

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Postoffice Changes in Nebraska during the week ending October 18, 1884, furnished by William Van Vleck, of the postoffice department:

Established—Adrain, Brown county, Robert H. Clifton, postmaster; Boomer, Cuming county, Allen J. Fowler, postmaster; Elders, Brown county, Mary A. Rogers, postmistress; Nunda, Loup county, Mrs. Adelle Masters, postmistress; Somerset, Frontier county, Gilbert L. Barr, postmaster.

Discontinued—Beatrice, Webster county.

Postmasters Appointed—Peach Grove, Sarpy county, Robert A. Hishal.

Mrs. PUGH'S BODY FOUND.—An Omaha Republican special from Pierce says: The body of the insane woman, Mrs. John Pugh, was found yesterday and given burial. The finding was purely accidental. About a week ago, while some Santee Sioux Indians were hunting above here, they discovered the body of a woman in Short creek and becoming alarmed, went back to the agency and reported their find to the agent, who sent one of his Indian police, together with the Indian who had found her, back to Pierce. The coroner was notified and a party went out with the Indians and found the body about two and one-half miles northwest of town, floating in Short creek. It was identified as that of Mrs. Pugh, the insane woman that escaped from her home in Pierce over a month ago. The body, which was considerably decomposed, was in some four feet of water, near the south bank of the stream, and is supposed to have been sunk out of sight while the search was being made, but floated afterwards. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that death was by accidental drowning.

Suicide of a Penitentiary Convict.

Thomas Cooper, colored, sent to the penitentiary from Omaha in August last for six years for burglary, committed suicide by hanging on the 18th. He tied a 175 pound rock to his feet and jumped from a platform behind the cupola in the fourth story. The ring of the moon bell, the keeper of the Nebraska Manufacturing company's shops, ordered the man under his charge to fall in prior to marching toward the cell house. Noting the absence of Cooper, in the line, he stepped in the foundry where Cooper was working, and called on him to fall in. Cooper was then on the platform of the cupola. "All right, boys, here I go," were the words spoken, and the keeper hearing nothing further, stepped in to hunt his man. He found him hanging by the neck, and observing that the fall had broken his neck, and that any effort to save the man would prove useless, he turned around, and led off his line of men to the cell house, and reported to the warden's office.

GENERAL STATE NOTES.

Grand Island is about to establish a free public library.

Oakland is to have an opera house, 40 by 80 feet, costing \$4,000.

The new opera house at Humphrey was opened with a grand ball.

The city of Red Cloud has raised the saloon license from \$500 to \$1,000.

Steps are about to be taken at Grand Island to negotiate the sale of school bonds.

Junia's skating rink has been opened and is the recipient of a liberal patronage.

Mrs. Mary Cruger exhibited at the Brown county fair 75 different kinds of flowers.

Creighton now claims a population of 730, an increase of over 200 since last spring's census.

A proposition to issue \$8,000 bridge bonds will be voted upon in Lincoln county in November.

Lightning rod farmers have been victimizing Pierce county farmers from \$30 to \$100 each on \$10 estimates.

A clear case of miscegenation has developed at Hastings which the authorities are asked to investigate.

At Lincoln the other day Mrs. Samuel Leland was badly burned by the explosion of a gasoline stove.

The primary department of Nelson's public school has sixty-one pupils. Both departments are crowded.

Prairie fires are beginning to illumine the evening sky, but thus far there are no reports of damaging conflagrations.

Tombstone agents are again in the country, but owing to the healthfulness of the climate they have but little business.

Beatrice "takes the cake" on the biggest squash. It weighs 23 pounds and measures six feet nine inches the long way.

A jumping match at Stanton between Bishop and Shane for \$10 a side was won by Shane. He cleared ten feet, standing jump.

Branch is the name of a new postoffice in Cedar county, between Hartington and St. James. Theo. Dreesen is postmaster.

The trial of ex-Mary Chase, of Omaha, for manslaughter in office, will be called on the 27th. Judge Post will probably preside.

Considerable money is being put up on the result of the coming general election in New York and other sections of the country.

Omaha's indicted councilmen all deny that they have been bribed and claim that they will be able to vindicate themselves in the court.

Claus Christenson, a Cedar county farmer, has harvested a monster squash measuring 79 inches in circumference, and weighing 142 pounds.

The young men of Grand Island are forming an athletic club for the purpose of social amusement and learning the manly art of self-defense.

Leon Douglas, of Lincoln, was thrown from a bicycle and received a broken leg. It will be some time before he can manipulate the machine again.

In the Nellie Quakebush outrage case at Columbus the grand jury found a true bill for manslaughter against Frank Moore and George Mathews.

C. R. Stoner, living on Elk creek, about three miles east of Nelson, planted five pecks of potatoes last spring, from which he dug forty-five bushels this fall.

Mr. Cassidy, of Howard, who lost his arm and was considerably bruised otherwise by the cars, is now able to be on the street and get around with the aid of a cane.

P. C. Story, of Webster City, Iowa, has concluded to establish a creamery at Pierce. The business men of that place have subscribed liberally in behalf of the enterprise.

A workman named Chrisman, while engaged in holding material in the new Masonic building at Hastings, Wednesday, was severely injured by the breaking of a pulley.

The Stromsberg bank, of Stromsburg, has filed an amendment to its articles of incorporation increasing its capital from \$12,000 to \$30,000. Ex-Governor Nance is president of the bank.

A young man named Halworth, representing the hardware house of Hibbard, Spencer & Co., of Chicago, was arrested at North Bend the other day because he had made collections which he failed to report.

Mr. Hussey, a business man of Columbus, was robbed in Grand Island of \$40 in gold and some three or more dollars in silver. He exhibited his "roll" too freely among the class that are looking out for victims.

While working at the skating rink in Beatrice, one of the arches which was being hoisted fell and struck Henry Lowens, hurting him so severely that at first it was thought he was killed. He will, however, recover.

Minnie Cummings, the actress, now of New York but who formerly lived in Omaha, has obtained a verdict for \$25,000 against a police officer and Deliva Murphy, a dressmaker, both of the metropolis, for false arrest and imprisonment.

A party of eastern capitalists has been in Omaha making arrangements for leasing the packing house in connection with the Union Stock Yards. It is generally understood that they will take hold of the enterprise at an early day.

The stable of Mr. Joice, at Friendville, caught fire and was burned to the ground, together with a stable belonging to the creamery which stood in close proximity. Fortunately no horses were in the stable at the time and the damage was very slight.

A subscription of about \$400 is being raised at Beatrice to pay the indebtedness, incurred several years ago, for the first uniforms of company C, N. N. G. Col. L. W. Colby, Wm. Lamb, O. M. Enlow and others became responsible for the uniforms.

A series of accidents occurred on the Union Pacific last week between Cheyenne and Granite Canon, resulting in four engines being badly demolished and several freight cars totally wrecked. One fireman was fatally injured and a section hand instantly killed.

Isaac Jewett, superintendent of the creamery at Grand Island, committed suicide by taking morphine. He was a man about 50 years of age, single, and stood well in the community. He had been drinking hard for three days. No good reason for the rash act is known.

The Utica Record says that section has never been blessed with a more bountiful corn crop than this season, nor has there ever been a crop that matured more perfectly. There is apparently no end to the corn, and that which most interests the farmers is the price it will bring.

Albert Whitmore, living southeast of Kearsaw, is in the sorghum business. He has made about one hundred and fifty gallons for other parties, and is now about to begin work on his own crop of cane. He raised four acres, which he estimates will yield about three hundred gallons of syrup.

Two Omaha hardware men were last week the victims of burglars. From one they stole about \$1,000 worth of fine cutlery, and from the other about \$150 worth of goods were taken. The heaviest loser offers \$100 for return of goods and will spend a thousand dollars to run down the thieves.

Just at this season of the year when everybody is getting ready for winter the Lincoln Journal wants farmers and others to bear in mind the fact that at the Home for the Friendless in that city such things as cabbage, potatoes, turnips, etc., will be thankfully received and appropriately credited to the donors.

By an explosion of gasoline in a stove in the house of Samuel Leland, at Lincoln. Mrs. Leland was quite severely burned. Her clothes caught fire, and when she ran into the yard it was only by the opportune arrival of a neighbor, who smothered the flames, that she escaped severe and perhaps fatal injuries.

Alfred Ruet and Munson, two young men living five miles south of Juniata, met with a severe loss. They were batching and working their land. While out at work their house took fire, and before it was discovered burned to the ground, destroying their bedding, clothing, etc., and \$30 in money.

The grand lodge of Locomotive Engineers has allowed the claim of E. H. Sheldon of \$1,000, being the amount named in the policy on the life of George W. Sheldon, one of the engineers killed in the Elkhorn disaster some days ago. E. H. Sheldon is the father of the unfortunate young man and is the beneficiary.

Webster county furnishes the latest victim of the loaded shot-gun. Ellett Rice, a lad of 16, placed his gun on the bottom of a hay wagon and started out for a hunt. The jarring of the wagon sent the gun through the rack to the ground, discharging it, the contents entering the boy's abdomen. He died in a few hours.

Joseph Schulz, of Colfax county, commenced feeding 250 steers week before last for the winter market. This is much earlier than feeding is usually begun, but Mr. S. contends that corn has all the nutriment now that it will ever have and that cattle can eat it much easier than after it becomes hard. Besides they will fat much faster in warm than in cold weather.

C. C. Howser, who was for three and a half years general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Omaha and for two years past assistant general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Chicago, has received and accepted a flattering call to the general secretaryship of the Young Men's Christian Association of Cincinnati, O., and will enter on his new duties November 1.

Patrick Egan, of Lincoln, sent the following telegram to Dublin in answer to one received from there announcing the death of Alexander Sullivan, the Irish leader: "Your cablegram is received announcing the death of my dear friend, Alexander M. Sullivan. Every Irish heart will mourn at his loss. On behalf of myself and the American League, convey to Mrs. Sullivan and family our heartfelt condolence."

D. Mathieson, a cattleman who lives about five miles south of Grand Island, as he was going home in a wagon his horses became frightened and he was thrown from the wagon sustaining a compound fracture of his right leg. He laid out all night and crawled about five miles after daylight to reach the nearest house from which he was taken to his home. His sufferings were intense during the long hours of exposure, and the fracture a most severe one.

A Burt county farmer, in writing to his local paper regarding hog cholera, says that as the disease is brought about mostly by reason of dirty pens and a corn diet, a change in the right direction will, by removing the cause, produce the cure. First, change the hogs to high, fresh ground, and then feed wholly on oats. As soon as the hogs stop dying give a little corn, but continue the oats. Give ashes and salt. The hogs will not only get well, but fatten much faster than on a corn diet.

As formerly stated, says the Springfield (Santee) Times, "Isaiah Lightner, agent at Dakota Agency, Nebraska, resigned on or about August 1, 1884. We are informed on or about August 1, 1884, that the secretary of the interior, under date of the 6th inst, had directed Agent Lightner that owing to the fact that a suitable man could not be appointed and bonded to relieve him from his responsibility before winter, the acceptance of his

designation has been revoked, and that he has therefore been requested to continue in the discharge of his duties."

The smallest square left at the Oxford Register office for exhibition was raised by Mr. Davis Peak, five and a half miles north of that place, and brought down the beam at 212 pounds avoirdupois. The vine on which this little daisy grew has four others of the same variety that will weigh from 190 pounds down to the average size of that species of vegetable, and at last accounts all were in good, healthy, growing condition, bidding fair to rival the greatest curiosity this state has ever produced. The seed was buried in sod and no fertilizer was used to stimulate the plant, and the mammoth proportions of the subject of this item can only be accounted for through good cultivation and the productiveness of the soil.

THE PEOPLE EXCITED. But the Principal in the Affair Remains Perfectly Cool.

An Albany (N. Y.) dispatch of the 20th says: Governor Cleveland was assaulted in front of the medical college this morning by Samuel Boone, of Chemung county, who was ejected from the executive chamber last week for greeting a disturbance while seeking a pardon. He struck at the governor with his right hand, but the blow was warded off. He repeated the striking several times, but failed to hit the governor in the face. He then darted toward a pile of cobble stones, but was interrupted by Dr. George Houghton before he could obtain a missile. Boone returned to the attack on the governor, when Houghton seized and held him and the governor deliberately walked on. Boone was released and went quickly to his boarding house, where he was arrested shortly afterwards. Dr. Houghton overtook the governor and conversed freely with him about the assault. The governor proceeded to the capital and went to his rooms. He alluded only casually about the matter to the attaches of the office. In the police court Boone pleaded not guilty, and asked two days to prepare his case, as he wanted to telegraph to Judge Boardman Smith, of the supreme court, to defend him. The case was put down for Wednesday.

Boone was seeking a pardon for his brother-in-law who was sentenced to two years at Auburn for shooting into a crowd assembled near the hotel on Holloway street, and seriously injuring a boy. Boone and wife requested the governor at Elmira to pardon him and the governor said he would look over the matter. When he returned to Albany the governor's wife, Mrs. Frances Cleveland, who was strongly opposing the pardon, applied as he did not think there were any grounds for clemency.

About a week after Cleveland's return Boone was arrested. The governor said he had not yet reached the case. Boone was arrested and taken to the jail. Boone followed the governor back and forth to the executive mansion that day and declared he would not leave until he got a pardon. He finally desisted.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT. Boone, who assaulted the governor, unsuccessfully solicited a pardon for his brother-in-law, who is confined in Auburn prison for shooting a man in Chemung county a year ago. Boone met the governor as he was walking over Eagle street from the executive mansion to the capitol, about 10 o'clock morning, and struck at him, at the same time uttering an oath. Governor Cleveland threw up his arm and warded off the blow. Several persons were near by, who saw the affair, ran after the man and captured him. Governor Cleveland at once prepared to defend him. Boone came here about two weeks ago to press his application, and the governor then said to him he would take up the papers at his earliest convenience and would decide it as soon as possible. His impression was that the ruling officers of the county were unfavorable to the pardon, and if so he could not grant it, unless they saw fit from further reflection, to modify their statements, as no pardons were granted in opposition to local authorities. Boone at this demanded an immediate answer, yes or no, and said to Cleveland if the district attorney had reported against the pardon he would slap his face, and if not he would come back and slap the governor's face. In a few days Boone telegraphed the governor the district attorney had said he was slapping in the face by acknowledging Cleveland's statement was true. Last week one morning Boone and his wife appeared at the executive chamber, and the governor received them in an audience. The woman was in a state of great nervous excitement and attempted to strike the governor. He caught her by the wrist and said to her, "My dear woman, you are beside yourself, get down and be reasonable." At that she threw herself on the floor and screamed and shouted until she was removed from the building. Boone and wife have remained here since, and Boone has followed the governor back and forth from his house to the capitol. He has uttered all manner of threats to shoot Cleveland, etc., and was regarded as a "crank."

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BRIEFLY TOLD.

The farmers in the vicinity of Fargo, D. T., are holding their grain, as only fifty-five cents is offered for No. 1 hard wheat.

Gas exploded in the Central Pacific mill at Lawrence, Mass., destroying the naphtha house, shattering its windows and fatally injuring two men.

Hay exporters in Canada have received notice from the secretary of state at Washington that \$1,000,000 collected for duties will be refunded at an early date.

H. B. Scott & Co., barbed wire manufacturers, Pittsburg, have notified their 300 employees that wages will be reduced 10 per cent. The reduction will be accepted.

The colored people of South Carolina, to the number of one thousand, are invited to emigrate to a farm in California, their transportation to be paid and deducted from their wages.

Volney Bull's residence at North East, Pa., was fired by his maniac brother, who was confined in an upper room. Volney attempted to rescue the mad man, but both perished in the flames.

Lee Song, a Chinese murderer under sentence of death at Portland, Oregon, committed suicide in his cell. He made a rope out of his clothing and hanged himself to a hook on the wall.

Postmaster-General Hutton and the Mexican minister have concluded a postal convention providing for the exchange of mail between the United States and Mexico at domestic rates of postage.

The lease of the Oregon railroad and navigation company's lines for ninety-nine years, at \$140,000 per annum, made by Henry Villard for the Northern Pacific, is sustained by Judge Deahy, of Portland.

The Boston lads are solid for Belva Lockwood for president. Four battalions of them parade the streets every night in Mother Hubbard dresses, with bonnets and parasol torches, and seem to greatly enjoy the sport.

A Viroqua (Wis.) special says John Haschka, a German, 60 years old, only released from the insane asylum, shot and killed his wife and then took to the woods, carrying his gun with him. A party of forty armed men are scouring the country for him.

Manufacturing jewelers met at Providence and decided to form a protective organization. In three months the failures in the trade have numbered thirty, of which thirteen were honest, eleven doubtful and six fraudulent. The total liabilities amounted to \$1,045,000.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Sarah Bernhardt has gone to the seaside. Her physicians order absolute quiet for a long time.

It is reported that the Chinese have made an attack on Thai Nguyen, in upper Tonquin, and been repulsed with heavy loss.

Many thousands attended Sullivan's funeral at Dublin, among them the mayor, corporation council, Bishop Cluga, of Dublin, and the Irish members of parliament.

The czar, the prince of Wales and the king of Greece are urging the duke of Cumberland to make arrangements with Emperor William in regard to the Brunswick succession.

The Hungarian liner arrested on the arrival of the steamship Lord Clive, from Philadelphia, has given evidence that the dynamite in his possession was to be used with felonious intent.

The London Globe says a summons has been raised against the American, G. E. Rogers, for assaulting the manager of St. Stephen's Review. The assault was made on account of the article entitled "The Man from New York."

Representatives of Austria, Russia and Italy will attend the Congo conference upon the same footing as the representatives of the other powers. Belgium will probably advocate the interests of the African international association.

Rome dispatch of the 20th: During the past twenty-four hours there have been one hundred and twenty cases and sixty-six deaths by cholera, of which thirty-three cases and nineteen deaths were at Naples, and thirteen cases and six deaths at Salerno.

The liberals, of Belgium, in view of their success in the municipal elections, demand that the chamber be dissolved and the government resign. The clericals, however, claim that little change has been made in the relative positions of the parties.

Insiders in the cable now state that the Mackey-Bennett cable people will not materially lower the rates before the present tariff. However, it is understood that a vigorous attempt will be made to secure the patronage of large cable customers by offers of heavy rebates on accounts.

The petition of French merchants in Alexandria was presented to the chamber of deputies through the vice-president of the Alexandria chamber of commerce urging the immediate payment of the Alexandria indemnity to save French residents in that city from ruin. The commission on petitions made a report declaring its urgency.

The queen's speech at the opening of parliament consists of only eight paragraphs. It begins by regretting the necessity for convoking parliament, discusses the franchise bill and expresses the hope that the measure will shortly be passed. No mention is made of redistribution. References are made to the affairs at the Cape and Egypt and General Gordon is eulogized for his gallant defense of Khartoum.

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The international meridian congress adopted the following resolution: That the universal day is to be a mean solar day, to begin for all the world at a moment of mean midnight of the initial meridian, coinciding with the beginning of the civil day and date of that meridian, and is to be counted from zero up to twenty-four hours.

Commissary-General McFeely reports for the fiscal year aggregate resources, \$4,328,451; expenditures, \$3,217,224, leaving a balance of \$1,041,227. There was on hand \$2,237 of the amount appropriated for the relief of sufferers from the overflow of the Ohio river and \$5,151 of the appropriation for the sufferers from the overflow of the Mississippi.

The private banking house of H. D. Coke & Co. displayed the following notice at the usual opening hour on the 23d: "Owing to inability to meet pressing demands we deem it better for all interests concerned to suspend temporarily. Total liabilities \$150,000, \$30,000 of which is fully secured." It is believed that the firm in time will pay all creditors.

The Tennessee bond cases, which comprise sixteen suits against sixteen southern railroad corporations and which involve outstanding bonds to the amount of \$7,000,000,

were called for an argument in the United States supreme court on the 23d. There was an extraordinary array of counsel present from all parts of the country. Governor Hoadley, of Ohio, opened the argument for the bondholders.

General Hazen, chief naval officer, in his annual report, calls attention to the crippled condition in which the service has been left by the appropriation acts, and as a consequence seventeen stations of the meteorological service have been closed. He reports improvement in the prediction branch of the service, and adds that by increasing the stations further improvement could be made.

No storm has passed over the country in the past year without warning. If his plan in regard to the Arctic expedition had been carried out the loss of life and misery would have been averted. He says Greeley carried out his instructions literally. The report recommends that congress inquire into and ascertain who is to blame. He refers to Arlington's failure to replace suitable rations for those which spoiled at Cape Sabin.

CRIMINAL. Incendiaries started a conflagration at Augusta, Me., which destroyed property to the value of \$100,000.

Wm. H. Dempsey, of Washington, D. C., has been indicted by the United States grand jury of this circuit on the charge of defrauding the navy department.

Several employes of the Canadian Pacific railway were lately summoned to appear in the police court on a charge of violating the statute against Sunday work.

Charles J. Downie, the member of the Chicago board of trade who murdered his brother, William H., on September 5th, committed suicide by hanging in his cell in jail.

Some ruffians are destroying cows in the city of Hamilton, Ontario. One man had nine cows poisoned and another lost quite a number. Turnips filled with strychnine were found in the pasture field.

In the Clawson polygamy case at Salt Lake, Lydia Spencer, the presumed second wife, was called. She refused to be sworn or testify. She was lectured by the court but persisted in refusal. She was ordered to the penitentiary till next morning