

# KEEP ON DIGGING

## WODGE COUNTY COAL FIND TO BE FULLY TESTED.

Owner of Farm Quite Confident—Satisfied With Others That Full in Paying Quantities May Be Found—To Sink Several Holes.

Fremont, Neb.,—Drilling to establish the extent and value of the recent Jamestown coal find will be started immediately on the farm of Elisha Kemmele, north of that place. The work will be in charge of Harry H. Brown of this city, who struck ten feet of a medium grade of hard coal there on February 27 while boring a well for Mr. Kemmele. Several holes are to be sunk at places not far removed from the original one, with the object of determining whether the coal exists in merely a pocket formation or spreads out as a regular vein.

A variety of plans for bringing up sufficient quantities of the coal to make possible a means for finding out more concerning its quality have been suggested. One of these which seems to meet with favor is as follows: A large drill is to be used until the coal is encountered, when it will be taken out and a smaller one used in its place. When the latter drill has penetrated through the coal and to some distance below it, it will in turn be removed and a section of pipe of the same diameter lowered to the bottom attached to a rope. Then one of the drills will be put to work again, causing pieces of the coal to break off and fall into the tube, which is to be closed at the bottom. In this way good sized fragments of the deposit may be brought to the surface. This idea was proposed by H. C. Brown, father of the young man who is superintending the prospecting operations.

The well which was bored at the time of the coal discovery has been completed, water having been struck at a depth of about 250 feet. The report that a second vein of hard coal had been reached was based on erroneous conclusions. The drill did strike a black substance several feet thick, and this was thought to be more coal, but careful scrutinizing showed that it was nothing but slate.

It is the unshaken belief of all who have had anything to do with the finding of the carbon deposit at Jamestown that Mr. Kemmele's farm and adjoining pieces of land are underlaid with coal in good working quantities. The sinking of new holes, which is to be done at Mr. Brown's expense, proves that his faith in the discovery is strong. The state reward of \$4,000 is payable to the owner of the land where coal is found extensively enough to make mining profitable. Mr. Kemmele has promised to share the money equally with Mr. Brown should the result of their continued prospecting be what they hope for.

The ten-foot vein that has been located lies at a depth of 236 feet, which is by no means a discouraging circumstance. In Illinois one or two shafts have been sunk to the depth of 600 feet in order to get at five feet of coal. Even if it should be ascertained that the Jamestown layer is not uniformly ten feet thick, the value of the discovery can not be questioned provided the deposit extends over any considerable area.

Officials of the Fremont railroad are keeping close watch of whatever developments take place in regard to the search for coal. In common with many others who have no reason to view the matter in any other but a conservative light, they are sanguine that another industry heretofore unknown in Nebraska is about to be opened up to the state.

### Strikers Become Violent.

Cincinnati, March 12.—After the failure of the conference last night to adjust the differences between the proprietors of Cincinnati, Covington and Newport breweries and the united brewery workmen there were several engineers assaulted and two of them are reported seriously injured today. There were several acts of violence again today which caused patrol wagons to haul away injured men. As the stationary engineers insist on remaining under the jurisdiction of the engineer's union and refuse to abide by the orders of the united brewery workmen, the engineers at the breweries are the ones attacked most, but the new drivers and all others who are working for the breweries at this time are subject to assaults from the crowds that assemble about the breweries.

### Insane Man Escapes.

Geneva, Neb., March 11.—Notice was sent to the sheriff yesterday that F. A. Strickland, who was paroled from the Lincoln asylum a few weeks ago had become dangerous. Deputy Sheriff Owen went to the family home and brought him to town. During the night he escaped and walked back to his home, about twelve miles, where he was recaptured at an early this morning by Sheriff Dineen.

# LITTLE GIRL SHOT IN LEG.

## Careless Handling of a Gun Causes Severe Injury.

Martha Geisselman, of Arlington, the eight-year-old daughter of H. H. Geisselman was accidentally shot in the right leg Sunday afternoon just above the ankle. She and her small brother were in her father's machine shed in company with Fred Wolff, a hired man, who was looking at a gun. The weapon was one which Mr. Geisselman kept hanging in the shed so that it could be taken down to a moment and used to kill English sparrows. It was kept constantly loaded, but this fact was unknown to Wolff. He had never had a gun of his own and was not thoroughly familiar with the handling of one. While he had one barrel at half cock the load was discharged and entered the little girl's limb.

The flesh was frightfully torn and two inches of the large bone was shattered by the shot. The child was cared for at her home during the night and taken to the hospital at Fremont on a morning train.

### Serious Fly.

Stewart Hill, aged nine years, died at Denver from the effects of a bullet wound in the breast received yesterday while engaged in a mimic Indian battle. James Butson, aged twelve years, is under arrest, charged with murder. Four boys, all twelve years of age or under, stationed themselves behind barricades about thirty yards apart, and had exchanged about twenty shots when Hill fell, pierced through the lung. According to the other boys Hill stepped back out in the open when Butson took deliberate aim and fired. Chief of police Arnus says he intends to take measures against those who are responsible for the boys having firearms.

### Several Narrow Escapes.

Dazed and half smothered by smoke which filled his room, Rudolph Englecke, a jeweler, rushed through a sheet of flame and threw himself from a three story window of a boarding house at 304 Erie street Chicago. On the pavement below a number of firemen were holding a net. Englecke, his clothes ablaze, whirled in the air, he was shot toward the ground, and struck on one side of the net, and bounced to the stone walk. He sustained internal injuries, a fractured wrist, and was severely burned about the head and body.

Twelve other occupants of the building had narrow escapes from death. Mrs. Katherine Devite, who conducted the boarding house, and Carl G. Cosner, a lodger, were painfully burned.

### Great Excitement.

The belief that the United Irish League is about to be proclaimed raised great excitement at Kilrush, county Clare, and the arrest of two men named Crowley and Erstace, who were charged with firing into the house of a woman who had purchased hay from a farmer who was under the ban of the league.

A man named O'Donnell has been arrested and sentenced to one month in prison for trying to prevent this man from selling hay.

### Holds Turkey Responsible.

The American legation at Constantinople has presented to the porte the second note referring to the capture of Miss Ellen M. Stone.

In this note it is pointed out that as Miss Stone was captured, the ransom paid, and the prisoners delivered in Turkey, the brigands must be within the Turkish frontier and should therefore be captured.

The note denies that the authorities were ever required to lesson their vigilance on the frontier, and asserts that only the movements of the troops in the interior were interfered with.

The first note presented to the porte by the United States legation at Constantinople in the matter of Miss Stone's capture by brigands demanded the punishment of the guilty parties. The porte, in replying, repudiated responsibility.

### Unveiled Allegorical Window.

At the request of the resident clergy of The Hague, Holland, Stanford Newell, United States minister to the Netherlands, unveiled the window in the Anglican church presented by the mayor of New York as an American memorial of the work accomplished by The Hague peace conference to which the mayor was a delegate from the United States.

The window is in four sections and represents Christ and allegorical figures of Faith, Hope and Charity.

### Fairmont Hunter Injured.

While out hunting last Saturday Ed Foster and Charles Welch, two city boys about fifteen years of age, of Fairmont, met with an accident. The Foster boy, while trying to extract an empty shell from his revolver by some means exploded a shell, the bullet striking him near the nose on the right cheek entering the mouth, knocking out two teeth; the bullet has not been extracted yet. The wound is not of a serious nature.

# DEATH AS RESULT

## SINGLETON B. CAIN SUCCUMBS AT NEWMAN GROVE.

His Injuries Self Inflicted—Shoots Him Repeatedly in Head—His Determined Effort to Die—No Hint of Motive for His Rash Act.

Singleton B. Cain, a holder of large real estate interests in and around Newman Grove, lies dead at his home, in the eastern part of town, the result of his own rash act. Last Monday night, about 8 o'clock he came down town, having promised his family that he would meet them at church, where revival services were being held. He had passed the church two blocks, and was in the heart of the business section, at the intersection of Fremont and Hale streets, when he raised his right hand with a 38-calibre revolver and sent a bullet into his head. A few seconds elapsed and the shot was repeated. The few people who were on the street were attracted by the first shot, but could not locate the direction on account of the echo. When the second shot occurred the man was seen to stagger and fall, and before any of those nearest could reach him, he with his left hand bracing his body in a sitting posture, fired two more shots in quick succession, only one of which probably took effect.

The man was picked up for dead and carried to Anderson's drug store. Physicians were summoned and two of the bullets extracted, after which he was carried to his home, where he partially regained consciousness, enough to recognize the members of his family, but from the time he fired the first shot until he expired he uttered no sound, not even a groan. He lived fifty-four hours after inflicting the mortal wound, dying this morning. Any of the three shots that entered his head were sufficient to cause death. The third bullet was extracted yesterday morning by trephining. The operation being done by Drs. Frink and McMahon, the bill being removed from the opposite side of the head from where it entered.

Mr. Cain stood well in this community, was a prominent church and Sunday school worker, ardent in politics and temperance, a leader in fraternal societies, having membership in the I. O. O. F., M. W. A., the Rebekahs and Royal Neighbors. He leaves a large family in comfortable circumstances. He has left no word, written or spoken, that would in any way explain his rash act. If anything was on his mind, worrying him, he gave no sign. He was rather reticent regarding his affairs, keeping his own council. He was born in Ohio, in March 14, 1856.

### Frank Sharp Found Guilty.

The jury in the case of the state against Frank Sharp, of Plattsmouth, Neb., returned a verdict of guilty of larceny as charged, and recommended that the court show leniency towards the prisoner in passing sentence. The value of the goods which Sharp is accused of having stolen and shipped into this county was estimated at \$350. Sharp, who has been out on bond, will have to remain in jail until the court sentences him. The prisoner's wife, mother, sister and other relatives attended the trial throughout, and when the verdict was made known their disappointment was very apparent. This case had been tried in Lancaster and Sarpy counties, but each time the state failed to convict the man.

The case of the state against Ernest Meteere, charged with arson, is now trial before a jury.

### Medicine Man Too Hasty.

A startling revelation has just come to light in regard to Chas-an-gah, the famous old Omaha Indian chief, who died at his home on the reservation north of Decatur, Neb., about a week ago.

In the last stages of the old man's sickness a medicine man or Indian doctor was in attendance, and the chief was pronounced dead, in the presence of Chas-an-gah's family. An undertaker from that city was sent for and he discovered indications of life. The undertaker went to work upon the man and in a short time he revived. The family was astounded, and looked upon the feat as a miracle, and believe the father and husband had been called back to life by the Great Spirit for some holy cause unknown to them. But for the acuteness of Mr. Morley, the undertaker, Chas-an-gah might have been buried alive. The resuscitation was of no consequence, however for the old man lingered only about four more days.

### Two Lives Lost in a Fire.

New York, March 14.—Fire that destroyed the postoffice building at North Pelham today caused the loss of two lives and the serious injury of a third person. The dead are: Edward Yocum, thirteen years old, a newsboy; Mrs. Thomas Duane, wife of a motorman on the Union railway. Mrs. Yocum, the mother of the boy who was killed, jumped from a window and had her back badly wrenched, and was otherwise injured.

# CRACKSMEN VISITS NEMAHA.

## Partly Wreck a Bank Safe, But Secure No Money.

Nemaha, Neb., March 9.—An attempt was made early this morning to rob the bank at Nemaha. Just before 2 o'clock an explosion was heard, and persons living across the street from the bank saw that the bank was being robbed. An attempt was made to get out enough men to capture the robbers, but this was abandoned and an alarm raised. Before men could be raised a second explosion took place. The robbers then became frightened and left.

When Elmer E. Allen, the cashier, arrived at the bank he found the outer door of the safe blown out, but the inner door had not been opened, and nothing was secured, so far as can be told without a closer examination than has yet been made. Entrance had been secured by raising a back window. The explosion caused considerable damage to the building, one large window glass being broken into fragments and in two or three places pieces of the safe, probably, had been blown through the side of the building. Mr. Allen telephoned to Beatrice for the bloodhounds and they will be here sometime today. In the meantime ropes have been stretched about the rear of the bank building to keep the people away. It is not known how many were concerned in the robbery.

After the alarm was given they skipped out and evidently took a handcar from the Burlington track, as one is missing this morning, and one was heard going past Broker's shortly after 2 o'clock.

Telegrams have been sent to all points on both the Burlington and M. P. to watch for the handcar. No. 74 and if discovered the bloodhounds will be taken there to take up the trail.

The books in the safe were damaged. The postmistress had a lot of stamps in the bank safe in a small box. This box was taken and laid carefully to one side. So far as can be told nothing was taken.

### GOLDSBERRY TRIAL AT AUBURN.

Father and Sons Accused of Receiving Stolen Horses.

Auburn, Neb., March 9.—Judge Jessen, with a jury, is still engaged in the trial of the case against Lenuel T. Goldsberry and his two sons Melvin and Guy, charged with receiving stolen horses, and it is hoped that all of the evidence will be put in tonight. It took the defense until late this afternoon to get in its case then the state used a large amount of rebuttal evidence, this quite largely in the way of impeachment evidence. Since the case has been called for trial the court room has at all times been crowded to its fullest capacity with interested listeners, most of whom are farmers from this community, who are following every bit of the evidence.

Messrs. Kelligar and Ferneau, who were defending the prisoners, withdrew from the case the first day of the trial, and Mat Geeting of Plattsmouth, was substituted. The state has used about twenty-four witnesses in putting in its case in chief and its defense already some thirty.

### SEND HER A CHECK FOR \$50.

Woman Who Thought She Was Saving a Train Rewarded.

Sioux City, Ia., March 9.—The Great Northern Railroad company has remembered Mrs. Mary Schorer, who last fall by waving her skirt flagged an incoming passenger train on the Pacific Short Line west of McLean, Neb.

Fires which had been burning along the right-of-way, had burned up to a bridge, and the stringers were beginning to blaze a little. Just at this time the passenger train was due and while there was no real danger, Mrs. Schorer, who lives near, thought there was danger, and hurrying down the track she took off her skirt and flagged the train. Her intention was all right and the company yesterday sent her a check for \$50.

### Forcible at Nebraska City.

Nebraska City, Neb., March 9.—A clever forger has been working in this city for the past few days, and the victims are unable to give any description of him that would lead to his arrest. He has been passing the checks that he issued for small sums on the butchers. The check was cleverly gotten up, a rubber stamp being used where it was needed and a machine used to punch out the amount for which the checks were drawn. The blank checks were those used by the banks, but had been tinted before being used by the men that passed them, which gave them the appearance of safety paper. One check for \$12 was passed upon Mueller Brothers and the other checks are out and the police are trying to locate the man that passed them.

### Burglars at Arlington.

Fremont, Neb., March 9.—Several minor burglaries are reported from Arlington, the first station on the Fremont railroad east of this city which took place last night. A barber shop owned by C. E. Branson, the general merchandise store of John F. Jackerott and James Novak's saloon were the places entered. A few pennies were secured at the first two places and about \$1 in small change at the saloon.

# RECEIVES CHARGE

## YOUNG MAN NEAR EXETER IS CAUGHT IN WRONG HOUSE.

Shows Fight When Caught—Met at the Door by a Young Man With a Loaded Gun and Receives Contents in Right Leg Just Below Thigh.

Exeter, Neb., March 10.—Charley Bode, a young man of about twenty-two years, living three miles northeast of town, was shot just before noon today at the home of Nels Jansen by Herbert Jansen, son of Mr. Jansen.

Bode was coming out of the cellar at the Jansen place. He was commanded to surrender but refused and made for young Jansen. He seized the gun, which was discharged in the scuffle, causing a very severe wound in his right leg, just below his thigh.

Bode had gained admittance to the house by entering a window, where, it is believed, he had intended to commit robbery. A number of houses have been entered in the neighborhood and it is now generally supposed he is the guilty party.

Doctors have gone to the place of Will Ryer's, about one mile from the Jansen home which young Bode succeeded in reaching after he was shot.

### Tries to Wreck a Home.

Chicago, March 10.—In an endeavor to discover the identity of a letter writer who frankly states that his object is to break up a happy home, Daniel H. Church, manager of the Standard Embossing company, 407 Dearborn street, has employed Chicago detectives and has announced that he will not cease his efforts until the anonymous writer is found and punished. The letters are all addressed to Mrs. Church, who was Miss Josephine Patton of Philadelphia, and whose marriage to Mr. Church last October was one of the notable social events in the Pennsylvania city. Mrs. Church, partly to make a visit and partly to escape the prosecution of the unknown, went to the home of her parents, 317 Jefferson street, Philadelphia, two weeks ago. Yesterday in Philadelphia Mrs. Church said:

"I have been receiving the most terrible, anonymous letters imaginable ever since our marriage. They are all typewritten, unsigned and are mailed in every section of Chicago. All bear the marks of the degenerate, the language in many cases being unprintable. They tell me that my home will be broken up, my happiness ruined and my confidence in my husband destroyed. When we lived in apartments after our marriage I was called up by telephone daily by this person until I refused to answer calls unless a name was given that was familiar to me. So great has the annoyance become that now we keep our place of residence a secret, this being in accordance with my husband's wish. One very long letter was sent to me stating that a duplicate was to be given to the Chicago newspapers. It was filled with scurrilous statements about my husband, myself, our social relations and lives. Strange to say, a copy of the letter did reach a Chicago reporter, and was sent out from that city, but investigation by the newspapers proved its falsity. Of course no word of it was printed. My husband has employed the best detectives in Chicago to work on the case and it is our intention to discover the identity of the anonymous writer and end this nuisance.

### Trial of Two Officers.

Manila, March 10.—Col. James Forney, of the marine corps will preside at the court martial to try Major Littleton, W. T. Walker and Lieut. John H. A. Day, of the marine corps, March 17 next on the charge of executing natives of the island of Samar without trial. The court martial will be composed of army officers and officers of the marine corps. The charges specify that Major Walker and Lieutenant Day killed three native stevedores on the streets of Bayside, island of Samar, without trial. These stevedores were among those who accompanied the disastrous expedition of Major Walker and a detachment of marines to the interior of Samar last December.

It is claimed these stevedores mutilated and proceeded to the foothills where they dug camotes (a variety of sweet potatoes), and that they later concealed and refused to turn them over to the Americans, saying that when the marines died of hunger they would have a good supply of arms and ammunition.

Sympathy is expressed for Major Walker, who, at that time, was suffering from mental and physical strain. Lieutenant Day apparently obeyed Major Walker's orders.

### Selling Liquor to Minors.

Plattsmouth, Neb., March 10.—Several of the local saloon men are being severely criticised for violating the city's ordinances in regard to selling liquor to minors. Bert Eilledge, a fifteen year old boy, was found in an alley last night so drunk that he was unable to stand upon his feet. It is probable that the dealer who sold the boy liquor will be prosecuted, and an example made of this case.

# NEBRASKA NOTES

Valley business men have formed a commercial club.

A bank with \$25,000 capital stock has been formed at Stuart.

Among the municipal ornaments of the city of Lincoln will be an \$8000 fountain.

A six weeks' session of the southwest Nebraska teachers' institute begins at Culbertson May 27.

Ex-Sheriff Kavanaugh, of Columbus, has been adjudged insane and will be taken to the Lincoln asylum.

Otto Hitchcock and John Demming, of Fremont, have been sentenced to 18 months each in the district court for hog stealing.

It is now thought that Frank Allen, of Grundy, who was badly injured by the accidental discharge of a shotgun several days ago, will recover. His left arm was amputated.

Kilpatrick Bros. and Collins, of Beatrice, have secured the contract to lay 30 miles of railroad for the Southern Pacific from Moore to Anson, work to begin at once.

S. B. Cain, politician who has resided at Newman Grove for many years, shot himself in the head three times Monday evening but failed to finish his career.

A meeting of the business men of Table Rock was held Saturday night at Woodman hall to organize a commercial club. A temporary organization was effected.

Thieves entered the Rock Island depot at Fairbury, and got away with \$85. Bloodhounds were brought from Beatrice on a special train, but immediately went to the home of a prominent citizen who is above suspicion.

Edmund Schneller was robbed in Rising City of \$205 and a gold watch. He recognized his assailants and filed a complaint charging Thomas Garshaw, Henry Garshaw, Edward Doty, Henry Ingalls and Frank Ingalls, all of Rising City with the crime. The men all pleaded not guilty.

Albion is rejoicing at having been promised a new depot by the Union Pacific railroad. The company asked the city to vacate a short line of street for the purpose of a station site, which the city quickly did. The new station will be placed close to the Elkhorn depot.

General Manager Bidwell, of the Elkhorn, announced that his road and the Union Pacific would begin the construction of a new freight warehouse at Fremont within a short time. The building will cost between \$30,000 and \$40,000. The property has not yet been bought.

At the meeting of the American League of Protection at Lincoln, there were delegates in attendance from Wyoming, Nebraska, Washington, Colorado and Oregon. A change was made in the constitution, so that each harbor of fifteen or more members, could have a representative in the supreme harbor.

A dispatch has been received that C. W. Bullock, formerly of Kearney, has been sentenced to death by a Canadian court, and will be executed March 26, at Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta. Bullock shot a friend named Stanton in 1900, and was captured after a long search.

For the second time in six weeks Mrs. Martha Grainger has begun suit in Lincoln for a divorce. Before, under the name of Mrs. Davis she applied for a divorce from her present husband. It was shown that she had never been divorced from Mr. Grainger, who still lives, so her marriage with Mr. Davis was declared void. She now wishes to be divorced from her first husband.

Brainard will from present indications have a first-class building boom this spring. The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad company now has seven car loads of material on the sidetrack for the erection of a new depot. A. J. Posvar, as soon as weather permits, will build a handsome two-story residence to cost about \$5,000.

Another forged check has turned up in Nebraska City. It is an exact duplicate of the one which was passed on Mullen Bros. This one was offered to Fred Boehm, butcher, in payment for a small purchase, and was accepted and the change given to the stranger. The amount of the check was \$8.60. Cashier John W. Steinhart of the Otoe County National bank, on which the check was drawn, has sent it to the American Bankers' association, with a request that the matter be investigated.

At the last meeting of the village trustees ten acres of land adjoining town were purchased, to be used as a city park. Shade trees will soon be planted and the site will be used for a base ball ground and other amusements. The trustees also purchased about \$500 worth of fire-fighting apparatus, consisting of a chemical engine, buckets, and hook and ladder truck.

Sheridan county wants a new court house.