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NEBRASKA NEWS.

Wayne county has over 3,000 children of school age.

There are three cases of typhoid fever in one family near Eustis.

Several sad fatalities from diphtheria have lately occurred at Wisner.

The school professor at Wakefield lectures on "Brains and Backbone."

Johnson county will donate a car of corn to the starving people of India.

Stock in the building and loan association at Gering sells at a premium.

A lady of Lexington furnishes a daily record of mortgages filed and released.

Dr. Hildebrand of Clearwater was successfully operated upon for appendicitis.

George Bohmer, who moved from Wayne county to Montana, is moving back.

Nebraska City contemplates putting up a new high school building to cost $25,000.

The Union Pacific ice house at North Platte is filled from the lake at Gothenburg.

Andrew Harper of Cedar county lost considerable live stock in the recent blizzard.

N. P. Hult of Wausa lost 100 head of hogs in the blizzard that blew in with the new year.

A sure enough centipede was captured in the court house at Hastings the other day.

Ernest Worden and Walter Bruner of Sidney were bound over to district court in the sum of $300 each for the wanton murder of a mule.

Judge Crawford of Scribner won a $50 suit of clothes from Hon. Nick Fritz on a wager that McKinley would receive a majority of the popular vote.

The school house at Bayard took fire from a defective flue, and the scholars organized themselves into a bucket brigade and saved the building from total destruction.

A Boone county man smoked a cigar while milking the family cow, and accidently scorched her flank. The kick she gave him in the ribs was heard all over the neighborhood.

An epidemic of blackleg is destroying young stock in the neighborhood of Alliance. A local veterinary will try the vaccinating system recommended in the government reports.

The Curtis gun club has offered a reward of $5 for the arrest and conviction of any parties killing or having in their possession quail or prairie chickens during the closed season.

Having failed to provide a sinking fund to meet the payment on school bonds when due, Superior will start the new year by robbing Peter to pay Paul. It hopes to refund at a lower rate of interest.

Henry Brockman, who lived four miles west of West Point, dropped dead in the kitchen at his home from heart disease. He was seventy-three years old and emigrated from Germany to Wisconsin in 1854.

Twenty-five hundred acres of Nebraska land near Jackson may go to South Dakota by changes in the Missouri. This land is what is known as the Hedges track, now in the hands of eastern trustees.

David Hazels of Pawnee county, who recently passed away in his eightieth year, had been a resident of that county for twenty-six years. He came directly from Scotland to the place from which he took his departure. His aged wife survives, also five children.

Robert Clifford of Emerson, a young man of only twenty-six years, was seized with a mania while at the home of a neighbor, and attempted to use one of the small children to feed the flames in the kitchen range. He was restrained with difficulty and it required two men to bind and prevent him from raising gell-henerally.

Catharine Roland, wife of John Roland, of Saline county, was buried at Crete on Wednesday. If she had lived until May 21 she would have been eighty-two years old. Her husband was buried on the 22nd of March last year. They were old settlers in Saline county and well known. She was a member of the Methodist church thirty-six years.

Henry W. Haig, who is administrator of the estate of Robert F. Fawcus of Gering, expects to secure the passage of an appropriation through the present legislature to provide for the payment for the real estate belonging to the estate. It has been appraised according to law at $6,300, and the law, which provides that alien heirs can not inherit realty in this state, also provides that the state shall buy it at the appraised valuation. The claim is recognized as just, the estate having complied with the statute, but there being no funds "not otherwise appropriated" it becomes necessary to either secure an appropriation or sue and get judgment against the state.

Membraneous croup caused the death of the three-year-old son of John Coulter of Randolph.

The Gothenburg Power company offered to furuish the city an up-to-date water system for $7,500.

Nine thousand sheep passed through Superior in the course of two days, on their way to the cornfields of Dodge county.

The county schools in valley county hold old-fashioned spelling contests. To be able to spell correctly is a great accomplishment.

HE WAS TAKEN UP BY KITES.

FIRST SUCCESSFUL ASCENSION IN AMERICA.

LIEUT. WISE MAKES IT.

Hoisted Forty-Two Feet in the Air at Governor's Island by the Pulling of Four Kites, Representing a Force Estimated at 400 Lbs. —Kites Demonstrated to Be Useful in a Gale.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Lieutenant Hugh D. Wise of the Ninth infantry, U. S. A., on Governor's Island, has for six months been studying and experimenting with kites as a means of assisting armies in warfare. His kites are cellular, with rectangular frames of spruce and cotton string and cotton cloth in strips stretched around the ends of the frames, leaving both ends of the the rectangular framework open, and also an open strip in the center. Thus four lifting surfaces and four guiding surfaces are presented to the wind. Yesterday, when the breeze freshened to a fifteen mile an hour gait, he was hoisted forty-two feet into the air by his kites so that he could see over the eaves of the officers' quarters and down the bay. The force represented by the pulling of the four kites is estimated at 400 pounds.

"I have studied the systems of Professor Langley of the Smithsonian institution, Professor Marvin of the weather bureau and Civil Engineer Chanute of Chicago, who are making special experiments in areial locomotion, with aeroplanes," said Lieutenant Wise. "The success of my experiment demonstrates that kites are serviceable in a gale which would tear a balloon to pieces, where it is desired to observe the surrounding country and inspect the maneuvers of an enemy. I attribute my success to a close following of the methods of those who have studied the subject rather than to my own efforts."

Captain T. H. Baden-Powell ascended nearly 100 feet in England, but he took a parachute with him. Lawrence Hargrave was hoisted by kites forty feet in Australia in 1885. These are the only instances of aeroplane ascensions on record.

NO CORPORATION POLITICS

A Stringent Bill Certain to Pass the Missouri House.

JEFEERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 23.—The special committee of the House appointed to investigate the efforts of the railroads and other corporations to influence elections has reported through Bohart of Clinton a substitute for the bills on that subject now pending before the House. The bill provides that all employes of corporations shall have four hours on election day without loss of wages. No corporation can, through its officers or employes, try to influence the votes of any person or distribute campaign literature of any kind. Corporations acting under charters of this state are to be punished by forfeit of their charter for any kind of coercion. Foreign corporations are to be punished through their officers, who are to be subjected to a penitentiary sentence limited to five years for intimidation or bribery, threats of discharge or promises to employ. It is a misdemeanor punishable by fine for them to distribute literature.

Mr. Eckels Will Not Remain.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Although Mr. Eckels' term of office will not expire until after the change in administration, he will not remain comptroller of the currency. It is said to-day that Charles Gates Dawes will be the next comptroller of the currency, which is entirely probable, if he wants that office, but his friends here understand that he prefers to be treasurer of the United States.

Shutting Out the Women.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 23.—The Arkansas state senate has passed a bill introduced by Senator Witt, providing that hereafter none but qualified electors shall hold any position within the gift of the Arkansas legislature. The army of women who besiege the members at every session to secure votes for clerkships is responsible for the action of the Senate.

Senator Wolcott Holds a Conference

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Daily News says this morning that Senator Wolcott of Colorado had an interview yesterday with Sir William Henry Houldsworth, Conservative member of parliament for the northwestern division of Manchester, and who was the British delegate at the Brussels monetary conference in 1892. The interview was private and informal.

A Nebraska Mayor to Be Impeached.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Jan. 23.—A petition from a number of taxpayers was presented to the council last night, accusing Mayor C. W. Stahlbut of corruption, general misconduct and obstructing the council, and asking that he be impeached. February 1 was set apart for the mayor to answer the charges.

To Shut Off Pass Favors.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 23.—D. N. Rothweiler of Rush county has a bill in the House to prohibit the use of passes by public officers. It provides a penalty for giving a pass or for accepting one and conductors who may honor a pass in the hands of a public officer are liable to punishment.

A Young Kansas Educator Dead.

GREAT BEND, Kan., Jan. 23.—James A. Brady, principal of the St. John schools, died at his home here this morning of quick consumption. He was considered one of the leading young educators in the western part of the state.

CRACK SHOTS OF THE ARMY

Results of the Last Year's Competition With Rifle and Carbine.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The war department has just published the results of the rifle, carbine and revolver firing of all the troops of the army during the past year. The table shows that the leading departments at the various ranges were as follows: Two hundred yards, with rifles, department of Missouri; with carbines, department of the Platte; 300 yards, rifles, department of Columbia; carbines, department of the Platte; 500 yards, rifles, department of Columbia; carbines, department of Texas; 600 yards, rifles, department of the Columbia; carbines, department of the Columbia; 800 yards, rifles, department of the Columbia; carbines, department of the Platte; 1,000 yards, rifles, department of the Platte; carbines, department of the Platte. As skirmishers with rifles, department of the Platte; with carbines, department of the Platte. In volley practice at 800 and 1,000 yards, the department of Texas led with the highest percentage of hits with the rifle and the department of the Platte with the carbine. The latter's carbine score was higher than the former's rifle score at these long ranges.

Of all the cavalry regiments, the Eighth stood first at every range from 200 to 1,000 yards, and as skirmishers. The infantry regiments divided honors. At 200 and 300 yards the Fourth stood first; at 500 yards the Fourteenth, at 600 yards the Sixteenth, at 800 yards the Seventeeth, at 1,000 yards the Seventh; as skirmishers the Twenty-second infantry. In revolver shooting the Seventh cavalry took the palm.

VENEZUELA'S CASE.

Chief Justice Fuller Will Act as the Republic's Representative.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23—The only objection raised by the Venezuelan government to the treaty between the United States and Great Britain for the settlement of the Guiana boundary was that it would have no representation upon the proposed arbitration tribunal, while England, the other party to the controversy, would be represented equally with the United States. President Crespo declined to accept the treaty unless Venezuela was represented by at least one member of the tribunal. Great Britain objected, and insisted upon dealing entirely with the United States. By a little diplomacy Venezuela was persuaded to name Chief Justice Fuller as its representative, provided Great Britain would withdraw its opposition to her representation on the tribuanal. The chief justice will accept, but will stand as the representative of Venezuela and not of the United States.

BLINDED BY STUDENTS.

Sophomores at Illinois University Disfigure a Young Woman Freshman.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Jan. 23.—Last evening the freshmen of the university of Illinois were to have had their sociable in Busy's hall at Urbana. At 7 o'clock the sophomores began to gather in the street in front of the opera building. They smashed all the windows in the dining hall, and drove out the freshmen by the use of foul-smelling chemicals. Miss Della Rodenbaugh of this city, in company with a freshman, was about to enter the hall when chemicals were thrown upon them and the young lady will lose her eyesight as a result The sophomores were finally dispersed by the fire department, which turned several streams of water upon them.

OREGON IMITATES KANSAS.

Two Houses of the Legislature Sitting Together—Mitchell Men Hopeful.

SALEM, Ore., Jan.—With the assistance of two Democrats, the Benson men, supporters of Senator Mitchell, completed the organization of the house according to program, without a collision with the opposition. There were thirty-three members present, three more that a majority. H. L. Benson, the permanent speaker, chosen by the Mitchell men, took his seat beside Temperary Speaker Davis, who was chosen a week ago Monday. After the appointment of a committee to notify the governor that the house was ready for business, the house adjourned.

To Welcome the Clevelands to Princeton.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 23.—It is understood that the Cleveland family will arrive here to live March 6 or 7. A reception has been planned by the university faculty at President Patton's house, another to introduce the family to Princeton and Mercer county society and a third for Mr. Cleveland at the Democratic league club rooms, while Mr. Cleveland, soon after his arrival, will give a general reception.

Breidenthal May Quit Politics.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 23.—It is understood that Bank Commissioner John W. Breidenthal will soon resign as chairman of the Populist state central committee. His term as bank commissioner will expire next month and he then will be reappointed for a term of four years. In case of his resignation as chairman of the committee, he probably will be succeeded by J. M. Allen of Neosho county.

Failure at Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. Jan. 23.—The Campbell-Eaton Crockery company at 811 and 813 Main street closed its doors this morning. The assets of the firm are a stock of goods valued at $20,000; accounts receivable, $12,000 and furniture and fixtures $3,000. The reason for the failure is said to be dull business caused by the general depression.

Fulton, Kan., Merchants Fail.

FORT SCOTT, Kan., Jan. 23.—Burnham, Hanna, Munger & Co. of Kansas City to-day under a chattel mortgage of $3,771 took charge of the general merchandise stock of M. A. Stapleton & Co. of Fulton. There are but few smaller creditors. It is claimed the firm's assets are more than their liabilities.

Passed Over the President's Veto.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—In the House to-day, two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, 144 to 58, the Texas judiciary district bill was passed over the veto of the President.

STATE POULTRY SHOW

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION.

Proud Fowls with Ancestry—Over 1,500 Handsome Birds—Exhibits From all Parts of the State—Resident of Phelps County Charged with Crime—Other News

The thirteenth annual show of the Nebraska poultry association commenced Tuesday in the building on N street next to Herpolsheimer's, Lincoln. The large double room is filled with coops of chickens, over 1,500 handsome birds occupying places therein. The coops are arranged in classes, so that spectators may pass along the aisles formed and inspect them at their leisure. There are some of the handsomest birds ever seen at a chicken show and the exhibitors feel a just pride in showing them off. The exhibitors come from all parts of the state, Missouri, Kansas and Iowa being also represented. All varieties of chickens from the pure White Plymouth Rocks in front to the jet Black Langshans midway and the pert little Bantams in the rear are to be seen. The constant crowing of the cocks makes music for the poultrymen, because they find more enjoyment in listening to the clarion tones of their pets than they would perhaps in a good band.

Tuesday evening the poultrymen held a meeting in the chemical building of the state universiiy. Interesting papers were read pertaining to the poultry industry.

Wednesday the poultrymen will visit the state farm and in the evening will listen to a lecture by Chancellor MacLean, and a paper on "Parasites," by Prof. H. B. Ward.

STATE CONFERENCE OF CHARITIES.

The first annual meeting of the Nebraska state conference of charities and correction will be held at Lincoln, Neb., in State University chapel, Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1897, beginning at 10:30 a. m. The evening session will be held in capitol building.

Governor Silas A. Holcomb has consented to deliver the address of welcome at 10:30 a. m. Prof. Gillespie of Omaha will respond on behalf of the delegates. H. H. Hart, general secretary of the national conference of charities and correction will deliver the principal address in the evening. Dr. P. W. Ayers of Chicago, Chancellor McLean of the state university, and other prominent speakers will deliver addresses and present papers during the day. Organized charities and child saving work will be made prominent in the afternoon sessions.

OBJECT.

The object of the conference is, by means of addresses, discussions and reports, to obtain and diffuse information respecting the benevolent, charitable, penal and reformatory work done by our state, municipal, county and private institutions, and to learn, if we may, how best to prosecute such work.

MEMBERS.

All members of boards of state, county, and city private benevolent and charitable, penal and reformatory institutions and societies, and all officials engaged in benevolent and reformatory work throughout the state, county sheriffs, county attorneys, county commissioners and county clerks, workers in W. C. T. U., W. C. A. and officers of woman's clubs are members of this conference.

PERSONS INVITED.

All members of the conference as described above and any others not connected with any charitable organization or institution, who are engaged or interested in charitable or reformatory work are invited to attend the sessions and take part in the deliberations.

A. W. CLARK,
State Secretary National Conference of Charities and Correction.

STATE HOUSE NOTES.

Ex-Governor Crounse, E. A. Benson and Attorney J. W. West appeared before the state banking board Monday on behalf of stockholders of the German Savings bank of Omaha, who ask leave to give a bond and take charge of the assets of the bank, the bond conditioned on the payment of all claims in full within four years. This privilege was extended to the Omaha Savings bank.

The state printing board attempted to get a quorum Monday. It is understood that the board will award the contract for printing sixteen state reports to the Woodruff-Dunlay Printing companp, which was the lowest bidder in the aggregate.

Reuben Lipp of Pawnee and John F. Coad, jr., of Omaha have filed their bonds as state bank examiners, each in the sum of $25,000.

G. L. Laws, secretary of the board of transportation, has filed a $10,000 bond with W. E. Hardy and G. L. Meissner as sureties.

Returned to the Asylum.

Officers from Hickman came in to Lincoln Wednesday evening, having in charge W. Elliott, who had a few days previously strayed away from the hospital for the insane. He was picked up near Hickman where he had started after some boys. He was turned over to Sheriff Trompen who notified the authorities at the asylum and they came and got him.

The Postmaster Shy.

Postoffice Inspector Swift has examined the postoffice at Columbus and found Postmaster D. F Davis short a little over $600. His bondsmen are in charge temporarily awaiting the action of the government official.

The depositors of the Citizens' National bank at Grand Island met and passed resolutions thanking Receiver Westervelt for his handling of the affairs of the defunct institution.

Bonds to the amount of $119,000, issued by Butler county to aid in the construction of the Union Pacific road, fall due next year and as yet there is only $25,000 in sight with which to pay them.

A farm house near Seward, belonging to E. A. Polley, was totally destroyed by fire. There was no one at home at the time, the tenant being over to a neighbor's, and it is a mystery how the fire originated.

THE CZAR YIELDED.

Lord Salisbury Had His Way in Regard to Reforms for Turkey.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Official correspondence between Great Britain and Russia, published here to-day, shows that the Marquis of Salisbury, October 29, proposed that the ambassadors at Constantinople should formulate reforms to be enforced by the powers. M. Shiskine, then the acting Russian minister for foreign affairs, replied November 18, that the czar had decided that it was impossible to agree to coercive measures against the sultan. November 25 there was a further communication that the czar had agreed to the Marquis of Salisbury's proposal and would not object to advise the Russian ambassador relative to coercion should the sultan prove recalcitrant and refuse to adopt the reforms unanimously recommended by the ambassadors.

GAY DECEIVER FREED.

H. C. Wilmuth, Alias Howell, a Multi-Bigamist, Pardoned by Gov. Leedy.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 22.—Governor Leedy issued a pardon, yesterday, to H. C. Wilmoth, alias Howell, alias Howe, alias Hobart, and several other aliases which he used to suit the occasion in his career as a gay deceiver of women and a breaker of female hearts. Wilmoth has been confined in the Kansas penitentiary ten months on the charge of bigamy. He pleaded guilty to the charge, March 21 last, and, by previous agreement, was sentenced by Judge Alder of the District court to one year's imprisonment. This was only one case where he was caught, but the police records of a score of cities show installments of his operations with guileless women during the last eight years.

NEW TERROR FOR BOMBAY

Three Severe Earthquake Shocks—The Destruction on Kisham Island.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—A special dispatch received here from Bombay says that three severe earthquake shocks have occurred there.

A special from Teheran, capital of Persia, says that 2,500 persons perished as a result of the earthquake which occurred on Kisham island, January 11. Kisham island is the largest in the Persian gulf and is about fifteen miles from its entrance. Its population is estimated at 5,000, mostly Arabs.

NOVEL LAND FRAUDS.

Three Oklahomans Secure Divorces So Their Wives Could Get Claims.

PERRY, Okla., Jan. 22.—John Hulka, who owns 160 acres of land in old Oklahoma, just before the Cherokee Strip was opened secured a divorce and his wife secured 160 acres on Red Rock creek. The two live together now, but are not remarried. Near Morrison, Joe Dunham was divorced from his wife for the same purpose, and on Black Bear creek Joe Prucha defrauded the government in the same way.

Chicago Boys Go to Cuba.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Henry H. Deming, son of Dr. H. Deming of Hyde Park, and Arthur Wallace, son of the Rev. Thomas D. Wallace, pastor of the Eighth Presbyterian church, are missing and are supposed to have gone to Cuba. Deming left home two weeks ago and was heard from shortly after at St. Louis, where he had enlisted in a company which was being formed for Cuban service. Young Wallace, who formerly attended a Wisconsin military school, has been missing since Thanksgiving. Descriptions of the two boys have been sent all over the country and the government at Washington has been requested to have its Cuban agents search for them.

To Tax All Franchises.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 22.—A bill taxing every kind of franchise, railroad, street railway, gas, water, telephone, granted by state, county, city or other authorities has been reported for passage in the lower House. It provides that the State board of equalization shall fix the value of all franchises and on the basis of such valuation a tax for state purposes of fifteen cents for every $100 and ten cents on every $100 for the city and county or school districts affected by the franchises shall be levied.

Williams Held for the Eudora Murder.

OLATHE, Kan., Jan. 22.—The preliminary examination of Albert B. Williams, charged with complicity in the murder of his 12-year-old child, Anna Belle Williams, whose body was found near Eudora, was concluded this morning, and while there was no evidence implicating him, he was held in a $1,000 bond for his appearance at the May term of the district court of this county.

A Big St. Louis Concern Involved.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 22.—The Dodson-Hils Manufacturing company has filed a chattel mortgage for $87,000 to secure creditors and the firm is in the hands of George W. Meyer, trustee. It is not thought that a general assignment will be made. The assets of the company are estimated at over $100,000, consisting of plants in Iowa and Missouri and $50,000 in outstanding accounts.

An Oregon Recorder Short.

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 22.—George R. Lash, city recorder for six terms, is short in his accounts $2,828 for 1896 and 1897 alone, only part of his accounts having been examined. Lash is sick at home, but has been placed under arrest.

For the Ex-Confederate Home.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 22.—Colonel H. A. Newman, Major Bannerman, General Kas Honding and other ex-Confederate veterans met in the office of the railway and warehouse commissioners Tuesday afternoon to draft a bill to present to the Legislature to provide for financial aid for the support of the Confederate Home at Higginsville.

No Sunday Games in Texas.

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 22.—The house of the legislature to-day practically settled Sunday baseball in Texas by passing a bill prohibiting it.

An Intercessor for Duestrow.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 22.—Millionaire Brewer Adolphus Busch has declared that he believes Murderer Duestrow to be insane, and to have been so at the time of the crime, and he (Busch) will intercede with Governor Stephens for Duestrow's life.

A Farmer Dead in His Wagon.

HAYS CITY, Kan., Jan. 22.—George King, a German farmer living ten miles southwest of here, was found dead in his wagon near his home late yesterday evening. He was out in all the snow storm of Tuesday night and had been sick.

Old Civil Engineer Dies.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 22.—Colonel J. B. Moulton, one of the most prominent civil engineers in the West, died here yesterday, aged 87 years. In 1836 Colonel Moulton constructed the Lexington & Frankfort railroad, of which Henry Clay was the president. He was afterwards chief engineer of the Iron Mountain railroad, now a part of the Wabash system, besides a number of other roads.

Electric Light Works Destroyed.

TORONTO, Ontario, Jan. 22.—Shortly before 5 o'clock this morning a spark from a dynamo in the Toronto Electric Light company's building started a fire which resulted in the total destruction of the plant. Business dependent on electric power will be obliged to shut down until new dynamos can be installed. The loss is $150,000 fully covered by insurence.

Pension for Mrs. Perkins.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Senator Peffer has made a favorable report from the Senate committee on pensions on a bill for the relief of Mrs. Louise E. Perkins, widow of the late Senator Bishop W. Perkins of Kansas. The report strongly recommends that the relief be granted and that Mrs. Perkins be paid $20 a month.

The Success of Anton Wenzl.

Anton Wenzl settled in Pawnee county, Neb., in 1867, he was compelled to work out by the month to support his family. Today he owns 1,640 acres of the finest farm land, valued at $30 per acre, together with stock and other property valued at $10,000. Every dollar of it was made on the farm. Mr. Wenzl is one of seven brothers whose aggregate land holding amounts to over 5,000 acres.

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Omaha, Neb.

PATENT LAW PRACTICE.

DES MOINES, Jan. 12.—A correspondent at Laurens, Iowa, asks, "What liability attaches to an applicant for a patent who proceeds to manufacture the article for which the patent is applied before the patent is granted in case the application should be refused?" Answer:—As a rule when an inventor applies for a patent in good faith and finds he has been anticipated and that his invention is subordinate to a prior patent and then quits, that is the end of the matter. But at the same time he would be liable if prosecuted for infringement and the general rules concerning damages will apply. But the fact that the infringer supposed himself to be the first original inventor of the subject matter covered by a prior patent can be plead as a mitigating fact that the courts will recognize and be lenient as possible to the infringer. Valuable information about obtaining, valuing and selling patents sent free to any address.

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Solicitors of Patents.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS

Quotations From New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere.

OMAHA.

Butter—Creamery separator	20	@	21
Butter—Choice fancy country	14	@	15
Eggs—Fresh	12	@	12½
Prairie chickens, per doz	6 00	@	6 25
Spring Chickens—dressed	5	@	6
Turkeys	8	@	9
Geese and Ducks	5½		6
Lemons—Choice Messinas	3 00	@	4 00
Honey—Fancy White	14	@	15
Onions, per bu	60	@	75
Beans—Handpicked Navy	1 25	@	1 40
Potatoes	25	@	35
Sweet Potatoes per bbl	1 75	@	2 00
Oranges—Per box	3 00	@	3 75
Hay—Upland, per ton	4 00	@	5 50
Apples—Per bbl	1 50	@	3 00

SOUTH OMAHA STOCK MARKET.

Hogs—Light Mixed	4 30	@	3 40
Hogs—Heavy Weights	3 27	@	3 30
Beef—Steers	3 50	@	4 75
Bulls	2 40	@	3 25
Milkers and springers	25 00	@	43 00
Stags	2 40	@	3 00
Calves	3 00	@	5 25
Stags	3 10	@	3 25
Cows	2 10	@	3 35
Heifers	2 25	@	3 45
Stockers and Feeders	3 20	@	4 10
Sheep—Native	2 25	@	3 00
Sheep—Lambs	3 75	@	4 00

CHICAGO.

Wheat—No. 2 Spring	77	@	77¼
Corn—Per bu	22	@	22½
Oats—Per bu	14	@	15½
Pork	7 85	@	8 00
Lard	3 80	@	3 82½
Stockers and feeders	3 75	@	4 10
Calves	4 5	@	6 00
Hogs—Medium mixed	3 30	@	3 50
Sheep—Lambs	3 50	@	5 10

NEW YORK.

Wheat—No. 1, hard	92	@	92½
Corn No. 2	28	@	28½
Oats—No. 2	22	@	22½
Pork—	8 50	@	9 00
Lard—	4 25	@	4 50

ST. LOUIS.

Wheat—No. 2 red, cash	87	@	78½
Corn—Per bu	19	@	19½
Oats—Per bu	17	@	15½
Hogs—Mixed packing	3 20	@	3 40
Cattle—Native Ship'ng Steers	3 60	@	4 15

KANSAS CITY.

Wheat—No. 2 hard	78	@	79
Corn—No. 2	17	@	18
Oats—No. 2	1[illegible]	@	20
Cattle—Stockers and feeders	3 25	@	4 00
Hogs—Mixed	3 22	@	3 42
Sheep—Lambs	4 00	@	5 25
Sheep—Muttons	2 15	@	3 10