

ELECTRIC FLASHES

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

OMAHA POLICE ACTIVE

FRUSTRATE A PLOT TO HOLD UP A TRAIN.

Arrest Five Bandits While on Their Way to the Scene Where the Robbery Was to Come—Officials Get All of the Gang.

Train Robbery Spoiled.
The plans of five well armed and fully equipped train robbers were frustrated in an attempt to hold up No. 2 passenger train on the Missouri Pacific road near Summit, a point about a mile distant from South Omaha, Neb., Sunday night.

Chief Brennan of Omaha received a tip that an effort would be made to waylay the Kansas City and St. Louis express, and that the robbers were at that time in a Railroad Avenue saloon north of N. Street, preparatory to embarking on the expedition.

Hurriedly calling his entire night force together the chief repaired to the saloon with Patrolman Gary, Sheehan and Peters. There he found the quintette of train robbers had just left the saloon in the direction of the railroad tracks. The chief gave orders to his men and then commanded the robbers to halt, which they did with reluctance, although the officers were prepared with clubs and revolvers to permit no resistance to interfere with the capture of such excellent game.

The five bold, bad men were quickly disarmed each of a revolver of the latest pattern 44-caliber. One of the gang had six sticks of dynamite.

At the station the men gave the names of John Edwards, Charles Edwards, Clarence Norris, Martin Dillon and William Cavanaugh. Chief Brennan partially identified Cavanaugh as Paddy McGraw, a notorious safe blow man under bond in a Missouri town for safe blowing. McGraw, alias Cavanaugh, has an international reputation as a safe blow man, and has been identified with several express train jobs, but so far has escaped conviction in that line.

THORN ON TRIAL AGAIN.

First Trial Abandoned on Account of a Juror's Sickness.

Martin Thorn, jointly indicted with Mrs. Augusta Nack for the murder of William Guldenstuppe, was again placed on trial Monday at Long Island City. Thorn's first trial, which was begun two weeks ago, had to be abandoned on account of Juror Larson becoming seriously ill. One of the witnesses will be Mrs. Ida Ziegler of New York. Since Mrs. Nack confessed that Thorn committed the murder Lawyer Howe has been directing his efforts to try and fasten the actual killing on Mrs. Nack. Mrs. Ziegler will testify that early in March Mrs. Nack tried to hire her cottage at West Farms, telling her Guldenstuppe was to live with her. Howe will endeavor to show by this witness that Mrs. Nack was planning to murder Guldenstuppe at that time.

Thorn and Mrs. Nack will each swear the other killed Guldenstuppe, and it will be for the jury to decide which is to be believed.

FIRING EXCITES THE CAPITAL

Cuban Patriots Make a Bold Attack on Outposts of Havana.

A party of insurgents attacked the Spanish outposts of Havana and a sharp engagement followed. The sounds of the firing caused great excitement in Havana, as it is known large rebel forces are quartered near the city. The insurgents destroyed much property before sufficient Spanish forces could be concentrated to drive them away. The less in killed or wounded is not known, as the officials refuse to give out any information beyond a bare statement that a party of rebels was found just outside the city and driven away.

Angel Paz, who betrayed Gen. Castillo to the Spaniards for \$5,000, was captured by the insurgents on his way to Cienfuegos, court martialed on a drumhead and hung.

DIVES OFF A HIGH BRIDGE.

Paul Tuston Drops 120 Feet Into the Mississippi at St. Louis.
Paul J. Tuston, a professional high diver, rode out onto the Eads bridge at St. Louis Monday, and when near the center dived into the river, a distance of 129 feet. He was picked up none the worse for the jump. Tuston was arrested as soon as he reached the shore, but was released on bail.

Theodore Durrant's Case.
The theosophists of San Francisco are taking an active interest in the fate of Murderer Durrant. It is a tenet of their faith that capital punishment is wrong, and they are getting up a petition praying Gov. Budd to stay the execution and commute his sentence to life imprisonment. The petition has already received a number of signatures.

Dust Cyclone in Australia.
A dust cyclone swept over the northwest portion of Australia on Saturday evening. It was especially severe in the Wimmera district where several towns were wrecked, many churches and prominent buildings being ruined.

Woman Sentenced to Hang.
Mrs. Adela Sternaman was found guilty of the murder of her husband at Cayuga, Ont., Saturday and was sentenced to be hanged January 20, 1888. Mrs. Sternaman was convicted of murdering her husband by administering arsenic for the purpose of securing his life insurance.

Mother and Son Killed.
While trying to save the life of her 6-year-old son, Henry, Mrs. Arthur Fortin, Pawtucket, R. I., was struck by a train near the village of St. Jean Baptiste. Both were instantly killed.

TRAGEDY ON AN ENGINE.

Alabama Engineer and Fireman Have a Bloody Battle.

On a freight train dashing southward over the Louisville and Nashville Railroad at the rate of thirty miles an hour Saturday night two men, one black and crazed by drink, the other white and conscious of deadly peril, engaged in a life and death struggle on the cab of a locomotive, which ended in the death of the negro and the miraculous escape from the same fate by the white man.

Engineer P. Bishop and Fireman Wiley Craig, colored, occupied the locomotive cab. When two miles from Birmingham Bishop told the fireman to stir up the fire. The negro paid no attention to the order and it was repeated. This time he uttered an oath and springing from his seat, drew a revolver and fired a shot pointblank at the engineer. The bullet missed and the engineer struck the revolver from the negro's hand just as the latter was about to fire a second shot. Craig, now crazed with rage, drew a knife and stabbed the engineer in a dozen places across the breast.

After a desperate struggle, during which the two men rolled over and over on the floor of the cab, Bishop managed to draw his pistol and fire. The bullet struck the negro in the breast and penetrated his heart. Without a groan he fell back in the darkness to the ground.

GREAT MINING COMPANY.

Organization with Unlimited Capital to Open Sections of Canada.

Several leading directors of the Pacific Railway, who are backed by unlimited capital and have the promise of liberal rights from the Canadian government, have organized an extensive mining company, which promises to eclipse anything that was ever projected in this country. They will conduct mining operations and various transportation and trading enterprises on a vast scale in British Columbia, particularly in the newly developed sections of Alaska. It is not unlikely they will open up sections of the great northwest. This is the syndicate of Lieut. Gov. McIntosh of the north-west province, referred to when he returned to New York from England. It is definitely known that President Van Horn, Lord Mount Stephen and other influential directors of the Canadian Pacific, who are also interested in telegraph matters, will take a leading part in the new projects, and besides English capital it is reported John W. Mackay and the Rothschilds are interested.

BECOMES MRS. LOGAN'S WARD

Evangelina Cossio y Cisneros Enters a Washington Convict.

An order was issued by the district court in Washington Saturday appointing Mrs. John A. Logan guardian for Miss Evangelina Cossio y Cisneros. The proceedings in court were very brief, but the senator's appearance created much interest. The application for guardianship set out that Miss Cisneros has declared her intention to become a citizen of the United States so far as the law allows, and that she intends to enter an institution of learning in Washington and to hereafter remain a resident of Washington. The petition also cites the incarceration of her father, Jose Augustin Cossio y Cisneros, and that there is no time fixed for his release. There is reason to believe that it will be a long time before he is liberated, if at all.

BLOODY IMPROMPTU DUEL.

Texas Judge Fatally Wounds an Editor and Kills His Brother.

J. W. Harris, editor of the Waco (Texas) Times-Herald, a morning paper, and W. A. Harris, his brother, on one side, and Judge G. B. Gerald, a prominent citizen, fought a duel to the death on the street Friday. W. A. Harris was shot dead, J. W. Harris wounded fatally, his body being paralyzed, and Gerald shot in the side and may die. The trouble was the mobbing of W. C. Brann, publisher of the Iconoclast.

National Hardware Association.

The National Hardware Association in session at Buffalo, N. Y., selected Milwaukee as the convention city of 1888. These officers were elected: President, Wm. W. Supplee, Philadelphia; first vice president, H. H. Bishop, Cleveland; second vice president, Bruce Hayden, San Francisco; secretary and treasurer, L. James Fernley, Philadelphia; executive committee—Theo. E. Beebe, Detroit; W. A. Chamberlain, Portland, M. E.; F. P. Strong, St. Paul; Richard Shapleigh, St. Louis, and Henry S. Blossom, Cleveland.

Do Not Want Hawaii Annexed.

At the annual meeting of the beet sugar manufacturers held in San Francisco a resolution was passed unanimously protesting against the annexation of Hawaii and a continuation of the present reciprocity treaty, "whereby a large part of the home sugar market is given up to a foreign island 2,000 miles away, to the detriment of the home beet sugar industry." The resolution further called up all friends of the domestic beet sugar industry to work actively against annexation.

Lions Cause a Fearful Panic.

While a performance of wild beasts and their tamer was in progress at a village near Kovno, Poland, the lion tamer was killed by a lion and a tigress. A fearful panic ensued in the audience, and eight persons were crushed to death, many others being seriously injured.

Rockefeller's Gift to Vassar.

The new recitation hall which John D. Rockefeller has just built for Vassar College at a cost of \$100,000 was dedicated at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Friday.

Circus Clown Cook Dead.

Thomas Edwin Cook, who when in his prime was a leading circus clown, is dead at his home at Paterson, N. J. He was 60 years old.

Well Arranged.

"Mrs. McSmith returned us much cheaper coffee than she borrowed of us."
"Well, put it in a jar by itself and lend it to her when she comes again."—Chicago Record.

ON FOOTBALL FIELD

PENNSYLVANIA BEATS HARVARD AT PHILADELPHIA.

Contest Results in a Score of 15 to 6—Yale Shuts Out Princeton at New Haven—Iowa Championship Won by University Eleven.

Football Games.
Before the largest crowd that ever witnessed a football game in Philadelphia the University of Pennsylvania football eleven defeated the Harvard team by a score of 15 to 6. It was not a sensational game. There were but few good runs, the 55 yard dash of Parker and Jackson's 25 yard run being the only ones of moment.

The game at New Haven stood: Yale, 6; Princeton, 0. The victory was as fair as it was complete and as brilliant as it was surprising. Except in kicking Yale's stalwart men outplayed the Tigers in every department of the game. Little Baird of Princeton outpunting McBride in almost every exchange of kicks, but in no other respect did the Jersey men demonstrate a superiority. Certainly more than two-thirds of the 18,000 spectators expected to see Yale defeated.

Chicago: Carlisle University, 26; University of Illinois, 6. Fifteen thousand people witnessed the game.

Iowa City, Iowa: The State University team defeated the Iowa College eleven by a score of 16 to 12.

West Point, N. Y.: West Point, 42; Brown University, 0.

Aun Arbor, Mich.: University of Michigan, 32; Wittenberg, 0.

Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard Freshmen, 34; Yale Freshmen, 0.

Williamston, Mass.: Dartmouth, 52; Williams, 0.

NO TRACE OF ANDREE.

Steamer Victoria Returns from an Unsuccessful Search.

The steamer Victoria which was fitted out by the governor of Tromsø, under instructions from King Oscar, to search for Prof. Andree, the missing aeronaut and his party and which left Norway on November 5, has returned from Spitzbergen.

She brings no news as to the whereabouts or movements of Prof. Andree, although exploring parties landed ten times at various points in Danmandsoeren. The Victoria was provisioned for eight months and carried a crew of fifteen men. Paul Boerjov, the explorer, was one of the company. It was understood that the expedition would search Danmandsoeren, Advent Bay, Cape Thorsen, Prinz Carl fore land and possibly Dane's Island, from which point Prof. Andree's balloon ascended in July last, in his undertaking to cross the sea of the north pole. According to the program then published the Victoria on her return trip was to explore the southwest coast of Danmandsoeren.

TAMMANY AIDS THE CUBANS

Check for \$20,000 Is Given to the Cuban Junta.

The executive committee of Tammany Hall, New York, has arranged for the annual organization next month. After the transaction of this business Richard Croker made a speech in which he asked the committee to subscribe \$20,000 for the starving people of Cuba, and a like sum for the poor of New York. The suggestion was promptly acted upon. The Cuban check was handed to Senor Tomas Estrada Palma, and other members of the junta who had called to seek the aid of Tammany in behalf of their starving countrymen.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN MAKE UP

Two Governments Arrive at a Most Complete Understanding.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg says: It is asserted in diplomatic circles that, so far from there being a serious tension between Japan and Russia over Corea, the two governments have arrived at a complete understanding on the subject, and Russia is pleased with the terms of the convention.

To Awe the Sultan.

The Rome correspondent of the London Daily News says: "I am able to assert on the best authority that the powers are discussing the advisability of a naval demonstration in the Dardanelles or a blockade of Constantinople if the sultan does not yield to the demands of the powers with respect to autonomy for the island of Crete, especially in the matter of withdrawing the Turkish troops."

Shoots His Father and Suicides.

Henry Kammerer, aged 30, quarreled with his father, John Kammerer, 70 years old, at their home near Benton Harbor, Mich. The son shot his father twice, the latter dying soon after. Henry then killed himself, first setting fire to the house, which partially burned up. The quarrel was over money matters.

Bullet Proof Armor Tested.

About a hundred military men witnessed the first exhibition in New York of Foote's bullet proof armor, which was given a successful trial in Brooklyn a few days ago and which the inventor hopes will work a revolution in the methods of modern warfare. The trial was a success.

Noted Michigan Divine Dead.

Rev. Geo. H. Hicock, for twenty-five years chaplain of the Michigan state prison at Jackson, Mich., is dead, aged 75 years. He was president of the Chaplains Association of the National Prison Congress and one of the most prominent penologists in the country.

Nansen's Ancestor an Explorer.

Among the ancestors of Dr. Nansen was a Hans Nansen, born in 1598, who explored the White Sea, spent many years in the Iceland trade, and wrote a geography which described the Arctic routes so well that a copy of the book was in use at late as 1841.

THEIR SALARIES ARE SACRED

State Income Taxes Can't Be Levied Against Federal Officials.

The issue as to whether a state or municipality can levy an income tax on the salary or compensation of a postmaster, a subject of broad interest to the federal service generally, was decided in Washington Saturday in an opinion rendered by Acting Assistant Attorney General Harrison J. Barrett, for the postoffice department. The opinion holds that a state has no authority to tax the emoluments paid to any officers or agents which the United States "may use and employ as necessary and proper means to execute its sovereign power." Mr. Barrett says:

"The government of the United States is supreme within its sphere of action and any act of a state or municipality which attempts to take the emoluments paid to the officers of the government is unconstitutional and void. If the power existed in a state to tax the officers or agents of the government, it could thereby impair the power of the United States in the execution of its sovereignty."

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

Moderate Improvements in Staple Prices and in Distribution.

Bradstreet's Weekly Review says: There is a moderate improvement in staple prices and in the distribution of woolen goods, shoes, hats and hardware in the region tributary to Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha. Colder weather northwest and in the Central Mississippi and Missouri valleys has helped retail trading. Manufacturers of iron and steel, agricultural implements, railway cars and woollens report an active demand and large output, although the appearance of speculative steel has resulted in weakening the price of billets and a like tendency on the part of Bessemer pig iron.

Higher prices are recorded for wheat, corn, oats, syrup, hides, leather, shoes and for turpentine. The reaction in iron and steel is likely to be followed by an advance if the present rate of consumption continues.

FATAL FOUR-CORNERED DUEL

Family Feud Ends in a Quadruple Tragedy.

At Bayou LaCrosse, eleven miles east of Mandeville, La., a desperate fight between Arthur and Edward Jolie on one side and Laurence and Edward Cousin on the other, resulted in the killing of all the parties concerned. Shotguns and pistols were the weapons used. The cause of the difficulty is attributed to an old family feud.

Georgia's War on Football.

Representative Coles' football bill providing for the prohibition of the playing in Georgia of match or exhibition games where admission is charged has passed the senate. The bill had already passed the lower branch of the legislature, and now awaits the approval of the governor. There is no doubt that he will sign it.

Gives Advice on the Gallows.

For the brutal murder of his paramour, Vinnie Bell, George Weston, alias "Devil" Weston, colored, was hanged at Paducah, Ky., Friday. He met his death without a quiver, warning all people, both black and white, to beware of bad company and whisky.

Increases Its Capital Stock.

The Chase National Bank of New York city has decided to increase its capital stock from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The step has been taken because the bank's surplus is very large. The deposits of the bank amount to more than \$20,000,000.

Henry George's Will.

The will of the late Henry George, filed for probate in New York Saturday, leaves his entire estate, consisting of the home at Fort Hamilton, worth about \$8,000, and the copyright of his books, to his widow.

Colorado Militia Commander Dead

Brig. Gen. Brooks, commander of the National Guard of Colorado, died suddenly in Denver of neuralgia of the heart. Gen. Brooks was born in Detroit, Mich., coming to Colorado twenty years ago.

Attorney Commits Suicide.

Attorney Yan Martin, a former prominent lawyer and politician, committed suicide by taking morphine in jail at Stillwater, Oklahoma, while awaiting trial for embezzlement and forgery.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 94c to 96c; corn, No. 2, 26c to 27c; oats, No. 2, 21c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c; butter, choice creamery, 20c to 22c; eggs, fresh, 17c to 19c; new potatoes, 40c to 55c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 92c to 94c; corn, No. 2 white, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 91c to 93c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 47c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 92c to 95c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 24c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 47c.

Detroit—Cattle, 2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 92c to 93c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 26c; rye, 47c to 49c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 95c to 94c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 48c to 49c; clover seed, \$3.20 to \$3.30.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 86c to 87c; corn, No. 3, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 48c to 50c; barley, No. 2, 40c to 43c; pork, mess, \$7.00 to \$7.50.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Engineer's Coolness Saves the Lives of a Half Hundred Passengers Near Chadron—Two Engines and Two Cars a Total Loss.

The coolness of Wm. Cooley, engineer of the eastbound passenger train, November 15, saved the lives of a half hundred passengers. Through freight No. 27, bound west, in charge of Conductor Wolford and Engineer Connors, received orders to meet No. 4, the eastbound passenger train, at Bourreau, a flag station seven miles east of Chadron, but Engineer Connors misconstrued or forgot the orders and came tearing down the hill towards Chadron a few minutes after 12 o'clock—midnight. No. 4, which leaves Chadron at 12:01, was on time, and the engineer, Wm. Cooley, had his train under full headway, when suddenly the headlight of the freight flashed before him not fifty feet away. Calling to his fireman to jump, he reversed his engine, set the air brakes and leaped from his cab. The two trains came together with a terrific crash, but the application of the air and the reversing of the engine had arrested the motion of the passenger, and when the collision occurred it was beginning to move in the same direction as the freight. Both engines are a total loss, and two cars of merchandise and two cars of mules were completely demolished.

Beyond a slight jolting the passengers suffered no injury.

A Bad Wreck.

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THE PICTURE INCIDENT.

Gov. Holcomb's Reply to Phil Kearney Post's Complaint.

Phil Kearney Post, No. 2 Grand Army of the Republic, of South Omaha recently passed resolutions condemning Superintendent Fowler of the Soldiers' Home at Milford for refusing to allow a picture of President McKinley to hang in the office room of the home and for discharging Ira F. Burroughs from the institution in connection with the picture incident. The resolutions hold Gov. Holcomb responsible for the acts of his appointee, and call upon him to dismiss Superintendent Fowler because of his insult to the president of the United States. A copy of the resolutions was received by the governor and an answer was mailed.

Gov. Holcomb's Reply to Phil Kearney Post's Complaint.

"The ground for the attack is very poorly taken. While I have no doubt as to his competency as an officer, I beg to advise the post that Commandant Fowler is not an appointee of mine. Since an effort has been made to attach blame to me for the action of Commandant Fowler, I might add that I investigated the matter by request some time ago and was advised that the commandant not only did not refuse to permit President McKinley's picture to be hung in the institution, but contributed to a fund to buy a picture of that distinguished gentleman which now occupies, so I am now informed, a conspicuous place on the walls of the institution. His refusal to place a picture of the president, or any other person, on the walls of his private office is, in my judgment, a matter entirely of his personal concern."

State Secretary Arrested.

Secretary of State W. F. Porter was arrested last week, charged with violating a Lincoln health ordinance by butchering hogs within the city limits. Mr. Porter followed agricultural pursuits before being elected and raised his own supply of pork on his Merrick County farm. He saw no reason to discontinue his practice since coming to Lincoln, and with Gen. Kelsey, the Omaha common weal leader, an employe in his office, had nearly finished the work of slaughtering four hogs at his home when City Health Officer Rhode appeared and ordered a discontinuance. Secretary Porter, it is asserted, was unaware of the existence of a law against butchering hogs in the city.

Swindled by an Alleged Oculist.

A vendor of spectacles has created a sensation in the vicinity of Herman and around Tekamah. He went to a farmer named Nels Jackson, whose wife is suffering with sore eyes, and got a check for \$25 from the husband for a prescription. When Mr. Jackson attempted to get it filled at a Herman drug store he found that no drugs of the kind existed. A search was at once instituted for the traveling oculist, but he had departed. It develops that he is making his fight with a Tekamah livery team. It is rumored that he got several forged checks cashed by Tekamah merchants. When last seen he was driving towards Hooper.

Little Girl Fatally Burned.

A terrible accident occurred to the 8-year-old daughter of Gottfried Furehert, living seven miles north of West Point. It seems that the parents were out husking corn and left the children alone at home. The 8-year-old boy was at the barn when the 8-year-old sister blurted a fire to warm some water, preparatory to washing some dishes, when her dress became ignited from the stove. Her dress became soon enveloped in flames and she ran toward the barn to her brother, but soon ran back to the house and crawled into a bed, where she was found suffering terrible agony. She will die.

Trying to Solve Murder Mystery.

Every day adds something of interest to the fifth murder mystery at Beatrice, and Coroner Miller feels certain that he will yet be able to at least reveal the identity of the dead man, if not ascertain the murderer. Scores of people who have lost relatives have written the coroner and a number have not waited to write before coming, but for obvious reasons only a few such inquiries have been given any attention.

Fell Through a Trap Door.

Fred Melcher, who lives with his son Ernest, fourteen miles northwest of West Point, fell through a trap door into the cellar, striking on his temple, killing him almost instantly. He was 79 years of age.

Wheat in Good Condition.

Johnson County's thousands of acres of fall wheat could not be in better condition to go into winter quarters. It covers the ground well, is green and luxuriant and the soil is charged with plenty of moisture to last all winter.

Shooting Afray at Fairbury.

E. J. Liddy, an engineer on the Rock Island road, had a controversy with a Texan at Fairbury and as a result Liddy has a 44-caliber bullet wound in each leg and the Texan is in the custody of the sheriff.

SCOTT CASE REVIVED.

Legal Questions Involved Which Will Arise in Bartley Hearing.

Attorney General C. J. Smith has been requested by the supreme court to submit a brief in the Barrett Scott case. The court requested him to cover two points not submitted by the county attorney of Holt County. The approval of the bond out of time and the estoppel of sureties are the two questions which the supreme court desires the attorney general to argue. The Scott case is considered of great importance by the legal fraternity and the public, because it involves the same points which will come before the court in the case of ex-State Treasurer Bartley and his bondsmen.

Official bonds in both cases were approved out of time. The Bartley bond was approved January 9, instead of January 3, and the Scott bond, instead of having been approved by the county board on January 7, was not approved until March. In both cases additional bondsmen signed and the question of estoppel of sureties is involved in each.

DORSEY JURY DISAGREES.

Unable to Reach a Verdict in the Ponca Banker's Case.
The jury in the case of Frank Dorsey, the Ponca banker, reported a disagreement after being out five days.

City Attorney Muddle.

At a meeting of the city council of Nebraska City Mayor C. W. Stuhlhut appointed H. G. Leigh as city attorney and his nomination was confirmed by the council. Notice was served upon the mayor and council by C. W. Seymour, whose nomination as city attorney was a year ago not confirmed by the council, that he was appointed for a period of two years and will hold the office until his term expires. The case presents some interesting complications, as Seymour has been acting city attorney for over a year.

Sickness at Beatrice Institute.

It has been rumored that an epidemic of some sort was raging at the institution for feeble-minded at Beatrice. Dr. Sprague was considerably annoyed when he was asked if such report was true. He said there had been no special sickness among the inmates, but that several of the teachers were slightly indisposed. In answer to a question regarding the number of deaths occurring there since October 1 he said there had been five. The reported epidemic was given some color by the burial of two of the children in one day.

Private Walker Acquitted.

George Walker of Crawford, the colored soldier indicted for the murder last spring of Sandy Tournage, colored, was acquitted in the district court at Chadron. The evidence showed that Tournage had insulted and threatened Julia Fuller, a white woman, and in fear of her life she called upon Walker to protect her. Walker drew a revolver and killed Tournage instantly. The court instructed the jury to acquit Walker on motion of his defense.