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The case against ex-State Treasurer Hill and his bondsmen to recover the funds belonging to the state which were lost by the failure of the Capital National Bank was heard last week in the supreme court to a jury. That was the second trial and resulted in a verdict for the defendants. It does not seem just that the state should lose the sum involved but if Hill and his bondsmen are not responsible the law ought to be amended to prevent a repetition.

R. C. Outcalt was tried in the federal court at Omaha last week for complicity in the wrecking of the Capital National Bank and was acquitted. Some sensational charges were published in regard to some of the jurors who heard the case and Judge Dundy ordered an investigation by the grand jury. The failure of that bank and the resultant litigation and loss, coupled with the light punishment of Musher has called forth much unfavorable comment and if there was any crooked work in the trial the guilty ones should be punished.

H. G. Stewart is not the first broken down political harlequin who has entered the newspaper field in an effort to recuperate. H. G. is no longer the idol of his party in this section, as the figures will show: Paul beat him 101 votes for treasurer of Dawes county, while on the top ticket, running with Stewart, Clark carried the county by 245; Maxwell by 207; Ricker by 90; Westover by 55; and Charly by 40. If he holds down the editorial chair two months he will be so disgusted with himself that he couldn't even get his own vote for any position.—Crawford Tribune.

Nebraska is to be congratulated upon having the nerve to so far put aside the prejudice against corporation lawyers as to choose the ablest public man in the state for the senate, and such, beyond controversy, Mr. Thurston really is. When Chicago was leveled to ashes he was a drayman, or dray boy, more properly speaking. This is, indeed, a splendid country, where rail splitters, canal drivers and draymen can come to the highest honors. Mr. Thurston did not get his seat by purchase. He is not a man of wealth. Brains and ideas won the senatorial prize.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Frank Hilton's attorneys thought they had played a trump when they demanded that the charges against Hilton should be made specifically, by item. To do that it would be necessary to have the books of the late oil inspector, which he has never turned over to his successor. But the court easily "squashed" that proposition. When an official embezzles his books, as well as the cash that ought to be accounted for in them, almost any sort of indictment will be specific enough for the ends of justice.—Lincoln Journal.

Editor Bottenburg, formerly of Rushville, has decided to start a paper at Belle Fourche, S. Dak., and will move his plant from Rushville to that place. The opportunities for establishing new papers in Nebraska are rare. Every field is occupied and many are overdone, so that every month a number of suspensions and consolidations are reported to have occurred and numerous publishers would like to improve their location. The law making it necessary for a paper to be published for a whole year before it can publish legal notices makes it so that in the places where new papers are established they have to depend on something other than that, and business men as a rule have learned that it is poor business policy to encourage new papers in times like the present. A newspaper is a business enterprise just as much as a bank or any other institution and it costs money to run one.

Late Literary News.

Two very important important facts in connection with the new era of magazines are illustrated in the December Cosmopolitan. Its fiction is by Stevenson, the last story written before his death, "Ouida," Sarah Grant, Zanzibar, and the beginning of James Lane Allen's new Kentucky realistic story, "Butterflies." Probably no stronger array of fiction has ever been presented in any magazine—money could not buy better. Nor has any magazine ever had a larger number of really distinguished artists engaged upon the illustration of a single number. The reader might be puzzled to know how such a number can be made at the price of ten cents. But the magazine itself affords the solution. It contains 150 pages of advertising, which as the publishers announce, is from \$5000 to \$6000 more net cash advertising than was ever before printed in a magazine of any kind, and in any country. It breaks the world's record in the publishing business. Moreover, the cost of the articles and authors who appear in this number is divided amongst 400,000 copies, bringing the cost per copy proportionately low. The Cosmopolitan claims that the ten cent magazine, bringing, as it does, the best in art and literature into all classes, is an educational movement second in importance only to that of the public school.

A Little Vacation.

On Wednesday of last week the editor and his wife left on the evening train for a short vacation. Taking the B. & M. at Crawford for Alliance, arriving there about midnight. After a good sleep the day was spent in renewing old acquaintances and forming new ones and seeing the town, which showed great changes since a visit over six years ago. We were entertained at tea at the hospitable home of Mayor Brooks, by that gentleman and his estimable lady and a few congenial friends and later in the evening the party passed some time very pleasantly at the rooms of St. Matthews Club, the social headquarters of the place. It is out of the question to tell of all we met and saw but Alliance has a lot of people in it who are alive and all stand up for Alliance. Next morning we took the train to Hemingford and were escorted to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Iodence, both old acquaintances, and took breakfast and spent some pleasant hours in their company. For dinner in company with Mr. and Mrs. Iodence and Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Kendall, we went to the home of Judge and Mrs. D. K. Spacht, also acquaintances of many years. Those who have had the pleasure of meeting friends after a separation of a number of years know how quickly the time passed. This night was spent with Mr. and Mrs. Kendall and after an early breakfast we took the train for Marsland. On our arrival there we were driven to the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Poole, the intended visit having been kept secret from them, a brother having met us at the train. After removing snow-covered wraps a rush was made for their room and the surprise was complete. That day and the next passed in pleasant pastime and Sunday evening we attended church at Marsland, that being one of Mr. Kendall's appointments, and listened to him and noticed that he had a large audience—the best evidence that his efforts are appreciated. Monday morning a short ride by rail brought us to Crawford where a brief visit was made between trains with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kennedy, who seem to be prospering and well satisfied, and about noon we arrived home to again take up the work where we left off, refreshed and invigorated by the pleasure of the trip and rest from business cares.

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Final Proof Notices.

All persons having final proof notices in this paper will receive a marked copy of the paper and are requested to examine their notice and if any errors exist report the same to this office at once.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., Nov. 26, 1895. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before M. J. Hewett, clerk district court, at Harrison, Neb., on Jan. 13, 1896, viz: Henry Wasselburger, of Gillette, Neb., who made H. E. No. 1616 for the sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Anton Ebelin, Henry Pekenbrock, M. J. Gayhart, Frank Nudis, all of Gillette, Neb. (12-14) J. W. WEBB, JR., Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., Nov. 18, 1895. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before M. J. Hewett, clerk district court, at Harrison, Neb., on Dec. 28, 1895, viz: John H. Brown, of Story, Neb., who made H. E. No. 2199 for the sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: August Kling, W. W. Story, Wilbur Shepherd, S. H. Story, all of Story, Neb. (12-16) J. W. WEBB, JR., Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., Nov. 15, 1895. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before M. J. Hewett, clerk district court at Harrison, Neb., on Dec. 28, 1895, viz: N. Douglas Hamlin, of Harrison, Neb., who made H. E. No. 1799 for the sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Walter B. Woodruff, Samuel M. Thomas, J. T. Fitzgerald, James Nolan, all of Harrison, Neb. Also Samuel M. Thomas, of Harrison, Neb., who made H. E. No. 2277 for the lot 3, sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: S. D. Eakin, Walter B. Woodruff, S. L. Ellis, James Nolan, all of Harrison, Neb. Also Walter B. Woodruff, of Harrison, Neb., who made H. E. No. 2253 for the sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Samuel M. Thomas, S. D. Hamlin, J. T. Fitzgerald, James Nolan, all of Harrison, Neb. (12-16) J. W. WEBB, JR., Register.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., Sept. 29, 1895. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before M. J. Hewett, clerk district court at Harrison, Nebraska, on Dec. 31, 1895, viz: George W. Grimm, of Bodare, Neb., who made H. E. No. 2465 for the sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ernest Bunge, Ashbel Orion, William Bickard, Joseph Parsons, all of Bodare, Neb. (12-16) William Bickard, of Bodare, Neb., who made H. E. No. for the sec. 13, tp. 24 n., r. 25 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George W. Grimm, Charles Grewel, Joseph Parsons, Ernest Bunge, all of Bodare, Neb. (12-16) J. W. WEBB, JR., Register.



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The soil varies from a heavy clay to a light sandy loam and is capable of producing excellent crops. The principal crops are small grain and vegetables, although good corn is grown in the valleys. The wheat, oats, rye and barley are all of unusually fine quality and command the highest market prices.

The water is pure and refreshing and is found in abundance in all parts of the county. The county is practically out of debt and has over forty-five miles of railroad within its borders, has a good brick court house and the necessary fixtures for running the county and there has never been one dollar of county bonds issued and hence taxes will be low.

The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad crosses Sioux county from east to west and the B. & M. has about fifteen miles of its line in the northern part of the county. The climate is more pleasant than that of the eastern portion of Nebraska. There is still OVER 800,000 ACRES of land in Sioux county yet open to homestead entry. It is better land and more desirably located than that for which such rushes are made on the opening of a reservation. There is no railroad land in the county and for that reason its settlement has been slow for no special effort to get settlers was made, as was done in the early days of the settlement of the eastern part of the state.

Good decided land can be purchased at reasonable rates with government land adjoining so that a person who wants more than one quarter section can obtain it if he has a little means. There are about 2,500 people in the county and there is room for thousands more.

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Table listing Board of Commissioners, Legislative, Village Officers, and School Officers.

TERMS OF COURT: District Court—A. Harrison, commissioner. County Court—A. Harrison, commissioner. CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES: Methodist Sunday school meets every Sunday morning at 11:30. W. H. DAVIS, superintendent. WOODMEN OF THE WORLD: Harrison Camp, No. 25, meets on the first and third Saturday evenings of each month. MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA: Meets each alternate Saturday evening.

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