

# THE TRIBUNE.

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## NEBRASKA ITEMS.

The eighteenth annual meeting of the Nebraska Teachers' association will be held in Lincoln March 25, 26 and 27, 1884.

The Auburn report shows fifty-two children in the Burk school district sick with the measles. A physician professionally called, found in one family five children down with the disease.

Postmaster Gandy, at Broken Bow, has received notice from the postoffice department at Washington that increase of speed has been ordered on the mail route between Kearney and Broken Bow.

Cass county takes the belt on high kickers. His name is Albert Worth, and he has a record of eight feet at a standing kick. He lives four miles from Plattsmouth, and will wager that he can equal the best record of any man in the county.

Wm. Fisher, a German, suicided at Omaha by taking poison. He had been unfortunate in business was out of money and could get no work, hence the rash act.

Enos Morris, a respected young man of Oakland, committed suicide by shooting himself in the forehead with a .38 caliber revolver, in the presence of a young lady he had been courting for some time.

Rev. W. H. Tibbets homesteaded 160 acres of land near Nebraska City years ago, which the railroads afterwards gobbled. The general land office has now decided that the railroad has no claim to it, and that it reverts to the original owner. It is worth \$6,000.

The O'Neill Frontier office was entirely destroyed by fire on Sunday, March 2d. A new Campbell power press and \$300 or \$300 worth of new material was destroyed. Seven hundred dollars in money was in the lock safe, but was not rescued from the flames. Three other buildings, two of them just completed, were also burned to the ground.

Smith, of Chicago, and Miller, of Omaha, pugilists, fought a prize fight a few miles north of the city the other day. Thirty rounds were fought and the mill was won by Smith, he having been declared winner in consequence of a foul by Miller. Neither of the men were very severely punished.

An accident occurred on the St. Mary's avenue street car line in Omaha a few days ago that narrowly escaped proving a serious affair. The car in going down hill became unmanageable. It started down the grade with frightful speed, and at length the horses, not being able to keep ahead of it, left the track, fell, and were dragged some distance, the car finally being overturned and ending the mad ride. The passengers were all more or less bruised but none seriously injured.

Wisner Times: Friday afternoon the three-year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Cohee, seven miles northeast of Wisner, was so severely burned that he died early Saturday morning. The little fellow was upstairs playing and he got hold of some matches, and in burning them his clothing caught fire. Mr. Cohee was out at the stable. He heard the child's cries and hurried into the house, finding the boy almost burned to a crisp.

A young man near Wilber, after partaking of an overdose of liquid refreshments, indulged in racing his horse. The animal slipped and fell upon the rider, dislocating his shoulder and otherwise injuring him. The catastrophe is charged up to whiskey.

Thirty-five young boys sent to Nebraska by the Woman's Aid society of New York, got off the train at Alma a few days ago. The purpose is to bind them out to farmers and others in that neighborhood, and give them a chance to become good citizens in the best agricultural state in the union.

The Minnehaduzza river has been on a rampage lately, and as a consequence not a bridge is left. It took them all off slick an clean, as it did everything else that lay in its course.

The Valentine Reporter says the boys at the Indian supply depot are having an easy time of it just now, owing to rough roads and high water, which prevents the Indians hauling freight.

Sam Peterson filled up with poor whisky and undertook to "run" the town of Superior, but was checked in his wild career by a shot from Constable Peterson. The ball from a .38 calibre pistol entered his leg, but in such way as to not disable him for any great length of time.

Neligh Republican: An old soldier by the name of F. J. Butler, who was a resident of Pierce county, left his home some time last week to visit Neligh, and was found in said village on Thursday last badly frozen, from the effects of which he died. This is the second old soldier who has died in poverty in this vicinity during the winter, both of whom were undoubtedly entitled to pensions but were mustered out before the red tape that could be used in their cases was exhausted.

North Auburn had a disastrous blaze on the 4th, Richards and Burke's livery stable being destroyed in an incredibly short time. Seventeen horses were burned, but three out of the total making their escape. The loss is \$10,000, outside of the value of the animals. A defective flue tarted the blaze.

Postoffice changes in Nebraska for the week ending March 1, 1884, furnished by Wm. Van Vleck, of the postoffice

department: Established—High, Custer county, William Daggett, postmaster; Locust, Franklin county, Ben. D. Stephenson, postmaster; Berne, Webster county, John Blaine, postmaster; Harting, Kearney county, Irving Kaws, postmaster; Turlington, Otoe county, Irving R. Andrew. Discontinued—Lonelm, Sherman county; Snowflake, Kearney county. Postmasters appointed—Barnston, Gage county, A. G. Keys; Elling, Sherman county, Ed. W. Lindsay; Hampton, Hamilton county, J. H. Lantz; Millroy, Gage county, Thos. Noakes; Prairie Home, Lancaster county, Jos. L. Ryons.

Eighteen more Indians (twelve boys and six girls) arrived at Genoa a few days ago. They are from the Yankton agency, and were accompanied there by the Yankton agent, Major Ridpath.

The family of Dan Whiston, Sarpy county, were poisoned by eating canned salmon. All were deathly sick, but the timely arrival of a physician saved their lives.

Efforts are being made, and with fair prospects of success, by the officers of the Bellevue Presbyterian church and the officers of the same church at Papillion to unite the two charges, thus forming a good position for one minister.

Activity exhibited in the erection of new school houses and the enlargement of old ones evinces a disposition on the part of Nebraskans to thoroughly educate the rising generation. The school tax is a heavy drain, but it is money well invested.

Golden weddings in Nebraska are few and far between, but they occur occasionally. The last was that of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Rouse, of Greenwood, which was the occasion of a large and happy gathering. Mr. R. is hale and hearty at the ripe old age of 75 years, and Mrs. R. enjoys good health and vigor at 67 years.

Complaints are occasionally entered here and there about the number of dead hogs that have accumulated during the winter. As soon as the weather will permit of Mr. Lo making a pilgrimage the difficulty will be effectually remedied.

"Do girls smoke" has been answered in the affirmative at Juniata, where several have been seen enjoying their cigarettes, a privilege which they claim is accorded them this (leap) year.

A great many young men are being pierced in the vital part by Cupid's arrows during the glorious leap year. Marriages multiply on every hand, numerous engagements are being effected, and the girls are determined to not weary in well doing as long as the opportunity lasts.

A man who stole a horse in Hamilton county, was arrested, taken into court, plead guilty and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. It was quick work and well done.

Nebraska City is carrying a high head these days over the fact that a bill has passed the senate appropriating \$75,000 for a postoffice building there. Hastings thinks something of the kind should be done for that place, in view of the fact that she ranks as the third postal city in the state.

Charles Gestrin, an Omaha journalist, of Swedish extraction, was found dead in his room at the Palmer house, Chicago, on the 7th, supposed to have been asphyxiated by gas, which he neglected to turn off before retiring. Gestrin was well known in Omaha and the northern section of the state, where he was for some time engaged in writing up various counties.

The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad now runs trains directly into Omaha.

The town site company of Dorchester have raised the price of their lots 20 per cent., a movement not generally understood, in view of the fact that they were already so high that there were few purchasers.

The time for the spring elections rapidly approaches and the candidate for local political honors and emoluments is unusually solicitous regarding the health and welfare of his neighbor and fellow-citizen.

Auburnites are strongly of the opinion that good coal and plenty of it exists near that place. To show the faith that is in them they have organized a company for boring and enough money has been subscribed to proceed with the work at once.

A man named John Cain fatally shot himself at Valentine a few days ago. Before dying he said the shooting was accidental, but people generally believe it was a case of suicide.

The Fairfield Herald says that one of its readers recently gave his wife a roll of bills of \$200 to hide away until needed, which she did in the upper part of the sitting room stove. A party of friends recently visited them, and the day being cold, a hot fire was soon burning. The result was a little handful of ashes sent to Washington the other day to see if any value could be obtained.

Though early in the spring, prairie schooners are now of common occurrence. The disposition is to get to Nebraska early in order to be ready for the seed time and planting.

In a row at the Theatre Comique saloon, Omaha, on Sunday last, James Nugent, a brother of the proprietor of the theatre and a non-participant in the affray, was shot dead by Tom Price, a gambler and ex-penitentiary convict. The murderer fired a second shot, which struck a young man named Stout (son of W. H. B. Stout, of Lincoln) in the neck, severely, though not fatally wounding him. The murderer escaped and up to Monday morning had not been apprehended.

# NEWS OF THE WEEK.

## GENERAL.

White manufacturers at San Francisco locked out 3,500 Chinese cigar makers. They propose to substitute 2,500 whites from New York. The Chinese packers struck on learning that their countrymen were locked out.

The Burlington, Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, and the Chicago and Alton have given notice of a reduction in lumber rates from Chicago and St. Louis to Colorado points from 70 to 37 cents per hundred.

At the election held on the 1st in the old Second congressional district of Kansas to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dudley C. Haskell, the candidates were E. H. Funston, republican, and Samuel A. Riggs, democrat and greenbacker. Reports from all but two counties in the district indicate Funston's election by about 5,000 majority.

After seven years of idleness the larger furnace of the South Boston iron works was lighted up on the 1st for the casting of a rifle mortar for the United States ordnance department. This will be the first of a lot of fine, heavy, experimental guns, authorized by the last congress.

The New York Daily Commercial Bulletin's fire record shows the loss by fire in February to be seven millions, and for January and February ten millions.

The authorities at Smithfield, Illinois, have telegraphed the United States marshal at Chicago, informing him of the arrest of a gang of counterfeiters and capture of their entire outfit.

Prentiss Tiller, the money clerk of the Pacific Express company at St. Louis, whose father is a Louisiana detective, disappeared about 3 o'clock on the 3d, taking with him one or two valises full of money packages, the total amount being near \$75,000.

The house committee on judiciary has ordered an adverse report on the celebrated McGarahan claim.

A Khartoum dispatch says that Gen. Gordon believes that the slavery question will settle itself within a year by an uprising of the slaves.

The high water has reached the south and is doing much damage.

Major Lopez Martablo was killed near Edinburg, Texas, forty miles above Brownsville, in a duel with the editor of the Cronista, published at Matamoros.

Sherman's copyright bill, introduced in the senate, provides that the copyright shall extend to all news items exceeding one hundred words in length. Smaller items are not to be copyrighted.

English detectives at New York have been provided with portraits of suspected dynamiters.

The Boston board of trade has passed resolutions protesting against the excessive coinage of silver money and the use of silver certificates.

Two children of Isaac Kennedy, residing near Phillippi, Bourbon county, West Va., fell in a kettle of boiling soap and were burned to death.

John McGinnis was hanged in the county prison at Philadelphia for the murder of his mother-in-law.

Hon. Kenneth Paynor, solicitor of the treasury, died at the National hotel, Washington, on the 5th.

A snow plow on the St. Paul road struck a sled containing a farmer named Fisk, his son, aged 19, a married daughter and two small children, at Sibley, Osceola county, Iowa. The son was instantly killed and the father fatally injured. The others were slightly injured.

William McMillan, living near Huron, Ohio, went home drunk and abused his wife, who threatened to call on a neighbor for help. McMillan swore he would kill the first man who came into the house. Geo. Thompson, aged 19, came, having an errand, and was ignorant of the trouble. McMillan, mistaking him for another person, fired and killed him. He was put in jail and there suicided.

The Kimball house at Anoka, Minn., burned. But little furniture was saved. The guests all escaped.

The governor of South Carolina has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest of W. B. Cash, who shot Town Marshal Richards at Cheraw.

M. O. Van Fleet, county treasurer of Huron county, Ohio, has absconded. His accounts are short from \$50,000 to \$60,000.

A large number of prominent cattle men held a public meeting at Emporia, Kan., to take steps for the suppression of the cattle plague, which exists in malignant form at that place.

Edward D. Payne, of Dayton, Ohio, brother of Senator-elect H. B. Payne, died of paralysis.

Workmen who have been boring at Vinton, Iowa, for petroleum the past month, struck oil a few days ago in paying quantities. It causes much excitement.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Western export association, controlling all the distilleries in the west, held in Chicago on the 6th, a decision was reached to reduce the production of whisky 10 per cent. below the present basis after May 1st.

John McMahon, city collector of Hoboken, N. J., is missing, and the mayor has taken possession of his office. The woman suffragists called upon

President Arthur. The president pronounced them a very remarkable assemblage of women.

The fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the city of Toronto was celebrated by firing salutes, ringing bells and opening a free library.

James Crawford, an ex-railroad conductor, charged by the Pennsylvania railroad company with embezzling tickets, has been found guilty by a jury.

The boiler of J. H. Trees' dyeing establishment, Lawrence, Mass., exploded, killing Engineer Jno. Trees, Jr., and fatally injuring two employees.

The northern and southern divisions of the Central Mexican railway have formed a junction. Through traffic commences immediately. Arrangements are completed for bringing foreign goods overland, competing with the Mexico and Vera Cruz railway.

At a blooded cattle sale at Marshall, Mo., forty-four short horns belonging to R. W. Owens, of North Middleton, Ky., brought \$8,000, and sixteen Jerseys, owned by Alex. McClintock & Son, Millersburg, Ky., brought nearly \$4,000.

Three excursion trains of land seekers passed through St. Louis a few days ago, some of them destined for Nebraska.

The Wisconsin republican state central committee decided to hold two conventions, the first to elect delegates to the national convention and the second to nominate a state ticket. The first convention will be held at Madison, April 30th.

The Louisiana republicans made the following state nominations: For governor, John A. Stevenson; lieutenant governor, Wm. Burwell; secretary of state, F. W. Liggins; attorney general, John H. Stone.

The libel suit against the New York Times of Shipping Commissioner Duncan, the captain of the steamer Quaker City during her famous voyage, has ended for the present. The jury found for the plaintiff upon two statements, awarding six cents damages on each. On all the other charges the jury found for the defense. The plaintiff sued for \$10,000.

The New York weekly bank statement is as follows: Revenue, decrease, \$5,879,300. The banks now hold \$12,821,675 in excess of legal requirements.

The Consolidated paper company, of Chicago, manufacturing coarse wrapping paper, has made an assignment. Liabilities, \$97,000; assets, \$125,000.

Labor officials are circulating a petition at Pittsburg to be presented to congress asking an appropriation of \$10,000,000 of the surplus for colonization purposes. This sum would supply 100,000 families \$500 each, mortgage to be given on land for payment in fifteen years, allowing if the settler pays for a homestead, 160 acres in five years at par, under ten years one per cent., and over years two per cent. The petition is being largely signed.

A serious crevasse has occurred at the Davis plantation, fifteen miles above New Orleans. The break is widening rapidly and the water is overflowing the railroads.

## WASHINGTON.

The following postoffices have been assigned to the third class or presidential, and salaries of postmasters fixed at amounts stated: North Bend, Neb., \$1,000; Weeping Water, Neb., \$1,100.

The bill introduced in the senate by Cockrell to authorize the appointment of a special commission to visit the principal countries of Central and South America for the purpose of collecting information looking to the extension of American trade with those countries, provides for the appointment of three commissioners for a term of two years each, with an annual salary of \$5,000.

The house committee on appropriations has agreed to report adversely the joint resolutions making appropriations for relief of sufferers from high water along the lower Mississippi.

A decision has been rendered by the supreme court in the case of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe against the Denver and New Orleans railway company, in an appeal from the circuit court of the United States for the district of Colorado. This court holds that the constitutional right in Colorado to connect railroad with railroad does not of itself imply the connecting of business with business.

The house committee on invalid pensions agreed to report the bill to allow the widow of Gen. Frank P. Blair, of Missouri, \$5,000 pension and \$50 per month for money expended and services rendered the union cause by her husband during the late war.

Following is a copy of the bill introduced by Senator Sherman granting copyright to newspapers: Be it enacted, that any daily or weekly newspapers published in the United States or any of the territories thereof shall have the sole right to print, issue and sell for a term of eight hours dating from the hour of going to press the contents of said daily or weekly newspaper or collected news of said newspaper association exceeding one hundred words. That for any infringement of the copyright granted by the first section of this act, the party injured may sue in any court of competent jurisdiction, and recover in any proper action the damages sustained by him from the person making such infringement, together with costs of suit. A duplicate of the foregoing measure will be introduced in the house at the earliest opportunity by a representative from Virginia.

Secretary Folger, in replying to the house resolution as to how much money is now in the treasury that can be applied to the liquidation of the public debt without embarrassing the department, says that after making all deductions for special funds, etc., and providing for a reserve fund, there remains as a final result \$7,534,281, which may be applied to any government purpose, and that the best answer of what he conceives may be done in the way of liquidating without embarrassment, is perhaps what he, in the use of his best judgment, did on the 21st of February last, when he called for the redemption of \$10,000,000 3 per cent. bonds, payable May 1, 1884.

Brigadier General McKenzie, of the United States army, has been examined by the retiring board at New York. As he is regarded as hopelessly insane, there is no doubt as to his being placed on the retired list.

Secretary Folger has written a letter to Morrison, chairman of the ways and means committee, suggesting several amendments to the Potter bill, and saying that the language of the sixth section of the bill is not quite clear, and I am inclined to doubt whether the people will approve its provisions.

The house committee on ways and means acted favorably upon the Morrison tariff bill. As agreed upon, it places salt, coal and lumber on the free list. A provision with respect to coal is to the effect that it shall not apply to Canada until that country places our coal on the free list. The agreement to report the amended bill favorably was reached by a strict party vote, seven to five; Morrison, Mills, Blount, Blackburn, Herbert, Hurd and Jones voted in the affirmative, and Kelley, Kasson, McKinley, Hiseock and Russell in the negative.

Representative Finerty presented a petition from several hundred working men and others in his district protesting against Chinese laborers coming into this country. Mr. Finerty says he understands that similar petitions will be presented from all the principal cities of the country.

The treasury department, in view of the fact that foot and mouth disease is prevalent in Great Britain, has called upon the collectors of customs at the leading seaboard cities for their views on the propriety of prohibiting the importation of cattle.

The house committee on public lands decided unanimously to recommend the forfeiture of lands granted the Atlantic and Pacific railroad lying east of the junction of that road with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad and lying west of Mojave, California, and which have not been patented to the road.

The senate committee on territories has agreed to give the name of "Lincoln" to the new territory which it is proposed to make out of the northern portion of Dakota. It also decided to call on the executive department and the governor of New Mexico for information in regard to the recent alleged irregularities of the organization of its legislature. The governor, in a dispatch to Senator Harrison, says the organization of the legislature is strictly regular and according to law.

Since the introduction of the two-cent letter postage there has been an unexpected reduction in the number of postal cards used. For five years the annual increase has been 14 per cent; during the eight months since July 1st the sale of stamps has increased 18 per cent, and of stamped envelopes 25 per cent, while the issue of postal cards was only 256,000,000 against 260,000,000 for the corresponding period last year. The postmaster general therefore estimates a reduction of \$35,000 in the cost of manufacturing postal cards the next fiscal year.

The bill to repeal the sections of the revised statutes restricting the term of certain officers to four years was favorably reported from the committee on the reform of the civil service. It applies the term of office to the district attorney, chief justice and associate justices of the territories, surveyor general, registers and receivers, collectors of customs, naval officers, surveyors of customs and postmasters.

Senator Harrison's Pension Bill.

WASHINGTON, February 25.—Senator Harrison introduced a bill in the senate today providing for a pension for all honorably discharged soldiers who served six months in the war of the rebellion in the military or naval service, provided they are now disabled. The bill proceeds upon the theory that there are many soldiers and sailors who did not contract disabilities during the war of such a well-defined nature as to enable them to make proof thereof, but who are now broken down in health by reason of hardships and exposures in the service. The highest rate of pension granted is \$24. The bill increases to \$12 the pensions of all widows of pensioners who contracted disability in and since the war and who are now drawing \$8; also the pensions of widows of soldiers to be pensioned under the first section, and those who shall obtain pensions under the existing laws, without the widow being required to prove that death was due to service. It does not grant a pension to all widows, but only to those who are or became pensioners. The bill is the result of a demand which the government, under existing laws, is unable to meet. The pensions under the act will begin at the date of filing the application therefor.

DEFIANCE, IOWA, Oct. 11, 1883. I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for eight or nine years, and in every case it has given entire satisfaction.

C. A. TOPPING.