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A New Damon and Pythias.

From North Wales comes the romantic story of a lifelong devotion, begun in early boyhood, between two men, and only ending in death at the ripe age of 80 years. Henry Price and Robert Ellis when boys struck up a friendship, pledging to stick to each other until death. When young men they emigrated to Australia and lived and worked together, come weal, come woe, for more than fifty years. Two years ago they both returned to their native village of Rhoslanerchrogog, in Wales, having amassed considerable wealth. This week Price and Ellis died within twenty-four hours of each other, both being over 80 years of age.

Mount Booker Washington.

Mrs. Hill, an artist of Tacoma, Wash., has been commissioned by one of the Western railroad trunk lines to execute for the Louisiana Purchase exposition several canvases illustrative of the scenery of Washington state. One of the pictures represents a lofty mountain, which for some reason had never received a name. The artist suggested that the mountain be christened Mount Booker Washington, in honor of the principal of the Tuskegee institute. Her suggestion was confirmed by the United States geological survey, and the name, Mount Booker Washington, is now in use. The picture will be exhibited at St. Louis this summer.

BAD DREAMS.

Indicate Improper Diet, Usually Due to Coffee.

One of the common symptoms of coffee poisoning is the bad dreams that spoil what should be restful sleep. A man who found the reason says:

"Formerly I was a slave to coffee. I was like a morphine fiend, could not sleep at night, would roll and toss in my bed and when I did get to sleep was disturbed by dreams and hobgoblins, would wake up with headaches and feel bad all day, so nervous I could not attend to business. My writing looked like bird tracks, I had four belchings from the stomach, indigestion, heartburn and palpitation of the heart, constipation, irregularity of the kidneys, etc.

"Indeed, I began to feel I had all the troubles that human flesh could suffer but when a friend advised me to leave off coffee I felt as if he had insulted me. I could not bear the idea, it had such a hold on me and I refused to believe it the cause.

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NEWS IN NEBRASKA

THE STATE IN BRIEF.

A great deal of improvement is going on at Edgar.

Mrs. Patrick of Lincoln wants divorce from her husband because he tried to kill her.

Edgar has decided to celebrate the Fourth of July in the old-fashioned way.

There are now no vacancies on the teaching force of the Tecumseh schools as proposed for next year.

Mousel brothers, thoroughbred stock breeders of Cambridge, have purchased Tip Top, the well known Hackney show horse.

Mrs. Louisa Gleason, wife of Rev. C. A. Gleason, pastor of the Congregational church of West Point, aged 57 years died very suddenly last week.

According to the Construction News Omaha ranks third among twenty-three leading cities of the country in the gain in building operations for April over the same month a year ago.

At the last meeting of the library board of Falls City a committee was appointed to confer with the city council to support the library by direct tax, thereby making it a free library.

On complaint of F. C. Egeert, a farmer living east of West Point, Frank Rowe, his hired man, was charged with a statutory offense. In default of bail the defendant remains in jail.

Davis & Mayne, who operate the large stone quarries near Blue Springs, have about completed arrangements whereby they will erect a large stone crushing plant of 1,000 tons' daily capacity.

During the next week two members of the executive committee of the State Teachers' association will interview the business men of Lincoln and Omaha. They will then decide where the next meeting of the organization will be held.

The deputy sheriff of Otoe county found about thirty pairs of shoes near the railroad track south of Nebraska City. It is supposed that a car of freight had been robbed and that these goods were not wanted and were thrown out along the track.

The grocers of Nebraska City have formed an association and will issue a weekly credit slip to its members. They have all been doing a big credit business in the past and find that they have many hundred dollars in their books that can never be collected.

Dick Kortum, a man who makes it a business of storing and putting up awnings, had a fall at Grand Island which proved fatal. He was putting up an awning in front of the H. H. Glover company store. His ladder slipped and he fell to the cement walk.

Photographers of Nebraska in session at Lincoln elected officers as follows: President, A. C. Townsend, Lincoln, re-elected; John F. Wilson, Pawnee City, first vice president; D. W. Wright, Nelson, second vice president; C. J. Fennell, Schuyler, secretary; W. P. Fritz, Fremont, treasurer.

Persons living along ditch routes in any part of Dodge county may sow the embankments in grass. The board of county supervisors passed a resolution making the practice allowable. There is a restrictive clause, however, providing that the banks must not be lowered and that no other than grass seed can be sown.

Mrs. Pauline Garber was awarded judgment in the county court of Jefferson county for \$437 against Frank A. Sheridan and the Metropolitan Mutual Bond and Surety company. Sheridan was a saloon keeper at Gilead, in Thayer county, and sold Mrs. Garber's husband whisky that caused him to fight and get badly injured.

The body of John Morris arrived at Stella from St. Louis and was taken to the home of James Morris, from which place the funeral services were held. The deceased is a nephew of Mr. Morris and was employed in a St. Louis hotel and last Wednesday accidentally stepped into an elevator shaft, falling a distance of thirty-five feet, killing him instantly.

One of the largest transactions in real estate and personal property occurred at Osmond last week through the agency of Day Bros. & Co., same being the Security State Bank of Osmond and all the farm lands of the bank and of Day Bros. & Co., about 1,540 acres, have been sold. The average price of the land was \$49 per acre. The amount involved in the entire deal amounts to about \$75,000.

State Superintendent Fowler and Deputy McBrien have issued their annual circular to the county superintendents and principals and it contains an endorsement of the Nebraska semi-centennial celebration and information of value to the school teachers and superintendents. The circular begins with an expression of gratitude to the superintendents for the faithful work done during the year and closes with the admonition to the teachers and superintendents to complete their work thoroughly.

Louis Allgayer, a farmer living four miles southeast of Avoca, had the misfortune to lose his barn, granary, farming implements, several tons of hay, 150 bushels of oats and seventy-five bushels of wheat by fire.

In the district court of Colfax county Edward and Daniel Haszberger were fined \$25 and \$10 respectively for assault, the former having stood trial, in which the costs ran to over \$300. The costs of the case were taxed against him along with the fine. He will earn it out in jail at the rate of \$3 per day.

FRANK BARKER MUST HANG.

Declared Guilty of Murder of Brother and Wife.

RED CLOUD.—The jury on the Barker murder case returned a verdict finding Frank Barker guilty of murder in the first degree and fixing the penalty at death. Barker was convicted of the murder of his brother and his brother's wife on January 31 last. The jury went out at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon and reached a verdict about 9 o'clock. Barker was at once brought into the court room and the verdict read to him. During the trial he displayed considerable nerve, laughing and smiling as if he was not on trial for his life. Tonight when he was brought into the court room he was confronted by a large crowd of his neighbors and he appeared more crestfallen and nervous. He walked steadily, however, and tried not to appear moved, even after he had heard the verdict read.

Later—Frank Barker, who was found guilty by the jury and sentenced to death for the murder of his brother and wife on the night of January 31, was brought into court and received his sentence. Judge Adams in well chosen words reviewed the case and in closing set the day of execution for September 2. The prisoner gave no visible signs of tremor when he rose to receive the sentence, although it was plainly evident that he was laboring under a terrible strain.

After his removal to the jail he confessed his crime to Court Reporter Furse. He told him that he shot Dan Barker twice when he went to let him in that fatal night. Alice Barker bearing the shots covered herself and rolled to the floor. Frank tore the covering from her and shot her through the head. He claims to have done the work in twenty minutes.

THE WEALTH OF NEBRASKA.

What It Is Shown to Be By Careful Investigation.

Prof. A. E. Davidson of the University of Nebraska has made a careful investigation of the value of all the property in Nebraska, except that of railroads, and the results of this investigation will be published soon. The aggregates are as follows:

Value of farms.....	\$ 865,478,421
Value of city and town real estate.....	326,005,004
Money on deposit.....	21,471,229
Stocks and merchandise.....	77,473,729
Live stock.....	129,476,957
Probable value of live stock sold in 1902.....	30,000,000
Value of farm products last year.....	120,692,289
Probable value of dairy and poultry products in 1903.....	30,000,000
Value of all other property except that of railroads.....	296,422,125
Total property of the state except that of railroads.....	\$1,987,019,964

Cockle Burrs Kill Cattle.

State Veterinarian Thomas was called to Smartville, in Johnson county, to look at the bodies of seven head of cattle that had died evidently from eating young cockle burrs. The cattle were sick from one to two days, their condition during this time being almost normal, except that each showed much nervousness, though they apparently suffered no pain. Last week thirty-one head of cattle died near Hebron. Dr. Thomas believes their death occurred from eating cockle burrs.

Big Chunks of Coal.

LINCOLN.—Two large lumps of coal weighing 30,000 pounds were hauled in over the Burlington from the west and sent on to the St. Louis exposition. One of the lumps is 5x6 feet and the other 4x3 feet.

Prepare Cell for Barker.

LINCOLN.—Prison authorities have prepared a secluded cell in the penitentiary for the reception of Frank Barker. Barker was convicted of a double murder in Webster county and will be brought to the prison. He will be confined in the cell which held William Rhea, in the hospital, and will spend the time in solitary confinement.

Funny Stories Cost a Fine.

OMAHA.—Walter B. Goldie, editor and publisher of the Wayne Democrat, has appeared before Judge Munger and pleaded guilty to the indictment of mailing non-mailable matter, preferred by the grand jury. He was fined \$25 and costs. Goldie printed a couple of alleged funny stories in his paper to which some of the people of Wayne took vigorous exception.

Wolves Kill Eighteen Lambs.

FREMONT.—Wolves are unusually numerous on the Platte river bottom this spring. David Jones, who lives on the island, had eighteen lambs destroyed by the vicious animals. It is supposed that they swim across the south channel of the river to the island.

Farmer Has a Stock Disease.

DUNNING.—Rush Miner, a ranchman living four and a half miles southwest of here on the Dismal river, is afflicted by a new and unclassified stock disease which broke out in his herd, carrying away nineteen head in a few hours. Miner contracted the malady while skinning one of the dead cattle. He has had medical attendance and prospects are that he will lose the sight of one or both eyes. The disease takes the form of rash or erysipelas when transmitted to a human being.

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