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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1887.

Coming Events.

North Nebraska Soldiers' Reunion at Norfolk, August 23—27.

Omaha Fair, Sept. 5—10.

Soldiers Reunion, Omaha, Sept. 5—10.

Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Sept 9—16.

Fair at Schuyler Sept. 21—24.

Platte County Fair at Columbus, Sept 27—30.

Fair at Albion Oct. 4—6.

Republican State Convention, Lincoln, Wednesday, October 5th. Platte county is entited to 6 delegates.

SENATOR RIDDLEBERGER, of Virginia, after being released by a mob, returned to jail.

Two masked men the other evening robbed the cash drawer of a street car in St. Joe of $20.

EX-GOV. BLACKBURN, at Louisville, Ky., was reported one day last week in a dying condition.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S reply to President Cleveland's letter of congratulations, is replete with kind sayings for America.

ONE and two dollar silver certificates notes, will be issued by the treasurer at Washington, to banks, bankers and others making the necessary deposits.

STEWART JACKSON, president of the Dispatch Transfer Co. of Kansas City, has absconded leaving several personal friends and relatives in the lurch to the extent of $17,000.

AT a Bohemian picnic at Friend Monday John Newer and his brother Frank were murdered by a crowd of railroaders, part of a construction gang. Beer was the exciting cause.

"WHY is it," said a husband to his wife, "that married women, as a rule, are such gossipers?" "Because they find such attentive listeners in their husbands," replied the lady easily.

IT is reported that the Rock Island depot, three large grain elevators and a number of shops and dwellings at Walnut, Ia., were burned one night last week. Property destroyed worth $90,000.

Two hundred lawyers were present at Saratoga, N. Y., on the 18th inst., at the morning session of the convention of the American Bar Association. Thos. J. Semms, of New Orleans, presided.

TEN large ice houses and six freight cars belonging to the Chautauqua Lake Ice Co. of Pittsburg burned one morning last week at Burtis bay, on Chautauqua Lake, causing a loss of $70,000.

WM. NUNN, a farmer living three miles from St. Joseph, Mo., while standing in his door, was shot dead by a man named Tibbet. Four men followed Tibbet. After he fired the assaulting party all fired.

THE Republicans of Pennsylvania held their state convention one day last week. They highly recommended James G. Blaine for next candidate for President, and nominated a good, strong state ticket.

THE United States steamer Tennessee has been reappraised at $28,000 and will be offered at public sale in New York, September 15. The New York will also be offered for sale at the same time at $20,000.

THE democratic candidate for governor of Ohio who was challenged by Foraker to say whether he approved or disapproved the order for the surrender of the rebel flags, has not as yet divulged his opinion.

A. G. ARKOE, a prominent democratic politician of Rockport, Ill., who is worth about $25,000 was brought to St. Joe, the other day, and placed in jail to await trial on a charge of stealing two spans of mules.

NEW YORK *World*, dem.: It is not strange that the feeling should exist at the west that the financial policy of the administration is shaped in the interest of Wall street and not in that of the whole country.

J. F. PAGE, book-keeper of the large wholesale stationery house of C. S. Buchenier & Co., raised a $25 check to $25,000 on the J. Carter bank at Montreal, one day last week, had it cashed, and then absconded.

JAMES REYNOLDS was taken by a mob at Leon, Ia., from the jail and hung near the town by the neck until he was dead. His crime was criminally assaulting Mary Noble, an estimable lady living two miles west of that place.

A PACKAGE sent from Omaha by the Pacific Express, it is just learned, was lost between Green River, Wyo., and Pocatello, Idaho, containing $2500 in bills. There is no clue. Employes of the company are not suspected.

A DESTRUCTIVE storm visited London, England, on the 18th inst. Three persons were killed and a number of churches and houses were struck by lightning. In the country there was much destruction of property, and many persons reported killed.

REV. C. H. BRECHILL, of Chambersburg, Pa., dropped dead in the waiting room of the Lake Shore depot in Chicago one night last week. He was 67 years old and a prominent clergyman of the society of Friends. He was on his way to Des Moines.

Death to Prairie Dogs!

EDITOR JOURNAL, Columbus Neb. *Dear Sir:*—It was my fortune in purchasing land here in Platte county to have a few prairie dogs thrown in, as a nuisance, and it has ever since been my wish to get rid of them. I tried various kinds of poison, shooting, drowning, etc., but all failed until quite recently I learned that Bi Sulphide of Carbon would destroy them. It is a liquid, can be purchased at the drug stores at a cost of from 10 to 15 cents a pound by the quantity. I bought from three different parties; the best and cheapest I got from Edward R. Taylor of Cleveland, Ohio. It is sure death to prairie dogs, gophers, squirrels, etc. Mode of applying it: take a piece of cotton the size of a hen egg, saturate it with about ½ an ounce of the Bi Sulphide of Carbon, throw it into the hole of the animal, cover the top of hole with ground, so that the cotton is loose in the hole. A gas is formed and the dogs are killed. I have destroyed my dogs on about 80 acres at a cost of $30.00, and increased the value of the land $500,00. One pound will do for 25 holes.

This medicine is quickly applied and is sure death. No humbug about it.

Very respectfully thy friend,

ISAIAH LIGHTNER,
Matson, Platte county, Neb.

Chatsworth.

The coroner's jury rendered the following verdict after a thorough investigation:

"We find that the wrecking of said train, which totally demolished eight coaches, one baggage car and one engine, and either killed or wounded most of the occupants of said coaches, was caused by the said bridge having been burned out before the train struck it. We think from the evidence that the bridge was fired from fires left burning, which had been set as late as 5 o'clock that afternoon, by section men, as close as sixteen feet on both east and west sides of the bridge. We further find that the foreman of section seven, Timothy Coughlin, disobeyed positive orders from his superior to examine the track and bridges on his section the last thing on Wednesday, and that said foreman, Coughlin, was guilty of gross and criminal carelessness, in leaving fires burning along the track in such a dry season and with such a strong wind blowing. We recommend that he be held for examination by the grand jury; and, further, it is the opinion of the jury that the leaving of the track without being patrolled for six hours before the passage of the excursion train, and the setting of fire by the section men on such a dry and windy day as the 10th day of August, 1887, were acts which deserve severe criticism."

Timothy Coughlin, section foreman, was arrested and will be taken to the county seat at once. He says he cannot give bail, and insists that the verdict is unjust; that he went over the entire section as ordered, and that no fires were built as near the bridge as Heald and Taggart testified.

Ask all of Them.

The *Democrat* of last Friday shows great anxiety for the candidate for "the important office of county superintendent" of schools, and addresses "some questions" to Mr. Ed. Newman, who has, up to the present, been regarded as the one most likely to receive the nomination from the democrats. The questions are well enough in their way, doubtless, but the democracy are wondering why their party organ should ask such questions now of any candidate for nomination, and wondering further why it wouldn't be appropriate to propound similar questions to some of the candidates for other offices. Is the superintendent's office the only important one? Is it the only office where experience is useful, where competency is in demand, where personal habits should be good, and where character should be above reproach? Why single out this office and this particular aspirant? Special acts are justified by special reasons, and to the average Platte county democrat there seems to be a tolerably large-sized "African in the wood pile." Has the *Democrat* a rival aspirant?

Here Too.

"Seward wants a man who has got a good knowledge of manufacturing from flax straw, a good deal of energy, a little common sense and some money, to locate here and go to making twine for farmers to use for binding their grain. Experience has demonstrated that there is money in it for the manufacturer as well as the farmer. Who will find such a man who will come and look up the matter and locate here? There is plenty of flax raised here to furnish all our farmers with binding twine on which no freight would have to be paid, and the sale of the straw which now goes to waste, would give them a neat little addition to their yearly income. Other kinds of twine could be manufactured for the market and thus goods manufactured at Seward could be sent to other places and thus bring in money instead of sending it out. Let us secure such an enterprise as soon as possible.—*Reporter.*

I. D. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec'y., has issued a call for a state convention to meet in Fitzgerald Hall, Lincoln, 10 a. m., Thursday, Sept. 15th, to place in nomination a state ticket and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention. The call invites all who endorse the Cincinnati platform, and includes the members of all labor organizations, Knights of Labor, Union Labor Clubs, Greenback Labor party, Farmers' Alliance, Grangers, Patrons of Husbandry, &c. Platte county is entitled to seven delegates.

FROM a private letter from eastern Illinois, we learn that in Indiana wheat and oats are pretty good; wheat averaging 20 bushels per acre. Corn is no good. There has been no rain there for two months, and the corn is all dried up. On the high land the corn won't make five bushels per acre, and on bottom about ten bushels. In Illinois the weather has been very dry, but crops are better. We don't raise much wheat here, but what there is is a fair crop. Oats is making 30 bushels per acre, while corn will yield from 20 to 30 per acre.—*Madison Chronicle.*

WORD comes from London that news had been received there of the burning at sea of the Inman line of steamers, City of Montreal, upon arrival at Queenstown, the other morning of the steamer York City. Thirteen persons are said to have perished, the remainder having been rescued by the York City and brought to Queenstown.

THE town that attempts to build itself up by misrepresenting neighboring towns, doesn't deserve to succeed. There is plenty of room in this grand commonwealth of Nebraska for every town in it to grow, and the man who tries to retard the growth of any community is a villian and a traitor to the state.—*Norfolk News.*

PROF. FOSTER, the Iowa weather prophet, says: "We are satisfied that 1887 is the last drouth year for several years to come. We have had two years of drouth as predicted by the writer—predictions based upon the principles and data of meteorology. Reasoning from the same basis principles we reach the conclusion that the next year and four or five succeeding years will be of the ordinary character as to humidity in the Mississippi valley and pretty generally throughout the United States but with an increasing tendency to dryness in the eastern states."

THE guilty conscience of R. S. Scott, who at different times stole from the Manhattan bank, New York, where he was employed, about $160,000 and then fled the country, has, at London, made full confession of his crime and implicated John R. Dunn of New York, his colleague in crime. He gives all the particulars in his confession, which is quite lengthy, but suit has already been commenced against Dunn for the recovery of $140,000, the amount for which he is implicated in the stolen money.

FREIGHT cars of the New York division of the Pennsylvania railroad have been broken into for sometime past and robbed of all kinds of goods. Last week Frank Drake and wife, Walter Landis, Geo. Finebrock and Arthur Culbertson were arrested, charged with the robberies and complicity in the same. A large amount of the stolen goods was found in the houses of the accused.

GEORGE BARTLETT, a farmer living near Van Wert, Ohio, while driving to town with his wife and child his horses got frightened and ran away and all were thrown out of the wagon. Mrs. Bartlett was thrown under the wagon and run over, receiving injuries which resulted in her death. Mr. Bartlett received several internal injuries which it is feared will prove fatal. The child was not injured.

PATRICK DERKIN, aged 71, a farmer, living near Cusecde, Ia., left a neighbor's house last February on a stormy night, for his home. Although dilligent search was made, that was the last seen of him. Last week news reached Dubuque that his headless and dismembered body was found at the edge of a creek, 200 yards from his house. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental drowning.

A SAD accident to the St. Louis, Chicago & Cincinnati express train on the Baltimore & Ohio, at Washington, in which all the cars, except the sleepers, were badly smashed up. The engineer and two passengers were killed. The fireman was badly scalded, and nine passengers seriously injured. The accident was caused by the air brakes being out of order.

THE testimony adduced Monday in the Richardson trial at Loup City is more favorable for the prisoner than was supposed it would be. Just before the close of the day's session the state expressed a desire to rest, and the defense filed a motion that the court require the state to produce their witnesses, three of whom are eye-witnesses.

THE most terrific hail storm that ever visited Atchison, struck there at 4 o'clock on the 20th, and hail-stones nine and ten inches in circumference, fell. The wind was blowing from the north, and half the windows in the city, on the north side of the houses were broken. The loss in glass will aggregate $4,000 or $5,000.

THE latest sensational news from Denver is to the effect that Sheriff Kendall and nine men went out on a reconnoisance, got to Glenwood about midnight and were ambushed in the rear. They made a gallant fight for their lives and finally returned with four men wounded slightly and three horses killed.

ANNIE MITCHELL, of St. Joseph, Mo., twelve years old, was shot by Willie Koster, who was shooting rats with a Flobert rifle. The ball passed through the fleshy part of the left arm and lodged in her side. The wound is a dangerous one and should blood poison result, will prove fatal.

THE bank of London, at Ontario, suspended payment the other morning. The bank has a subscribed capital of $1,000,000, of which $223,538 is paid up. Very little loss is anticipated by lienll holders.

ONLY one new case of yellow fever and one death at Key West, Fla., on the 21st inst. The total number of cases up to date is 254; still sick, 40; discharged cured, 160; deaths, 53.

IT was reported from Peoria, Ill., last week that all the Chatsworth wreck bodies had been identified, and had been put in charge of their friends. The dead now number eighty.

NEBRASKA NOTES.

The militia encampment will be held at Lincoln August 29.

In the Knox county-seat contest a total vote of 2,083, Niobrara had a majority of twenty-one votes.

A man by the name of Tousguard was found insane the other day at Neligh and ordered to the asylum.

The First National bank of Madison has been authorized to begin business with a capital stock of $50,000. The stock is held by the business men of the town.

Wymore has a contract for putting in a system of waterworks, to consist of a hundred-feet stand-pipe and direct pressure capable of throwing two million gallons of water a day.

W. I. Jones, living near Falls City, threshed his oats crop last week, and it turned out an average of ninety-seven and a half bushels to the acre. This was the average of thirteen acres.

Edgar Varney's house, at Analey, one night last week was struck by lightning, which damaged the building about $75. Mr. Varney expected to move into the building with his family in a day or two.

It is claimed that a new system of telephone is about to make a revolution in the telephone service, making it a great deal more effective as well as a great deal cheaper than the present system.

William McQuay, the section boss at Indianola, was found west of town at the west end of the railroad bridge unconscious and with several scalp wounds on his head. Whether it was an accident or foul play is not known.

Mrs. Pillman, living near Wisner, committed suicide one night last week, by hanging herself to the knob of her chamber door by a handkerchief. She was a widow with three children, and had recently been despondent.

Falls City was visited by burglars one or two nights last week. They entered the residence of J. R. Cain and carried off clothing and a valuable watch. They were frightened the night before from the residence of P. S. Heacock.

The Omaha *Herald* of Thursday printed seven editorials relating to Mr. Blaine. This shows how the Plumed Knight can give a democrat the jimjams even at a distance of five thousand miles.—*Fremont Tribune.*

Recent estimates of the corn crop in eleven states put Nebraska ahead of all of them. The estimate for Nebraska is put down for ten counties at 88.5 per cent. Ten Minnesota counties stand the next highest, being 85.2 per cent.

The body of a boy about eight years old and covered with a calico shirt and checkered pants, was found floating in the river at Nebraska City one day last week. It was in good shape and could not have been in the water long.

Kearney's marshall arrested Bagnell who had $300 in new bills on his person. He was subsequently turned over to the sheriff of Dawson county, who took him to Plum Creek. He is supposed to be the man who robbed Paymaster Bush.

Walter Margritz, a boy ten years old, of Stuart, was dragged to death the other morning by a cow which he was herding. The lad had tied the rope around his body and the animal became frightened and ran away, resulting in his death.

The citizens of Dodge in this county are boaring for coal. They have let the contract to go one thousand feet into the earth in pursuit of the dusky diamonds. They confidently expect to be rewarded for their effort.—*Fremont Tribune.*

W. R. Livesy, a citizen of Hebron, while cutting a rope inflicted a cut on his leg from which he nearly bled to death before assistance could be secured. His wound was dressed; subsequently it started to bleed again from the effects of which he died.

Last Saturday A. C. Tyrrel shipped a melissa or honey bee plant to the American Bee *Journal* at Chicago. The plant was 2 feet 7 inches high, 8 feet 10 inches in circumference, and had put forth up to the date it was taken up 30,000 blossoms.—*Madison Chronicle.*

An attempt was made one night last week to set fire to the Leland hotel at Indianola, by placing combustible material on the outside stair way, then pouring on coal oil and setting fire to that. The fire was discovered and extinguished before much damage was done.

A railroad man was robbed one night last week near Shearon's crossings, southwest of Fairbury, while he was walking to camp; he was seized by two men and carried into a cornfield where he was robbed of a small sum of money and some new clothes. He had received $200 dollars the day before but had deposited it.

Gov. Thayer visited York last week. He spoke to an audience in the evening at the opera house of Grand Army boys and their friends, and was present at the ball game in the afternoon between the lawyers and doctors. From York he went to McCook to attend an old settler's picnic.

A very important question was raised in the case of the State vs. B. F. Richardson for the murder of O. B. Willard now on trial at Loup City. The prosecutor made a motion, sustained by affidavits, that on account of the bias and perjudice of the sheriff, he should not be permitted to draw talesmen for the jury. The motion was taken under advisement.

The sheriff of Logan county has captured and brought to North Platte, Charles Parker. He was captured by the sheriff alone but Parker attempted to shoot Sheriff Dooms and bite his way through the struggle, but was overpowered and brought in, and is now in jail. The sheriff will be entitled to the $1,000 reward.

Clint Hulet, of Beatrice, was arrested the other night at Reynolds, charged with stealing $200 worth of cigars, notions, etc., from the store of S. H. Gunder, of Beatrice. He acknowledged his guilt and implicated Fred. McNally, of the same place of a like transaction. When arrested, he was on a visit to his intended bride. His down-fall is attributed to fast living.

Mrs. Leslie, of Lincoln, when the workmen had finished digging a hole for setting a telephone pole, appeared and objected to placing it in front of her property. When they got ready to put in the pole and returned, they found Mrs. Leslie in the hole up to her waist. She kept them at bay for an hour until she could procure a writ of injunction.

While Ed. South, of Humphrey, was returning home from Madison yesterday, with his mother, mother-in-law and sister—the latter having a baby—the team ran away when about two miles south of this place, upsetting the carriage, and throwing them all out. Mrs. South had her right wrist sprained, and her left shoulder thrown out of joint. The others was bruised to a greater or less extent.—*Madison Chronicle.*

The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley construction company are now running a passenger coach on the construction trains between Fremont and Seward and Fairmont now has direct communication with that lively little city and intermediate points. The train leaves Fremont about 7:30 a. m. and returns about the same hour in the evening the distance both ways being 120 miles.—*Fremont Tribune.*

In the midst of sad realties there are some very amusing things sometimes. In the Butler county cyclone it is reported that one lady was "divested of all her clothing except a corset and petticoat," while her husband had torn from him "his entire wardrobe except a pair of pants and a collar button." Some doubting editor, reading the account coldly, desires to know what that collar button was fastened to, to which the Fremont *Tribune* man responds: "This locates the 'stingiest man in Nebraska' who was going the rounds of the press sometime ago. He is reported to have used a wart on the back of his neck for a collar button. Of course the wind couldn't blow that off."

The citizens of Niobrara have had quite an exciting time over the result of the recent election returns giving Niobrara the county seat. It was Creighton precinct that was in contest. Canvasser G. A. Brooks, Senator Bonsteel heard the statement of the election board at Creighton precinct, all of whom, it is alleged, refused to be sworn. The board decided in favor of Niobrara by 14 majority. Great excitement prevails among the people. They even make the charge that it was a clear case of forgery and ballot-stuffing, and predict that several arrests will follow.

On Friday last Mr. Crabtree swore out a warrant against Mary and Lizzie Cooney for assault and battery. The case was called for trial before Judge Browner on Saturday morning. The evidence showed that Mary and Lizzie Cooney came to Mr. Crabtree's in his absence to take home some pigs which had been trespassing and had been locked up by Crabtree. Mrs. Crabtree came out and requested that the pigs be let alone until Mr. Crabtree came home. A quarrel ensued and in the melee Lizzie Cooney received a wound over the right eye. After listening to the evidence of both sides the defendents were discharged. In the afternoon of the same day Clark Cooney swore out a warrant for Crabtree for assault with intent to kill. A preliminary hearing was held before the county judge, which resulted in Mr. Crabtree being bound over in the sum of $500 for appearance at the September term of the district court.—*Fullerton Journal.*

REPUBLICAN CITY, Neb., August 18.—Special to the *Bee.*—The worst storm ever witnessed in this part of the state struck this place about 6 o'clock this afternoon. The large brick school house, just about finished, was completely wrecked. Seven carpenters were caught in the ruins. Five were rescued alive, but injured, and two were seriously injured. J. J. Lanning, a highly respected young man of the place, and A. S. Allen, of Alma, Neb., foreman of the gang, were killed. Lanning was a single man, Allen being married. The dormitory of the McPherson normal college was badly damaged, the whole north side of the upper story being blown in. The house of H. S. Wetheral, a printer, was completely blown away, burying his wife and two children in the debris, badly injuring them. The brick residence of William Gibbs and Oscar Vallicott were partially demolished. The front of the law office of James Hunter lays in the street. The one-story residence of Dr. Becher was lifted entirely off its foundation and carried some distance, but, strange to say, damaging it but little. Lightning struck the residence of L. K. Morris, badly damaging it. A number of other residences were more or less injured, out houses were prostrated, fences blown down, and, together with the contents of lumber yards, scattered over the town. The city generally presents a demoralized condition. The storm lasted fully twenty-five minutes—a straight, hard blow, accompanied by heavy rain and hail, the hail breaking windows on the north and east sides of houses. The loss to the city and vicinity at rough figures will reach $30,000.

Washington Letter.

[From our regular correspondent.]

In my last letter I wrote of the land-surveying fraudulent accounts from California, which had been worked over by "reform" democrats, years after the accounts had been paid and payment secured a second time. The affair is veiled in such mystery that I am only able to state the amount of loss $70,000—sustained from this source by the Government; it is not improbable that further and fuller particulars will soon be forthcoming. Frauds and irregularities in the public service seem to be the order, or rather the disorder, of the day. As the base ballists have it, the treasury and interior departments having had their "innings," it is now the turn of the war department, and it comes bobbing up—first, with the vanished $7,000, which an army paymaster permitted a Wyoming Territory cowboy to "rob" him of; it has been decided that the officer was too careless with this large sum of money and he has been relieved from duty till he or his bondsmen replace the loss; second, with the irregularities, not to use a harsher term, in the Quartermaster General's Department; the veterinary surgeon was constrained to resign, because he had been keeping a private livery stable at the expense of the Government—pleading ignorance of the law as his reason for such reprehensible conduct; still, he was allowed to depart in peace; then the scandal caused by the army officers using the teams of the Department for purely private purposes—such as hauling building materials for their residences and fertilizers for their gardens, etc. And, lastly, the disallowance by the Controller of the Treasury, of the bills for the purchase of horses for the personal use of Mr. Endicott, the mugwump Secretary of War.

It may seem cruel in me, but, I shall also have to ventilate a fraud that has just come to the surface in the department presided over by the dudish Whitney of Standard Oil fame; Paymaster George R. Watkins, United States Navy, has been dismissed from the service by a court-martial for the following good and sufficient reasons. Issuing clothes and supplies to sailors and mariners and charging the same as cash; of buying coal above market rates and of certifying falsely contrary to facts; charging cash payments to dead men; of other similar charges, and of disobedience of orders and of desertion. Before being dismissed, the Paymaster must serve his country three years in the penitentiary; his clerk convicted of forgery and malicious destruction of public records, was sentenced to four years in prison, and to pay a fine of $1,000; the President has remitted the fine and reduced the imprisonment to two years.

Writing of "irregularities" reminds me of a case that excites much comment in the Interior Department—that of John B. Riley, Superintendent of Indian Schools, who, while receiving a salary of $3,000 a year, has been absent several months at his home in Plattsburg, N. Y. The only known reason for his action, which appears rather trivial, is that there is a difference of opinion as to the Superintendent's precise authority.

Mr. Amos Hadley is the second Republican chief clerk of the Interior Department to resign during Cleveland's term and I suppose some other good Republican will be promoted to the position, as there seems to be a woful scarcity of democratic material suitable for such a responsible place. Secretary Lamar is now quietly casting about for a successor to the vacancy, or rather I should say Mr. Cleveland is doing so for him, as the members of the cabinet are merely clerks themselves, whose business it is to register the imperious will of their chief.

Mr. Frederick Douglass has returned from a long and delightful tour of Europe, and he is full of interesting reminiscences of the trip. He was everywhere well received and hospitably entertained. "Nowhere, Mr. Douglass said, by a single word, look, or gesture was disapproval expressed of my color or the kinks in my hair, and I have had a most pleasant and agreeable time during my stay abroad."

The shameful story of naval surgeon Crawford and his fair and youthful victim has been told in the city police court and aroused general indignation against the principal who is known as "the mash of the Naval Hospital," though no decision is yet reached. During the progress of the trial there has been outrageous crimination and recrimination between the Judge and the counsel on both sides; the Judge was charged in open court, with pre-judging the case, and there came near being a challenge to mortal combat by the United States District Attorney and opposing counsel. R.

General Logan's Great Work.

A beautifully bound and artistically illustrated volume, bearing the title "The Volunteer Soldier of America," comes to us from the publishing house of R. S. Peale & Co., Chicago. The public has been anxiously awaiting this work from the brain and hand of the brave soldier who is sleeping in mortality, but awake in immortality—General John A. Logan. Its authorship alone would invest it with an undying interest, but, aside from this, his fitness for treating the subject gives the volume a practical value hardly to be estimated. He was an experienced military man who had carefully and intelligently studied the military system of the country; and when, in convincing language, and by indisputable facts, he demonstrates the need of reform, the country will do well to heed his words. General Logan speaks emphatically, but without prejudice or bitterness, and no one can read this, his greatest work, without feeling that it has been written from first to last as a duty owed to a nation which had crowned him as one of its greatest soldiers and statesmen.

"The Volunteer Soldier" is not a "war book" in a common meaning of the term; neither is it a life of Logan—although the biographical memoir of the author, which precedes the body of the book, is, without doubt, the best short biography of the illustrious volunteer leader that has ever been written, containing many facts and incidents in his career never before published; and the General's Military Reminiscences, it must be admitted by all, form a most valuable contribution to the history of the great civil strife.

It is the only connected history of the volunteer service of America that has ever been written; the first and only great attempt to perpetuate the glorious achievements of the American citizen soldiery, and to give to the volunteer soldier and sailor that honor and place in history which are so justly their due. Logan was never more eloquent than when reciting the deeds or advocating the rights of his comrades in arms. In this work he demands justice for the defenders of the American republic, and shows that the safety and permanence of our free institutions depend upon the strong arms and loyal hearts of our citizen soldiers. The handsomely printed pages of the book abound with thrilling descriptions of the heroism of individuals, companies, regiments, divisions and corps. Much of it reads like a romance.

The work is copyrighted by Mrs. Logan, who receives two-thirds of the gross profits. The first edition, the publishers state, has already been exhausted, but others are under way.

"The Volunteer Soldier" is a large octave volume of seven hundred pages, including General Logan's military reminiscences from his private journal, now published for the first time. The book is beautifully bound, and the artistic engravings and clear letter-press make it the handsomest publication which has reached our book-table for some time.

A report comes from Fairbury that Hugh Garrett was killed by lightning the other day near Steel City, while standing in a barn door.

Drunkenness or the Liquor Habit Positively Cured by Administering Dr. Haines' Golden Specific.

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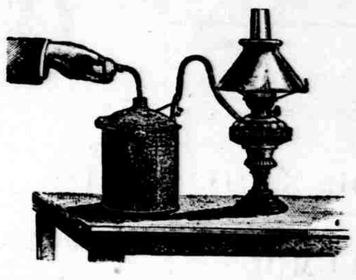

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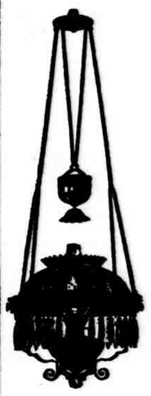

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Third, the open grate, in the open fire-place, a great portion of the heat escaping up the chimney into the outer air.

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