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THE WORLD'S DOINGS.

Happenings of a Week in Condensed Form.

CONGER'S TIN FACTORY

SOON TO START AT ELLWOOD, INDIANA.

To Employ 500 Tin Makers Eventually—Gov. McKinley and Other Big Bugs to Attend the Opening on May 1—Other News Items of Interest.

Col. Conger's Tin Factory.

Chicago special: Col. A. Conger of Akron, Ohio, was at the Grand Pacific this week. He left for Ellwood, Ind., where the first tin plate plant of any consequence will be opened on May 1. The plant is owned by Col. Conger and a syndicate of capitalists, and they expect to turn out 2,500 boxes of tin plate per week. Col. Conger said 500 tin plate makers would eventually be employed in the factory. Col. Conger and his friends regard the establishment of their factory as a triumph of tin plate tariff. "Had it not been for the duty of 2.2 cents per pound on tin plate," he said, "the Ellwood factory would never have been started. When the industry is established and the tin plate factories begin to compete with each other, then we won't need the tariff. The price we have contracted for our output is about what the English manufacturers can lay it down in this country for." The opening of the Ellwood factory will be made the occasion of a big demonstration, and orators and politicians far and near will be invited to witness the opening. Gov. McKinley, who has had experience with tin plate at Piqua, Ohio, will be invited. An excursion train from Chicago, carrying guests of the company, will also be run to Ellwood.

Cause of Death a Mystery.

Detroit, Mich. special: A gardener at Frosse Point found the body of Lizzie Browne of this city, on the shore of Lake St. Clair. There was a mark between the left eye and temple, and when the doctors examined the body no water was found in the lungs, showing that she had not been drowned, and immediately the supposition of foul play arose. The body was brought to the city. She had some trouble with her eyes, and it was thought she was partially demented at times. The affair is mysterious, as the external bruise is not sufficient to have caused her death, and the doctors are positive that she did not drown.

Would Not Extend the Rebate System.

New York special: The wholesale grocers from various States and the managers of the sugar refineries combination have been in conference in this city. The chief discussion was on the advisability of requesting the extension of the rebate system. It seemed to be the general impression that arrangements could easily be made with the trust, but the trust people would not agree to extend the rebate system.

Robbed in a Cincinnati Bank.

Cincinnati special: Thieves robbed a man in the Ohio Valley National Bank. A short time before the bank closed for the day Henry Wendt, a steamboat blacksmith doing business at 105 East Second Street in this city, but who lives in Newport, Ky., entered the bank to discount a note for $1,000. He received $980 and turned to go out. At the door two men jostled against him, picked his pocket, and got away with the money.

Russian Colonists for Kansas.

Atchison, Kan., special: J. P. Pomeroy, a Boston capitalist who owns a great deal of land in Western Kansas, is arranging to bring several colonies of industrious Russians to this State. He has already closed a contract with a colony for 8,000 acres of farming land in Graham County which will be settled this year.

Was Pushed Under the Cars.

St. Joseph, Mo. special: Willie Harding, a 14-year-old boy, was run over by a freight train and instantly killed, and at the Coroner's inquest two of his companions testified that a third boy named John Hill had pushed him under the cars. The police are now looking for Hill.

Seized Contraband Opium.

Port Townsend, Washington, special: The Collector of Customs has seized the coasting steamer Missouri with a large amount of contraband opium.

Terrible Crime of a Father.

Niles, Ohio special: Samuel Williams returned home from work crazed with liquor and attempted to drive his entire family from the house. His daughter, aged 20, tried to quiet her father and he savagely attacked her with a poker. He struck her two terrible blows, one over the right eye and one on top of the head, fracturing the skull. He then rushed to the table, seized a common case knife and slashed his throat, completely severing the windpipe. He died in a short time. The daughter is still alive, but no hopes are entertained of her recovery.

Chinese Arrested for Murder.

Helena, Mont., special: Deputy United States Marshal Ramsey of Rawlings arrested Ah Let and Ah Bo, Chinamen, charged with the murder of Yum Lee, another Chinaman, on the Crow Reservation last October. The latter was found dead in his cabin Oct. 12 with his head split open and all his money, $900, missing. Marshal Furay detailed Billy Kay, a Helena Chinaman, to work on the case. Billy made a good detective and fastened the crime on the accused after months of careful work.

A High Priced Smell.

St. Joseph, Mo. special: A queer suit was filed here in which the man placed the social value of his wife at $2,500. The plaintiff is William Coffield, who sues John F. Tyler. Mr. Coffield asserts that the defendant built a mule pen next to his (Coffield's) residence, the odor from which made his wife sick. He was in consequence deprived of her society for a period of two months, and asks the court to grant him a judgment in the sum named as a compensation for such loss.

Fears Entertained for Cowboys.

Paris Tex. special: Much anxiety is felt here in regard to the fate of the cattlemen who joined the raid on rustlers from here, and who were captured and taken to Fort McKinney. It seems thas four of them were killed in the fight. No word has been received from them in response to anxious telegrams of relatives. Unless news is received soon a party will be sent to hunt for them.

Co-operative Company Collapses.

Newark, N. J., special: The Co-operative Purchasing Company, the last of the "get rich-quick" concerns, has collapsed, and 500 book-owners, who paid in from $25 to $100, lose all they subscribed. A warrant was issued for the arrest of D H. Marshbank, the local representative, but he disappeared.

Moonshiners Killed by Officers.

Little Rock special: A desperate fight between United States authorities and a band of moonshiners took place near Big Bay, Ark., in which T. C. Bryant, one of the moonshiners, was killed. The Marshal's posse captured several stills and a quantity of beer and whisky.

Stock Going Blind.

Columbus, Ind. special: There is a hue and cry about horses being blinded by vicious parties in the Southern part of the State. Various reasons are assigned, but the principal one is that the perpetrators are revenging themselves upon those wanting the stock law enforced. Among those first to suffer was Charles T. Myler, ex-County Commissioner, who was conspicuous in enforcing the law. This gave credence to the theory of poison, still many people believe the blindness is caused by some peculiar disease new to this vicinity. Two days ago the thoroughbred stallion Sullivan, owned by Wm. E. Moore, was blinded, and Mr. Moore claims to have found powder in the horse's eyes. Parties report that a contagious disease, called "pinkeye" is raging in the County of Dubois and that the supposed poisoning in this county will develop into that disease, at present unknown, whatever may be the cause. There are many valuable horses rendered worthless by becoming blind in the last ten days.

STOPPED THE WEDDING.

An Octogenarian's Daughter Twice Prevents His Marriage to a Woman of 22.

Vincennes, Ind., special: James Ward, aged 83, a wealthy farmer of Lawrence County, Illinois, and Miss Nancy Jane Sanders, aged 22, were about to be married, when a daughter of the venerable groom rushed into the room and protested. The minister paused while a heated parley was held by the father and daughter. The pastor finally withdrew and the wedding was declared off. Thinking that the daughter had gone home, the old man sent for a Justice of the Peace, and a second time the lovers stood up and joined hands. The Squire had just begun the ceremony when the daughter once more rushed into the room, snatched the license from the hand of the Squire, and dashed out of the house. This stopped the wedding. The daughter claims that Mr. Ward is of unsound mind. She is his housekeeper, and declares that her father has a good home and is well treated by his children. He is one of the wealthiest farmers in Lawrence County.

GETTING OUT OF DEBT.

Only $32.37 of Obligations Per Capita in 1890, Against $60.73 in 1880.

Washington special: The census office issued a bulletin giving a summary of National, State and Local indebtedness for the year ended June 1, 1890. The debt of the world in the census year, including $1,689,740,252 local and foreign debt, less sinking fund, was $30,338,132,933. The average annual decrease in the national debt of the United States from 1880 to 1890 exceeded $100,000,000. The decrease per capita of combined National, State and Local debt in the same period was from $60.73 to $32.37. The value of property assessed for taxation increased 50 per cent., a reduction of debt and an increase of wealth unequaled in the history of any country in the modern times.

Not Thankful for Favors.

Chicago special: After an evening of the wildest excitement a detail of police was left on guard at the shelter house of the Society in Aid of Russian Refugees. Twenty-five or thirty of these refugees, who had been housed and fed for the past four weeks, were provided with work, but insisted upon a continuance of charity, protesting that they were not able to go to work. The agents of the society, after using every effort to induce them to get out, determined to eject them, and this was done. After a short time the refugees returned, and, being refused admittance to the house, made an attack upon it, tearing down one of the doors. The police were summoned and quieted the rioters, but the trouble was started again, the refugees being joined by the street rabble, the police had to be called again, and after vigorous work the refugees were separated and the situation patiently explained to them through an interpreter. They again set up the cry that they were unable to work, but after two hours of wrangling they were forced to leave. They theatened to make trouble and a detail of police remains on guard.

Herr Most's Time Out.

New York Special. Johann Most, who has been serving a sentence of one year's imprisonment in the penitentiary for preaching a revolutionary sermon on the anniversary of the execution of the Chicago bomb-throwers, will be released. The steamer Thomas S. Brennan has been chartered to convey Most across the river to the foot of Fifty-sixth Street, where a tremendous crowd of his followers will receive and escort him to their headquarters, where a reception will be tendered him. The arrangements are in charge of the musical union connected with the New York and American Federation of Labor. Most intends to resume the editorship of the German Anarchist sheet, known as the *Freiheit*. He may also take a trip to Europe next month.

Socialist Gampers Murderous.

New York special: John Ulrich Gampers, a socialist orator well known in Brooklyn, went home drunk and quarreled with his wife and two daughters. He complained of delay in serving supper, and then grumbled at its quality. One of his daughters told him that as he did not provide the food he had no right to grumble, and he knocked her down. She is in poor health and she fainted. She did not get up when he called her, and he kicked her. Mrs. Gampers ran to help her daughter, and as she leaned over to lift her up, Gampers shot, the bullet taking effect in Mrs. Gampers' back. Gampers ran away. He was arrested later in a saloon after a desperate resistance. Mrs. Gampers' wound, though serious, is not necessarily fatal.

A Trunk Trust This Time.

Oshkosh, Wis., special: Definite information was secured of the formation of a National Trunk Company, being consolidated of seventeen trunk manufacturing companies located at Oshkosh, Milwaukee, Racine, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Cincinnati, Louisville, and St. Louis. All the concerns will sell out to the new company, which will have headquarters in Chicago. The capital of the company is $3,000,000. The object, it is claimed, is not to form a trust or to raise prices, but to divide the territory and reduce the expenses of sales. Inventories are now being taken in all the trunk factories in the combine.

To Guard the Seals.

Washington special: The United States steamship Ranger, will be put in commission at San Francisco on the 25th, and assigned to patrol duty in Behring Sea. The other vessels selected for this purpose are the Yorktown, Mohican and Adams, to be reinforced by the revenue vessels, Corwin, Rush and Albatross. Seven vessels will comprise the American fleet to guard Behring Sea during the sealing season. They will be assisted by several British warships. The revenue steamer, Bear has been ordered to carry supplies to the refuge station at Point Barrow, Alaska.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Cattle—Common to prime	$3.25	@	4.80
Hogs—Shipping grades	4.50	@	4.65
Sheep	6.00	@	6.35
Wheat—Cash			85½
Corn—Cash			41
Oats			31
Rye			71
Barley			60
Flax			9.¼
Butter—Western Dairy	.16	@	.20
Eggs—Western	.12	@	.12½

SIOUX CITY.

Cattle—Fat steers	$3.25	@	3.50
Cattle—Feeders	2.65	@	3.00
Hogs	4.30	@	4.35
Sheep	4.25	@	5.50
Wheat			.70
Oats			.30
Corn			.35
Flax			.86

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

Cattle—Common to prime	$3.75	@	3.70
Hogs—Shippers	4.40	@	4.50

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

Wheat	$.96	@	.96½
Corn	.61	@	.51
Oats—Western	.35	@	.40

THE EARTH TREMBLED.

A Fearful Earthquake Shock Felt in California.

San Francisco special: The worst shock of earthquake since the memorable one of 1868 was felt shortly before 6 o'clock in the morning. At San Francisco and Oakland it did no damage. At Winters it was very severe and caused a general destruction of property. A large brick hotel, a bank building, Bartholet's two-story building, and in fact nearly every building in town was damaged. The loss is at least $50,000. The contents of the stores and dwellings were piled on the floors in promiscuous heaps. No one was hurt.

The shock was from east to west. The quake was also severe in Vacaville, sixty-five miles northeast of San Francisco. A number of chimneys toppled over, but the general damage is believed to be light. No one is reported to have been injured. The inhabitants fled in alarm from the houses. The telegraph communication with Vacaville and Winters was cut off for some time. The shock was also felt less severely at Nevada, Nicolaus, Auburn, Chico, and Stockton.

FEARFUL STORMS IN EUROPE.

Merry England Under Snow and Sleet—Bitter Cold in France.

London Special; The severe weather which set in here last week continues. In many places the ground is covered with snow a foot deep, and a regular blizzard occurred. There has been enormous damage to fruit and vegetables. In many places the rivers overflowed their banks and the adjacent country is flooded, and crops destroyed. In some places the situation is really serious. Snow and sleet has prostrated the telegraph poles and cut off telegraphic communication. So serious was the destruction to the wires that the ordinary force of linemen was unable to cope with the difficulties, and soldiers were ordered to their assistance. Great damage was done the crops in the Channel Islands. A heavy storm is raging in North Wales and Cheshire. Advices say the cold wave is beginning to be felt on the Baltic. Dispatches from Paris and the North of France say that hail and sleet are falling and the weather is bitterly cold.

Alimony Not Transferable.

Oshkosh, Wis., special: The Supreme Court has dismissed a second appeal in the case of Mrs. Miriam Kempster vs. O. J. Evans of Minneapolis, thus closing a lawsuit in which the public took considerable interest. The plaintiff is the divorced wife of Dr. Walter Kempster, the noted insanity expert, and formerly Superintendent of the Northern Hospital for the Insane. Mrs. Kempster, during her residence in Minneapolis, became indebted to Evans and assigned him the alimony granted her at her divorce to satisfy all her obligations. Later the question was raised whether alimony was by law assignable. The Circuit Court held that it was not, and the Supreme Court sustained the decision. The result was the seizing of the trunks of Mrs. Kempster and her beautiful daugnter Agnes by a Minneapolis swell, who was enamored of Agnes and had advanced the mother and daughter money to go into business.

Murdered His Accuser.

Marine City, Mich. special: Word has reached here that a murder was committed at the farm of Mr Stephenson, four miles west of here. Mr. Stephenson employes several hands, among whom were Richard Cook and William Coolby. After supper Coolby was missing and was subsequently found hiding beneath the bed of Stephenson's adopted daughter, a young lady of about 20 years of age, with his shoes and stockings off. When discovered there Coolby came from the room, but offered no explanation. Later Cook and Coolby went to work in the barn. While there Cook asked Coolby what he was doing under Miss Stephenson's bed and accused him of hiding there for a felonous purpose. This led to a quarrel which resulted in Cook's death. Coolby declares he killed Cook in self-defense, the latter having attacked him with a pitchfork. His story is not believed, however.

Danger in May Day Parades.

London special: There are grave fears of trouble in some parts of the continent on May Day. In Germany all demonstations will be forbidden, and it is expected that the socialists and anarchists will endeavor to show their strength, but will be severely repressed. There are no fears of trouble from the genuine workingmen, who will spend the day quietly with their families.

In Italy it is thought the authorities will have their hands full in keeping a semblance of order and preparations are being made to use necessary force. In France the socialists are preparing to hold processions everywhere, and it is expected 2,000,000 men will be in line. While disturbances are not looked for, the authorities are prepared to meet them in case they occur. The demonstrations will be chiefly in favor of the eight-hour day.

The Modus Vivendi.

Washington special: The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations reported favorably on the modus vivendi convention with Great Britain. The convention comprises seven articles, the first four being precisely similar in language to last year's modus, with the exception of a change in article 1 of the words "until May next" to "during the pendency of arbitration."

Briefly stated, the treaty prohibits Great Britain and the United States from seal-killing in the Behring Sea and on the seal islands (save 7,500 seals to be taken on the islands by the United States for the sustenance of the natives) during arbitration; it provides for the seizure of offending vessels and permits the residence of British agents on the islands during sealing season.

The treaty is signed by Secretary Blaine and Minister Paucefote.

Barns Burned and Cattle Killed.

Norwich, Conn. special: Eastern Connecticut farmers are greatly excited on account of vandal outrages that have been perpetrated periodically for many months. Mansfield and adjoining rural towns among the high hills of Tolland County have been terrorized for nearly three years by a most extraordinary series of outrages. In the past year and a half not less than thirteen barns and shops belonging to farmers in Mansfield were burned and many cattle were disemboweled or hamstrung in their pastures in the daytime. Lately the miscreant has taken to killing stock with arsenic, and many farmers have suffered. A rich young farmer is suspected.

Want Part of Philadelphia.

Cumberland, Md. special: Mrs. Oelia Leslie died intestate at Piedmont, W. Va., in 1888. Her heirs found among her possessions an old trunk filled with deeds and leases, on which they are trying to recover a large section of Frankford, a part of Philadelphia, valued now at $35,000,000. The leases were made by William Fefevre, whose heirs, including those of Mrs. Leslie, have engaged lawyers to bring suit for recovery. The lease shows that the land was never sold, but that timber rights and other privileges were granted, the land itself to revert to Lefevre. In the property covered by the claim is the United States arsenal at Frankford.

A Victim of "Jack the Knocker."

Logansport, Ind., special: Dr. E. M. Chord, an old and well known physician of this city, died from injuries received at the hands of the mysterious character known as "Jack the Knocker," who in the last month has assaulted a number of citizens at night, robbing none of them, apparently having no motive. He was identified, and an attempt to arrest him led to a running fire with the police, in which a dozen shots were fired without any one being hurt. He escaped at that time and left the county, and his whereabouts are now unknown.

A NEW ORGANIZATION.

IT IS THE STATE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION.

Nebraska Citizens Organize an Association to Encourage Immigration—How It Will Be Accomplished—List of Those Interested in the Scheme.

To Encourage Immigration.

THE State Board of Immigration is the name of an organization formed at the Lincoln Hotel at Lincoln by about fifteen representatives from a number of cities and towns in Nebraska. According to the articles of incorporation the objects of the organization are: First, to induce the agricultural and industrial immigration to Nebraska; second, to secure manufacturing and business enterprises for the towns and cities of Nebraska; third, to encourage the investment of capital in developing the resources of Nebraska; fourth, to advertise to the world the natural advantages and wants of Nebraska; fifth, to be a general bureau of information and act as mutual agent in the furtherance of these objects.

The authorized capital stock of the bureau is $25,000, consisting of 1,000 shares of $25 each. In addition to the regular stockholders the bureau will take in associate members who shall pay a fee of $5. These associate members will share in all the general benefits except profits, but will not be liable for any debts that may be incurred. It is provided that the board of directors shall declare an annual dividend from the profits. The final proviso says that no indebtedness shall be incurred by the association.

At the meeting the following gentlemen were present and participated in the organization: C. C. Shimer, Omaha; W. M. Kelso, Omaha; R. F. Kloke, West Point; J. A. Ehrhardt, Stanton; Jeff Bedford, Omaha; J. W. Harris, Omaha; P. B. Spanogle, Red Cloud; R. H. Oakley, H. J. Cosgrove, and C. J. Ernst, Lincoln, and R. Van Aller, Friend. A temporary organization was effected by the election of R. F. Kloke and C. C. Shimer Chairman and Secretary respectively. The articles of incorporation and by-laws were adopted and a board of directors selected as follows: Messrs. Shimer, Wolf, Kelso, Kloke, Ehrhardt, Bedford, and Spangle. Further proceedings were deferred until the first annual meeting of the stockholders, which will occur at Omaha on the first Tuesday of July.

WORK OF BURGLARS.

Fired a Plattsmouth Residence to Conceal Their Operations.

DURING a terrific rainstorm accompanied by blinding lightning at Plattsmouth, the residence of Anton Kewber was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The residence of Pat Maloney, in the same section, was also struck and damaged to some extent. A great quantity of rain fell and converted the streets into rivers.

Under cover of the excitement occasioned by the storm's damage, burglars effected an entrance into the Postoffice in the Riley Block by boring a hole in the side door and turning the key on the inside. They bored a hole in the safe near the combination and by means of a wrench or a similar tool they tore the combination out. Then they blew open the inside of the safe and secured $300 in stamps and $100 in money, besides some registered letters which contained an unknown amount. About that time a deserted dwelling in the north part of the city, far removed from the residence fired by the lightning, was discovered in flames. It is supposed this building was fired by the burglars to assist in concealing their operations.

The job is a very neat one and there is no clue to the perpetrators.

SWINDLED BY FEMALES.

A Lincoln Man Done Up for $4,000 by Two Fascinating Women.

LINCOLN special: A. A. Newton, a wealthy capitalist has discovered that he was neatly done up by a pair of fascinating women to the tune of nearly $4,000. A few months ago a woman giving the name of Mrs. Husted called on him and stated that she had a wealthy customer for his suburban home. Newton was willing to sell for $39,000. The customer was Mrs. Matthews; she told him that she had $10,000 in the bank which she could obtain immediately, but she preferred to wait three months and secure a half year's interest thereon. Newton agreed, he gave her a deed and took her notes. Mrs. Husted gave as commission notes for $39,000, due when Mrs. Matthews paid the first note. Newton never saw Mrs. Matthews again nor did she pay the first note. The ones he gave as commission, however, turned up in the hands of an innocent purchaser, and in court Newton made public his side of the story.

Ponca Is After It.

A DELEGATION consisting of N. S. Potter and F. M. Dorsey of Ponca leave for Lincoln to represent the Ponca Driving and Fair Association at the meeting of the Association of Nebraska Trotting Horse Breeders in that city in an endeavor to secure the August meeting of that association for Ponca. Liberal inducements will be offered and if that meeting can be secured Ponca will stand pre-eminent among the horse centers of the State, no city having offered nearly the purses offered by their association for its July and October meetings.

An Interstate Law Suit.

AN interesting case came up for hearing in the court at Kearney. It seems that M. E. Webb gave George Williams of that city, a mortgage upon a team of horses. Soon after Webb's brother drove the team to a point in Iowa and sold them. Williams, hearing of the sale, went to Iowa and claimed the team, returning soon after with them A sheriff appears now upon the scene and replevins the horses. The question now pending is whether Williams' mortgage holds good.

Nebraska Odd Fellows to Meet.

THE Odd Fellows of Butler, Polk, York and Seward Counties will celebrate the seventy-third anniversary of the order in Seward. It is expected that 500 Odd Fellows will be present and take part in the exercises. Great preparations are being made for the event, and a grand ball and banquet will be on the program for the evening.

A Youth of Criminal.

AT Hartington Wm. Hallett, who has been lying in the County Jail the past few days, has been released, having furnished the required bail. Hallett is about 18 or 19 years of age and was bound over to the District Court to answer to the charge of assault with intent to kill, he having maliciously assaulted August Fersten with a loaded billiard cue.

Stock Owners Disturbed.

CONSIDERABLE uneasiness has been produced at Rushville by the discovery and identification of a disease among horses, which, it is feared, has prevailed and spread comparatively unnoticed, for some time. A competent veterinary surgeon who was summoned by a number of horse owners, has diagnosed several cases and pronounces it of a venereal character. The disease originated in France, where it prevails to some extent, but is very rare in this country. It is incurable and almost invariably fatal, causing the death of its victim in from six months to two years. The disease is believed to be confined, thus far, to the Eastern part of Sheridan County. Several meetings to discuss and adopt measures for its immediate eradication have been held at Hay Springs, Rushville and Gordon.

Killed at Schuyler.

OWEN GREEN, a young man about 20 years of age, was struck and killed by an east-bound wild freight, about half a mile west of Schuyler. He was subject to epileptic fits, and while returning home was taken with one and fell on the track. The engineer sounded the signal when he saw him, and the young man partially raised up, but was unable to get off the track. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of death by being struck by a Union Pacific engine. They attached no blame to the engineer, although his train ran fully 300 yards beyond where the accident happened before stopping, and was about fifty yards from the young man when the engineer recognized the object on the track to be a living person.

Slashed Five Times.

AT Syracuse Jonas Sugden was severely cut by Thomas Creasman. An altercation had arisen between the two about a debt which Sugden owed Creasman. Creasman sued and got judgment, and Sugden entered a billiard hall to buy a cigar, and began abusing Creasman, who was seated there. Creasman arose and Sugden showed fight. Creasman struck at him with a poker.

The proprietor of the hall interfered and separated them. Creasman then left the hall, followed by Sugden, and the dispute was reopened outside. Creasman drew a knife and began active operations, cutting Sugden immediately under the heart, three slashes in the back about the shoulder blade, and once or twice on the head. Sugden's wounds were dressed and Creasman immediately ran home. Sugden's wounds are not considered fatal.

Threw Away a Fortune.

AT Lincoln some six months ago, Arend Arends, a well-to-do farmer, hung himself because pretty Mary Van Hove, a neighbor's daughter, did not return his love. Arends left a will, in which he bequeathed his farm and possessions, valued at $10,000, to Mary. She went into court in response to a summons, but positively declined to file the will for probate, dramatically tearing up the document before the astonished eyes of her relatives, and renounced her claims in favor of Arends' mother, who resides in Reynolds County, Missouri.

After New Industries.

AT Rushville a committee consisting of J. E. West, Postmaster Crow, and J. H. Jones of the First National Bank, was appointed at the last meeting of Business Men's Association to confer with Kinney, Bridges & Rogers of Fremont, with reference to putting in a 100-barrel flouring mill at that place. This action was taken in response to a letter received from that firm by the President of the Business Men's Association saying that they had that place in view as a desirable point at which to put in a mill and elevator plant, and inquiring what the outlook was.

Trouble Caused Her Death.

AT Wilbur Annie Sulie, who made her home with her mother, Mrs. Zajacek, committed suicide in a determined manner. She sent her mother up town on an errand. When the old lady returned her daughter was found suspended by a clothes line to the rafters up stairs, dead. On the floor was a pool of blood from a big cut she had made on her arm with some sharp instrument, evidently with a view to hastening death. The deceased was divorced from her husband some time ago and brooding over her troubles and ill health had unbalanced her mind.

Took Strychnine and Died.

AT Taylor Mrs. Robert Doughty committed suicide by taking strychnine. She was about 22 years of age and the mother of two children. No reason can be given for her action further than an hereditary tendancy to temporary insanity coupled with despondency arising from the fact of her delicate condition. This is the second suicide near Taylor within a week. Joseph F. Propbst shot himself

Randolph's New Venture.

THE special election held at Randolph to vote $5,000 in bonds to sink an artesian well carried almost unanimously. Contractor Kearns, recently successful in securing flows at Niobrara and Yankton, gives assurance that like results may be expected there. Well machinery is now on the ground and will be set in position at once. It is generally believed that artesian water will be reached at a depth of 1,000 feet.

Shot at Her Husband.

AT Nebraska City Mrs. John Bauman, wife of one of the janitors at the Postoffice, while temporarily insane, went to the office to see her husband. She walked up behind with a revolver drawn, evidently for the purpose of killing him. He turned just in time to escape death and grabbed her hands. As he did so the revolver was discharged twice, the bullets entering the floor.

Charged with Stealing Hams.

A GERMAN giving the name of Jergen Uben was arrested, charged with robbing Nat Woodring's meat market at Cortland recently, taking therefrom a quantity of hams. Jergen had disposed of several of the hams and was undertaking the sale of others when arrested.

His Testimony Caused Trouble.

WHILE waiting for a train at Papillion, F. A. Lanheine of Bellevue, was assaulted and badly beaten by Deputy Sheriff Vic McCarty. Mr. Lanheine had just given testimony in a case on trial in the District Court, which is alleged to have provoked the row.

Hubble Given the Limit.

AT Papillion Ed Hubble, the young man who eloped with the wife of Adolph Peterson, plead guilty and Judge Scott fixed the sentence at the full extent of the law—$200 fine and one year's imprisonment.

Charged With Rape.

AT Lincoln Frank Trudell, a young man at different times with the Northwestern and Milwaukee Railway Companies, was arrested, charged with rape on a 11-year-old girl. It is a clear case against him.

Columbus' New Industry.

AT Columbus the Consolidated Tank Line Company will shortly erect three tanks with a capacity of 11,000 gallons of oil each, and will make that city a distributing point for a large territory.

Livery Stable Burns at Silver Creek.

AT Silver Creek Henry Schlitt's livery barn burned. Thirteen horses, several head of cattle and a number of carriages were consumed. The loss, exclusive of insurance, will be $2,000.

THE WORK OF CONGRESS

PROCEEDINGS IN THE NATIONAL LEGISLATURE.

Bills Introduced and the Important Doings of a Week in the House and Senate—A Variety of Topics of Interest from Washington

The Solons at Work.

The proceedings of the house on the 15th were without interest, and ordinary the *Record* would be small, but Milliken will publish a brochure of "Plymouth Rock to McKinley," and Dolliver will file for publication a series of articles from the New York *Tribune*, and Smith of Illinois, will print a number of editorials and letters from the *American Economist*, which will swell the *Record* to a voluminous edition. Several other Republicans, by printing extraneous matter, will bring into public prominence the action of the House. The bill to promote the safety of national banks was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency, which it is thought kills it. The private calendar was then resumed, and the remainder of the day was consumed in considering the bill for the relief of the heirs of the inventor of the Sibley tent.

In the Senate on the 18th Senator Vest introduced a bill prohibiting contracts by the Postmaster General with any steamship company making unjust discriminations against any part of the United States as to imports by vessels carrying foreign mails. Senator Vest said it was reported that the United States and Brazil Steamship Company, one of the lines enjoying the mail subsidy, has refused delivery of coffee from Brazil at the port of Newport News. This, he understood, was because of objections by merchants of New York City. Several other members said they had received resolutions setting forth similar facts. The bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce. The resolution of Senator Pfeffer asking the Secretary of State to obtain information concerning the use of electricity in the propulsion of farm machinery and the propagation of plants in foreign countries was agreed to. The Senate then took up the calendar. Subsequently, on motion of Senator Sherman, it went into executive session.

In the House on the 20th, after preliminary business, the House resumed consideration of the Noyes-Rockwell contested election. Wheeler of Alabama, criticised the majority report. Mr. Cobb followed, reviewing the legal aspect of the case. Magner spoke in favor of Rockwell, and pending further decision the House adjourned.

MISSING LINKS.

THERE are said to be 135,000 lepers in India.

THE annual crop of English walnuts in Southern California reaches a million and a half pounds.

IT is said that Denmark, small as it is among nations, consumes twice as much liquor as Germany.

THE members of the Yale Corporation have voted to wear the academic hat and gown at commencement.

THE rarest thing in all Arizona, it is said, is a thunder storm. Sometimes there is not one a year.

BALMACEDA'S mother has crossed the Andes on her way to Mendoza, where she will visit her other sons, who are in that city.

The lowest temperature ever registered by the thermometer in England was at Kelso in 1879, when the mercury fell to 16 below zero.

A SCOTCH Presbyterian Church is endeavoring to save sinners by expelling a member who supplied a duchess with milk from his dairy on Sunday.

THE costliest pocket knife made is sold for $25. Its handle is of solid gold and it contains two small blades only—a nail file and a miniature pair of scissors.

FORTY-NINE years after being wrecked a schooner sunk off Cape May inlet has been rescued by the waves from her bed of sand, and within a week will be floated. The sea does give up its secrets, after all.

SAMUEL DAVIS of Whitneyville, Me., who is 84 years of age, shot four foxes in one day, making a total of forty this season. He says that "foxes are uncommon cute critters, but they're easy to get if you know how."

EVERY politician has his notion of what may be. Col. Henry Watterson points out that the logic of the situation is that the only names that ought to be presented to the Minneapolis convention are those of Blaine and McKinley.

AN enthusiastic reporter down in Texas went to a wedding the other day and was so impressed by all he saw that he indulged in this bit of fine writing: "A cloudless sky, ruled by the radiant moon and gemmed with millions of stars, arched grandly the nuptial night."

THERE are some people who can't appreciate poetry. The other day James Griffin of Plymouth, Pa., returned home after an absence of eighteen years. When his wife saw him she remarked: "Begone, I will have no Enoch Arden business here," and James departed, feeling that he was a back number, sure enough.

IF we first lay down the sun and then place the earth one inch from it, that being the relative distance; then if we inquire at what distance to put the nearest fixed star, using the same scale, we will find that it must be placed at a distance of eleven miles.

DR. THEODOR WOLF, late the State Geologist of Ecuador has made a special study of the Andes of that country, which he says are between ten and twenty miles further away from the Pacific coast than most of our recent maps show.

A WEALTHY hermit, who dwelt near Springfield, Ohio, has started for Western Indiana with a cart made of old buggy wheels and shafts, to which he himself was harnessed as though he was a horse. A large dog accompanied him as a body guard.

"HAS the Jew, with his reputation as the champion of commercial prosperity, not found in the Yankee more than his match? Has he not in reality been outdone, and does not his future in these parts seem but a dreary one?" The foregoing inquiry appears in the *American Hebrew*, and the inquirer is Max J. Ullman of New Bedford, Mass.

MARK KENNISTON of Phillips, Me., has a bull moose which he has raised from a calf, which is so tame that he turns it out every warm day to browse in the neighboring fields. He catches the big bull as easily as he would a pet lamb, and is breaking him to harness. He hitched the moose to a wagon last summer, and was carried ten miles at railroad speed before he could stop the animal.

AN amateur violin-maker of Portland, Me., has secured a prize in a spruce beam from an old house at North Yarmouth. The beam had been seasoning for more than a hundred years, and the thin little boards sawn from it give forth the clear, mellow sound that is desired in violin stock. Gemunder, the New York maker of violins, was in Portland recently, and secured some of the wood.

IN 1430 A. D., after nineteen years of ceaseless labor and an expenditure of about £800,000 pounds, the Chinese government finished the wonderful porcelain tower at Nankin, which stood for nearly four and a quarter centuries, until 1856, the