

NEBRASKA.

BUTLER county expects a corn crop of 4,000,000 bushels.

THE Fort Randall reservation has been opened to settlement.

The Brown county fair was well attended and the exhibits highly creditable.

JOHN GETZ of Omaha was found dead in his store, having suicided by shooting himself.

THIEVES flocked to Auburn in great numbers during the fair and a number of arrests were made.

THIEVES entered the store of Gardner Bros. at Edgar and took about \$200 worth of pocket knives and razors.

A CORPSE, partially exposed, was discovered on a Missouri river sandbar a few miles above Niobrara by Ed Barton and an Indian named Bird.

THE September mortgage indebtedness of Gage county is as follows: Farm mortgages filed, 28, \$133,577; released, 36, \$43,549. City mortgages filed, 10, \$11,465; released, 11, \$6,659.

THE crematory at Slickley burned to the ground. There was no insurance. Sparks from a hole in the smoke stack near the roof is supposed to have been the cause. It will be a great loss to the farmers.

THE business handled by the B. & M. at Nebraska City station amounted to \$33,000 during the month of September. A year ago the business footed up \$11,000, which is certainly a very flattering increase.

WARREN HAY lost his barn, one-half mile east of Seward, together with six hundred and fifty tons of oats, hay, corn, buggy, farm implements, several hogs and many other things usually found around a barn. He had no insurance.

Henry Gass of Columbus met with a painful accident. His team became frightened and ran away. In attempting to get out of the wagon his clothes caught and he was thrown violently to the ground, sustaining a compound fracture of the left leg.

THE United Presbyterian parsonage was burned at Rushville. It is supposed a defective flue was the cause. The building cost about \$1,500 and was insured for \$1,000, the policies being held by one of the aid societies of the church that helped erect the building.

FRIDAY, October 15, has been designated as Children's building day for the public schools of West Point. In the afternoon of this day special exercises will be rendered in all the departments of the schools. The object of the day is to arouse interest among the pupils in behalf of the children's building, which is contemplated by the board of lady managers of the Trans-Mississippi exposition.

HARLEY SAILING and Nettie Sprague, two young people of Lexington, arrested at Beaver City, were taken back in charge of the girl's father and deputy sheriff. They arrived in Beaver City a week ago and had been living at a local hotel as husband and wife. Sailing was taken back on a charge of seduction. The father says his daughter is under 16 years of age and that the young man is but 20 years old.

THE funeral of Miss Daisy, the young daughter of Maj. M. L. Pemberton of York, who died of typhoid fever, was held in the Methodist church, and was largely attended by friends and schoolmates of the young lady. Miss Pemberton was an expert drummer, having while quite a small girl exhibited a wonderful talent for drumming. She was well known in this and other states as the drummer girl of York.

THE governor has issued his proclamation declaring that on Tuesday, the 2nd day of November, 1897, there will be an election held at the usual places of voting in the state for the purpose of electing one judge of the supreme court, two regents of the University of Nebraska, one state senator for the First senatorial district and one representative in the Eighteenth representative district. The two legislative offices are to be filled because of the resignation of Senator Osborne of Pawnee county and the death of Representative Schram of Dixon county.

JOHN H. GRUBER, who went to St. Louis some three weeks ago with a car load of dirt from the Muff farm in Saline county, to have the same smelted and assayed, returned last evening very much elated over the results of the trip. The dirt run between \$16 and \$16 worth of bullion per ton, according to the assayers at the St. Louis refining company. Considerable delay was caused in smelting on account of a lack of water and Mr. Gruben was compelled to leave before all was run through, about five tons left to smelt. Interested parties are anxiously waiting further developments.

A Marshalltown (Iowa) paper says: A traveling man who has been out in Nebraska says that potatoes are plenty and cheap at Rushville, Hay Springs and Gordon. One farmer had 400 bushels and was offering to sell at 20 cents a bushel. As these towns are on the Chicago & Northwestern it may be a good thing for some of our dealers to write to these towns and find out if they cannot be shipped into Iowa. This same man says the dry weather of September has made the sugar beet crop raised there the best ever known; that usually the beets grade 12 per cent sugar test, but this year all are testing 18 and 20 per cent; that the factory this season asks no questions and takes all that comes.

The Presbyterian church of Fairmont celebrated its 25th anniversary on the 5th and 6th of October.

A young son of Charles H. Pratt of Hastings was badly bitten by one of the bloodhounds with an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company that showed there recently.

J. J. BARNES, a prosperous farmer living about six miles northwest of Columbus, sustained a severe loss by fire. He has been engaged in the manufacture of sorghum for several years and his factory, together with about 200 gallons of sorghum, besides a large number of new barrels and some cane, were destroyed.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE.

Condensations that Embody a Good Deal of Information Without Requiring Much Space—Foreign and Domestic Newsy Notes on All Subjects.

Monday, Oct. 4.

All indications point to a flow of gold from Europe to America.

Town elections in Connecticut do not show much change since last fall.

Gov. Holcomb of Nebraska has issued the usual election proclamation.

Edward Langtry, former husband of Lily Langtry, has become demented.

The pope of Rome is in excellent health, reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

By floods in China fifteen or twenty thousand persons have recently lost their lives.

The London Globe predicts that Henry George will be the next mayor of New York.

The new Spanish ministry has taken the oath of office and entered upon their duties.

The town of Austin, Pa., was swept by fire, but five buildings being left. Hundreds are homeless.

A protest has been filed at Lincoln against admitting the national democrats to the official ballot.

A strong London syndicate is coming to this country to endeavor to purchase the Union Pacific.

Distasteful prairie feuds have occurred in Minnesota and South Dakota. Some loss of life is reported.

It is rumored that Grover Cleveland is preparing to re-enter politics, having an eye on the New Jersey senatorship.

The steamship Christina has arrived at Havana with \$2,000,000 for Gen. Weyler, to be applied to military operations.

The condition of the national treasury on the 1st showed: Available cash balance, \$24,475,757; gold reserve, \$14,178,821.

W. R. Finch, of Wisconsin, has been appointed envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary from the United States to Paraguay and Uruguay.

Tuesday, Oct. 5.

Thirty-five conventions have been secured for Omaha next year.

The railroads are bringing many home-seekers into Nebraska.

In the inter-collegiate tennis contest at New Haven Harvard won.

A large hotel collapsed at Charlevoix, Mich., killing two and injuring ten.

Prof. Francis W. Newman, author and philosopher, is dead at London, aged 93.

Five political organizations will support Henry George for mayor of the greater New York.

The veiled prophet pagant at St. Louis was said to be the finest ever presented in that city.

There is a fight on in Chicago over the price of beef. The price has been cut and the end is not yet.

Ex-Governor Hoies announces that he will make no more speeches in Iowa during the present campaign.

Contracts have been let for a standard gauge road from Canon City to Cripple Creek, Col., to cost about \$1,000,000.

The land owned by the Northern Pacific amounts to nearly 34,000,000 acres, of which almost all is west of the Missouri river.

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It is probable that E. W. Winter will be elected president of the Union Pacific if the reorganized company gets control of the road.

Samuel R. McMillan, United States senator from 1876 to 1888, died at his home in St. Paul of an aneurism. He had been ill for nearly a year.

The London Times says the Wolcott commission intends to request the government to give an immediate and final reply to its financial proposals.

Captain W. A. Dunn has sold his six-mile hill copper mine at Houghton, Mich., to Cameron, Currie & Co. of Detroit, brokers for New York capitalists, for \$500,000.

As a result of the revival in trade, the mint in San Francisco will at once resume the coinage of silver dollars in accordance with instructions received from Washington.

Daniel S. Lamont has been elected president of the Northern Pacific Express company, which is an adjunct of the railroad company of which he is a director and vice-president.

Jacob Harlan, republican nominee for circuit clerk of Harlan county, Kentucky, was killed in a political fight on Straight creek. Joe Milton, democratic candidate for jailer, was mortally wounded.

Commissioner General Sullivan's annual report to the secretary of war shows the expenditures during the year amounted to \$2,105,209 of which \$1,972,702 were for the subsistence of the army and the balance to settle claims and other purposes.

ing railroads to issue 1,000 mile tickets for \$20, good for use by any member of the purchaser's family.

Wedderburn & Co., of Washington, D. C., were disbanded from practice before the interior department as patent attorneys or agents. The firm is held to have been guilty "of gross fraud and unprofessional conduct."

According to private advices a vessel carrying supplies of medicine, clothing, arms and ammunition for the Cuban army left Montreal for Cuba last Tuesday. The scheme was not authorized by the Cuban junta in New York.

Attempts to get the Union Pacific to arbitrate its differences with the lines of the Western Passenger Association have failed. The Union Pacific takes the stand that it will not arbitrate until the other roads have declared that they will not allow the Oregon Short Line any better commissions than they have been granting to the Central Pacific.

Thursday, Oct. 7.

Three men were crushed to death in the Homestek mine at Lead, S. D.

The business portion of the town or Medina, Ill., was destroyed by fire.

The shops of the Central railway system of Macon, Ga., burned. Loss, \$75,000.

The president has appointed Augustus G. Seyfert of Pennsylvania consul at Straitsford, Ont.

During the fair festivities at Kansas City thirty persons were injured by a falling platform.

On the 6th the sum of \$100,000 (\$50,000) was withdrawn from the Bank of England for shipment to the United States.

The girls' dormitory of the South Dakota industrial school was destroyed by fire. Seven lives were lost in the conflagration.

Yellow fever is gradually increasing in New Orleans and other southern cities. At Mobile the disease has reached the 100 mark.

The general officers of the national W. C. T. U. have requested all local unions to hold memorial services for the late General Neal Dow.

The Detroit opera house is a mass of ruins. The flames spread to other buildings and before controlled had done damage to exceed \$300,000.

Eight bandits held up a Chicago & Alton express train near Kansas City. They only succeeded in robbing the conductor and express agents of personal effects.

Editor Bran of the Inconceivable received a severe drubbing at Waco, Tex., at the hands of three trustees of Baylor university, about which he had published an article.

George H. Robinson, who several months ago mysteriously disappeared from Omaha, has been found in Michigan. During his entire absence he claims his mind has been a blank.

Gautamalan insurgents have lost Quetzaltenango and sustained a severe defeat at Totonicapan, turning the war strongly in favor of Director Barrios, says a New York Herald dispatch.

Official notice has been given by the Union Pacific to its connections in Chicago that the negotiations between that road and the Oregon Short Line have been brought to a conclusion without any of the matters in dispute being settled.

Harvey Cherry, who had just returned to Washington from Nebraska, where he had sold his farm and had \$9,000 on his person, was waylaid by three footpads, knocked senseless and robbed of the money and a valuable gold watch.

Friday, October 8.

Disastrous forest fires have been raging in Manitoba.

Eugene V. Dobs is about to make speeches in a number of eastern cities.

Senator Thurston was in Washington on the 7th and left for the president.

The drought in Tennessee is unprecedented. Late crops have been literally burned up.

John E. Hart of Nebraska has been reinstated as a tagger in the agricultural department.

Hon. L. M. Ammermann of Scranton, Pa., capitalist and ex-congressman, died suddenly of heart disease.

Jose Silvio Jorin, formerly Cuban senator, is dead at his home in New York City of pneumonia, aged 53 years.

The design of Prof. Reinhold Bezas, the celebrated sculptor, has been selected for the Bismarck monument to be erected in Berlin.

The completion of the currency has called for a statement of the condition of the national banks at the close of business, October 5.

The lord mayor of London announces that the Indian famine fund contributed by Great Britain, the United States and India amounts to \$1,500,000.

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WAS NEVER SO DRY.

A GREAT SCARCITY OF WATER IN THE WEST.

An Unprecedented Drought that Extends All Over the Country—Missouri and Illinois the Greatest Sufferers—The Mississippi and Missouri Rivers Unusually Low.

Wide Extended Drought.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 7.—United States Observer Frankfield said today that the present unprecedented drought extends all over the country. He added: "Speaking from this station the states of Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Kansas, Nebraska and Arkansas are all in the need of wet weather. Iowa has had more rain than some of the surrounding states, but is now in almost as bad a condition as the rest."

"Missouri and Illinois are suffering the most, particularly the southern portion of Illinois and Central Missouri. There is yet no indication of rain."

Reports from these states say the ground is too dry for fall plowing and all the country roads are from four to six inches deep in dust. A white film covers all the land. The ripening corn hangs dull and apparently lifeless in the heat of a summer sun, and everything is parched. In many sections of Missouri cisterns have gone dry and the danger of fire in the small cities and towns is imminent.

The Mississippi and Missouri rivers have not been so low in ten years.

LIKE MR. POTTER OF TEXAS

Man from Missouri Creates a Scene in a Chicago Hotel.

CHICAGO, Oct. 7.—F. R. Reed, a stockman from Culbertson, Mo., awoke from a troubled dream this morning at the Ross hotel, Root and Halstead streets, possessed with the idea that someone had entered his room and taken from under his pillow \$300 which he had received from a sale of stock the day before.

Without looking to see if his fears were correct, Reed bounded from his bed, dashed out of the door and down the hallway with a revolver in his hand, yelling at the top of his voice. When he reached the elevator shaft the car was at the top floor and Reed, thinking he saw at the bottom of the shaft the man who had stolen his money, fired three shots into the basement.

No one was on the floor at the time except the porter and clerk, and they hurried above and overpowered the imaginative cattleman before he tried to shoot again. He was held until policemen from the stock yards station arrived, and his revolver was taken from him and he was sent to the station.

His pocketbook, containing \$300, was found under his pillow. He was not locked up, but was warned by the officers at the station to go home at once.

HE HAD ELEVEN WIVES.

Dr. William Six Sentenced to the Illinois Penitentiary for Bigamy.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 7.—Dr. William Six pleaded guilty in the Sangamon circuit court to the charge of bigamy, and was given an indefinite sentence, under the new law, to Chester penitentiary. The complaint was made by James Hornung, brother of Miss Katie Hornung of Barry, Ill., his latest victim, whom he married last spring, when he had ten other undivorced wives living in various cities in Indiana, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. Miss Hornung, with an unaccountable infatuation, stuck to Six to the last. He is a veterinary surgeon, about 40 years old, and fairly good-looking.

Chicago to Have a Beer War.

CHICAGO, Oct. 7.—Chicago is destined to have cheap beer for a time, and a beer fight thrown into the bargain. A war of extermination was threatened by the beer trust to-day on the rebellious brewers who remain outside the breastworks. It is reported unofficially that an immediate cut in the price from \$4.50 to \$4 will be made, and that the prices will be scaled down to \$2 even, if need be, before the fight is finished.

Big Copper Mining Deal.

Houghton, Mich., Oct. 7.—Captain W. A. Dunn has sold his Six Mile Hill property to Cameron, Currie & Co., of Detroit, brokers for New York capitalists, for \$500,000. The property has the richest showing of copper of any mine opened since the discovery of the Calumet and the Hecla, and mining men are unanimous in predicting a prosperous future.

Heavy Damages for Injuries.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Oct. 7.—A jury in Judge Myers' court yesterday awarded a verdict for \$3,850 to Mrs. Bridget A. Cusick against the Electric Street railway for injuries alleged to have been received in 1894 while alighting off a car.

Virginia Republicans Nominated.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Oct. 7.—The state Republican convention met in the opera house here at noon yesterday. Captain P. H. McCall of Culpepper was nominated for governor.

Christian Churchmen Convene.

EMPORIA, Kan., Oct. 6.—The annual convention of the Christian churchmen of the state of Kansas convened here to-day and will hold sessions until Friday evening next. The attendance is very large, every section of the state being represented.

Bank Teller Charged With Robbery.

NAPANEE, Ont., Oct. 6.—W. H. Punter, teller of the Dominion bank branch here, which was robbed of \$30,000 a few weeks ago, was arrested to-day on charge of committing the robbery.

THE STOCK YARDS LAW.

Judge Manger in the Federal Court Grants a Temporary Injunction.

In the federal court at Lincoln Judge Manger granted the temporary injunction in the case of the South Omaha stock yards company against the state of Nebraska.

The stock yards company applied for an injunction to prevent the state officers from putting into force the law enacted by the last legislature, regulating and fixing charges for handling live stock at the yards.

The order in the case, after citing the title, Greenleaf W. Simpson against the Union stock yards company at South Omaha (limited), directs that the temporary order be issued to be in force until the hearing of the cause, upon the filing of a bond by the plaintiff, but the stockholder Simpson in form, in the sum of \$25,000. The order also provides that proof be taken as indicated in the memorandum filed by the judge and in which the ruling of the court is given.

This memorandum is in this language: "First—The bill charges, and is supported by affidavit, that the company does business with the railroads and not with the public generally. If this is established by the proofs my present opinion is that the stock yards company is a private concern, and for that reason is not subject to regulation by the state. This may be illustrated by the case of an inn-keeper whose charges may be fixed by the legislature. But if the inn-keeper does not hold himself out as furnishing entertainment to the public, but does so only for a particular class, he is not a public inn-keeper with whose business the state can interfere. The case of an inn-keeper is one of those mentioned in Munn's case, for which reason I mention it. I am not bound to follow that case, but the distinction is obvious."

Second—The bill shows that there are several classes of business done at these yards. First: There is stock shipped from points in the state to the yards. This class of business is subject to state regulation. Second: There is stock shipped from outside the state to the yards, and third: There is stock shipped from points either in or outside the state to Chicago and other eastern points, and which lies over in the yards for rest and feed. These last two classes of business, if interstate, cannot be interfered with by the state.

Third—The bill charges that the statutory rate does not yield compensation for the services rendered by the company. If this is shown in the proofs the act is invalid.

Fourth—Our constitution provides that property shall not be damaged as well as shall not be taken for public use without compensation. If a street in front of a lot is graded and the consequence is that the rental of the property is decreased, it is a case for compensation. I am unable to see any difference between that case and where the legislature by its direct act reduces the earning capacity of the property.

Before rendering a final decree I wish proofs to be taken on these points. I wish to know whether the company holds itself out to the public as a public market, what part of its business originates in this state destined to the yards, and what part originates in or is destined out of the state, and what is the value of the physical property, and what is the value of the stock to the company.

An injunction will issue according to the prayer of the bill, to remain in force until the hearing, upon the plaintiff giving a bond with sureties to be approved by the clerk, in the penal sum of \$25,000.

"Senate File 169"

The officials of a number of counties in the state, says a Lincoln correspondent of the Omaha Bee, have written to the attorney general to find out whether the new law which appears in the new copy of the session laws and which is labeled "senate file 169" is valid and can be put into practice at the coming election. The attorney general has answered all these inquiries by setting forth the record on this particular bill, but has rendered no decision as to its validity. The bill, as introduced in the senate, was calculated to allow counties having a population of 8,000, or a voting population of 1,600, to elect clerks of the district court at other times than the regular time for electing such officials. The bill was introduced for the special benefit of Valley county, but if valid could be taken advantage of by about ten counties in the state this year. The record shows that the bill passed the senate, but that on the last day of the session it came to a vote in the house and failed to pass, the vote being forty-eight in favor and nineteen against. In spite of this failure to pass the bill, however, was certified to the governor, received his signature and is printed in the session laws.

Cody Does the Proper Thing.

Some time ago Adjutant General Barry sent to each member of the governor's staff and the officers of the Nebraska national guard an invitation to accompany Governor Holcomb to Nashville and participate in the exercises on Nebraska day, October 8. An answer has been received from Colonel W. F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," in which he says: "I am pleased to say that I will be in Nashville with Nebraska's wild west exhibition on October 7 and 8, and that if the governor wants any horses for himself and staff, a band, regular army soldiers as escorts, or if he wishes the entire wild west show to turn out on Nebraska day, that I and my entire company are at his command. I also wish to extend to him and his officers, and ladies, an invitation to visit the wild west exhibition during our stay in Nashville."

Mr. Adam Kleinkauf, an old resident of Grand Island, has received a letter from his son William, who is at present making his way to Klondike with a party of eighty men. The letter states that the party has yet two months to travel before they reach Dawson. It has been very rainy, says the writer, for eight days, and supplies were becoming moldy and worthless in the dampness of the atmosphere. The letter was sent away on August 31. The tone of the letter showed that the writer felt considerably discouraged. Some of the most beautiful scenery imaginable was seen, but there were also districts that were terrible.

Kansas Burglar Shot.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, Kan., Oct. 5.—Last night about 11 o'clock an unsuccessful attempt was made by two robbers to loot the general merchandise store of C. I. Maule at Strong City. One of the robbers was shot by Mr. Maule's son, Alex, who was sleeping in the store at the time. The wounded robber gives his name as George R. Bishop of Bloomfield, Iowa. There is little hope of his recovery. He said his partner was a barber from Newton, Kan., whose name he refused to give.

Salvation Army Colony Plans.

DENVER, Col., Oct. 9.—Thomas Holland, national social secretary for the Salvation army, will leave for New York today. Commander Booth-Tucker will hold a conference with capitalists in New York October 18, when the last details of the proposed colony will be arranged. It is now definitely settled that 1,000 families will be placed in the Arkansas valley.

Weyler May Make Trouble.

MADRID, Oct. 9.—General Weyler, it is believed, will fight tooth and nail against being removed from Cuba. He is trying to terrorize the Liberal ministry into retaining him in command in Cuba until next June, and, if recalled now, he will use his influence to create disturbances in the peninsula or deliver himself to the Carlists.

A Nephew of Cleveland.

EMPORIA, Kan., Oct. 9.—A warrant was issued yesterday for the arrest of C. E. Hastings, a nephew of Grover Cleveland. Hastings is charged with embezzlement by G. W. Yates, state agent of the Union Central Life Insurance company.

The Hudson River Tunnel Involved.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—The Farmers' Loan and Trust company has brought suit against the Hudson River Tunnel company to foreclose a first mortgage deed of trust amounting to \$2,750,000.

OWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

DES MOINES, Sept. 29.—During the current week applications for United States letters patent have been allowed to Iowa inventors as follows: To Peter J. Quirk, of Des Moines, for an apparatus for weighing and dumping soil. This machine is constructed to receive a quantity of soil as it is dumped from the mine elevator, to automatically weigh the coal thus received and held, to indicate the weight upon a suitable dial, and to provide simple, convenient and easily operated means whereby the coal thus held and weighed may be discharged into a car or a wagon. To Matthew Kehoe, of Cushing, for a two-horse evener, the object of which as described in his specification is "to relieve the single trees pivoted connected with the ends of the double tree from torsional strain, and to avoid the dangers and accidents incident to the ordinary manner of connecting and using double trees and single trees on a two-horse evener." To Burton A. Waltham, of Lehigh, on a mechanical movement. This invention is designed for use in governing the motion of an engine as it is imparted to other machinery, and is so constructed that the motion of the driven shaft may be reversed or held stationary while the driving shaft of the engine is continually rotated in the same direction.

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Old Inventions.

Above are shown three odd contrivances taken from Sues' Machine Movements, copyrighted 1897. The first shows a bread cutter, while the other two show mechanical contrivances by means of which the wheels, D and K may be rotated. Inventors and others desiring free information as to the best method of securing their inventions should address Sues & Co., attorneys at law and patent experts, Bee Building, Omaha, Neb.

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