telephoned for the police and had the man taken in. He gave his name as Sam Weib and insisted he was all right. He is rather below medium height and wears a blonde mustache and side whiskers and has a shrewd appearance.

Butter Manipulated.

AMTURA, Ill., June 21.—The jury in the celebrated case of Potter vs. Sands, which has been in progress in the Circuit Court for nearly two weeks, brought in a verdict allowing plaintiff \$14,000. The sensational features of the case were the relations in regard to the inside workings of the Egin Board of Trade, which has controlled the market price of butter in the Northwest for several years. The case was a suit brought by Charles Potter against O. Sands, of Chicago, to recover commissions alleged to be due him from Sands for services in manipulating the Egin Board of Trade in Sands' interest, the latter having control of twenty-six creameries in this region. In three years Potter had so successfully manipulated the board that he had earned \$20,000 in commissions. In the meantime Sands was adjudged insane and committed to an asylum. The defense tried to show that Sands was insane when the contract was made, but it was shown that the insanity was feigned. In the evidence it was shown that a few producers got together each week and practically agreed what should be the market price of butter.

Another Desperate Gang.

TALIEQUAH, I. T., June 21.—A desperate battle took place Sunday night on the road between Taliequah and Wagoner between Deputy Sheriff Gourd and the Cook gang of outlaws. Sequoyah Houston, one of the sheriff's posse, was killed, and one of the outlaws, Bob Martin, captured. Several others of the sheriff's posse were wounded, some of them possibly fatally. Cook and all but the one of his gang mentioned escaped. Since the killing of Bill Dalton the gang is considered the most desperate of the territory desperadoes.

A New Branch of the Militia.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 21.—With a view to having the state militia better prepared and equipped for emergencies, Captain W. S. Campbell, of the Adjutant General's office, organized what will be known as the Gatling Gun company. The men are picked and enlisted from Company C, Governor's guard, Fifth Infantry, and detailed for assignment at headquarters with the Fifth here.

A Cyclone at Council Bluffs.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., June 21.—A cyclone landed here yesterday evening at 7 o'clock. Trees in Baylis park fell as a line of bricks. At Manawa the storm was most severe, the wind taking a wall of water twenty feet high and carrying it across the lake. The force struck the pavilion and utterly demolished it. Persons in the pavilion narrowly escaped. No fatalities are reported. In the city several houses were unroofed.

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SEIZED BY THE PEOPLE IMMEDIATELY.

Another Anarchist Caught in Attempting to Take the Life of the Premier.

ROME, June 18.—An attempt to assassinate Premier Crispi was made. The premier was driving in his carriage to the Chamber of Deputies when a man suddenly drew a revolver from his pocket and fired at him. The premier was not wounded and, springing from his carriage, seized the would-be murderer.

The premier Crispi was driving from his residence to the Chamber of Deputies in a closed carriage. As the vehicle was turning from the Via Gregoria into the Via Capoleone a man who was loitering on the sidewalk put his hand into his breast, drew a revolver, rushed into the street and up to the carriage. He lifted his revolver, took a short aim at the premier and fired. Crispi was uninjured and promptly sprang out of his carriage with the intention of seizing the would-be assassin. The latter, however, was almost immediately seized by a number of people who were attracted to the spot by the report of the revolver. In a moment the neighborhood was crowded with excited people, vowing vengeance upon the man who had attempted to murder the premier. A rush was made for the man, who was struggling with his captors near the premier's carriage, and he would undoubtedly have been beaten to death had it not been for the prompt arrival of the police.

Deputy Puplies, who was one of the first to seize the would-be murderer, picked up the revolver when the prisoner was in safe hands and handed it to the premier, who examined it curiously and with great coolness. Sig. Crispi was warmly congratulated for the calmness he displayed under such trying circumstances.

The first reports of the affair had it that the premier himself was the first person to lay hands on the man who fired the shot, but although this does not turn out to be correct there is no doubt that the distinguished Italian statesman displayed most remarkable presence of mind and that he would undoubtedly have closed promptly with his assailant had it not been for the fact that the people laid hands on the rascal before the premier could approach him. Sig. Crispi was most warmly cheered when he arrived at the Chamber of Deputies, the news of the attempt upon his life having preceded him.

Upon reaching the Chamber the premier went to the president's room and related his story of the affair as quietly as if nothing extraordinary had happened. When the news of the attempted assassination of the premier became generally known crowds of deputies and others pushed their way to the president's room in order to congratulate Sig. Crispi upon his escape from death and to express their admiration of his courage.

When the sitting of the Chamber of Deputies opened there were cheers for the premier and the president arose and told of the attempt on his life, severely denouncing the outrage and expressing the hope that Sig. Crispi's life would be long preserved to his country. The remarks of the president were greeted with long and continued applause from the members and from the people in the galleries.

The would-be assassin gave the name of Paolo Laga and described himself as a Joiner. The police have, however, discovered that he was a member of several anarchist societies, where he was known as Marat, after the famous French revolutionist. Marat declares that he arrived in Rome, charged with the mission to kill Premier Crispi. He adds that he was sorry he had failed in his object.

King Humbert, as soon as he heard of the attempted assassination of Premier Crispi, sent him his congratulations upon his escape.

Lost at Sea.

ODESSA, June 18.—News of a collision in the sea of Azov between the Greek bark Eurytus and the Russian steamship Marousia has been received. Both vessels sank. Four of the crew of the Eurytus and twenty-two of the crew of the Marousia, including officers, are drowned.

The Black Death.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—The records of the department of state throw light on the singular plague which is now ravaging China and make it evident that this most fatal disease is really very similar to the black death or plague which devastated London as told by Defoe.

It has its origin in Yunnan, a Chinese province, where it is epidemic. The Catholic missionaries there held that it was really a pestilential emanation slowly rising in equitable stratum from the ground and as it increases in depth all animals are, as it were, drowned in its poisonous flood.

Will Convene at Atlanta.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—At the session of the supreme lodge of Workmen Atlanta, Ga., was chosen as the place for the next convention. The session was largely devoted to secret work and to auditing accounts. A proposed new ritual for the order was defeated. A ritual for the use of the grand lodge, Degree of Honor, was adopted. The delegates devoted themselves to an excursion around the bay. Installation of officers will occur today.

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