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POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE OF THE DAY.

MEET AN AWFUL FATE

TWO HUNDRED MINERS LOSE THEIR LIVES.

A Sudden Explosion in a Mine in the Indian Territory Produces Dreadful Havoc Among the Four Hundred Miners at Work.

The Victims Crushed and Mangled.

The most fearful accident in the history of coal mining in the Indian Territory occurred at Krebs, a small mining camp a short distance west of McAllister, on Coal Creek. It was a mine explosion, and the result is that from 150 to 155 miners are dead, mangled beyond recognition. 200 more were entombed for a time in a badly disordered mine and many more are crippled and maimed. The explosion took place in shaft No. 1, owned by the Osage Coal & Mining Company, at St. Louis. At the time there were perhaps 400 men in the mine and a moment later the majority of them were hurled into eternity or horribly burned. Most of them had stopped work for the day and were waiting their turn to ride out in the cage. It is stated that eighty-five men succeeded in reaching the open air by means of an abandoned tunnel. About forty miners were rescued by lowering of buckets at the hands of the rescuing party outside the shaft.

FARMERS' ALLIANCE PRESIDENTS.

They Map Out a Program for Themselves and the Political Parties.

At the session of the National Conference of the State Presidents of the Farmers' Alliance at Washington a resolution was adopted urging that the delegates attending the St. Louis conference, February 22, use their influence to establish and perfect fraternal relations with all the labor organizations represented in the said meeting, with the Ocala demands as a basis for a platform of principles: that such platform be presented to the various national conventions this year, and they be urged that the principles involved be drafted into their platforms and that the Alliance as an order refrain from affiliating with any political party. A memorial to Congress was adopted, deploring the agricultural depression, asserting that it was mainly due to unfriendly legislation; the present financial system was defective; all the money should be issued directly to the people at a low rate of interest in sufficient volume to meet legitimate demands, and silver should have all rights in coinage and all the qualities of legal tender possessed by gold.

A Monte Carlo for America.

A Chicago afternoon paper says that a stock company has been organized with a capital of $10,000,000 to establish a Monte Carlo gambling resort on a small island off the California coast, about thirty miles from Santa Barbara. Most of the stock has been taken by New York capitalists. The island will be fitted up in grand style, and the place kept open through the entire year. The report as yet lacks confirmation.

A Train Jumps 100 Feet.

On a western North Carolina road near Asheville, N. C., a freight train became uncontrollable on a heavy grade and dashed down the track at a fearful speed. At the Dyke Ridge trestle it left the rails and plunged into Scotts creek, more than one hundred feet below. Engineer Sam Francis, Fireman Sam Arthur, Rufus Hemphill and a colored man were killed.

Montana Irrigation Ideas.

The Montana State irrigation convention at Helena refused to indorse the section in the Salt Lake platform asking Congress to cede to the States and Territories arid lands in their borders. In its stead a resolution was adopted asking Congress to sell the arid lands to the States in which they are situated, devoting the proceeds to irrigation purposes.

Work at Jackson Park.

In spite of considerable unfavorable weather more work was done on the World's Fair grounds last month than any preceding month. Ten million feet of timber was used and nearly a million and a half pounds of iron. The daily force of mechanics and laborers averaged 2,428 men. Over 28,500 pieces of ornamental stuff were cast.

Were Handled Roughly.

The investigation instituted by the United States into the Chilian outrage upon the Baltimore sailors is proceeding at Vallejo, Cal. The points involved in the matter is the mistreatment of the American sailors by the Chilian soldiers and police, and the witnesses say that the soldiers and police handled them very roughly.

A Brewery Seized.

The Jackson brewery, in San Francisco, has been seized by the Collector of Customs for a violation of the revenue laws. It is asserted that the books show that between 1886 and 1889 21,000 barrels of beer were produced that did not bear the revenue stamp, and that the government has been defrauded out of at least $20,000.

Good Prospects for an Item.

The Tennessee miners are much excited and say the presence of troops is an insult to them and openly declare their intention to resent it. Farmers coming into camp say that 2,500 men are gathered a few miles from camp, who say they will wipe the troops off the face of the earth.

A Fat Mexican Subsidy.

President Diaz, of Mexico, has offered a new concession for a railroad from Topolobampo Harbor to Presidio del Norte, on the Rio Grande. The concessionaire has ten years to complete the line. He will receive 10,000 acres of land in the northern States.

A Steamer Founders at Portland.

The steamer Telephone, plying between Portland, Ore., and Astoria, ran on a breakwater at the mouth of the Willamette River during a heavy fog, and sank. The passengers were gotten ashore before the vessel sank. She was valued at $60,000.

May Be Confiscated.

The Jackson brewery, of San Francisco, has been seized by the government on the charge of brewing 21,000 barrels of beer more than the internal revenue books show. If proven true the plant, valued at $500,000, will be confiscated.

Asked to Resign.

Agent Palmer and Clerk Shoenfelt have been asked to resign from the Cheyenne River agency. Secretary Noble decides that they were guilty of irregularities but the charges against their honesty were not sustained.

Five Boilers Exploded.

Five boilers exploded to-night in the Warren Springer manufacturing building, on Canal street, Chicago, killing four men and dangerously injuring two others, one fatally.

A Strike May Spread.

The strike of the southern express messengers on the Illinois Central Railroad threatens to extend over the whole South.

Northwestern Generosity.

The flour men of Washington have contributed a carload of flour to the Russian famine cargo being secured by the *Northwestern Miller*. So far the contributions to the fund amount to 1,700,000 pounds and were sent to the *Northwestern Miller* from the millers and flour men in Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, District of Columbia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota and Ohio.

GIVEN FAIR WARNING.

The Nations Outside of Reciprocity Must Come In Under Cover or Suffer.

Secretary Blaine has sent notes to the diplomatic representatives of Austria-Hungary, Colombia, Hayti, Nicaragua, Honduras, Spain (for the Philippine Islands), and Venezuela, informing them that on the 15th of March the President would issue a proclamation, unless in the meantime some satisfactory reciprocity arrangements were made with the countries named, declaring that in view of the free admission of the articles named, he deemed their tariff on agricultural and other products of the United States reciprocally unequal and unreasonable, and against the countries named he would issue a proclamation suspending the provisions of the tariff law relating to the free introduction into the United States of sugars, molasses, coffee, teas, and hides. The notice to Spain, however, only applies to the Phillipine Islands. Negotiations with France and some other countries have reached such a stage as, in the opinion of the President, to warrant the Secretary of State in withholding notice to them of a proclamation affecting their products.

BREAKS THE RECORD.

Gov. Campbell Writes the Shortest Message Yet Uttered.

On assembling the Ohio Legislature was organized without much incident. Gov. Campbell's message is chiefly noticeable for its brevity. Entire it is this, and this only:

The Seventtieth General Assembly: The Constitution commands the Governor to communicate annually his views to the General Assembly. As this function will doubtless be well and fully discharged one week from to-day by the incoming Governor, the present incumbent confines himself to renewal of the suggestions and recommendations made by him to the Sixty-ninth General Assembly. Especial attention is called to the benevolent, penal, reformatory, and educational institutions of the State, and to the satisfactory exhibits made by the various public bodies in their recent annual reports.

JAMES CAMPBELL, Governor.

A Train as a Toboggan.

A heavy Elkhorn passenger train which had been set out on a trestle bridge at Deadwood while cars were being switched on the track below, broke from its fastenings and ran down the incline with terrific force, striking the engine and driving the tender into the cab. The forward end of the sleeper was telescoped into the tender and the car crashed into the rear end of it. Both cars are badly wrecked and the damage is about $1,500. A terrific blizzard was blowing at the time and the rails were a glare of ice, it being impossible for the brakes to hold.

Commissioners Appointed.

The President filled the vacancies on the interstate commerce commission by re-appointing Mr. Morrison to succeed himself; nominating Judge William Lindsey, of Kentucky, to succeed Commissioner Bragg; and ex-Senator James W. McDill, of Iowa, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Judge Cooley. Mr. McDill's appointment is something of a surpise owing to the fact that there was reason to believe that the President last week had made up his mind to give this place to Judge Lambertson, of Nebraska.

The Great Catholic Congress.

Monday, Sept. 5, 1893, the great Catholic Congress, which will embrace in its representation prominent Catholics from every country in the world where the Catholic religion flourishes, will meet in Chicago and continue in session five days. After the meeting at which this course was determined upon, Secretary Onahan said that they expect this congress to be the greatest representative Catholic gathering ever held in the world. It is even hoped that the Pope himself will attend.

Fatal Fires.

An early morning fire in an all-night restaurant in Chicago resulted in the suffocation of Rev. J. H. Meredith, of St. Louis, and Paul Wood. One other was fatally and four seriously injured. Another fire in a milkman's residence was extinguished, when the body of the owner, Charles Olson, was found in the ruins. He had been murdered and his house fired. No clue.

A St. Louis Dynamite Plot.

Considerable excitement was created in and about the four courts building in St. Louis, by the report that a dynamite bomb had been exploded in that building. There was however no explosion. One of the attaches of the building found what is supposed to be a dynamite bomb lying on the stairs leading to the circuit room. An examination is being made.

A Vanderbilt Dead.

After a long illness W. A. Vanderbilt died at Vallejo, Cal. He was born in New York in 1850, and was for many years in the service of his cousin, Cornelius Vanderdilt. He superintended the rebuilding of the single turreted monitor Comanche, and the construction of the double turreted monitor Monodoac, now being completed in the Mare Island navy yard.

Divorce as a Fine Art.

Mrs. Minnie Hansen, who was recently granted a divorce from her husband at Goshen, Ind., was married the same evening to F. L. Morehouse, of Elkhart, who makes her sixth husband. She has been divorced from all five who went before. Mrs. Morehouse's maiden name was Minnie Betts and she was born in Elkhart.

Earthquake in New York.

Evidences of an earthquake were noted at Rochester, N. Y., at 1 o'clock p. m., and at intervals during the afternoon. A large suspended magnet swung like a pendulum and was also greatly agitated, magnetically moving over an arc of at least sixteen degrees at 1 o'clock.

Through a Bridge.

A double-header stock train crashed into a bridge two miles from Sentinel Butte, N. D. The head engineer discovered the bridge on fire, and the air brakes were applied, but it was too late. Both engines and one car went through. Fireman Clough was killed.

An Explosion at Huron.

A terrific explosion occurred at the electric light plant in Huron, S. D., when the "blow-off" valve was blown away and one end of the building torn out. Boards and scantlings were thrown fifty feet or more from the building. Fortunately no one was injured.

Disorders Threatened.

Disorders among the strikers on the San San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railroad at Yokum, Texas, are threatened.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.		
CATTLE—Common to prime	$2.50 @	5.20
HOGS—Shipping grades	3.90 @	4.0
SHEEP	4.80 @	5.00
WHEAT—Cash		.89
CORN—Cash		.39
OATS		.32½
RYE		.87
BARLEY		.63
FLAX		.98
BUTTER—Western dairy	.20 @	.25
EGGS—Western	.22 @	.23½
SIOUX CITY.		
CATTLE—Fat steers	$4.00 @	5.00
CATTLE—Feeders	2.75 @	3.50
HOGS	3.60 @	3.70
SHEEP	3.25 @	5.00
WHEAT		.75
OATS (new)		.33
CORN	.25 @	.28
FLAX		.88
OMAHA LIVE STOCK.		
CATTLE—Common to prime	$3.00 @	5.00
HOGS—Shippers	3.90 @	3.80
NEW YORK PRODUCE.		
WHEAT	$	1.05½
CORN	.51 @	.51
OATS—Western	.37 @	.38

CRANK HUNTING.

Police Trying to Locate One Who Assigns Gould.

For some time past threatening letters have been received by the Gould family which were apparently written by a well educated German. The letters dated as far back as 1870, and related incidents connected with the partnership between Mr. Gould and Jim Fisk and their government of the Erie Railroad. They went on to speak of an incident on that road in which the writer's father and mother were injured for which he demanded $10,000. The writer stated that if the $10,000 was not given up forthwith Mr. Gould was liable to be blown up in his office or while walking in the street or riding in his carriage. The request was made that the money be forwarded to a certain address in Canada, a hotel being mentioned there. Inspector Byrnes was notified and he dispatched two detectives to Canada. They visited the hotel in question and learned from its proprietor that he had instructions to forward such letters to a certain town in New Jersey. Instructions had been subsequently left not to open the letters, but to have them readdressed to some place in New York city. The authorities are still at work on the case.

CAUGHT A GREASER.

One of Garza's Men Taken Care of by the Troops.

Late news from the Mexican border reports that Lieut. Langborn, with a detachment of troops, surprised a camp of the revolutionists three miles from Las Crucus, who ran at the appearance of the troops and escaped into a dense thicket; not, however, until one of Garza's leaders, Col. Pablo Munz, had been captured, as well as the horses and complete equipment of nine revolutionists. Juan Antonio Flores, a follower of Garza, in Nuevo Leon, Mex., has issued another proclamation, calling upon patriotic Mexicans to take up arms with Garza and assist in overthrowing Diaz and restoring the constitution.

DR. GRAVES GUILTY.

Convicted at Denver of the Murder of Mrs. Barnaby.

The trial of Dr. T. Thatcher Graves, o Providence, R. I., was concluded at Denver by a verdict of guilty. The case is a peculiar one. Dr. Graves was manager of the estate of Mrs. Barnaby, a wealthy widow. Last summer the lady died in Denver from poison administered through whiskey sent her from the East. The evidence showed that Dr. Graves sent the liquor. He was down in the lady's will for $25,000.

Alabama Cyclone Swept.

Fayetteville, Ala., was visited by a black funnel-shaped cloud, fringed with electric fire and the center of which was a roaring, seething mass. Dwellings, churches and public buildings were swept away and several persons killed. At the home of Mrs. Henderson, where were gathered her son-in-law, Will Travis, wife and two children, the roof was taken off, then the floor wrenched away. Mrs. Henderson was badly hurt, Mrs. Travis and children seriously injured, and the remains of Mr. Travis were picked up 100 yards from the residence. Twelve people were sitting together at the house of Mr. Graham when the cyclone struck the house, the walls being crushed in and the roof blown away. Sally Graham, aged 9, was killed by falling debris; all the others were badly injured. After the storm passed the body of an unknown negro child, dead, was picked up in the main street. Altogether thirty residences, the public academy and Alliance warehouse were totally destroyed; many other buildings were seriously damaged and fully a score of people seriously injured.

New Landing for Immigrants.

Without any ceremony of formal opening the immigration officials of New York City have settled down on Ellis Island in the harbor and the barge office is known to them no more. The steamship Nevada was the first to arrive at the new landing place. Her immigrants were put aboard the barge J. E. Moore, and amid the blowing of fog horns and whistles approached the pier. Charles M. Hanley, Private Secretaay to the late Secretary Windom, who had asked permission to register the first immigrant, was at the registry dock when there came tripping up 15-year-old Annie Moore and her little brother. They had come from Cork to meet their mother who lives in New York City. Col. Weber greeted Annie and then presented her with a crisp new $10 bill.

Met in a Missouri Fog.

Two Wabash passenger trains collided on the side track at Alladin Station, near Hannibal, Mo. Engineer James R. Wilson, on the west-bound train, was running on the main track and did not see the switch in the fog, which was very dense, and on which he should have waited for the east-bound train. He discovered his mistake and started to back up to the switch, but it was too late; the east-bound train came up at a high rate of speed and dashed into the west-bound train. Both engines were telescoped and all the cars burned except two sleepers and one chair car. Five were killedand a number injured.

Baby Farming in Chicago.

Mrs. Annie Hansen has been arrested in Chicago charged with manslaughter. It has been discovered that she runs a baby farm at 282 Calumet avenue. Her dealings in baby traffic, it is said, have been very extensive. Six babies are known to have been taken to her house in the last five months, while five dead babies have been found in that time within a half mile of her place. She professed to find homes for illigitimate children, her advertisments having been running in the daily papers for several months. The police say that they have a chain of evidence to convict her of many crimes.

John Quits Drinking—Wants to Fight.

John L. Sullivan, in an interview, says that he has taken the pledge to quit drinking for a year. He declares that he is anxious to meet Slavin, but it is apparent that the latter is trying to evade the issue. His tour, Sullivan said, closes the first week in June and he would like to have the match take place about the middle of September, before any responsible club in the United States offering the largest purse, but would prefer New Orleans.

Snows and Fatalities in the West.

The snow at the summit of the Nevada Mountains is from six to fourteen feet deep on the level. Two Italians were lost in the snow last week and probably perished. Richard Herze and John Sloughloss left in search of the Kline party, supposed to be lost in the snow in Placerville and Lake Valley. Nothing has been heard of them since. This makes nine men lost in the snow.

The Khedive Dies of Grip.

The Khedive of Egypt has died from the effects of influenza. He was a loyal and honest man, neither cruel, vicious, extravagant nor an intriguer. His death is likely to bring about grave diplomatic complications among the European powers. The deceased will be succeeded by Prince Abbas Pacha, his eldest son, born July 14 1874.

Worthless Tax Certificates.

The Supreme Court decides tax certificates held along the line of the Northern Pacific in North Dakota, on railroad lands sold for delinquent taxes, are invalid. The counties are released from all liability, although they had frequenly offered to settle for more than the principal with the certificate holders.

The Russian Grain Transportation.

Now that Congress has refused to make the necessary appropriation an effort will be made to get the money from the commercial cities of the country to transport the grain contributed in the West to the starving in Russia.

A CENSUS OF INDIANS

ENUMERATION ON THE SIOUX RESERVATION.

First Complete and Accurate Enumeration Ever Made of the Indians on That Reservation—A Basis for Future Legislation Relating to Them.

The Total Over Twenty Thousand.

THE work of enumerating the Indians in the Sioux Reservation which has occupied about two years has just been completed. It is the first complete and accurate enumeration that has ever been made of the Indians on the reservation, and will be made the basis for future legislation relating to them. The number of families at the different agencies and among the different tribes on the reservation is shown by the following table:

Standing Rock	1,157
Cheyennes at Pine Ridge	799
Pine Ridge	1,377
Cheyenne Indians	126
Rosebud	1,591
Lower Brule	309
Crow Creek	334
Santees of Flandrau	76
Poncas at Santee Agency	36
Santees on the reservation	197
Total families	5,792

The total number of Indians on the reservation was found to be 20,675, of whom 9,752 are males and 10,923 females. This is about 2,500 less than the number who have been drawing rations. At one or two points where the number actually existing was considerably less than the number for which rations were issued, there was some opposition by the Indians to the enumeration, but Commissioner Lea succeeded in getting the count. Included in the above total are 428 Cheyennes now at Fort Keogh, who fled to that point during the troubles following the ghost dances.

SOUTH DAKOTA O. K.

Official Report of the State Examiner on Her Splendid Prosperity.

T. E. BLANCHARD, State Public Examiner, who has just returned from an examining trip covering the northern part of the State, gives an interesting account of his year's work. He has visited every section of the State and finds the financial condition of nearly all the counties good. Business men and farmers especially, on account of the good crops of the past year, have been able to pay up their taxes promptly and the County Treasurer's in consequence have been able to pay their warrants. He states that the public institutions were never as ably managed as at present; that the banks were never before in as good condition; that the deposits are very large and that large numbers of the banks report farmers as beginning good-sized bank accounts. He finds that the new revenue law works fairly well, much better than during the year 1890, on account of the raise in interest, but that he will, for the purpose of increasing its efficiency, recommend a number of modifications to the next Legislature. He regards the outlook for the future as very promising and believes that the State has entered upon a new era of prosperity.

Breaking Up a Chinese Lottery.

POSTOFFICE INSPECTOR CLEMENTS and his posse made a raid on the Chinese lottery rooms at Deadwood, and arrested eight of the principal officers in the concern for using the mails for the transmission of lottery tickets and other lottery papers. The celestials, through their interpreter, were given a hearing before United States Commissioner Burns, and released on bonds of $500 each. Inspector Clements thinks that he has a clear case against the Chinamen, as he intercepted several of the tickets enroute by mail to a Chinaman at Lead City. The Chinamen who were arrested were marched to the jail heavily manacled and guarded by eight deputies with drawn revolvers.

Hagerty and Paulhamus Not Guilty.

IMMEDIATELY after the State rested in the case against F. H. Hagerty, at Aberdeen, charged with taking deposits when he knew the bank of Hagerty & Co., of which he was president, was insolvent, Judge Haney directed the jury to return a verdict of acquittal. This was done, and on motion of the State's attorney the indictment for embezzlement against Mr. Hagerty and the case against W. H. Paulhamus, who was cashier of the bank, were dismissed. The State failed to prove even the insolvency of the bank, and it was able to invalidate only $200 worth of securities out of a surplus of $80,000, as shown by the schedule of assets and liabilities.

United Workmen in the Dakotas.

FROM Carl Gerner, Grand Master of the A. O. U. W. in North and South Dakota, it is learned that the order throughout his jurisdiction is in an especially encouraging condition. There are about 3,000 members in the two States; new lodges are being instituted and the membership rapidly increased. Financially the order is in excellent condition. The Grand Lodge is out of debt and has considerable money in its treasury. With but two or three exceptions the subordinate lodges are in equally good shape. Assessments are fewer than in older States, the death rate being much smaller. All assessments are met promptly and fully.

The Crop Belongs to the Mortgagor.

JUDGE SMITH has rendered a decision that will be of interest to farmers in all portions of the State. It was in the case of the American Investment Company vs. Chauncey O. Fuller, a farmer of Aurora County, and was tried at Plankinton. The plaintiff sold Fuller's farm under mortgage and brought suit to recover the value of the crop raised between the time of the sale and the end of the year in which the defendant had to redeem the land. On a motion for the Court to direct a verdict for the defendant Judge Smith granted the motion, holding that Mr. Fuller had a right to the use of the farm during the year of redemption.

No Outbreak This Winter.

A SQUAW man from Pine Ridge Agency, upon being questioned regarding a possible outbreak this winter, laughed and said, not unless the rations were shut off by the government. The Indians are quiet and not disposed to make trouble. The sensational reports by the newspapers of a renewal of the ghost dance simply originated in the brains of irresponsible correspondents from that section.

Judge Aikins' Side of It.

THE assault made by the ministers of Sioux Falls upon Judge Aikins is the one topic of discussion, and it seems to be the general verdict that the ministers precipitated a sensation which can do no one any good. The bar association met and passed resolutions of condemnation of the acts of the divines.

Venison Cheap and Plenty.

MANY deer have been killed on the ceded lands, and venison sells in Fort Pierre at the same price as beef.

Custer's Manganese Beds.

THE deposits of manganese, of which untold quantities are reported near Custer, have been found to be very rich, running about 50 or 60 per cent. This is a metal used to a large extent in the manufacture of steel by the Bessemer process, and is worth about $30 per ton in Chicago. It can be put on board the cars there at a cost of $7 per ton.

Right of Way Granted.

THE City Council of Fort Pierre has passed an ordinance granting the Rapid City, Missouri River & St. Paul Railroad Company right of way through that city, with ground for depot and terminal facilities. The company now has the right of way over its entire line.

Settled the Shortage.

EX-TREASURER HAYS has settled with Sanborn County his shortage of $8,500 occasioned by the failure of the Sanborn County Bank a year ago.

Again Spouting.

THE artesian well at Groton, which has been clogged up since last fall, is again spouting forth water.

NEBRASKA DIAMONDS.

They Travel Far to Reach Discovery—Interest Awakened.

A FEW days ago C. Jacobson, at Hastings, Neb., received word from the firm of Williams & Co., Butte City, Mont., that one of their customers, a Mrs. White, had found three rough diamonds in the craw of a chicken sold by them a few days before Christmas. Mr. Jacobson is a large poultry shipper and supplies his hennery with gravel from the bed of the Blue river, seven miles south of Hastings. The curiosity of several miners of Butte City was aroused by the discovery, and Jacobson has received many letters making inquiry as to where he secured his sand. Mrs. White submitted the three rough stones to a jeweler in Butte for inspection, and he pronbuticed them genuine diamonds and offered the lady a good price for the stones, but she refused and has sent them East to have them cut. The only way to account for the singular find is that the diamonds were picked from the gravel of the yard, and several prospecting parties will visit the locality where the sand was taken out.

NEBRASKA FARMERS' WEALTH.

Marvelous Evidences of Prosperity in the Various Counties.

THE December reports of the mortgaged indebtedness of the several counties of Nebraska are beginning to come in at Lincoln, and some of them make very interesting reading. For instance, Buffalo County makes a showing almost marvelous. During the month of December the county filed thirty-three mortgages amounting to $30,719. For the same period fifty-one farm mortgages were released, the total amount being $138,237. Buffalo County is one of the banner counties of the State, and for the past seven months has made an enviable record, for during this time her farmers have paid off $296,177.43 of their mortgaged indebtedness, over and above the mortgages filed. Richardson County also makes a good showing. During December her farmers filed mortgages amounting to $71,056.50, while for the same time they released twenty-six, amounting to $38,209.75. Her chattle record is also a favorable one. She filed $8,783 and released $22,302. Kearney County filed $29,387.08, and released $32,516.50. Reports are coming in every day and while some of the counties do not make as favorable a showing as the above, the general average is favorable.

A RUMOR, AT LEAST.

Sensational Reports From Washington About Nebraska Affairs.

THE St. Louis *Republic* in its Washington bureau prints the following: There is a report in circulation that the Supreme Court of the United States has decided that Mr. Boyd, who was elected by the Democrats of Nebraska Governor of that State in the fall of 1890, and subsequently turned out of office by the Supreme Court of that State on the ground that he was ineligible because of an imperfection in his citizenship, is eligible, and that at the time of his election as Governor of Nebraska was a bona fide citizen of the United States. This will make Mr. Boyd Governor. It is very difficult to get a Supreme Court opinion in advance of its being rendered, but your correspondent learns, on what he believes to be sufficient authority to warrant the statement, that the highest court in the land has decided that Boyd was eligible for the Governorship and was entitled to that office.

Nebraska Mortgages.

DURING the six months from July 1 to to Jan. 1 last, the farm mortgages filed in Adams County have aggregated $177,789.97. During the same period the farm mortgages satisfied aggregated $224,015.22; or $46,225.25 more than those filed. In these six months but thirteen Sheriff's deeds on farm property were given. The city mortgage filings amounted to $112,748.50, and the releases $80,132.63. For the month of December the farm filings were $34,742.50; releases, $50,804.82. City mortgages filed, $21,089.50; satisfied, $27,525.46.

A Treasurer's Shortage.

W. M. WALTERS, the expert hired by Blaine County to investigate the office of the late Treasurer, C. W. Aiken, has made his report and finds a shortage of only $1,104.38, instead of $2,700, as had been currently reported. Mr. Walters also expresses his opinion that the shortage was occasioned more by Mr. Aikin's carelessness in keeping his books than by his intention to filch from the county coffers. The county will undoubtedly have to stand this loss, on account of there being a flaw in the extension of the bond.

Recovering From a Broken Back.

JOSEPH S GIELDING, the switchman who had his back broken by a pile of lumber falling upon him in the Burlington yards at Lincoln, is improving and his recovery is almost a certainty. The I. O. O. F. lodge of Bennett, of which he is a member, has taken charge of his case and furnished him a nurse.

Conflict of Claimants.

LANCASTER County has two Clerks of the District Court, each with a full complement of deputies, stenographers, etc. Messrs. Baker and Waite both claim to have been elected to the office, and both have taken their oaths of office and filed their bonds. Baker holds the certificate of election.

Strangely Afflicted.

MISS ADDIE JUSTICE, of De Soto, has met with a singular mishap. While riding home from Blair the other day she suddenly discovered that she could not articulate a word—had lost the power of speech. She is as well as usual otherwise, but is obliged to express her ideas and wishes in writing.

Poisonous Dyes.

ANNA JENSEN, daughter of J. Jensen, iving near Belden, is suffering with a severe case of blood poisoning, caused by handling recently dyed goods and absorbing into the system through the fingers of the hand.

An Ex-Judge After Many Years.

AFTER sixteen years of active work on the bench, Judge William Gaslin adjourned Court at Hastings the other day for the last time.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

MEASURES CONSIDERED AND ACTED UPON.

At the Nation's Capital.—What Is Being Done by the Senate and House—Old Matters Disposed Of and New Ones Considered.

The Senate and House.

Both houses reassembled on the 5th. In the Senate the attendance was full. The usual mass of petitions was presented, including several in favor of a $5,000,000 loan to the World's Fair on condition that the fair be closed Sundays. Mr. Washburn's joint resolution, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to employ any United States vessel best suited to transport supplies to Russia at a cost not exceeding $100,000, was passed. President Harrison also laid a message before the Senate, touching upon the Russian famine. Mr. Vest's resolution, looking toward the abrogation by Great Britain of the regulation requiring slaughter at the port of entry of American cattle was passed. President Harrison sent to the Senate the names of the new Interstate Commerce Commissioners, as follows: James W. McDill, of Iowa, vice Thomas M. Cooley, resigned; William M. Lindsey, of Kentucky, vice W. L. Bragg, deceased; William R. Morrison, of Illinois. In the House the attendance was large, and Mr. McMillin was chosen Speaker pro tem. The balance of the session was occupied by the introduction of bills.

On the 6th, the time of the Senate was largely taken up in confirming the various appointments sent in by President Harrison. Among papers introduced was a bill granting pensions to the soldiers of the Seminole and other Indian wars. The attendance in the House was smaller than the day before. Discussion was lively over the Senate's Russian relief resolution. Many favored the measure, all applauded the sentiment, but many also questioned the legality of the proposed action. The opinion of these latter was clearly expressed by Mr. Bryan of Nebraska. He hoped that the appropriation of $100,000 would be stricken from the resolution. If Congress was not empowered to aid the citizens of its own country in Nebraska during a drought, how was it empowered to carry corn raised this year in Nebraska to people of another country? Mr. Holman moved to strike out the appropriation clause, which was agreed to—166 to 76. Consideration of the resolution was then postponed indefinitely.

Subjects of Thought.

THE greatest prayer is patience.

TIME is always too short to people who improve it.

RUMOR can wreck a bank as well as a reputation.

ALL the world's a stage, and it's full of bad actors.

YOU cannot tell how much a lion weighs by his roar.

MEDDLESOME people never have medals struck in their honor.

DEAD men tell no tales, but their biographers weave romances.

HONESTY is the best policy, but the policy men don't think so.

SOME charming ladies never grow older in years, only in looks.

A NON-UNION band—the wedding ring worn by a divorced woman.

CAN there be any real happiness where selfishness reigns supreme?

YOU can't rake people over the coals without burning your fingers.

HABITS are formed, not at one stroke, but gradually and insensibly.

THE devil would never leave home if he had to travel in his bare feet.

MOST of us have things we want covered up—covered up forever, too.

THE fellow who is always in deep water is usually shallow himself.

GOVERN you thoughts when alone, and your tongue when in company.

NOTHING is more simple than greatness; indeed, to be simple is to be great.

I WISH I could keep from saying anything bad about any one; Lord help me.

THE only man who has a good faith is the one who knows he has a great God.

REMEMBER that impertinence is not wit any more than insolence is brilliancy.

LIBERALITY consists less in giving much than in giving at the right moment.

CONCEALED griefs are the most consuming, as secret maladies are the most fatal.

THE soul has no pillow on which to repose so soft and sweet as a good conscience.

CAN one who neglects small opportunities expect to gain by great opportunities?

FORTUNES are made by taking opportunities; character is made by making them.

TO BE agreeable in society it is necessary not to see and not to remember many things.

MEN are the builders of their own destiny, and more especially of the destiny of their children.

OUR grand business is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but what lies clearly at hand.

THE man prone to suspect evil is mostly looking in his neighbors for what he sees in himself.

THE two powers which, in my opinion, constitute a wise man, are those of bearing and forbearing.

A RICH man despises those who flatter him too much, and hates those who do not flatter him at all.

DO NOT wait for extraordinary opportunities for good actions, but make use of common situations.

METHOD is like packing things in a box; a good packer will get in half as much again as a bad one.

THERE are people who wouldn't lie with the lip for anything, and yet they live a lie every day in the week.

THE flower of love may live through many injuries, but it cannot survive in an atmosphere of perpetual frost.

Texas Siftings Chaff.

A PROMISING young man—one who is engaged to half a dozen girls.

ALL men are not homeless, but some men are home less than others.

IF the good die young, how do you account for bald-headed editors?

GENERALLY, Nature hangs out a sign of simplicity in the face of a fool.

NOTHING so vividly reminds us of the brevity of life as a thirty-day note.

CERTAIN acts can be rendered legal, but can never be made legitimate.

IT is an easy thing to be a philosopher, but it is hard to make it pay.

COLD natures have only recollections; tender natures have remembrances.

HARD workers are usually honest. Industry lifts them above temptation.

THE best time to pass mutilated silver coin is to pass it when it is offered to you.

THERE is nothing inconsistent in a carpet dealer wearing a claw-hammer coat.

THE virtue of prosperity is temperance. The virtue of adversity is fortitude.

THE dude never takes an enemy into his mouth to steal his brains. He knows better.

WHY is it easy to break into an old man's house? Because his locks are few and his gate is broken.

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RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$208,879.36
U. S. Bonds		15,320.00
Real estate, furniture and fixtures		12,905.30
Due from other banks	$23,772.93	
Due from