

WEYLER IS IN THE HILLS

Maneuvering Around Maceo But Keeping His Whereabouts Hidden.

SITUATION IS GROWING CRITICAL

A Big Engagement is Anticipated Soon—Gomez on the March—Weyler to Call Out More Troops New Years.

HAVANA, Dec. 5.—The people of Havana are still in the dark so far as the movements of General Weyler are concerned. If the authorities have had anything definite from him since he went into camp near Los Palacios they are keeping their information to themselves. They state that they are ignorant of his present position, but they know he is carrying out in detail the plan of campaign prepared before he left Havana.

The situation is never more interesting and critical than now and every one is anticipating events of importance. All minor engagements are the government reports of victories are lost sight of in the anticipation of greater things. It is believed here that General Gomez is marching down from Matanzas province to Guines, in Havana province and from there to Quivican. He did this once, and it is admitted that he can do it again, while so many troops are occupied with Maceo. His object is to harass the trocha in the rear and distract attention from Maceo.

It is reported that General Weyler will issue a decree on New Year's day, calling out for military service every male Spanish subject on the island between the age of eighteen and forty-five. The report is not generally credited, but it has already caused great consternation.

Rumors regarding Maceo are many, but little attention is paid to them. The only definite news from the province of Pinar del Rio is that the commands of Generals Meliquizo and Inclan have had encounters with the rebels.

A party of rebels who made an attack at Ft. Razon, province of Santiago de Cuba, were repulsed. They were pursued by the local guerrillas, who killed six insurgents and wounded fourteen. The troops had one officer and four privates wounded.

Colonel Torto reports that his command has defeated the rebels under Castillo and other leaders at Mezorono, province of Havana. The rebels lost twenty-three killed, while the Spanish loss was six killed and eleven wounded.

The district court of Matanzas has given a decision in the case of Oscar Cespedes, an American citizen, who was captured in the field and held as a prisoner of war in San Severino castle, Matanzas. The court holds that he must be handed over to a military tribunal for trial.

AN EARLY BATTLE LOOKED FOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana, via Key West, says:

It is known that General Weyler has left Palacios again for the hills, but no definite report of what he has accomplished has reached here. Maceo's friends realize the gravity of the situation, but still they show no signs of uneasiness. Their confidence is unshaken. It is believed Maceo has met an expedition from Campeche, Mex., at Punta Barreos, which brought him fresh stores and an additional supply of dynamite. It is not true that Maceo will quit his position, but will continue to occupy Pinar del Rio, as any move out of the now would be virtually a confession of his defeat. Maceo, it is supposed, has returned with new supplies and calmly waiting an assault by General Weyler on his stronghold.

Woman Dies Voluntarily

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Eliza Cummings, a widow, fifty-five years of age, of Hillsboro, O., who came to this city November 21 to be treated for nervous prostration, committed suicide yesterday morning by jumping from the fifth floor of Hotel Empire, Sixty-third street and the boulevard.

A Desperado Jerked Hence

ORLANDO, I. T., Dec. 5.—A man hunt that has been in progress since last September, when Bill Doolin and Dick Donelson, alias Dynamite Dick, escaped from the Guthrie jail, ended in an encounter yesterday near Kildare, in which Dynamite Dick was killed and Ben Craven, another member of the gang of outlaws, was wounded. The pursuing posse came upon the two unexpectedly near Kildare at 8 o'clock yesterday morning and opened fire. Dynamite Dick was shot and mortally wounded, and Craven surrendered after receiving a shot in the right arm. There are reports aggregating \$1,000 for the capture of Dynamite Dick, who is guilty of half a dozen murders, and \$300 is offered for the arrest of Craven. The prisoner and the corpse will be taken to Guthrie by Deputy Marshal Cox and his deputies, who made the capture. It is hinted that Craven, being tired of the chase had given information of his chief's movements and was to be dealt with lightly.

The death of Dynamite Dick removes the last of the gang of desperadoes that have terrorized the settlers in the territory since its first settlement.

Too Careful of Her Money

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Paul Freese of 4739 Halstead street drew \$4,000 from the First National bank yesterday with which she intended to pay off a mortgage on her home, and then, after taking precaution against robbers by concealing the money in different parts of her clothing, she lost half of the amount on the street. She tied \$2,000 in her handkerchief and on reaching the office where she expected to discharge her debt, she found that she had lost it.

KEY WEST FAILS

KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 4.—Passengers who arrived from Havana report that Weyler's campaign in Pinar del Rio so far is a complete failure, despite the fact that he has over sixty thousand men in the province. When Weyler left Artemisa he formed a column of ten thousand infantry, fifteen hundred cavalry and ten pieces of artillery and marched skirting the base of the hills on the southern side and seeking an opening to attack Maceo, who is strongly fortified on top of the hills. It appears that Maceo has gathered all his force and is now entrenched in the hills waiting Weyler's attack. There is no truth, it is said, in the report that Maceo has divided his forces into small bands to elude combat, and it is further declared that it is known on good authority that Weyler has no view of meeting Maceo.

Gomez, with a large force, is reported steadily advancing west. He is now reported in Santa Clara province and it is said is coming with 20,000 men. There are more shocking details of Lopez Coloma's execution. Gen. Martinez Campos, it is said, is indignant at the injustice committed in executing Coloma. Campos obtained the queen's pardon for him and sent a telegram so advising. The message arrived at noon, but reports say Weyler pocketed it and ordered the execution to proceed.

The rebels trapped twenty-four guerrillas near Quivican recently. All were killed with machetes. The fact was never reported by the papers.

It is rumored that Roloff has arrived with an expedition. He came from Campeche, Mex.

There is great interest in Havana concerning President Cleveland's message and the action of congress thereon.

REBELS GENERAL KILLED

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—News was received yesterday from Cienfuegos, Cuba, by Julio de Castro of this city to the effect that Major-General Serefin Sanchez was killed in an engagement at Los Damas Santa Clara province. The dispatch, which is dated November 24, confirms the Spanish reports of a few days ago, which the Cubans in this city believe to be untrue. The death of Serefin Sanchez is a severe blow to the insurgents.

The battle in which he met his death occurred on November 20. An expedition was expected from Jamaica and part of the forces of Generals Carrillo and Sanchez started for the coast to receive it. The insurgents numbered about 1,200 men, but before reaching the point where the expedition was to disembark the column was attacked by 3,000 Spanish soldiers under General Laque. A desperate battle ensued, which lasted five hours, darkness making it impossible to continue the fight. In the battle the Spaniards suffered a loss of 170 killed and ninety wounded. The Cuban loss was forty-three killed and twenty-six wounded.

To Make the Blind See

St. Louis, Dec. 4.—Dr. Heber Roberts of this city whose varied successful experiments with the X rays have attracted wide attention, has recently directed his experiments to benefitting the blind. The claimed results of these experiments called adverse criticism from Nikola Tesla, which will shortly appear in the Electrical Review. This criticism was shown to Dr. Roberts yesterday, to which he replied: "Professor Tesla is wrong in stating that I have promised sight to the totally blind. I claim, however, that progress has been printed with me in which I disclaim the possibility of making practical use of the X ray in the totally blind, with our present knowledge. We know of no material that will reflect the X ray. The ray must be focused upon the optic nerve if we get the conception of forms, but this is not necessary to get the impression of the X ray and the changing influences created by passing opacities. I cannot state at this time what, if any, beneficial results may be obtained from the use of the X ray with the nervous and hemorrhagic blind Long, persistent use alone can tell."

While Dr. Roberts was talking a number of students from the Missouri school for the blind came into his office. One of them was named George Smith. He is about eighteen years old and can see nothing. He cannot locate an electric light in a room. To prove his assertion Dr. Roberts put the boy's face to the fluoroscope and turned on the current. Between the Crookes tube and the fluoroscope the little board to which the leaden letters A, B, C, were pasted was adjusted. Smith recognized them.

Another student from the blind school named Louis Smith was then tried. He can see lights and shadows, but cannot make out letters. In a bright electric light he could not read the leaden letters on the board. With the fluoroscope he could easily distinguish them.

"Professor Tesla says you cannot see these letters with the X ray any better than without," said the doctor to the boy.

"Professor Tesla doesn't know," he answered. "I know what I see. Without the X ray it is all a blur."

"All that has been done so far," said Dr. Roberts, "is merely groundwork. If no advance is made from now on, what has been so far developed will be utterly worthless from a practical standpoint. We must simply keep on working in the hope that future discoveries may utilize and make it of practical value."

Good Prices For Horses

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 4.—At the Eastern sale yesterday imported Candelmas, the thirteen-year-old brother of St. Blaise, was sold to J. B. Haggin of California for \$25,000. Mr. Haggin also bought imported Order for \$26,000. W. S. Barnes of this city was the contending bidder. Victorine, aged nine years, the dam of Ornament and Whyots was sold to John Mackay of California, for \$10,000. Mr. Mackay also bought Cavalier, a 14-year-old stallion, by Prince Charles, for \$4,000.

STORM PROVES SERIOUS

People of the Dakotas in a Sad Condition and Fuel Scarce.

SNOW IS BLOWN UP WITH DYNAMITE

Railroad Traffic is paralyzed—A Coal Famine is Making Inroads—A Frozen Body Recovered.

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 1.—Fuller reports of the late storm show it to have been far more serious than was at first supposed. The drifts in cuts are six to fourteen feet deep and are frozen like ice mixed with sand. Dynamite is being used to loosen up this snow. The southwestern branch of the Northern Pacific to Lisbon and Edgely is still frozen up and people in the towns along the line are out of wood and coal and there seems no prospect of opening the roads for three or four days. Small towns along the main line of the Northern Pacific are out of fuel. In a wreck of a snowplow yesterday morning John Tallman, a fireman, had a leg broken, his head badly scalded and received serious internal injuries.

BISMARCK, N. D., Dec. 1.—The Northern Pacific is still blocked. Its coast train, which should have reached Minneapolis on Thursday, is stuck in a snow drift at New Salem, forty miles west of here, and cannot move until a snowplow clears the track. In some deep cuts snow is drifted on the track to a depth of fifty feet. A coal famine prevails here and there will be much suffering unless relief is afforded at once.

BARNESVILLE, Minn., Dec. 1.—Traffic west of here has been completely stopped for two days. An engine and snowplow left here Sunday to open the line to Grand Forks. A large number of freight and passenger trains are stalled here and in consequence the hotels are reaping quite a harvest.

HELENA, MONT., Dec. 1.—There is much apprehension in regard to the cattle industry this winter. The severity of the weather for the past few days and the fact that there is considerable snow on the ranges are ominous of snow losses.

STEPHEN, Minn., Dec. 1.—Passenger trains have been stuck in snow drifts in the late storm. Engineers and firemen have had to shovel snow all night in the worst blizzard had for years in order to keep the engine alive. Although but a short distance from the water tank they were unable to reach it. Engineer Winney's engine ran down to the tank for water and fuel with the cars only 1,000 feet away. The storm filled the track behind them, and the engineer and fireman were compelled to stay at the tank. No one dare trust himself in the weather, and during the entire night the two worked to keep the engine alive and shoveled snow in the hope of getting back to the train. At the end of fourteen hours they succeeded in getting back over the 1,000 feet. They suffered greatly from the cold.

MOORHEAD, Minn., Dec. 1.—The body of Thomas Anderson, who perished in Thursday's storm, was found yesterday morning half a mile northeast of the home of Miss Daniels, whom he escorted home from work Thanksgiving night. His coat was missing. Anderson was six years of age. It was on his return home he lost his way.

Great Ice Gorge

CHIPPewa FALLS, Wis., Dec. 1.—The Chippewa river is backing up onto the streets in the lower section of the city. Its rise is due to a large ice gorge formed eight miles below, near Eau Claire. All basements on River and Spring streets are filled with water and residents and occupants of business places on River street are moving out. The ice gorge is four miles long and twenty feet high. Five hundred men are at work with dynamite endeavoring to break it. The intense cold retards the work and new ice is forming rapidly. Unless the gorge is broken inside of twenty-four hours great disaster is feared.

Cubans Take a City

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The first definite news in the shape of details regarding the capture of the town of Guayamora, in the district of Camaguey, Cuba, by the patriots, arrived in this city yesterday in the form of the personal letter from Governor Calixto Garcia to the junta in New Street. It was dictated to one of his adjutants, who brought it to this city.

The report of the siege and capture, which was cabled here sometime ago, has been denied by the Spanish authorities, but the Cuban leaders in this city declare that General Garcia's letter leaves no doubt now that the report was correct. It states that the siege of the garrison of 295 men in the twelve small forts in the town lasted twelve days. When the officers surrendered the Cubans took as prisoners all the men in charge of the forts, which included one captain, two lieutenants, two sub-lieutenants, eighteen sergeants, one surgeon and fifteen corporals. All the officers were paroled, but the men were sent to the mountains to work on the Cuban plantations. The examination of the Cuban government provides for the release of these prisoners, and it was at the request of the men that they were sent to the plantations.

Mrs. Mary Colt Dead

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 1.—Mrs. Mary B. Colt, widow of the late Judge James B. Colt of Harvard, Conn., and brother of the inventor of the Colt revolver, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Edwards, in Berkeley. She leaves two sons, Norman B. Colt of Seattle, Wash., and James B. Colt of Washington, D. C., and by a former husband a daughter, Mrs. Florence Wanton, of Salvador, Central America, and a son, Singleton Wilson, of San Luis Obispo.

CANNOT BREAK THE ICE

City of Chippewa Falls in Danger of a Partial Flood.

CHIPPewa FALLS, Wis., Dec. 2.—The Chippewa river is gorged at twenty points and the backing up of the water is becoming quite alarming. At this point the water has crept up from the bridge to the postoffice, two blocks back from the river, and the river is now twenty-four feet above the high water mark. The Wisconsin Central tracks are covered with water two feet deep and the road uses the Omaha tracks, the transfer being made at Eau Claire. Duncan creek, a tributary to the Chippewa river here, is also doing much damage, as the water is backing up in it from the main river. The Chippewa Lumber and Boom company's mills and lumber yards are all under water and every street and business firm on River street have moved out. The very latest is that an ice gorge is forming just below the falls. It is the opinion of river men that this will be the saving of the city; that it will scatter the water on the low lands above the falls and give the water below the falls a chance to recede. At Flambeau Farm the river ran over its banks, destroying 300 head of live stock and ruined a dozen farms and buildings. It is feared that the course of the river will be changed, throwing it completely on the town and completely inundating it. In that event, heavy loss of property and life cannot be averted. The bottom lands are covered with water and a great loss of live stock has been reported by farmers. In making its way past the region where the flood is raging, a train on the Wisconsin Central, running from St. Paul to Chicago, lost more than two hours. Finally it succeeded in reaching Irvine Station, a small place near Chippewa Falls.

As far as a mile on every side of the town, including Irvine Station itself, the water has reached such a height that men and animals can no longer venture out with safety. From 700 to 1,000 men were at work and the scene was dotted by lights of lanterns used in the work. It is decided by the residents that the use of dynamite might save their homes and the town from destruction. Last night sticks of the strong powder were exploded in the endeavor to break the ice gorge. Meanwhile wagons loaded with household goods and the portable possessions of residents were being hauled away to places of safety in the woods to the east of the city.

The flood in Wisconsin river continues, and at Granite Heights, ten miles north of Wausau, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul tracks are under water for some distance. This water is thinly sheeted with ice, which is not strong enough for transfer and yet is thick enough to seriously impede any attempt to clear the track. No part of the track is yet washed out, but it is not considered safe to run through the water.

There is total suspension of railway traffic on the Wabash & Durant section of the same road.

Egg Student

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.—William Tenney Cannon, a student at the Jefferson medical college and a brother of United States Senator Cannon of Utah, was egged yesterday by his fellow students. Cannon's misadventure arose over the resentment of the students against a recent order of the faculty, to which Cannon submitted. The faculty ordered that, on and after yesterday, all students would be required to show receipts for their tuition fees before entering a lecture room. The students took exception to this order and determined to show their resentment by remaining away from lectures. When Dr. Henry C. Chapman entered his class room to lecture on physiology Cannon was the only student on the benches before him. The other students collected outside the door and when Cannon issued from the class room at the end of the lecture he was greeted with a howl of indignation and bespattered with eggs. Dr. E. E. Montgomery, professor of clinical gynecology, attempted to protect Cannon, and he was the target for three or four eggs.

Cannon says he will return to lectures today.

Glass Makers Pool

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 2.—The window glass manufacturers of the United States were in session all day yesterday, completing their labors shortly after 6 o'clock. The result was the reorganization of both the old associations, that in the east to be called the Pittsburg Window Glass company, and that in the west the Western Glass company. An ironclad agreement of great length was drawn up and signed by all the manufacturers present. Each company has practically the same constitution and it contemplates that all the members thereof shall turn over the products of their respective factories to the sales agent of the company, who shall sell the glass to jobbers and account to the factory for the price of the glass, reserving 5 per cent for a general fund for the use of the association. At the end of each year this reserve fund is returned to the manufacturers according as they have contributed to it, or rather a portion of it, for the association always retains a certain amount, from which fines and penalties can be taken.

To Identify a Suicide

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—A telegram was received at police headquarters yesterday from George W. Tingle of Rodney, Ia., requesting the police to hold the body of the Kimball hotel suicide who had registered as E. L. Bryan until further particulars were received from him by letter. Although it is generally supposed the body is that of Edgar Lytle of Pittsburg, the remains have not been positively identified. It is not believed here that the man's right name was put on the hotel register.

RAMON WILLIAMS EXPLAINS

Gives Forth His Reason for Resigning the Consulship in Cuba.

HE WAS TOO ACTIVE A WORKER

His Vigilance For American Interests Aroused the Enmity of the Captain General and of Spain—Asked to Resign.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Ramon O. Williams, ex-consul general of the United States at Havana, arrived at his home in Brooklyn Tuesday, from a trip through England, France and Spain. He consented to talk for the first time concerning the circumstances of his resignation from office last year, which was surrounded by some mystery, and the reasons for which have not before been made public. There was talk at the time that Mr. Williams and Secretary of State Gresham differed regarding the policy of this government toward American citizens, but General Williams declined to discuss that point. He said that his resignation was because his activity in the cases of American citizens under arrest made a persona non grata to the Spanish government, and made his residence in Havana unpleasant. The particular episode in which Mr. Williams incurred the dislike of Spain, he says, was his insistence that Sanguilly, Aguirre and Carillo, who were arrested February 24, 1895, as insurgents and court-martialed, should be tried in the civil courts, under Article VII of the treaty of 1795. Mr. Williams said:

"Both the captain general and the insular secretary of state were entirely ignorant of the existence of Article VII. The captain general became offended because I demanded the transfer from military to civil jurisdiction, and the case was reported in such a manner to the Madrid government as to almost provoke the revocation of my exequatur. I was guided in this by a recollection of similar cases which had come under my notice in Cuba. I was a young man employed as clerk in Havana, in 1851, when the Crittenden's men were shot, regardless of the treaty of 1795. I was a merchant in Havana when the Virginian men were shot in 1873, an almost similar case. Again, while I was there, Zecunas, an Italian-American citizen, who had gone, representing certain Spanish elements, to negotiate terms of peace with the insurgents in the eastern department during the last insurrection in 1878, and I who was arrested by the Spanish forces, tried by court-martial, condemned to death and shot in the fort of Cabanas, where Sanguilly and the Competitor prisoners are now held, regardless of the safeguards the treaty of 1895, and the safe conduct given him by the Spanish minister at Washington. The recollection of these cases enabled me to make quick and earnest defenses of those men, and it was this action on my part that gave offense to the Spanish authorities in Cuba.

"I was then in Washington. Acting on the rule that no man of self-respect would want to return or enter any place where he believes he is persona non grata, and, therefore, not welcome, I resolved not to continue longer in the position of consul general to the island, and signified my desire to resign. The circumstances, however were of such a character that I went back to Havana, resumed office and continued the defense of Sanguilly until the case was transferred to the civil courts. A few weeks before the case of the American citizens, Jose Cejro, who had been arrested and subjected to court-martial, and several American citizens had been treated the same way, and, in consequence, I was not able to present my resignation in due form until February, 1895."

Mr. Williams said that he returned to Havana only on the earnest solicitation of President Cleveland, himself, and added that Secretary Gresham's subsequent illness and death occurred too soon to admit of his personally explaining to the secretary his views on the matter.

The Public Debt Grows

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The statement of the public debt issued Tuesday shows that on November 30 the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$965,769,159, and increase for the month of \$8,270,233. This increase is accounted for by a corresponding decrease in the amount of cash on hand. The debt is recapitulated as follows: Interest-bearing debt, \$847,364,520; debt on which interest increased since maturity, \$1,591,620; debt bearing no interest, \$372,170,117; total, \$1,221,126,257. This, however, does not include \$567,523,923 in certificate and treasury notes outstanding, which are offset by an equal amount of cash in the treasury. The cash in the treasury is recapitulated as follows, cents omitted: Gold, \$169,527,101; silver, \$609,000,450; paper, \$139,616,755; bonds, discharging officers' balances, etc., \$17,137,872; total, \$935,961,529, against which there are demands liabilities amounting to \$610,604,481, which leaves a cash balance in the treasury of \$325,357,048.

News Wagon's Striking

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The Daily News contains an eulogistic article on the nomination of Sir Samuel Strong, chief justice of the Dominion of Canada, as privy councillor, which will enable him to sit on the judicial committee. The Daily News comments upon the fact that the law does not provide a salary for these colonial judges, and it advocates a radical reform of legislation amalgamating the peers' appeal court and the judicial committee into a single great appellate tribunal for all the queen's dominions.

Nebraska Notes

Wallace has a Culture Club.

About 25,000 head of sheep are being fed at Wood River.

Keith county has about \$30,000 tied up in broken banks.

Alfalfa seed is selling in North Platte at a dollar a bushel.

The women of Lexington are waging a war against tobacco.

A farmer near Bloomfield marketed a hog that weighed 770.

Many farmers are using corn for fuel. It is cheaper than coal.

Grain men at Superior bought 9,780 bushel of corn in one day.

Exeter has a local dramatic club, the members of which are all "stars."

Peter Ryan of Holt county lost thirty-five steers from eating corn stalks.

Sarpy county needs a new court house and is abundantly able to build one.

The Baptists of North Platte are building an addition to their church edifice.

One implement firm at Alma has sold \$2,500 worth of corn shellers since election.

Ponca is picking up. The latest addition to its industries is a broom factory.

A mail carrier in Cherry county had to abandon his run on account of deep snow.

South Omaha people are wondering when work will begin on their new post-office.

The Saline county agricultural society is able to pay eighty per cent of its premiums.

A farmer living near Tekamah raised nearly forty thousand bushels of corn this year.

Rushville has a water work tank that holds 12,000 barrels. It is filled by wind power.

Farmers of Lincoln county do not gather eggs enough to supply the North Platte market.

Twenty members were received in the Methodist church at Arcadia on probation last week.

Thirty-one cars of Oregon hogs were shipped into the state last week to be fed on Nebraska corn.

Rev. Dr. Wheeler of South Omaha distributed a carload of turkeys among the needy of his parish.

Burwell is to have a new creamery. The plant from German Valley will be moved there in the spring.

A Fremont man was taxed \$5 and fixtures for the pleasure of disturbing a meeting of the Salvation army.

Burt county people who went to Colorado some years ago are said to be sick of their job and want to come back.

Mike O'Neil, living near Julesburg, was thrown from a horse and so badly injured that the doctors say he will die.

A saw mill which is being operated on the Castor place near Wiber is turning out a lot of cribbing from native timber.

Valley county is entitled under the statutes to a clerk of the district court separate from the office of county clerk.

J. O. Milligan is putting machinery up for the manufacture of rye and buckwheat flour in his roller mills at Wakefield.

Scott's Bluff, Banner, McPherson, Logan, Keya Paha, and Boyd are the only counties in the state without a railroad.

W. T. Cody of North Platte owns 50,000 acres of land in the Big Horn valley and has nearly all of it under irrigation.

The Smithfield Farm News says now is the time for farmers to select seed corn and put it away in the attic where it will keep dry.

An orchestra has been organized in Chappell, with Professor Weiss as leader. They are practicing most nights, and are making rapid progress.

W. F. Archer, living near Hildreth, went to sleep the other night after eating a hearty supper, and never awoke. Heart failure was the trouble.

Dodge county treated the inmates of its poor house to a special Thanksgiving feast. Nothing like offering extraordinary inducements to immigrants.

A depot has been put in at Bracken, the new station about half way between Nemaha and Auburn. It is probable a postoffice will soon be established there.

Gage county has a female corn husker, a single lady, who does her seventy-five bushels daily. What in the name of Cupid do the young men down there mean.

George J. Pielstik, an honored citizen of Clay Center, died last week at the advanced age of sixty-eight years. His wife, four sons and three daughters survive.

Diphtheria is raging in Furnas county schools and churches are quarantined, and children below sixteen years are forbidden to appear on the streets of the town.

Mrs. Everett of Lyons, mother of Franklin, Andrew and Benjamin Everett, died recently in her ninety-sixth year and supposed to be the oldest person in Burt county.

This is the time of year when big corn husking stories are in order. We do not say that no man can husk 100 bushels per day, says the Randolph Reporter but we have never seen one whom we were satisfied had done so.

It is estimated, judging from the chattel mortgages and real estate mortgages filed in the Recorder's office, says the Kearney News Era-Standard, that more than \$100,000 worth of debts of Buffalo county farmers have been paid within the last six weeks.