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STRIKERS ARE BESIEGING DE ARMITT'S PROPERTY

Bandy Creek and Oak Hill Mines Prac. tically Closed-The Plum Creek Men Beginning to Come Out-Still Marching from Mine to Mine.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 4.-Sheriff Lowrey telegraphed to Governor Hastings last night the condition of the miners' strike in the vicinity of the De Armitt mines and received a reply that the governor had instructed the adjutant general to prepare for any requisition for troops. So far, however, there has been no necessity for soldiers, the marching and encamped strikers having been extraordinarily quiet.

The strikers have slready practically closed the Sandy creek and Oak Hill mines and the Plum creek men are beginning to come out. There are 350 watchers near the Plum creck shaft. They have a brass band and this morning their larder was increased by a wagon load of provisions. The success of the campers in bring-

ing out the Coalport miners brightened the spirits of the men and made them more positive of victory. At 4 o'clock this morning they left camp and went to the main entrance of the mine, leaving the center pit mouth unguarded, through which most of the diggers at work passed. It being impossible to induce the men to come to the meetings, the campers sent a committee to call at the homes of the miners to talk over the situation with the families. Good results are expected and a prediction was made that in three days Plum creek mine would be idle.

The miners in camp near Sandy creek began the march at 3:30 o'clock this morning and took position near the pit mouth. They were elated by seeing only three men go in.

The Turtle creek campers, numbering 2,000, divided into two bodies at 4 o'clock. One party stopped at Newtown and the other continued up the road till it came to the pit mouth. It. remained until 6 o'clock, when, being satisfied that but a few men entered the mine, it returned to camp, where a breakfast was waiting.

Turtle creek merchants are doing all they can to feed the men, but to satisfy the hunger of 2,000 men is not an easy task, and the leaders are considering the question of thinning out the camp so it will not be a burden to the sympathizers. About 9 o'clock a dozen women, half of them with their children, appeared and said they had come to stay as long as their husbands and brothers were there, and would

Two of the miners' wives took meals this morning to their husbands, who are in the mines and afraid to leave, preferring to sleep in the pit to running the gauntlet of the strikers.

The first signatures to the "uniform ity agreement," which had been in preparation for a week, were appended to-day by those members of the commission who are coal producers. Then all started to visit the owners or managers of the 141 mines which must be included in the compact to secure additional signatures. They are confideut the compact will be acceptable and will be signed by the required 95 per cent of the owners or managers of mines

Report of Geologist George F. Beeker-Rich Deposits Near Sitks.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 4-At 5 meet

ing of the chamber of commerce in conjunction with the merchants and shippers of this place, resolutions were adopted memorializing the secretary of the treasury to abolish the privilege heretofore extended to Canadians of bonding goods in shipment through American territory and also to rescind the action establishing subports of entry at Dyea, Skaguay and Circle City. This action is taken in retallation for what is deemed the harsh and unjustifiable measure proposed by the Canadian government to levy an import duty on the outfits of miners and prospectors going from the United States into the new Klondyke district. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.-When the

United States mint, which had been closed since June 15, reopened yesterday with Frank A. Leach as superintendent, several Klondyke miners appeared with dust and nuggets in buckskin pouches and stout sacks of canvas which had been stored at Wells-Fargo & Co.'s office. The whole amount of Klondyke gold which had accumulated since the mint closed will not exceed \$800,000.

The steamer Noyou will sail to-mor-Dyea, Alaska. Of these ten are women, who will make the journey over the Chilcoot pass to the Klondyke gold fields. Two others are Mayor A. C. Scott of Springfield, Iil., and ins son. Mayor Scott has resigned his office to seek a fortune in the frozen north.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.-George F. Beeker, in an unpublished report made to the geological survey of his investigation in 1895 of the coast gold districts, says that most of the islands of the Alexander archipelago in Alaska contain gold deposits, yet unworked, that would probably repay very handsomely well directed efforts of placer mining. These deposits are in the neighborhood of Sitka and generally on Baroness and Admiralty islands and the beaches of the adjacent mainland. Another fairly promising region is in a group of deposits on the Kenai peninsula on the southcast shore of Cook inlet and at Yakutal bay and the beaches of Kadiak island. These regions have been exploited only to a limited degree owing to the unfavorable physical condition of the coast.

Mr. Ogilvie, chief surveyor of Canada, declares that wonderfully rich ground has been found on the Pelly and Stewart rivers.

The Victoria Colonist says: "From Surveyor Ogilvie a letter was received Canada Pollee Refuse Admission to in Ottawa on July 20. The letter was dated from Yukon river, near White river, June 7, 1897, and in it the following paragraph occurs: 'I have made a survey of a'l the claims applied for at or near Dawson. I surveyed nearly 2,000 claims on the Bothese creeks-and there were manyesttled quickly and without trouble. and, as was most important, educated the miners pretty well in the require-

The Engineer and Baggageman Killed-Five Passengers May Die.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 4. - The fast fiver on the Kansas Pacific railroad was wrecked about daylight this morning about forty miles cast of here and John A. Ward. engineer, of Denver, and W. B. Harrington, baggageman, of Kausas City. were killed, five passengers probably fatally injured and many others badly hurt.

The injured are: Oscar Ingram, fireman, bruised about the head, dazed; W. H. Rankin of Denver, badly cut about the head, arm broken; J. E. Reid, back injured; Mrs. Fred Nash of Laramie, Wyo., back sprained; Mrs. C. E. Gravett of Blue Springs, Neb., right ankle broken: Mrs. C. L. Hubbard of Abilene, Kan., back hurt; W. H. B. Thornton of Chicago, arm

Leavenworth, Kan., back hurt. Both Pullman cars remained upon the track, but the chair car was tipped upon end in the washout.

A heavy rain last night flooded the streams and carried out a portion of a small bridge which spans Comauche creek between Byers and Strasburg.

The train was on time and was runrow morning with 140 passengers for ning along at the usual speed when without warning the engine plunged into the creek, followed by the mail

Ward under it. The fireman escaped death but was badly hurt. The most seriously injured passengers were riding in the forward car. Some of the sleeping passengers in the Pullman were thrown from their ton jubilee singers for the opening song.

Byers, the nearest town to the wreck, was five miles away, and the address of welcome. conductor walked there, arriving at 5 o'clock, and the railway officials in Denver were notified of the accident by telegraph. A special wrecking train with General Manager Deul and other railway officials and physicians on board started for the scene. Meantime farmers' annual harvest picnic. A biall possible was being done for the wounded at the wreck.

plains region, and it is feared that

TURNED BACK.

Poorly Provisioned Gold Seekers.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. t. - The steamer Queen, which arrived from Alaska yesterday afternoon, brought evidence so far secured it is quite eviword that the mounted police of the Northwest territory are meeting all people bound for the Yukon country nanza and Eldorado creeks and got at the British line, beyond White and nearly all, if not all, the disputes on Juneau passes, and compelling all who have not a year's supply of provisions to return to the coast.

But few of the fortune-seekers, who have left Tacoma and the sound withments of the mining laws. I am now in the last few weeks for Dyea or

Furnished Beantiful Residence at West Point De-

stroyed a Second Time. About 2 o'clock Monday morning fire was discovered in the large unfinished dwelling of ex-Senator Stoufer. The fire was of incendiary origin. Fuses were placed in the various rooms and the fire burst forth with such suddenness that all attempts to extinguish the blaze were useless.

PERSISTENT FIREBUCS.

This building which was to have been the largest and most modern residence of the city, was to replace the former dwelling occupied by Mr. Steufer, which was consumed by fire last fall. The house has been in course of construction since May and was to have been occupied by September.

Contractor Hoffman carried a builder's risk of \$2,600. The greatest losers are the plumbers, who have lost sprained and bruised; L. Eckert of five or six hundred dollars worth of Seattle, Wash., head cut: Miss Minnie materials. The beautiful trees sur-Edelmonn, bruised; C. D. Goddard of rounding the house were entirely destroyed and only a pile of ashes re-main of what was to have been a orau-

tiful dwelling. EPWORTH ASSEMBLY OPEN

Six Thousand People Listen to the Address of Welcome.

Six thousand people attended the opening of the Epworth League assembly at Lincoln park, Lincoln, Tuesday evening. It was long before a and baggage car and other cars were o'clook when every one of the 3,000 piled about in confusion. The engine seats in the amphitheatre were taken. was completely under water in almost At that hour a thousand people filled the middle of the stream, and Engineer the long walk between the building

and the main gain and for nearly an hour afterward the street cars unloaded the park visitors.

President L. O. Jones of the assembly presided, and introduced the Slayberths and more or less hurt, but none Then prayer was offered by Presiding Elder Davis of the Lincoln district. Governor Holcomb then delivered the

Farmers' Harvest Picnic.

Fully a thousand people gathered at the Hartington park grounds, the favorite resort of Cedar county, Saturday, to participate in the festivities of the cycle tournament, running and trotting races, balloon ascension and para-Engineer Ward was one of the best known locomotive drivers in the city. The rain storm was general in the The rain storm was general in the favor of Coleridge, and dancing were plains region. and it is feared that some of the amusements of the day. many railway bridges have gone out. Hundreds of farmers were unable to leave their harvest fields.

Think It a Murder.

The body of a dead man was found lying alongside the Union Pacific track in the west end of Grand Island at sunrise Sunday morning, and from the dent the man was robbed and murdered by a gang of tramps, who threw the body by the track to make it appear that the cars killed him. His head was crushed in from a heavy blow. From papers found on his body the man is supposed to be Charle Elliott of Sutherland, Mo.

Danes to Have an Exhibit.

The Danish people at Omaha have on my way to Pelly to make a survey Skaguay had crossed the passes into made arrangements for an exhibit at Lancaster-Corn is growing the interior when the Queen left Dyea, the trans Ministration of the claims applied for there, when

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN Madison-Grain about all cut; corn do ing well, but is still a little behind the by the Government Crop and Weather Bureau.

Platte-Corn generally in good condition and doing well, it is in silk and needs rain to develop ears; considerable t rashing from shock. Sarpy-Week too dry for corn, but ex-

cellent for harvesting; corn in good con-dition; potatoes will be about one-third of a crop.

Stanton-The unusually hot weather is beginning to have a bad effect on some fields of corn; wheat harvest in progress; some thrashing done, yield light, but quality good. Thurston-The harvest is in full blast;

some small grain is short; corn is doing

well; rain needed. Washington-No rain since last week; early corn and potatoes need rain badly; pastures are short and hay is light.

Wayne-Harvest nearly done; oats and wheat very good; corn doing nicely; no rain for ten days and ground getting pretty dry.

CENTRAL SECTION.

Boone-Nearly all the harvesting done, quality of grain good, yield above average; corn needs rain. Buffalo-Bad week for county; great

damage has been done by hail, and the heat has been excessive; corn has suffered and potatoes have lost considerably; fruit and berries are falling and drying up.

Custer-Very hot and dry; wheat about harvested; corn is being cut short every day by the dry weather. Dawson-About finished harvesting;

very heavy rain in central portion of county, outside that belt corn has suffered; pastures getting short.

Greeley-Drought unbroken; somecorn on sandy land beginning to fire; most small grain in shock and stack; oats good straw but short.

Hall--The hot weather will shorten the yield of corn considerably; oats all cut, straw short, but a fair yield.

Howard-Small grain harvest com-pleted and mostly stacked; the intense heat and dry weather have heen injurious to corn. Merrick-Small grain about all cut;

ground getting very dry; corn begin-ning to wilt; some thrashing done; grass drying up.

Sherman-Grain nearly all cut, considerable in stack; corn needs rain badly; pastures getting poor.

Valley-Harvesting done except a few pieces; corn looks well and is standing the heat well; pastures and grass crop good.

SOUTHEASTERN SECTION.

Adams-Week dry and hot; small grain all harvested; corn suffering some or want of rain.

Dundy-Dry, hot week; corn is suffering for rain which must come soon or the corn crop will be light; oats a failure.

Franklin-Some grain stacking and thrashing progressing rapidly; some damage to corn from wind storms breaking stalks and whipping leaves.

Frontier-Wheat nearly all cut; some brashed and yield better than expected; corn doing well, but rain would make ears fill better.

Furnas-Wheat and oats turning out well; corn is suffering, but is standing it well considering the extreme heat; bottom land corn is not curling much.

Gosper-Small grain harvest completed and thrashing begun; wheat and oats yielding well: corn needing rain.

Harlan-Wheat, oats and rye turning out better than expected; early corn needs rain; pastures getting dry; potatoes good and getting ripe Hitchcock-Thrashing commenced;

wheat not turning out so good as ex-

C 0 Scale of Shades - Inches. Ø

Oto/4 /100% /101 162 Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 3, 1897. The past week has been a very warm one. The daily mean temperature has been continuously above normal, with

an average daily excess of Go. The maxmum temperatures exceeded 90° on six lays of the week is most parts of the state, and, with few exceptions, exceeded 100° on one or more days. Maximum temperatures for the week of 102° to 104° were not uncommon, and in the southwestern counties maximum temperature of 106° to 108° occurred.

The rainfall of the week was generally leficient. In a few of the central counties it equalled or exceeded normal in parts of the counties: only light showers occurred elsewhere, and in the extreme eastern counties practically no rain fell during the week.

The week has been very favorable for securing the small grain. Harvesting is now practically completed, except in few of the northern counties. Thrashing is general and the reports continue to indicate a good crop of all kinds of small grain.

The hot, dry weather of the week has een unfavorable for corn in nearly all ections of the state, and the condition of the crop is less promising than it was week ago. However, with rain soon it would probably largely recover from the ffects of the unfavorable conditions of

A little fall plowing has been done in he southeastern counties.

REPORT BY COUNTIES. SOUTHEASTERN SECTION.

Butler--Corn crop damaged by dry, ot weather; pastures failing badly;

Clay-Most small grain in stack, the est being thrashed from shock; rain needed for corn, pastures and fall plowing; corn rolls some, but is not suffering badly.

good.

Gage-Good week for thrashing and in full blast.

Jefferson-Exceedingly hot weather this week; corn doing well; wheat good yield and good quality.

Johnson-Corn has maintained a remarkably fresh appearance, but will be damaged if rain does not come soon;

the past week.

tame hay fair yield and good quality late hay will be short.

Fillmore-Hot and dry, but corn does not seem to be suffering; thrashing in progress, yield good and quality fair to

stacking: corn beginning to need rain. Hamilton-In spots where there has een local rain, the corn seems to be do ing reasonably well, but generally corn is somewhat injured by heat; thrashing

AN INJUNCTION DEFIED.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 4 .- At a meeting of delegates from twenty mines at Montgomery, W. D. Mahon of Detroit, chief of the miners' organizers, referring to the injunction issued by Judge Mason, said that he would by no attention to it. He had been accustomed to being enjoined in vaious strikes for the last five years. de had never paid any attention to njunctions, and had never been arsted. He knew his rights as an merican citizen, and he proposed to mintain them. He was teaching his nen their rights, and was urging them fight for them. He had two grandthers in the revolutionary war, and he only legacy they had left him was he liberty of speech and action. No setty judge should deprive him of the berty purchased for him by the blood f his fathers.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH.

Inreval. Its Inventor, Has Gone to the Soudan to Make Experiments.

LONDON, Aug. 4.-Marconi, inventor the "wireless telegraph" has just ached Soudan, where a trial of the vention will be made. In an inter-lew, Marconi said: "The greatest disnee which we have been able to ansmit messages by telegraph withat wires is twelve miles, but that by means is the limit of the instruants; it simply signifies that existing pliances are not perfect. At Spezia, ent messages without wires from San Bartolomeo arsenal to the arship San Martine, twelve miles it in the harbor, without difficulty d with absolute accuracy. It was me before the royal commission. hen I return to Italy in September. have successfully experimented also the Italian ministry of marine and the quirinal before the king and

VIENNA, Aug. 4.-At Trantenau, Bo nts, thisty houses have been deroyed and twenty-five porsons wned in the floods. At the village Freiheit a house was washed away ad its seventeen occupants drowned. most the whole town of Reichenrg is submerged and there, too, my have been drowned. The loss mill owners in that district is estiated at millions of florins.

In Vienna'the damage already done public works, sewers, gas mains d bridges is estimated at \$400,000. e Danube is now almost double its rmal width and is still rising.

I will go out via St. Michaels and San Francisco."

with the Stewart river, and enters the from there. Yukon about forty miles higher up. Both rivers are on the right or east miles east of Dawson City.

CHICAGO, Aug. 4. - The chicago agent of the Travelers' Insurance company of Hartford, Conn., has received instructions from the home office not to insure any person going to the Klondyke region. It is a risk that the company does not desire to take on account of the extreme extra hazard and because when death takes place the difficulty of obtaining the facts makes the settlement of claims too difficult to be practicable.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.-Louis A. Coolidge, a newspaper man who spent much time in Alaska, said yesterday: "The Klondyke district is a small speck in the great Alaskan gold belt. Reaching out southeast and southwest of Dawson City there are 50,000 acres of gold lands, 30,000 of which. I might add parenthically, are American soil. People who go there in the early spring next year, or rather start for, there then, will fare much better than the hungry mob that is now en route to the Klondyke. These people will not reach their destination till everything is frozen up tight, including the milk of human kindness in the miners already on the ground."

"One great trouble with this Klondyke craze," said Director of the Mint Preston, "is that the stories have chiefly to do with the successes which have crowned the efforts of the gold seekers. We hear of men who go there and after a few months' work strike it rich and come back with pockets filled with gold. But we hear little of the much larger majority who have been digging for Klondy ke gold for years and are still digging, and for less money than they could make here at any trade de cently. If the takes were told of the gold seekers who have frozen and starved to death in that far away country, there would be fewer to go to Klondyke, I fancy."

To Oust Omaha's Fire Chief.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 4.-Chief of Police Sigwart has declined to tender his resignation, as requested by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, and at its meeting last night the board instructed the mayor to prefer charges against him at the next meeting of the board.

Sedallans Off for the Klondyke.

SEDALIA, Mo., Aug. 4.-R. R. Ramsdell, a Sedalia teacher, and Major Kidd departed this morning for the of a Sedalia syndicate, and will be absent for at least two years.

ft Dyea. July 28. The first pack train over

Rev. Alfred Kummer, of Oakland. Cal., went ashore at Skaguay and rebank of the Yukon and are many ports that he was told by two men there that it would cost \$400 to have their supplies, weighing 2,000 pounds, carried over the pass.

idents of the trans-Mississippi section Mr. Kummer and Captain Carroll, of the steamer, warn everyone not to attempt to enter the Yukon country before next spring. The captain says not even those who are now at Skagusy or Dyea will be able to reach the interior this winter, principally because supplies cannot be gotten over the passes. Indians are hard at work packing and all the horses available are pressed into service. Men can pack, they say, but seventy-five pounds one way, and the round trip is seventy-two miles.

The Queen met the steamers Mexico, City of Topeka and Islander, bound for Skaguay with full lists of gold seekers.

PROTECTORATE PROPOSED

An Hawallan Correspondent Sends a Report of Great Import. If True.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4 .- The correspondent of the Associated Press at Honolulu declares in a letter received by steamer Belgie to-day that in official circles of Hawaii it was generally understood that the United States minister Sewall, would, if the Monowai, due there July 21, should report that congress had failed to adopt the annexation treaty, declare a protectorate and raise the American flag. The per day. This is the date on correspondent said further that it was which the examination of the reexpected that everything would be in cords by Expert T. J. Welty ceased. readiness to declare a protectorate Monday, August 2.

Last Month's Coinsye.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4 .- The monthly statement issued by the director of the mint shows that during July. 1497. the coinage executed at the United States mints amounted to \$670,850, as ing the front door. All the bureau follows: Gold, \$377,000; silv . \$260,000: minor coins, \$23, 850. No standard silver dollars were coined.

Quanah Parker Hilich

GUTHRIE, Okla., Aug. 4 .-- Quanah Parker, the noted chief of the Commanches, is reported to have been killed by an outlaw in Greer county, Saturday, as he was en route to the cowbow reunion at Seymour, Tex., accompanied by his favorite wife and a party of sub-chiefs.

To Honor Schuyler Colfax's Memory. South BEND, Ind., Aug. 4 .- The Commercial club has decided to crect Klondyke gold region in the interest Schuyler Colfax here and committees a statue of the late Vice President were appointed to solicit funds.

the trans-Mississippi exposition. The exhibit will be in the form of an old-White pass was expected back at fashioned Danish farm house, which is The Pelly river is about parallel Skaguay the day the Queen sailed to be an exact reproduction of the country places that dot the fatherland. The front portion will be occupied by an inn. Behind this is to be a stage upon which is to be enacted a typical Danish pantomime. The purpose is to have the building of a national character, such as will attract the Danish res-

Test Broncho Endurance.

Jim and "Kid" Gabriel, two of the well known cowboys of the great west passed through Chadron the other day enroute to Chicago, riding a couple of American bronchos. They are making a test of this animal's endurance, under the auspices of the American Horseman, a Chicago publication, for the purpose of demonstrating that the American broncho is suitable for use in the English cavalry.

Woman Uses a Horsewhip.

Mrs. Palmer attempted to horsewhip A. Brock on the depot platform at Fairbury Monday afternoon, and a hand-to-hand combat ensued, in which the woman got the worst of it and quit the scene bleeding profusely. Brock is landlord of the Parker hotel and the woman formerly cooked for him. She claimed he called her an insulting name. The affair will probably bo aired in court.

Expect Sensational Developments.

E. P. Hovey of Lincoln has entered into a contract with the board of commissioners of Dakota county to examine the records of the different county officers from January, 1892, and for his services he is to receive the sum of \$10 Some startling developments are expected as the investigation proceeds.

Fremont Home Burglarized.

At Fremont Saturday the cottage ocsupied by D. B. Short was burglarized. Mr. and Mrs. Short were away at the time. Entrance was gained by unlockdrawers and trupks were overhauled and the contents dumped on the floor. A gold watch, earrings and a silk dress are missed.

State House Items.

Clerk D. A. Campbell of the supreme court. Tuesday authorized the state-ment that Bartley's bail bond has neither been approved nor filed.

Governor Holcomb has offered the state reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of the marderer of an un-

known man who was found dead near Hubbell in Thayer county. Governor Culberson of Texas has

asked Governor Holcomb to appoint delegates to represent Nebraska at crop fair to very good; corn is very the national prison congress to be held good, hay is at its height. at Austin Texas. October 16 to 20.

well, but needs rain, most grain stacked or thrashed; sugar beets wilt during the

Nemaha-Week bot, with no rain thrashing and stacking wheat and oats in progress: corn doing fairly well. Nuckolls-Corn not injured by heat

wheat and onts are yielding splendidly bay is fine. Otoe--Corn is forming ears, and needs rain badly in most of the county; late

corn uneven and beginning to tassel. Pawnee-The hot weather this weel rolled corn and has baked the ground rain needed badly for corn and for early stubble plowing. Polk-About finished harvesting; oats

vielded fairly well; corn has not suffered any yet; pastures getting pretty short. Richardson-All grain stacked except what will be thrashed out of shock; wheat and oats yielded well; corn good

but needs rain. Saline-Good week for thrashing and stacking grain; rather dry for corn; wheat good quality and turning out fairly well; corn will need rain soon to

make a good crop. Seward-Very hot and dry: corn is being injured every day that this continues without rain; harvest finished and most of the grain in the stack; thrashing progressing; oats and wheat yielding wel

Weil, Thayor-Wheat yielding well; corn slightly damaged by the heat in parts of cornty; early planted corn in roasting

York-Corn in tassel and silk, it has good color, but needs rain badly; stacking and thrashing in progress.

NORTHEASTERN SECTION. Antelope-Good week for harvesting three-fourths of the wheat and oats cut; rye bring stacked; corn beginning to sufer for want of rain.

Burt-Wheat, oats and barley good crops of excellent quality; bad week for corn, no rain at all; corn beginning to

Boyd-Wheat harvest well advanced. will be a good yield and excellent quality; corn is earing out well.

Cedar-Corn earing out and looks fine small grain about all cut; some thrash ing done; oats a good crop; wheat a little light.

Colfax-Favorable week and all crops doing well.

Cuming-Some small grain to cut yet corn is still behing and needs rain; som good corn and plenty that is not good; hay fair: sugar beets looking well.

Dixon-About three-fourths of small grain in shock; wheat rather a thin stand but well filled; oats above normal; corn tasseling, needs more rain. Dodge—Wheat thrashing going on and oats being cut; corn and pastures

are needing rain; wheat and oats good quality and fair yields.

Douglas-A hot week and all crops need rain; oats, rye and wheat very uneven in yield, some good, other only fair.

Holt-Oat and barley harvest almost over; good prospect that corn will be the best ever raised in the county; corn in

Knox--Small grain nearly all in shock

ected; very hot and corn needs rain.

Kearney-Hot week and abundant moisture have pushed corn forward rapidly and ripened the late wheat and oats; a destructive hall storm passed through the southwestern portion of the county, destroying gardens and fruit and injuring corn.

Lincoln-Some corn damaged by hot weather, but the greater portion holding up well: wheat is a good crop. Red Willow-A hot week, but corn is

holding its own yet; we need rain; spring wheat and oats about all harvested.

Webster-Hot week, but corn not suffering much; early corn in roasting ear some thrashing done, and wheat and oats making good yield.

WESTERN AND NORTHWESTERN SECTIONS. Banner-Corn, millet, and potatoes doing well; wheat about all cut and is better than expected: rye not much of a CTOD.

Brown-Wheat and rye light crops; corn materially injured by hot weather, rain needed badly.

Cherry-Small grain b ing harvested and promises a fair yield; corn doing well, but is late; hay crop is good.

Keith-Harvest about over and some thrashing being done, yield about half a crop; corn looks well yet, but needs rain. Keyka Paha-Harvesting in progress; crops not so good as expected; rain needed.

Rock-Wheat harvesting begun, short but fair crop; corn needing rain, but not suffering badly, haying in full blast.

Scotts Bluff-Winter wheat all cut, barley and spring wheat mostly ready for the sickle; second crop of alfalfa hay being cut.

Thomas-A fine crop of hay is being harvested; some damage to corn by hail, everything doing finely

G. A. LOVELAND, Section Director, Lincoln, Neb.

Some Peculiarities of Icebergs.

Derelicts and icebergs are among the dangers to which vessels are constantly exposed, the latter being, perhaps, the more formidable of the two, because there are more of them at certain seasons, and there is no telling when one of these monsters may heave in sight. An ordinary iceberg shows oneninth of its bulk above water. During the present season a number of these masses of ice, at least a hundred feet high, have been encountered by steamships. It is scarcely possible to imagine an iceberg with nine hundred feet of its bulk below water. One captain reports having seen an enormous field of ice at least three hundred feet high and two thousand feet long. It had evidently but just turned over, as the upper portion was full of sharp angles and points, and the water was trickling down its side. One of the greatest dangers from icebergs is being in their vicinity when they turn over. The sea currents wash and melt them into all sorts of fantastic figures and points. They melt below so much more rapidly than above that the center of gravity becomes disturbed, and they turn with tremendous force. Sometimes the disturbance is almost equal to a tidal wave and is sufficient to upset any small craft that may be in its way.