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THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1908.

Break Jail.

Last Friday night the two prisoners, Tony Maule and Fred Gardner, charged with petty larceny and forgery, respectively, broke out of our county jail by prying the top of the door of the steel cage outward with a 2x4 bed rail and breaking through the other doors with apparent ease, going north to Mat House's where they stole a mare and colt, and at Jesse Brosius' stole a horse and saddle.

Early Saturday morning Sheriff Rosseter instructed the county attorney to phone over the country wherever it was possible, and started in pursuit. He was joined on North Table by Jesse Brosius and they trailed the Brosius horse by a peculiar foot mark to Harmony where they lost the trail. Upon returning to Valentine Saturday night Sheriff Rosseter was expecting to hear from somewhere around the country by phone that people were on the lookout for the two escaped prisoners or had seen traces of them. Imagine his chagrin to learn that nothing had been done—no one notified of a jail delivery, excepting that Mrs. Rosseter had Co. Treas. Armstrong phone to Rosebud, and apparently no interest was taken in the matter by those who were supposed to assist the sheriff.

Saturday evening E. C. Cole of Cody phoned Judge Walcott that two suspicious looking characters were there trying to sell two horses and asked if they could be arrested on suspicion?

They were not arrested and the people are wondering what Judge Walcott's answer was! Whether an attorney's duty to a client extends to future welfare or conduct or whether he is expected to assist a prisoner in unlawful escape is the question before the people. If Judge Walcott was the employed attorney of one of these prisoners perhaps it was not his duty to assist in his capture?

Sheriff Rosseter took the train west as soon as he learned this clue which was on the Belate passenger Tuesday noon, and is still searching for them.

Centers in Lincoln.

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Commissioner's Proceedings.

Valentine, June 29, 1908.
Commissioners met as a board of equalization as per adjournment. Present: G. E. Russell, chairman, A. E. Morris and James Mone.

Matter of the affidavit of W. W. Alt, relative to his assessment of personal property for the year 1908, taken up and upon investigation found to be erroneous, and corrected, making his assessment of cattle on 650 head and all property to be assessed in school district No. 84.

Adjourned to July 1.
June 30, 1908.
Board met as per adjournment. Members all present.

Matter of the application of A. B. Overman for a license to sell liquor in Crookston precinct taken up and the board designated Wednesday, July 29, at 10 a. m. as the date on which the hearing of said petition be had.

Adjourned to July 29.
July 1, 1908.
Board met as per adjournment. Members all present.

Commissioners sat as a board of equalization, attending to the adjustment of taxes, until July 2nd, when the adjourned to July 14th.

St. Nicholas Church.

Services will be held as follows: In Valentine, Sunday, July 19; high mass and sermon at 10 a. m. After mass Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.

Instruction for the children at 3 p. m.

LEO M. BLAERE, Rector.

St. John's Church.

Services will be held Sunday, July 19, as follows: Low celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 7 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. Evensong at 8 p. m.

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Dr. Meeham, osteopath has, moved into his new office rooms over the Red Front store. Telephone No. 155. 10

The 12-year-old "kids" have challenged the fat men.

The school building addition is being rapidly pushed along.

Mrs. C. G. Hall of Spaulding is visiting her brother A. F. Webb.

Miss Bates of Lincoln is visiting at the home of her brother in this city.

The Snake river people had a big picnic last Sunday and a good time is reported.

Ed Richards and Ben Steadman were in from Kennedy Tuesday, getting supplies for haying.

The baseball organization was re-organized last night and some changes will be made next month.

Hon. M. P. Kinkaid was in the city Sunday conferring with a few of the local leaders of the republican party.

A. J. Short and wife of the west part of the county spent the past week in our city and visiting friends down the river.

L. T. Adams of Neligh is here again in the Central meat market which has been purchased by L.H. Baumann who started the business.

Sam Schneider of Crookston called today to join the Bryan club and subscribe for THE DEMOCRAT. He's been a republican but is for Bryan.

C. W. Soldier drove down from Rosebud last Thursday with E. A. Allen, a former Manhattan boy who is now an inspector in the Indian service.

Jas. H. Quigley and R. M. Faddis spent the first of the week on the reservation looking at their beef. They say the cattle never looked better.

C. L. Dotson is traveling for the International Harvester Co. this summer. He has been working for the Ludwig Lumber Co. nearly three years.

Dave Dunn called on us last Saturday while it rained and told us he was for Bryan and will be found talking for the "Great Commoner" until election time.

Miss Frances Thackrey came down from Rosebud last Thursday and has been visiting with her sisters near Simeon this week. Next Saturday she expects to go down to her old home at Manhattan, Kan., for a visit. Lawrence Rice will accompany her for a visit with Grandma Rice and other relatives.

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BASEBALL UMPIRES.

Kicking on Their Decisions Is as Old as the Game.

Much has been said and written about the habit that ball players have, and apparently cannot break themselves of entirely, of disputing decisions of the umpire. The practice dates back for many years. As far back as 1869 in an account of a game between the famous Atlantics of Brooklyn and the Excelsiors there appeared the following:

"We hope to see the boys' play of disputing over the decision of umpires entirely done away with."

Many years have passed since that was written, and the players still dispute what in some quarters it is argued should be the sacred decisions of the judges of play. Nowadays the best umpires in the game make allowance for the state of mind a player is in while engaged in a close contest.

The following extract is from a New York paper printed in 1867:

"Kelly says that Peck's dummy has created quite an excitement on Ann street. Dressed in a full baseball rig, he looks quite natty. Scofield of the Haymakers did think about bringing the figure over to the Union grounds to act as umpire in the Haymakers-Eckford game yesterday, but a young man named Monell was found who answered nearly as well."—New York Tribune.

MEPHISTO'S RING.

A Jewel That Bears a Deadly Reputation in Spain.

It seems strange to read in these days of a ring which is believed to have an evil influence over its owner and which is known as "Mephisto's ring."

Yet such a ring exists and until recent years was in possession of the Spanish royal family. The ring is set with a very large emerald, in the center of which is inserted a ruby.

It is first heard of in the sixteenth century, since when the kings who owned it have suffered disasters unlimited, while the whole country has gradually sunk from its former eminent position.

When the late Hispano-American war broke out the ring was presented to a church. The sacred building shortly after was destroyed by fire.

The next resting place of the ring was a museum, which was twice struck by lightning while holding the ill omened jewel.

The fatal ring has now, it is said, been packed in a strong box and securely buried. It remains to be seen whether this will finally put an end to its "mystic" power.—Pearson's Weekly.

A Problem in Numbers.

No one is known to have succeeded in finding two integral numbers such that the sum of their cubes would produce the cube of a whole number. The cubes of the first ten numbers give the following series: 1-8-27-64-125-216-343-512-729-1000. This series may be prolonged indefinitely. The problem would then be to find two members of the series such that their sum is just equal to another member. Adding 125 and 216, we get 341, which is certainly pretty close to 343. Again, adding 216 and 512, we obtain 728, which is within a single unit of 729, another member of the series. Another example of being very close, but not exact, is that 729 plus 1,000 gives 1,729, which is but a single unit more than 1,728, the cube of 12. It will thus be seen that the first twelve cubes yield two cases where the approximation is but a unit out of the way. As the possible cubes are infinite in number, it may seem worth while to prosecute the search.—Scientific American.

Trapped by Its Portrait.

If an old English writer be true in his observations, the pheasant must be a very simple bird, for he declares that it puts its head in the ground and thinks that all its body is then hidden. The same author says that it was also captured by another curious plan. A picture of the bird was painted on cloth and then placed in a spot where it was sure of being seen. By and by a silly pheasant cooing along catches sight of the portrait and goes up to have a close view of the new neighbor. While engaged in inspecting the canvas the fowler draws near from behind and throws his net over the unwary art sinner.

The Dangers of Riches.

More men have been ruined by affluence and its consequent temptations than have ever been wrecked on the rock of poverty. To the rich man duty often loses its imperative voice, and he tapers with its claims and neglects its fulfillment, while all the time he is breeding greed and selfishness in his heart, to the defilement of his whole life. Against all this and much more the man of relative poverty is defended and kept.—Strand Magazine.

Practical Sympathy.

A gentleman was one day relating to a Quaker a tale of deep distress and concluded by saying: "I could not but feel for him." "Verily, friend," replied the Quaker, "thou didst right in that thou didst feel for thy neighbor, but didst thou feel in the right place? Didst thou feel in thy pocket?"

Terrifying.

"Work never hurts anybody," said the industrious man. "No," answered Pleading Pete, "but it's most as bad to be scared as hurt."—Washington Star.

Among life's ups and downs the most annoying are keeping expenses down and appearances up.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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