

FRANCE IS FLOODED

THE RIVER RHONE HAS BURST ITS BANKS.

Enormous Damage to Property—Troops and Army Wagons Called on to Assist in Rescuing the People and Repairing Damage.

Alarming Floods in France. PARIS: Telegrams received from the departments bring news of further floods and of an alarming rise in the rivers. Enormous damage to property has been done, but no fatality has yet been reported. The river Seine is still rising and is at the flood stage.

The authorities have dispatched to Comps and to Vallabregues the artillery wagons from Nimes in order to assist in the work of relief. The river Rhone has burst its banks at Lauson, which is now isolated. The only communication through considerable districts is by boat. Troops have left Avignon to assist in repairing the broken banks of the Rhone.

The news received from Lyons is more disquieting. Many houses are flooded at Neuville-sur-Saone and the river is covered with furniture. The barracks at St. Lambert is surrounded by soldiers and prisoners. Half this district is inundated, and numerous factories in Lyons and vicinity are closed.

Put a Ban on Big Grips.

NEW YORK: In the eyes of the traveling men the crime of '73 has been outdone by the crime of the Wagner Palace Car company in limiting the amount of baggage which may be carried in its sleeping cars to a very small amount. When they arrived at the Grand Central depot they found a new regulation restricting them to one small hand satchel. Several strolled into the depot with grips containing general hardware stores, bed room sets, patent bath tubs, plug hats and sample folding desks, but the porters showed the new rule and said they were sorry.

The incoming of the tide, with its low rumble and far away echoes which finally rise to a mighty roar, was nothing to the traveling men. They howled and then swooped down upon Dr. Chauncey M. Depew, and vociferously demanded of the bland president why he wanted to cut their wardrobe down to the soubrette limit. They begged, pleaded, and snorted, but Dr. Depew explained he was powerless to enact a new rule, at least on that particular day. So the drummers went away disgraced.

Threatened to Poison the Water. LONDON: A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Constantinople says: It is rumored that the Armenians have decided to poison the water supply and the authorities are taking rigid precautions. Panics are of daily occurrence. The masses regard the increase in the price of bread as a sign of the approach of war. The bitterest strife exists among the ministers at Yildiz Kiosk. There are rumors of the arrests of ministers and officials. The Sultan's only supporters now are Hassan Pasha and Rifa Pasha.

With the Usual Result. MILWAUKEE: William Altenbach of No. 84 Greenfield Avenue attempted to kindle a fire with kerosene oil, and as a result his infant child is dead, he is in the hospital with burns that will probably prove fatal and his wife is painfully burned. The oil in the can which he held caught fire and was followed by an explosion. The baby was blown to the foot of the stairs and killed, burning oil was scattered over the man and his wife, and he was so badly burned that he will probably not recover.

Killed Her Husband by Accident. VANDALIA, Ill.: Edward Armstrong, living near Hagerstown, this county, accompanied by his wife, who is a good marksman, was hunting quail near their home when Mrs. Armstrong, who was using a hammerless gun, accidentally shot her husband, the charge entering the back of his head, killing him instantly.

Two Drowned. TOPEKA, Kan.: Ira Burnige, aged 17, and Grace Saylor, aged 18, were drowned at Wheaton, Kan. Returning home from a political meeting they attempted to ford Clear Creek and went down. The young couple were the only children of their respective families and were engaged to be married.

Killed in a Political Quarrel. FAIRFIELD: In a quarrel over politics at Golden Gate, ten miles east of here, George Hill cut the throat of C. A. McLin. Hill lives at Grayville and is superintendent of the heading machine at the state factory. Sheriff Dickey went to arrest Hill, who did not attempt to leave.

Timely Rain. ROCHESTER, Minn.: Much needed rain of one and one-half inches has fallen during the past thirty six hours, and farmers are rejoicing in the timely winter water supply. Streams and wells are very low, and a prolonged rain would be a great blessing to this region.

Wire Works Start Up. CLEVELAND, Ohio: The American Wire Works has started up on double time and is going full blast, over 1,800 men now being employed. Orders and inquiries are increasing and the prospects of a revival are bright.

Russia a Considerable Creditor. ST. PETERSBURG: It is rumored that Russia, in view of Turkey's financial troubles, will reduce the yearly installment of the Turkish war indemnity of 1,000,000 rubles to 500,000 rubles.

Plague Spreads in Formosa. HONG KONG: Fifteen cases of the plague have occurred at Taiper, Island of Formosa.

Named the Ships. WASHINGTON: Secretary Herbert has announced that the un-named warships now under construction will be named as follows: Battleships—Alabama, Illinois and Wisconsin. Gunboats—Annapolis, Marietta, Newport, Princeton, Vicksburg and Wheeling.

Lillian Russell Makes a Denial. CEDAR RAPIDS: Miss Lillian Russell, when questioned as to the report that she was to be divorced from her husband and marry Walter Jones, stated in the most emphatic manner that there was no truth whatever in the report.

Bradstreet's Review.

NEW YORK: Bradstreet's says: Business in staple lines is confined to immediate wants, interest in the election absorbing attention. The volume of trade is smaller than a week ago, and will continue restricted until the results of the election are known. Advances from important distributing points report that the leading commercial and industrial houses take a hopeful view of the business outlook and expect an early revival of demand. An encouraging feature is a further advance in the prices of leather, wool, Bessemer pig iron, wheat, Indian corn, lead, raw and refined sugar and for crude and refined petroleum.

Only moderate orders have been placed for woolen goods for spring delivery but manufacturers are disposed to buy some raw material.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States amount to \$246,000 bushels this week exclusive of shipments from Galveston, no report of which has been received, compared with 4,067,000 last week and 2,743,035 bushels in the last week of October, 1895.

Exports of Indian corn amount to 2,297,000 bushels this week, nearly 400,000 bushels less than last week, one-third more than in the corresponding week of 1895.

Cornell Student Kills Himself.

ITHACA, N. Y.: Stephen S. Gregory, a fellow in civil engineering at Cornell University, who returned this fall from the University of Texas, was found dead a little after 6 o'clock Thursday night. Mr. Gregory committed suicide by taking potassium cyanide. His home was in Slaughter, Cal., until recently, when he has been in Texas. The deed, it is stated, was due to despondency, brought on by worry and overwork. He was about 21 years old. He left letters to his mother and M. W. Roe, a fellow student. The letters to his mother indicated that he had decided on killing himself because he felt that his nerves were weakening.

Shot His Wife and a Policeman.

MCPHERSON, Kan.: Sherman Rowland, a well-to-do farmer living near here, committed suicide after shooting his wife and City Marshal Wolf, both of whom were shot in the arm.

Mrs. Rowland had left her husband because of cruel treatment and was living here. The trouble occurred after she had summoned the marshal to eject Rowland from her house. After shooting the marshal and his wife, Rowland rode out of the city on horseback. His dead body was found an hour later two miles out of town.

Good Year for Miners.

SEATTLE: Advice by steamer from Alaska say: Wm. T. Fee is the latest arrival in Juneau from the Yukon placers. He says the season has been the most successful yet had by the miners. Deadwood Creek is the banner district, a man named Anderson taking out over \$10,000 this year. A new discovery has been made on Cloldyke River, and 200 claims have been staked out. Several new finds have been made in the Birch Creek district. The gold so far taken out is small in value in comparison to what will be taken out in the future.

Expelled for Throwing Eggs.

CHICAGO: Louis J. Hanchett and Chauncey C. Foster were expelled from the business college at which they were students. They are the youths who threw eggs at William J. Bryan, and who were released by the police at Mr. Bryan's request. Neither of the students were present when Principal O. M. Powers formally announced the expulsion to the 250 students of the institution. The announcement was received in silence.

Diphtheria Is Epidemic.

GALESBURG, Ill.: All the schools of this city were closed by order of the board of health on account of the prevalence of diphtheria. The malady broke out about two weeks ago and has spread with such rapidity that it was deemed advisable to close the schools. All efforts have been made to check its spread but so far they have proved futile. At the present time there are over thirty cases in the city and several deaths have occurred.

Causes Alarm in Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE: A severe panic was caused by the gun practice of the French guardship in the Sea of Marmora. It caused the Turkish Government to urge upon the French embassy that the guardship should practice further away from the city. The French Ambassador replied that he regretted the alarm, but the people, he added, should become accustomed to the sound of firing.

Sultan Hears from Russia.

CONSTANTINOPLE: Since the recent visit of the Russian ambassador, M. de Neidoff, to the Sultan, and the long, important audience which followed, it is noticeable that there has been a change for the better in the attitude of Abdul Hamid and his advisors toward the Armenians in particular, and the return policy in general.

The Terrible Crossing.

NEW YORK: Dr. W. W. Palmer and his grand daughter Fannie Palmer, aged 15, were killed and William Hauran probably fatally injured as they were driving across the tracks of the Central Railroad of New Jersey at Keansbury, the train striking and wrecking the vehicle.

To Settle Venezuelan Question.

LONDON: The Chronicle makes the following statement: "There is good reason to believe that a tribunal similar to the Behring Sea commission, with Sir Richard Webster, the Attorney General, representing England, will be appointed to solve the Venezuelan boundary affair."

Pardoned by the President.

WASHINGTON: The President has pardoned George W. White, sentenced in Ohio to two years' hard labor for counterfeiting, and Charles Hansen sentenced in Iowa to fifteen months' hard labor for embezzling letters. These pardons were granted to restore citizenship.

Forced to Suspend.

BIG RAPIDS, Mich.: The Mesocota County Savings Bank of Big Rapids is embarrassed and Cashier Cunningham says it will not open its doors. A statement published October 3, showed resources of \$302,000, of which some \$44,000 was cash on hand.

Johnson Lowers a Record.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.: John S. Johnson rode a quarter of a mile at Cumberland Park in 22.5 seconds, which lowers the world's record held by Earl Kiser one-fifth of a second. Johnson was paced by a sextuplex and a quad. The time, however, is not official.

London Cabmen Strike.

LONDON: Four thousand cabmen have gone on a strike.

Nearly Weds His Sister.

NEW YORK: Joseph Allen, who is doing a song and dance turn at the Star Theater in Brooklyn, came near marrying Maud Harvey, who is doing a similar act at the same place. The reason he did not, he says, is that he discovered that she is his sister. The two were to have been married last Sunday night.

"The story is true," said Allen. "My sister and myself were brought up in Chicago. Our family name is Byrne. I was adopted by a family named Monroe, and Maud was adopted by another named Harvey. When I went on the stage I called myself 'Joe Allen.' When Maud took to the boards she kept her adopted parents' name."

"Four years ago we met at the Alhambra Theater in London, where both of us were engaged. Our names were so similar that we fell in love with each other. We corresponded regularly and occasionally we met in town where our engagements coincided as to date. Last Sunday we were to have been married. I sent for Edna, my other sister, to come on from Chicago. I took her to Miss Harvey's boarding house, and she immediately recognized her sister. By this slim chance we were both saved a life of misery."

The Winner Murder Case.

RICHMOND, Mo.: Interesting developments have come to light in the murder case of Miss Jesse Winner and two children, but nothing is conclusive enough to fasten the crime upon anyone. The father, who is in jail accused of dispatching his family, protests his innocence. He claims to have slept away from home on the night of the murder, and that he was in the company of Maggie Catron, whose presence in the Winner household had previously made trouble between Winner and his wife. A rumor concerning her two with this murder is also, but nothing positive has been added to substantiate it, though the woman has also been taken into custody.

Mitchell Heirs Lose Their Case.

MADISON: The heirs of the late Abram S. Mitchell of St. Louis lost their suit against the Land and River Improvement Company of West Superior, to recover property valued at nearly \$1,000,000. The question at issue was the construction of a deed under which the property was conveyed about forty years ago, as to the amount of property it embraced. Judge Bunn in the Federal court handed down a decision finding for the Land and River Improvement Company.

Robbery Causes Suicide.

DENVER: John B. Long, a cattle dealer and prominent Mason of Pleasantville, Iowa, committed suicide in a room of the Oxford Hotel by shooting himself in the head. In a note he wrote to the clerk of the hotel Long requested that the police be notified that he had been robbed of three drafts of \$10,000 each. Before shooting himself he also wrote a telegram to the National Bank of the Republic at Chicago requesting it not to cash the drafts.

Sultan Ready for Flight.

LONDON: A correspondent of the Daily Mail at Vienna is assured one of the imperial yachts is anchored opposite Beutkee, near Constant nople, closely guarded day and night, and there is a subterranean passage from the yildiz kiosk to the seashore, which is patrolled unceasingly and is kept constantly lighted. Vice Admiral Chakri, commander of the imperial yacht, has been instructed to remain at anchor at Beutkee until further orders.

Price of Whalebone Rises.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass.: Advice received from the Arctic Ocean whaling fleet state that the entire fleet had taken only fifty-two whales up to Oct. 1. In consequence of the poor catch the price of whalebone will be in the neighborhood of \$5 per pound, as the fleet had only one week for operations after this news was dispatched. The Arctic season is considered a failure.

Another Conspiracy Against Spain.

MADRID: An official despatch from Manila says that a conspiracy has been discovered in the Sulu archipelago, a portion of the Spanish colony of the Philippine Islands. Eight soldiers have already been killed in the attempt to suppress the uprising. Reinforcements of troops have been sent from Manila.

Montreal Might be Swept Away.

MONTREAL: It has become public that the larger of the two city reservoirs on the mountain is in a dangerous condition. It holds 15,000,000 gallons of water, and experts say if a break occurs the whole city will be washed away.

Judge Royall Tyler.

BRATTLEBORO, Vt.: Judge Royall Tyler died at noon on the 27th after a brief illness, aged 84 years.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.25; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$3.25; wheat, No. 2, red, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2, 23c to 24c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 35c to 36c; butter, choice creamery, 18c to 19c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 19c; potatoes, per bushel, 18c to 30c; broom corn, common short to choice dwarf, \$35 to \$100 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.25; wheat, No. 2, 68c to 71c; corn, No. 2, white, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2, white, 18c to 20c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 72c to 74c; corn, No. 2, yellow, 22c to 23c; oats, No. 2, white, 16c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 34c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.25; wheat, No. 2, 77c to 79c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 36c to 38c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.25; wheat, No. 2, red, 77c to 78c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2, white, 20c to 22c; rye, 36c to 38c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2, red, 78c to 79c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2, white, 17c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 36c to 37c; clover seed, \$4.95 to \$5.05.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 66c to 68c; corn, No. 3, 23c to 25c; oats, No. 2, white, 18c to 20c; barley, No. 2, 30c to 36c; rye, No. 1, 35c to 37c; pork, mess, \$6.75 to \$7.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2, red, 81c to 85c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 23c to 31c; oats, No. 2, white, 23c to 24c.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, red, 82c to 83c; corn, No. 2, 30c to 31c; oats, No. 2, white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamery, 15c to 21c; eggs, Western, 18c to 20c.

NEW BATTLESHIP ILLINOIS.

It Will Be One of the Finest Vessels of Its Kind Afloat.

The battleship Illinois will be worthy of its name. It will be only equaled by its sister ships, the Alabama and the Wisconsin, which will be substantially constructed on the same lines. The new Illinois will be as far superior to the modern battleship "Illinois" exhibited at the World's Fair as that admirably designed vessel was superior to the old cruisers, as they are now termed—the Charleston, the San Francisco and the Baltimore—although they in their time were heralded as the pioneers of the new navy. In navy department parlance, the battleship Illinois was known until the other day as "Battleship No. 7."

It will have a displacement of 11,525 tons, engines (twin screws) of 10,000 horse power, a speed of sixteen knots an hour and a battery calculated to sink any ship afloat. The Illinois will carry four 13-inch guns, the most deadly naval weapon ever yet forged, with a range of eight or nine miles, two of them ranged forward and two aft; she will have a broadside battery of ten 5-inch guns, five on each side, and two more of the same formidable weapons in what are called superposed turrets. Besides this she will have two large secondary batteries, consisting of one and six pounder guns, and a number of machine guns. She will also have military masts, with machine guns in the tops. The armor plating is to be of the most approved Harveyized plate. The battleship will carry 620 officers and men and a marine guard of six hundred men, double the proportion carried by the old line battleships.

The Illinois will be built in the Newport News yards, alongside the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, and her construction will bring into play some of the finest modern inventions in the way of automatic machinery for naval construction. Nearly every portion of her frame will be brought into the yard and almost put in place without being touched by human hands. When completed the vessel will represent an expenditure of fully \$5,000,000.

SENATOR MORRILL.

Aged Vermont Who Has Been Returned to the Upper House.

Senator Justin Smith Morrill, who has just been re-elected Senator from Vermont, has spent most of his life in Washington as Congressman or Senator. He is truly a Senator, for Mr. Morrill is in his 87th year. Aged as he is his mind is still vigorous and he is a statesman capable, in the opinion of the people and the Legislature of Vermont, of representing that State among the old and wise men at Washington. He was born at Strafford, Vt., and that town has been, and is now, his home. He got his early education in the common schools and built upon that foundation at an academy, but never went to college. He began life as a merchant, but preferred agriculture, to which he devoted some years. He was elected to the Thirty-fourth Congress and was



SENATOR JUSTIN SMITH MORRILL.

returned five times as Representative. In 1867 he was made Senator to succeed Luke L. Poland, a Union Republican, and was re-elected in 1872, 1878, 1884 and 1890. In 1889 Senator Morrill was made a regent of the Smithsonian Institution, and has held that position ever since. Seldom has any State so highly honored one of her sons as Vermont has Mr. Morrill. For thirty years he has been a Senator, and if he completes this new term he will eclipse all former records for length of service.

ARIZONA WANTS STATEHOOD.

Governor Franklin submits His Annual Report to Secretary Francis. The people of Arizona are a unit in favor of statehood, says Gov. Benjamin Franklin in his annual report to Secretary Francis. The report is one of the most voluminous and profusely illustrated received for years at the department. It shows that the total mining output of the territory for the year was \$13,978,263. Of this amount gold aggregated \$5,200,000 exclusive of about \$600,000 taken by the prospectors and placer miners and the total is a year's increase of \$940,000. The total product of gold, silver and copper in Arizona for the twenty years ending June 30 last, aggregated \$127,166,016. The cattle shipments from the territory from Jan. 1, 1894, to June 30, 1895, reached 595,373 head. The territorial board returns show the value of taxable property has gained a half million dollars during the year, and conservative men claim the actual valuation to be \$90,000,000.

Work of the Mills.

The Northwestern Miller reports the flour output in barrels last week at four centers, with comparisons, as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Location, 1896, 1895, 1894. Rows include Minneapolis, Superior, Duluth, Milwaukee, St. Louis, and Totals.

Alexander McDonald, of Virginia, United States Minister to Persia, who arrived at Southampton from the United States on board the American Line steamship New York, was dangerously ill with bronchitis during the voyage, and is now lying at the Southwestern Hotel under the care of a physician.

Edward S. Stokes has retired from the active management of the Hoffman House at New York. Mr. Stokes has given up the active management in order to attend to his private interests outside, but he still remains president of the hotel company.

OF A GREAT STATE

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF NEBRASKA.

Young Man "from Missouri" Caught a Glimpse of the Pearly Gates at an Omaha Hostelery—He Blew Out the Gas—Other Items.

Almost Went Over the Range. Erastus Earnst, a young farmer from Douglas County, Missouri, caught a glimpse of the pearly gates the other evening for the space of half an hour as the result of blowing out the gas. Erastus arrived in Omaha on a late train and registered at the Windsor Hotel. He went immediately to his room and as soon as he had disrobed attempted to extinguish the light in the good, old fashioned way. His lungs proved inadequate to the task however, and he was obliged to turn it down part way. It was this that proved a saving clause in his case. A boarder going down the hall happened to smell the escaping gas and breaking into the room of Earnst, called out into the corridor. A physician was summoned and succeeded in reviving the young man.

READS LIKE A DIME NOVEL.

Testimony in the Trial of an Alleged Would-Be Train Wrecker.

The preliminary trial of W. L. Lee, who is charged with assault with intent to kill A. Bissell, a prominent merchant of York, was held Monday. Lee is the man who is charged with plotting to wreck the Burlington passenger car at York a few days ago, in order to realize on an accident insurance policy on Bissell's life, held by him.

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The testimony brought out in the hearing points to strong case for the prosecution. Frank Messplay, the alleged co-conspirator with Lee in the train wrecking deal and the principal witness for the state, was on the stand. His story reads like a dime novel. According to his statement Lee called on Messplay at his home on the evening of October 5, and in the conversation that followed, Lee gradually unfolded his plot to put Bissell out of the way, in order to get the \$10,000 insurance.

Of this sum Messplay was to get half if he would assist in wrecking the train upon which Bissell was a passenger. Various places of meeting were arranged in order to perfect plans. It was in one of these meetings that Lee told Messplay of his previous attempt to kill Bissell by throwing a rock at him from ambush on the night of September 15. It is this act that the court is trying to prove. Messplay told how Lee instructed him in detailing the train by means of spikes bent and fastened in the crevices between the rails.

The place of wrecking the train was on a sharp curve, just east of town, and had not the carefully laid plot fallen through nothing could have prevented an awful wreck.

Lee is a well known photographer of York, and the sensational charge against him has created a great stir.

State Veterinary Association.

A special meeting of members of the Nebraska State Veterinary Society was called at the Merchants' Hotel in Omaha for the purpose of further strengthening the organization in regard to enforcing the sanitary laws relative to animals. President A. T. Peters of Lincoln acted as chairman with A. T. Everett as secretary. President Peters read a paper upon the present disuse of the horses in cities, due to the introduction of electric motors and bicycles and was of the opinion that over production was also to blame for the existing price for man's best friends. He suggested that in the future the raisers of horses should devote more of their time to the breeding of the better class of animals, for which there would always be a large demand.

Robbed Haggerty's Home.

Burglars invaded the home of Dwight Haggerty on Harrison Street, Omaha, the other night while the family was attending the theater. Keys were used that opened the doors and the burglars took their time to make a thorough and leisurely search for articles of value. A gold watch and chain, a fine opera glass and some odd pieces of jewelry were carried away. When Mr. and Mrs. Haggerty returned there were unmistakable evidences of the presence of the burglars in the general topsy-turvy condition of the furniture in the house.

Harvesting the Sugar Beet Crop.

The sugar beet raisers in the vicinity of York are harvesting their crops. The beets raised by the Sugar Beet Syndicate will average ten tons per acre, in spite of unfavorable conditions. This was an experimental year, but it has been demonstrated that sugar beets are a success in that county. Other producers report from ten to fifteen tons to the acre. The tests at the factory are unusually high. All farmers who have tried beet culture seem well pleased, and efforts are being made to secure a factory at York.

Hebron Postoffice Robbed.

The Hebron postoffice safe was blown and robbed of \$17 in cash and nearly \$90 in stamps. The burglars gained entrance through the back door with the aid of a crowbar taken from the station of the Burlington and Missouri. Early in the evening, Mr. O'Brien, section boss, heard a noise which attracted his attention and upon investigation he found some tools missing. Next morning they were found at the postoffice. A reward of \$25 has been offered by Postmaster Hopper.

Snow in Nebraska.

Western Nebraska is covered with ten inches of snow, the white mantle thinning out as it approaches the eastern part of the state. In some sections of the state a high wind accompanied the snow, assuming the proportions of a blizzard. Trains are delayed and on several branches have been stuck in snowdrifts.

Suddenly Becomes Insane.

A man by the name of Smith became violently insane at the Commercial Hotel in Falls City the other day. The man is a stranger there and nothing is known about him. A letter was found in which it stated he was going to commit suicide.

Judge Elmer S. Dundy Dead.

Judge Elmer S. Dundy, for thirty-three years federal judge for Nebraska, died at Omaha of neuralgia of the stomach. He was appointed territorial judge by President Lincoln in 1864. Since then he has participated in the trial of many famous cases. He recently returned from a trip around the world.

Plattsmouth Men Jailed.

Albert Reinhardt, Geo. Hall and Wm. Mayo of Plattsmouth are in jail at Omaha charged with holding up Claus Bosholt and relieving him of \$40 the other night at the latter city.

Four Times a Forger.

C. L. Wright, a young Lincoln man with a penchant for committing the crime of forgery, who has been four times under arrest already on this charge, is again in the Lincoln city jail on a similar charge. He uttered a worthless check at the meat market of Frank Smalley, 711 North Fourteenth Street, which was made payable to C. Williams and signed C. L. Snyder. Wright here made a small purchase and received the residue of the check in cash. Subsequently, Smalley discovered the worthless character of the paper, and immediately notified the police. Wright was soon picked up on the street under the influence of a lurid jag, and while being taken to jail dropped two more spurious checks at the corner of Tenth and P Streets, which were preserved as evidence. J. S. Bowers, grocer, of 928 North Seventeenth Street was another victim. Here, however, Wright only succeeded in raising 93 cents on a \$4 check, and was to receive the balance later. Wright's father and brother are respectable tradesmen, engaged in running a bakery on East O Street.

Driver Was Not to Blame.

An inquest was held Tuesday over the remains of Eddie Freberg, the lad who was killed Monday night by falling from a farm wagon near the Burlington crossing on Fourteenth street, Omaha. From the evidence of eye witnesses to the accident it was shown that Eddie was catching a ride on the wagon and that the driver was unconscious by his presence. Upon nearing the crossing a train sped by and frightened the horses. At the moment they jumped to one side Freberg fell beneath the wheels and the driver, being busily engaged in controlling his team, drove on unmindful of the accident to the boy. The jury exonerated the driver from all blame, and the verdict was that Freberg came to his death accidentally.

Gave Prisoner Too Much Liberty.

Sergeant Jackson, who has been undergoing trial the past week for embezzlement of the funds of Lieut. John H. Alexander, Garrison No. 124, of the regular army and navy union of the post at Fort Robinson, and of which he was paymaster, left the guard house, where he has been confined and went to Crawford, three miles distant, and when close pressed by a special patrol, ended them and returned to the guard house. Sergeant Madam and Corporals Huestep and Smith, who were the non-commissioned officers of the guard, have been placed under arrest for neglect of duty, and will probably be tried.