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The Arrangement of the Fair Grounds and How the Work is Progressing.

Annual Convale of the Knights of Pythias in This City.

The Probable Attendance at Various Fairs--Local Notes and Personal.

AT THE CAPITAL.

THE STATE FAIR. The state fair association has ample reason to feel proud of the grounds, and there is a great deal of doubt whether they could be improved on for natural beauty and location anywhere in the country.

Through the courtesy of O. M. Drus, Esq., a Bux reporter had the pleasure of viewing the grounds. The location is delightful, the principal buildings being upon a high knoll of ground which overlooks the balance of the enclosure. A high, white, iron fence encloses 110 acres. Upon the one side runs the Antelope, while upon the opposite side the classic Salt Creek creeps slowly along. The speedily laid out and finished, and the appearance of the grounds is so fine that it commands the close attention of all visitors.

There have already been many inquiries for the special department, and many more are expected. A fine amphitheater has been built, with will afford ample seating capacity for over 3,000 persons. The building is one of the most substantial in the country, the timbers supporting the superstructure being heavy and closely knotted pine.

To the south of the fair grounds a large number of people would wish to see the track, as the ground is high and commands a full view of the course all the way around. Considerable money has been expended all of which is just receiving the finishing touches at the hands of the workmen, the art work is most noticeable. This building is new and was put up at the cost of several thousand dollars. It is one hundred and eighty feet long and is about sixty feet wide. It is finely lighted and will have a magnificent floor throughout. The fish commission has space in this building and will make a splendid exhibit.

Horizontal and vertical exhibitions, one hundred and fifty feet by twenty-eight feet, with a wing seventy-five feet long. It is freshly painted and repaired, being made as good as new. The hall is a pretty building which with the wings has a distance each way of 130 feet. In the center of this building will be placed a correct copy of the Harbottle statue, the same which was given to the city of New Orleans. One of the most prominent features of the grounds are the accommodations for all kinds of stock. There are 150 stalls for horses, 100 for mules and 50 for cattle. The stalls are well-ventilated, and are as good as could be made. Running along in front of these buildings will be a wide walk, which will be paved by a byway, which will be for the convenience of the hostlers and owners having the stock in charge. Lying in the north and south ends of the grounds are 300 cow sheds, neatly constructed and very convenient in every respect. There will be seven water tanks with milk scattered over the grounds when ever needed. There will be 300 sheep and 300 hogs, all fenced and made in the most approved manner.

The speed show will accommodate 100 horses, and from present indications they will be well filled with good fast animals. Besides the buildings already mentioned, the managers are putting up a commodious store house and a power building which will furnish motive power for any number of machines and apparatus which may be needed. A plenty of space allotted in the power building to any person desirous of exhibiting.

Several exhibitors will put up their own buildings and there will be a great number of men to do the clearing around the main building. In the large room a system of checking will be put in operation so that any one wishing to have horses or other stock taken care of can leave them in charge of an attendant with perfect safety. Large refrigerators will be supplied to take care of refrigerating their own lunch may be had from the commissary. The officers building has been repaired and newly painted so that it is as good as new. The approaches to the fair grounds are now in an advanced state of completion. Sixteenth street will be the principal road leading to the grounds, and that is in splendid condition, nicely graded and finished. There are two other roads that will overcome any jam that might occur if there was but one road to the fair. The B. & M. company will run trains every twelve minutes. There will be twenty-five cents for both ways. There will be plenty of all classes of conveyances, which will make no moderate charges. Everything will be done to give the public the most enjoyable and profitable trip.

PROBABLE ATTENDANCE AT FAIRS. The B. & M. company is making an estimate of the probable attendance of people living in towns on its lines in the state, more especially south of the Platte river, to the state fair at Lincoln, this A. S. season. Statistics and the report of the Omaha, the towns already attended are Gibson, Bellevue, LaPlatte, Orecipia, Platteville, Osmond, Cedar Creek, Loup, South Bend, Greenwood, Waverly, Newton, Orest, Wilbur, DeWitt, Caldwell, Putnam, Wynora, Denton, Berks, Ordweber, Friend, Exeter, Fremont, Grand Island, Harlan, Kearney, Lowell, Newark, Aurora, Maquette, Dunbar, Burlington, Sarsous, Union, Palmyra, Bennett, Waco, York, Hartsville, Aurora. The list, of course, is not yet complete, and even those towns here given will undoubtedly turn out more than is yet shown. The state fair is a grand affair, and that which is certain to attend Lincoln, Nebraska and Omaha. Lincoln heads the list with 6,000; Hastings, O. A. R. takes care of 4,000; Omaha comes next with 1,300 from those South Platte towns here named.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ANNUAL CONVALE. The Knights of Pythias of Lincoln are busy getting ready for the grand state convale which will be held in this city the second week in October. The prospects are flattering and the attendance is expected to be the largest ever in Nebraska or the states adjacent to it.

The Lincoln lodges will offer prizes for drilling aggregating \$1,000, while the grand lodge gives the regular prizes, amounting to \$500, making \$1,500, to be competed for. Invitations have been sent out to various lodges in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Colorado, and several, among which are one from Abbeville and Topeka, have already signified their intention of coming. There will be twenty uniformed bands of music which will furnish an abundance of music for the convale. It is not generally known that the Hastings lodge of O. P. have a tent of their own. It is in good repair and numbers several fine musicians. The list on a uniformed band is in active drill and the members expect to carry away a number of the honors of the annual convale, ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Twenty-two electric lights have been contracted for by the city to take the place of the present gas lamps. The wires are being strung, and several of the lamps have been put into position. They are placed at the intersections of the streets, high enough above the ground to shed their light on all objects around. It is expected that each light will be sufficient for four blocks, but if it is found that the number is too small, more will be added. This electric lighting is a new departure in Nebraska, and there are a number of towns waiting the result of the Lincoln experiment. They will try it. The cost will be the same as gas, and it is thought better satisfaction will be given.

Gas, Melville and A. J. Sawyer, Esq. will leave to-day for the north west on water-way convention at St. Paul. In addition to this

HELL BE THERE.

Farmer Brown Tells his Wife All About the Great Omaha Fair.

Farmer Brown is one of the shining agricultural lights in Sarpy county, a man of good horse sense, whose clean farm and fast stables make him an authority on all rural matters. While Farmer Brown has passed most of his life under his "own vine and fig-tree," he is not slow at catching on to the ways of the world. In fact he is quite shrewd in his deals, and the city chaps who sometimes make a trade with him have hard work to get out even. Not that Farmer Brown is dishonest. He is a dealer in the surest of good standing, and abhors anything like deceit or falsehood. He is simply a wide-awake, smart man, with the Yankee proclivity for getting the best end of a bargain, and then, though he looks like a hard-boiled man, he is really a very kind and generous soul. Saturday Farmer Brown drove into Omaha and did some trading, chatted with some of his old cronies about the fair, and the more he talked the more he liked it. He was finally quieted, and when it was dark, his wife was on hand to enquire.

"You'll be there, won't you?" she asked. "Ya'll be there, I did, and--concern this tarnation critter, if he'll stand still a minute till I get in, I'll tell you 'bout it." The more she talked the more he liked it. He was finally quieted, and when it was dark, his wife was on hand to enquire.

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THE HOWARD SHOOTING.

A Statement From Mr. John Howard about the Matter--What General Breck Says.

Most of the members of the Howard pleasure party came home yesterday, including Mr. James Howard, Mrs. Chas. Howard and Miss Kate Chase. General Howard and his son John will arrive in a day or two.

A reporter for the Bee met Mr. James Howard and questioned him about the shooting of John Howard. As will be seen by reference to the telegraphic columns of the Bee, the case is depicted as one of attempted suicide, on account of an unrequited affection which young Mr. Howard is said to have entertained for Miss Chase. Mr. Howard, in speaking of the matter, said:

The dispatch concerning the shooting of General Howard's son, John, is a sad one. He was wounded on Tuesday, 9:15 p. m., by a shot from his revolver. I was in the camp at the time. The three ladies, the General and I were standing about the camp. The doctor was in his tent near by. John came to me and indicated that he wanted to take a walk into the woods 200 feet away. He was absent a few moments when the shot was heard. I was at his side in a few seconds. He lay on his side and spoke to me. We had the doctor standing within five minutes. The ball struck him in the lower left rib, passed across to the lower right rib and lay under the skin. It was soon extracted. John then rested for a few days. Later in the night he had severe pains, but was not for a moment out of his mind. He said he was sitting at the time and that the revolver was in his hand. He said he had been exchanging his Smith & Wesson for a Smith & Wesson for a long time, and that he had just received the new one. He said he would go on the next day with the party, but the doctor said it would be wisest to rest for a day or two. The Livingston, Mont., correspondent has sent a dispatch saying that my dog may do the boy harm as well as others. His pistol was not loaded when he retired. He loaded it in the dark and was not being loaded. The Livingston action it went off with the unfortunate result. To-day's dispatches announce that he is better and may be expected home in three weeks.

General Howard's camp at the time of the accident was at Fire Hole Camp, Yellowstone National Park. The party consisted of the general, his wife, his daughter, Miss Chase, N. P. R. R. Yellowstone branch. The general has with him nine tents, sixteen soldiers, six packers, thirty-five pack and riding mules, two army wagons and two baggage wagons. This camp is the point where traveling was changed from pack train to wagon transportation.

General Breck, assistant adjutant general, said yesterday that he believed the dispatch was entirely erroneous. He said that he had received some telegraphic correspondence about the matter, all of which led him to believe that the case was one of accidental shooting. He said that young Howard had been long acquainted with Miss Chase--in fact had been related with her for a long time; that the two were engaged, he said, but of this he knew nothing.

THE BEST WASHING COMPOUND of the day is undoubtedly JAMES PYLE'S PEARLINE. It cleanses the dirtiest and most elegant fabric without injury and with little labor. For sale by grocers.

Myrtle Lodge's First Loss. At 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning Chas. Sands died at his lodgings on Eighteenth and Hickory streets. His remains are now lying in state at the armory of Myrtle division K. of P., of which was an honored member and the funeral will occur to-morrow. The cause of death occurred under the auspices of the order, unless otherwise ordered by his relative in Chicago. The deceased was one of the most respected young men of the city. Seven years ago he came to Omaha and

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