

DES MOINES ALIVE.

Opening of the Iowa State Fair at That Place.

Extraordinary and Special Attractions For Exhibition.

Preparations By the Hotels and Citizens to Receive Guests.

Mrs. Burke to Ride Against Her Best Time.

Special Correspondence of The Bee.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 5.—The present week promises to be one of much interest to Des Moines. The great central attraction that has already drawn thousands of people hither, and will draw still more, and which has been looked forward to with great expectancy for several months, is the Iowa state fair, which opened to-day and continues for five days, or until September 9. It has been so general a subject of conversation that the much worn theme, the weather, has been neglected. The fair grounds are very happily located about two miles west of the city, and include a fine natural grove and a small lake. They have a diversity of surface which renders them pleasing to the eye, and also affords good drainage. It is a peculiarity of these grounds that they are but little affected by rains and require but a few hours of sunshine after a storm to render them comparatively dry. A well arranged system of waterworks affords a good supply of water to all the principal parts of the enclosure. During the past two weeks the grounds have been the scene of activity and bustle. New buildings have been erected, old ones renovated and repaired, the spacious amphitheatre, capable of seating six thousand people, has been re-roofed, the grounds divested of unbrush and weeds, and new plans devised and put into execution tending to the better accommodation of the expected crowds. Of the details of this work we will speak more fully hereafter. The labor, however, has not been confined to the grounds, but has extended to the city. With an eye to taste, the streets have been cleaned, rubbish removed from the alleys, weeds cut down, sidewalks repaired, the painter has swung his brush effectively and a general effort has been made to "tone up," and to present a creditable appearance to the eye of the stranger. We do not mean to state that this reform has been universal, but it has been indulged in to an extent that is quite noticeable. There was need of it, too, for in the excitement consequent on new railroads, new business enterprises, and with the flattering unctious that every citizen of Des Moines lays to his soul, that this is the metropolis of Iowa, "and don't you forget it,"—these smaller details have been lost sight of, and quite lately have the people begun to see that, to maintain her prestige, Des Moines must make herself attractive to the eye and senses; that it is not all of life to live in bustle, dust, and stenches that violently assail one. A "boom" is a good thing to have, but taste and cleanliness are also essential to a city of the magnitude of Des Moines.

At 9:30 o'clock, exhibition of oxen and fat cattle. At 10 o'clock, cows, heifers, etc., draft stallions and mares. At 11 o'clock, president's address. At 11:30 o'clock, farm teams. At 1 o'clock, p. m., chariot race. At 1:30 o'clock, running stake, one and a half mile. At 2 o'clock—horses that have never beaten 3:00 will trot. At 3 o'clock—chariot races. On Wednesday forenoon a display of horses, jacks, mules, ponies, etc. Wednesday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, chariot races; free for all trotting. At 1:30 o'clock—trotting stallions under five years. At 2 o'clock—running, two mile dash, and trotting; horses that have never beaten 3:20. At 3 o'clock—trotting; horses that have never beaten 2:50.

Among the special attractions will be the Little Ella, the Musical Prodigy, who gives free exhibitions each day. Chariot races by Mr. and Mrs. McDonald; a ten-mile race between Miss Nellie Curtis, of Topeka, Kan., and Miss Minnie Pinneo, of Colorado. Probably the greatest attraction of the fair will be the race against time by Mrs. Burke, of your bustling city of Omaha, who is to ride ten miles in twenty-two and one-half minutes, an unparalleled feat. She changes horses nine times in doing this, and such is her confidence in her ability to do this that she agrees with the management that in case of failure she will make no charges whatever.

Secretary Shaffer has labored hard to secure the success of the fair, and the whole management evidences a determination to outdo all former efforts. As was remarked in the commencement of this article, this will prove an eventful week for Des Moines. Outside of the fair there are matters which will vitally affect not only the city but the state, of which I will write you more fully in my next. X. I. S.

THE FIRE FIEND.

What It Has Accomplished in the Last Twenty-four Hours.

National Associated Press. ST. JOHNS, N. B., September 3.—Jewett's mill at Drury Cave burned last night, with 40,000 feet of lumber. Loss, \$20,000.

ALBANY, N. Y., September 8.—The Home Lawn hotel, a summer resort near here, was destroyed by fire this morning. E. H. Powell, the proprietor, confined to bed by sickness, narrowly escaped being burned to death. Loss, \$10,000; insurance, nothing.

CHICAGO, September 8.—Libby, McNeill & Libby's slaughtering establishment, located at the Union stock yards, was totally destroyed by fire this forenoon. The building was a three-story brick, 60x200 feet, owned by the Turner Packing Company. Loss on stock and fixtures \$15,000; fully insured.

WAR ON THE RAIL.

The Pennsylvania and Vanderbilt Roads Out to \$5 From Chicago.

National Associated Press. CHICAGO, September 8.—Both the Michigan Central and Lake Shore roads began this morning selling tickets to New York for \$5. Boston, via Albany, for \$6, and Boston, via New York, for \$10.75. It is thought there will be a very interesting passenger war, as the Pennsylvania road says they will meet any rate made by the Vanderbilt road; no matter how low.

THE TABLES TURNED.

Republican Banner Flies Victory in San Francisco.

National Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, September 8.—As the vote is counted the republican majority increases. It now looks as though the whole republican ticket will be elected.

Gigantic Railroad Project.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Articles incorporating the Chicago, St. Paul and Omaha R. R. Co. have been filed with the secretary of state. The project is a gigantic one and includes the building of about five hundred miles of road from Chicago to Muscatine, Ia., via Freeport. The branches will cover pretty much the entire state of Illinois. The capital stock is \$10,000,000.

News From the Front.

National Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, September 8.—The latest from Camp Thomas reports Fort Apache safe. The Arizona militia are arming for defense of the citizens in the neighborhood of the hostiles and will probably attack any body of Indians without waiting for authority. The San Carlos Indians are reported quiet. The Pima and Maricopa tribes offer to join against the Apaches.

Connecticut's Day of Prayer.

National Associated Press. NEW HAVEN, Conn., September 8.—Gov. Bigelow, of Connecticut, has appointed Tuesday, September 13, between 10 and 12 o'clock, as a day of prayer for the recovery of the president.

Cherokee Citizenship.

National Associated Press. TALLAHASSEE, Indian Territory, September 8.—The revising council of the Cherokee nation is in session here to decide the status of persons who have been marked as doubtful citizens. Some two hundred persons have been entered on the census rolls and cited.

GREATEST REMEDY KNOWN.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is certainly the greatest medical remedy ever placed within the reach of suffering humanity. Thousands of once helpless sufferers, now loudly proclaim their praise for this wonderful discovery to which they owe their lives. Not only does it positively cure Consumption, but Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Hay Fever, Hoarseness and all affections of the Throat, Chest and Lungs yields at once to its wonderful curative power as if by magic. We do not ask you to buy a large bottle unless you know what you are getting. We therefore earnestly request you to call on your druggists, Ish & McMahon, and get a trial bottle free of cost which will convince the most skeptical of its wonderful merits, and show you what a regular one dollar size bottle will do. For sale by Ish & McMahon. (4)

The Gold Placers of the West.

Some of the richest gold placers in the west have been formed by extinct streams. In New Mexico, a year ago, I saw gravel beds abounding in the yellow dust, covering thousands of acres, where no brook nor river now runs. They are the pulverized debris of prehistoric mountains which rose to much higher altitudes than their now abraded remains. Down the sides of these ancient hills great torrents poured where now not even a rivulet can be found. Again great glaciers or other tremendous agencies of nature have sometimes deposited great hills or mountains over old river beds so that, in mining, the course of what appear to have been subterranean streams may be traced. In some instances the material of which these underground river beds are formed carries gold in considerable quantities, and in California especially, the superincumbent mountains are also frequently rich placers. In the golden state some of these mountains have been removed by hydraulic power, the gold separated from the sand and gravel, and the debris called tailings, deposited in the valleys, filling them up to great depths.

Asplacers are generally discovered in a new mining district before quartz mines, so those placers that are in the beds of present streams are more easily found than those of ancient, extinct rivers or subterranean streams. The earliest mining is in the gulches. That there is gold in a region where it was not before known to exist is generally discovered by accident. A freshet tears up the loose sand and gravel on the bed of the stream and carries it away, exposing the particles of gold which are too heavy to be moved by the water. This was the way in which the first gold was discovered in the stream at Sutter's Mill in California. In New Mexico and Arizona, where there are large ancient placer deposits with no water now running through them, heavy rains sometimes fill the gulches in the mesas or table lands, and after the showers the Mexicans search along the bottoms of them and pick up the small particles of gold that are exposed and save them in little vials made of goose quills. In the Black Hills the Indians picked up these grains of gold and some large nuggets, and knew where they could be found many years before white people went to that country.

A good French Catholic missionary, Father de Smet, who labored among the Indians for many years, advised them as they prized their homes and hunting grounds never to let the white people see the golden nuggets which they had collected, rightly believing that the Sioux would be immediately driven out and the white people would take possession of their country, treaty or no treaty. But the secret was too important one to be kept always, and after the poor priest's death a rumor got abroad of gold in the Black Hills; then Custer was sent in there by the government to make an exploration, which resulted in the verification of the vague reports, and after that the United States army was not large enough to keep the people out.

Physical Suffering.

No one can realize, except by personal experience, the anguish of body and mind endured by sufferers from dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation and other "diseases of the stomach." Burdock Blood Bitters are a positive cure for this direst of all diseases. Price \$1.00, trial size 10 cents.

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Notice to Sewer Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received by the engineer until 12 o'clock noon, of the 24th day of September, for the material and construction of a sewer from 8 to 8 1/2 feet in diameter 3 rings thick, and about 1200 feet long, on Jones street from a point near the east side of 13th street to the terminus of the sewer as constructed, east to a point about 40 feet east of the east side of 9th street.

Examination of Teachers.

I will be present at my office in Creighton block on the first Saturday of each month to examine candidates for teaching in the public schools in Douglas county. Quarterly examinations first Saturday in February, May, August and November.

County Supt. Public Instruction.

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LEGAL NOTICE. John McFadden will take notice that on the 10th day of August, 1881, Charles Bradley, Justice of the Peace, of 1st Precinct, Douglas Co., Neb., issued an order of attachment for the sum of \$20.25 in an action pending before him, wherein Arno Kratz is plaintiff and John McFadden defendant, that property consisting of household furniture and other articles has been attached under said order. Said cause was continued to 21st of September, 1881, 10 o'clock a. m. Arno Kratz, Plaintiff.

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