

# NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

**Mining Promoter Killed by Wife.**  
Butte, Mont., Sept. 12.—William Frost, a mining promoter from Battle Creek, Neb., was killed by his wife after he had tried to cut her throat with a razor. The woman blew his head from his shoulders with two charges from a shotgun. Frost had been drinking.

**Joker Assaulted With Neckyoke.**  
Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 13.—Harry Curtis, big, jolly and full of fun, a farmer near Elgin, Neb., lies near death, one side paralyzed, many blood vessels bursted, his skull fractured and his scalp gashed, as the result of too much joking. His physician gives no hope for his recovery. Curtis began badgering and hectoring Ross Nott, a younger man. Nott lost patience, seized a neckyoke and brought it down with terrific force on Curtis' head.

**Mother Gets Her Boy.**  
Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 13.—In the habeas corpus proceedings brought by Mrs. Thrall of this city against her mother, Mrs. Mary Miller of Hollenberg, Kan., for the purpose of securing possession of her little son, County Judge Bourne decided in favor of the plaintiff and ordered the child placed in the custody of its mother. The grandmother claimed she had a lien on the boy for a board bill. She failed to put in an appearance at the hearing.

**Farmer Killed by Train.**  
Lincoln, Sept. 10.—John Barrett, a wealthy retired farmer, who recently removed to Lincoln, died at St. Elizabeth hospital as the result of an accident in which his right leg was cut off below the knee and the left leg badly mangled. Barrett was going to Davey on the northwestern train and was riding upon the platform, from which he slipped and fell under the wheels of the train. He was about seventy years old and leaves a son and daughter.

**Murder in Second Degree.**  
Broken Bow, Neb., Sept. 11.—The jury in the Haddix-Butler case brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree. In dismissing the jury Judge Hostetter paid the members a high compliment on their intelligence and unflinching interest throughout the trial. Sentence will not be passed until Attorney Sullivan of the defense has presented an argument for a new trial. In giving the verdict the jury requested that the prisoner receive the mercy of the court.

**Sixty Days' Limit No More.**  
Omaha, Sept. 9.—An order was received from the department of justice directed to the United States attorney rescinding the sixty days' limit hitherto granted the cattlemen to remove their illegal fences and requiring the removal of fences at once. The order is a special one and applies only to Nebraska. A number of additional special agents has been ordered to the Nebraska field and will investigate the fence question and wherever an illegal fence is found on public land proceedings will at once begin against the offenders.

**Cow Tosses Old Man to Death.**  
Fremont, Neb., Sept. 10.—Michael Caulley, for thirty-nine years a resident of this city, was fatally gored by a vicious cow and died a few minutes later from his injuries. Mr. Caulley, who is eighty years old, was leading his cows out to pasture and passed a cow staked out which belonged to Amos Christensen. The Christensen cow attacked him, tossed him several times on her horns, and trampled on him. The accident was witnessed by a number of railroad men, who came at once to his assistance, but arrived too late. The cow was known to be vicious and had attacked and injured Mr. Caulley once before.

**Swedish Methodists Meet.**  
Lincoln, Sept. 9.—Swedish Methodists of the states of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Colorado began a four days' conference here. Bishop Hamilton is presiding and Carl Froman of Iowa was elected secretary; Carl J. Mellberg of Nebraska, statistical secretary, and O. J. Swan, treasurer. Reports were received from the theological school of the church at Evanston, Ill., also from the Mutual Insurance society. The reports indicated prosperity and growth. Reports were received from C. O. Freeman, presiding elder of the Kansas district, A. R. Melline of the Iowa district and Peter Munson of the Nebraska district.

**NEBRASKANS INSANE IN CHICAGO**  
**Leave Farm Near Wakefield With Crop Unharvested.**  
Chicago, Sept. 8.—Joseph Holdobler and wife were sent to an asylum for the insane. They came from a farm near Wakefield, Neb., leaving their grain uncut, and were found wandering about the streets here with two children. The Holdoblers lived on an isolated bit of farm land in a barren tract. The nearest neighbor was miles away. The couple were almost entirely dependent upon each other's society to break the monotony of the dragging days. When their first child was born great hope was based by the parents on the future companionship of the youngster. A year passed and the baby had not learned to talk. Shortly afterward the fact dawned that the child was dumb. From the shock of the discovery the lonely parents seem never to have fully rallied, even after the birth of a second child, now a crowing, laughing boy of eighteen months.

**Fatal Wreck in Illinois.**  
Bloomington, Ill., Sept. 12.—Two freights on the Chicago branch of the Illinois Central were wrecked in a collision at Thawville. A stockman, riding in the caboose, was killed and several were injured.

**Standing of the Clubs.**

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**CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS**

**Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.**

Chicago, Sept. 12.—A heavy movement of the crop in the northwest had a weakening influence on the wheat market here today. Support from a leading bull, however, prevented any material decline in values, the December option at the close being practically unchanged, compared with yesterday's final quotations. Closing prices for corn, oats and provisions also were almost identical with those of yesterday. Closing prices:

Wheat—Sept., 82½c; Dec., 83½c@83½c; May, 83½c@83½c.
Corn—Sept., 53½c, new, 53c; Dec., 43½c@43½c; May, 43½c.
Oats—Sept., 29½c; Dec., 27½c@27½c; May, 29½c.
Pork—Oct., 14.70; Jan., 12.30.
Lard—Oct., 87.57@87.50; Jan., 86.85.
Ribs—Oct., 88.02½; Jan., 86.40.

**South Omaha Live Stock.**

South Omaha, Sept. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,700; 10c lower; native steers, \$3.75@6.10; cows and heifers, \$2.75@4.50; western steers, \$3.00@4.85; Texas steers, \$2.75@3.85; range cows and heifers, \$2.00@3.40; canners, \$1.50@2.20; stockers and feeders, \$2.75@4.25; calves, \$2.80@5.50; bulls, stag, etc., \$2.25@3.50. Hogs—Receipts, 5,700; steady; heavy, \$5.25@5.40; mixed, \$5.30@5.40; light, \$5.40@5.45; pigs, \$4.75@5.25; bulk of sales, \$5.30@5.40. Sheep—Receipts, 9,000; 10c lower; westerns, \$4.80@5.20; wethers, \$4.50@4.80; ewes, \$4.25@4.60; lambs, \$5.50@6.80.

**Kansas City Live Stock.**

Kansas City, Sept. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 24,000; steady to 10c lower; choice beef steers, \$5.25@6.00; fair to good, \$4.00@5.25; western steers, \$3.20@4.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@4.15; cows, \$1.65@3.15; heifers, \$2.50@5.00; bulls, \$2.00@3.15; calves, \$3.00@6.50. Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; 5c lower; top, \$5.42½; bulk of sales, \$5.20@5.35; heavy, \$5.15@5.40; packers, \$5.20@5.42½; pigs and light, \$4.75@5.35. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; steady; lambs, \$5.50@7.10; fed ewes and yearlings, \$4.25@5.30.

**Chicago Live Stock.**

Chicago, Sept. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 13,000; 5c to 10c lower; steers, \$3.25@5.90; stockers and feeders, \$2.25@4.15; cows and canners, \$1.50@4.25; bulls, \$2.00@4.25; heifers, \$2.25@5.65; calves, \$3.00@7.75. Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; 5c to 10c lower; spring and selected, \$5.65@5.70; mixed and heavy packing, \$4.85@5.62½; light, \$5.00@5.70; pigs and rough, \$2.00@5.50. Sheep—Receipts, 30,000; 10c lower; sheep, \$2.50@5.25; lambs, \$5.50@7.75.

**Stranger Killed by Train.**  
Tekamah, Neb., Sept. 12.—Passenger train No. 7 ran over and killed a man supposed to be John Bernhardt. He was standing in the middle of the track when the train came around a sharp curve. He seemed to be scared, as he made no effort whatever to get out of the way.

**Grading All Done in Dodge.**  
Fremont, Neb., Sept. 13.—The Sioux City and Western has nearly all of its line within Dodge county graded and ready for ballast, ties and rails. Nothing has yet been done within that part of the city where houses are being moved. A big gang is working on the Platte river bridge. None of the smaller bridges and culverts have been put in, they evidently coming under a separate contract. No appeals have as yet been taken by either company or property owners from the awards of the appraisers on condemnation proceedings, though some of the damages awarded were considered high.

**Dr. Lee on Negro Problem.**  
Osceola, Ia., Sept. 13.—Dr. J. W. Lee of St. Louis, speaking before the Methodist church conference, took up the negro question and declared that in their forty years of freedom the black race had fallen below the station where 240 years of slavery had placed it. Dr. Lee asserted that the negro is 4,000 years behind the white man in civilization. Caste spirit and race prejudice, he said, are right, because God has planted them in men's hearts. The opinion was expressed by Dr. Lee that the negro should rejoice at the mere privilege of living and breathing in this country.

**Tokio Rioters Under Arrest.**  
Tokio, Sept. 11.—The total number

of riot suspects in custody exceeds 1,650. It is stated that formal charges have been made against 160. The remainder will probably be released. It is expected that the government will take a lenient attitude toward those to be tried. General Sakuma and staff visited and inspected the guards throughout the city. The restaurants were reopened and conditions are resuming a normal aspect.

**Wife Murder and Suicide.**  
Decatur, Ill., Sept. 11.—Henry Portwood, a wealthy and retired farmer at Moweaqua, killed his wife and himself with a razor. The two quarreled because of the presence of Portwood's child by a former wife in the household.

## DECIDED AT POKER.

**La Moure's Five Card Draw Won the Name of the County.**  
When the extreme western border of Dakota was colonized there was a lively squabble about what the new county should be called. There were four commissioners whose duty it was to decide on the name, and at the board meetings the vote for the name of the county was always two and two, and public feeling began to run high. John Winn suggested that the four commissioners should take 500 white chips apiece and play a game of poker to decide, the chips to represent \$5 each. This was agreed to, and the game commenced with the entire population on hand. For two hours little gain was made, and then a jack pot came around, for which seventy-three hands were dealt before it was opened. Finally Commissioner Edwards opened it for \$100. He held three kings, Judd La Moure held a zigzag, and the others dropped out. Edwards drew one card, La Moure dealt himself five cards, and the betting commenced. Men with revolvers kept the crowd from the table. After several raises there was \$5,000 in the pool private money, besides the chips. Then the hand was called. Edwards held three kings, and La Moure had drawn a full, three fives and a pair of fours. He rose to his feet and cried, "Gentlemen, this is McKenzie county," and so it was and is called. The game lasted eighteen hours, and La Moure and Winn were carried shoulder high around the town, which saw no sleep that night. The cards held by La Moure are to be found among the archives of the county, labeled "La Moure's Five Card Draw."

## NAMING A VESSEL.

**Why President Arthur Would Not Call It the Concord.**  
While General Arthur was president and during one of the summers of his administration he was on board the Dispatch at Newport, and Secretary of the Navy Chandler was pestering him to consent to naming the new dispatch boat, afterward the Dolphin, the Concord, after the first battle of the Revolution. General Arthur was disposed to quiz Chandler about his proposed name. He preferred the name Dolphin as being more suggestive of speed at sea. When Chandler argued the importance of keeping in mind the heroic resistance of the colonial militia and the brilliant opposition offered to Pizarra's men General Arthur asked him: "What is it that you propose to call this ship?" "The Concord," answered Chandler, giving the approved New Hampshire pronunciation. "There," retorted Arthur, inviting the attention of Captain Reeder. "Do you hear that? Conquered. Do you think that a good name to give a ship-of-war? Then, suppose you change the pronunciation and call it Concord, just as spelled. Does it not strike you, Chandler, that there is a degree of Concord in the presence of a vessel of war?" The new ship was called the Dolphin, but the Concord appeared after General Arthur had ceased to have influence in naming the ships of the navy.

**Sex in Ants.**  
The different species of ants are pretty generally distributed over the globe, and on this account the naturalists infer that there is work for them to do in the great economy of the universe. In each colony males, females, neuters and sometimes soldiers are to be recognized. The males are invariably smaller than the females and, like those of the feminine gender, have wings in their original state. The neuters, which are the workers, are without wings in any of their transformations, and the soldiers are recognized by the armor plates on their heads.

**Love of Work.**  
The love of work, which was one of the characteristics of the historian Froude, is well illustrated in a story told of his last illness. The cancerous

affection of which he afterward died was slowly destroying his healthy and vigorous frame. At one time he seemed to be much better, and when the physician came to see him he noted the improvement and told his patient of it. Froude asked whether it was likely that he would be able to go back to his work again. On hearing that this was impossible he said, "If that is the case, I do not wish to live."

**Animals and Colors.**  
The theory has been advanced that the conspicuous colors developed in various species of snakes, insects and animals are nature's method of advertising the fact that such are poisonous, either in the bite or sting which they inflict, or that the flesh is unpalatable if used for food. The believers in this theory cite the wonderful display of colors in the eel, the wasp, the coral snake, the horrid fish and the Gila monster.

## Wings of the Morning.

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He pressed her arm by way of answer. They were too near to the waiting trio for other comment. "Captain Fitzroy," cried Iris, "let me introduce Mr. Anstruther to you. Lord Ventnor, you have met Mr. Anstruther before." The sailor shook hands. Lord Ventnor smiled affably. "Your enforced residence on the island seems to have agreed with you," he said. "Admirably. Life here had its drawbacks, but we fought our enemies in the open. Didn't we, Iris?" "Yes, dear. The poor Dyaks were not sufficiently modernized to attack us with false testimony." His lordship's sallow face wrinkled somewhat. So Iris knew of the court martial, nor was she afraid to proclaim to all the world that this man was her lover. As for Captain Fitzroy, his bushy eyebrows disappeared into his peaked cap when he heard the manner of their speech. Nevertheless Ventnor smiled again. "Even the Dyaks respected Miss Deane," he said. But Anstruther, sorry for the manifest uneasiness of the shipowner, repressed the retort on his lips and forthwith suggested that they should walk to the north beach in the first instance, that being the scene of the wreck. During the next hour he became auditor rather than narrator. It was Iris who told of his wild fight against wind and waves; Iris who showed them where he fought with the devilfish; Iris who expatiated on the long days of ceaseless toil, his dauntless courage in the face of every difficulty, the way in which he rescued her from the clutch of the savages, the skill of his preparations against the anticipated attack and the last great achievement of all, when time after time he foiled the Dyaks' best laid plans and flung them off, crippled and disheartened, during the many phases of the thirty hours' battle. There were tears in her eyes when she ended, but they were tears of thankful happiness, and Lord Ventnor, a silent listener who missed neither word nor look, felt a deeper chill in his cold heart as he realized that this woman's love could never be his. The knowledge excited his passion the more. His hatred of Anstruther now became a mania, an insensate resolve to mortally stab this meddler who always stood in his path. Robert hoped that his present ordeal was over. It had only begun. He was called on to answer questions without number. Why had the tunnel been made? What was the mystery of the valley of death? How did he manage to guess the dimensions of the sundial? How came he to acquire such an amazing stock of out of the way knowledge of the edible properties of roots and trees? How? Why? Where? When? They never would be satisfied, for not even the British navy, poking its nose into the recesses of the world, often comes across such an amazing story as the adventures of this couple on

Rainbow Island. He readily explained the creation of quarry and cave by telling them of the vein of antimony imbedded in the rock near the vault. Antimony is one of the substances that covers a multitude of doubts. No one, not excepting the doctors who use it, knows much about it, and in Chinese medicine it might be a chief factor of exceeding nastiness. Inside the cavern the existence of the partially completed shaft to the ledge accounted for recent disturbances on the face of the rock, and newcomers could not, of course, distinguish the bones of poor "J. S." as being the remains of a European.

Anstruther was satisfied that none of them hazarded the remotest guess as to the value of the gaunt rock they were staring at, and chance helped him to baffle further inquiry. A trumpeter on board the Orient was blowing his lungs out to summon them to luncheon when Captain Fitzroy put a final query. "I can quite understand," he said to Robert, "that you have an affection for this weird place, but I am curious to know why you lay claim to the island. You can hardly intend to return here."

He pointed to Robert's placard stuck on the rock. Anstruther paused before he answered. He felt that Lord Ventnor's dark eyes were fixed on him. Everybody was more or less desirous to have this point cleared up. He looked the questioner squarely in the face. "In some parts of the world," he said, "there are sunken reefs, unknown, uncharted, on which many a vessel has been lost without any contributory fault on the part of her officers." "Undoubtedly."

"Well, Captain Fitzroy, when I was stationed with my regiment in Hongkong I encountered such a reef and wrecked my life on it. At least that is how it seemed to me then. Fortune threw me ashore here after a long and bitter submergence. You can hardly blame me if I cling to the tiny speck of land that gave me salvation." "No," admitted the sailor. He knew there was something more in the allegory than the text revealed, but it was no business of his. "Moreover," continued Robert smilingly, "you see I have a partner." "There cannot be the slightest doubt about the partner," was the prompt reply.

Then every one laughed, Iris more than any, though Sir Arthur Deane's gayety was forced, and Lord Ventnor could taste the acidity of his own smile. Later in the day the first lieutenant told his chief of Anstruther's voluntary statement concerning the court martial. Captain Fitzroy was naturally pained by this unpleasant revelation, but he took exactly the same view as that expressed by the first lieutenant in Robert's presence. Nevertheless he pondered the matter and seized an early opportunity of mentioning it to Lord Ventnor. That distinguished nobleman was vastly surprised to learn how Anstruther had cut the ground from beneath his feet.

"Yes," he said, in reply to the sailor's request for information, "I know all about it. It could not well be otherwise, seeing that next to Mrs. Costobell I was the principal witness against him." "That must have been awkward for you," was the unexpected comment. "Indeed! Why?" "Because rumor linked your name with that of the lady in a somewhat outspoken way."

"You astonish me. Anstruther certainly made some stupid allegations during the trial, but I had no idea he was able to spread this malicious report subsequently." "I am not talking of Hongkong, my lord, but of Singapore, months later." Captain Fitzroy's tone was exceedingly dry. Indeed, some people might deem it offensive. His lordship permitted himself the rare luxury of an angry scowl.

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