

VAN WYCK VANQUISHES THEM

Nebraska's Sturdy Senior Fires an Indignant Volley of Hot Shot.

AIMED AT THE UTAH SINECURE.

In Which He Fairly Hews Down the Tall Sycamore of the Wash—The House Committee—Western Postal Notes.

They Met the Wrong Man.

Washington, Jan. 6.—[Special Telegram.]—The speech of Senator Van Wyck, of Nebraska, in the senate this afternoon against perpetuating the Utah commission, was the sensation of the day.

AN HONEST FRIEND OF LABOR. Senator Van Wyck, of Nebraska, has begun an inquiry here which may lead to something of importance to laboring men throughout the country.

A FIERCE FLOOD.

Continued Damage Caused by the Pennsylvania Freshet.

LANCASTER, Pa., Jan. 6.—The flood in the Susquehanna reached Columbia this morning, and the rise is higher than for twenty years.

Another Bank Official Caught Short in His Accounts.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—J. H. Meyers, teller of the Pullman National Bank of Chicago, Ill., was arrested to-night for embezzlement.

Supreme Court Decisions.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 6.—[Special Telegram.]—At the session of the supreme court this afternoon the following opinions were handed down:

HOME FOR COMEICE.

Duluth Dedicates Her Board of Trade Temple.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 6.—The new board of trade building was dedicated to-day.

A Tank of Oil on Fire.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 6.—About 5 o'clock this morning 15,000 barrels of oil caught fire from some unknown cause at the Standard Oil company's No. 1 works.

A Husband Hunter Succeeds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—It is announced to-night that Sarah Aldrich Hill, plaintiff in the celebrated Sharon divorce case, has been married to-morrow morning at Stockton, Cal.

Steamer Lost.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 6.—The owners of the steamer City of Nassau, which is now twelve days out on a trip to Jacksonville, Fla., believe the steamer lost.

The Gun was Loaded.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 6.—William Kennedy, a student at Tusculum college, was in a considerable way excited by the news of companies, when one of them picked up an old army pistol from his trunk and began flourishing it supposing it was not loaded.

Merchants Electing Officers.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 6.—S. W. Cobb was today elected president of the Merchants Exchange for the ensuing year, and Charles W. Fleisler, first vice-president.

Two Seamen Drowned.

PRINCE ANNE, Md., Jan. 6.—In the wind and rain storm which prevailed Monday night two seamen were drowned while trying to make shore in a small skiff from their vessel, which was anchored a few hundred yards from shore.

The Snow Plow Failed to Kill Him.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Jan. 6.—[Special Telegram.]—Aaron Cue, who was struck by the snow plow, was not killed. His injuries are so slight that he will soon recover.

SIDNEY'S FUTURE SWINGING.

Jim Rennolds Sentenced to be Hung for His Double Crime.

MURDERER OF THE PINKSTONS.

The Third Awaiting the Hangman in Nebraska—State Supreme Court Decisions—Specials From Our Sister States.

A Candidate for the Gallows.

SIDNEY, Neb., Jan. 6.—[Special Telegram.]—Jim Rennolds, the murderer of the Pinkstons, was today sentenced by Judge Hamer to be hung on May 21.

A Blow at the Carlists.

MADRID, Jan. 6.—A manifesto which the Spanish bishops submitted to the pope on the death of King Alfonso, has been approved by the pope and will be published forthwith.

Demands Conditions.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—A number of unofficial slowly southern agitators have been making overtures to the Parnellites for the co-operation of the latter in raising the question as to home rule during the debate on the address in reply to the queen's speech.

Another Row in Burnham.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The Times correspondent at Mandalay, telegraphs that ten thousand rebels are scouring the country with a radius of twenty miles of the capital, and they threaten to attack the town.

Snow Storm in England.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—A snow storm has prevailed throughout England during the past eight hours. Railroad traffic is greatly impeded, and many telegraph wires were broken.

Servia Refuses Peace.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—It is stated that Servia, acting at the instigation of Austria, will refuse to discuss terms of peace with Bulgaria except on the basis of a return of the status quo ante, and non payment of the war indemnity by Servia.

Davit to Agitate Wales.

DUBLIN, Jan. 6.—Michael Davitt has promised to visit Wales in February next for the purpose of assisting in an agrarian agitation and the formation of a Welsh land league.

The Order Rescinded.

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—United States Minister Pendleton has induced the government to rescind its orders for the expulsion of Americans from the island of Foer.

COLD WAVE COMING.

Nipping Promised in the Northwest—Storm at Denver.

DENVER, Jan. 6.—The snow storm is not unusually severe, though general, throughout the Rocky Mountain region.

Cattle Suffering from Cold.

SPRINGFIELD, N. M., Jan. 6.—It is feared very heavy losses will occur among the ranges in this region.

In the Northwest.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 6.—Specials to the Pioneer Press from Glendive, Mont., Grand Forks, Fargo and Mitchell, Dakota, indicate a cold wave with snow coming rapidly eastward.

At Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 6.—The snow blockade on the western railways has been raised. The last of the delayed trains arrived to-day.

Indications for To-day.

MISSOURI VALLEY—Local snows, followed by fair weather, with cold wave winds, shifting to northerly higher barometer.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

Prospects of Trouble Among the Stove Moulders.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 6.—Local stove moulders and Knights of Labor generally are in deep concern about a circular which has been issued by a committee of the National Association of Stove Manufacturers.

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Jay Gould on a Jaunt.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Jay Gould left the city to-day for Charleston, where it is said he will board his yacht Atlanta for his long prowl cruise in southern waters.

Ohio Senatorial Caucus.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 6.—The republican senatorial caucus to name a candidate to succeed Sherman in the United States senate will be held to-morrow afternoon.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

German Peasants Demanding the Return of New York, Jan. 6.—[Special Telegram.]—The Sun's London cable says: The agitation in favor of a bimetallic standard of currency in Germany has attained great proportions.

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AN EXCELLENT ENTERTAINMENT.

The Grand Complimentary Concert to Excelsior Lodge.

Metropolitan hall was filled last evening with a large and intelligent audience composed of the elite of Omaha colored society. The occasion was the complimentary concert given to Excelsior lodge No. 110, A. F. & A. M., by the accomplished vocalists, Mrs. A. S. Barnett and Miss Mary Williams, sopranos; Miss Ida Bruce and Mrs. C. C. Carey, altos; Mr. C. C. Carey and Dr. M. O. Ricketts, tenors, and Messrs Charles Washington and L. Spencer, basses.

Miss Eliza Harrison acted as musical director and piano accompanist, and filled her part to the delight of all. The following was the programme rendered:

Chorus.....Friendship, Love and Song. Solo.....On the Race Course. Misses Williams and Harrison. Solo.....The Good-bye at the Door. Solo.....C. C. Carey. The Warrior Bold. Quartette.....Blow on ye Winds. C. C. Carey, M. O. Ricketts, C. Washington, L. Spencer. Solo.....Come where the Lilies Bloom. Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Carey, Misses Bruce and C. C. Carey. W. C. Carey. Trio.....O Restless Sea. Miss Harrison, Messrs Spencer and Carey. Solo.....When I am next thee. Mrs. Barnett. Solo.....Old Sexton. Dr. M. O. Ricketts. Chorus.....Good Night, Good Night. Among the many meritorious numbers on the programme, all of which were deserving of mention, the piano solo of Miss Harrison was particularly well rendered. By special request it was repeated before the close of the entertainment. Miss Harrison showed by her performance that she is an artist, and a well skilled executant of every description of the highest praise. All who participated in the entertainment last evening are to be congratulated on its success.

Ladies' Musicale.

The twenty-eighth programme of the Ladies' Musicale was rendered yesterday afternoon at Moyer's music hall, the committee having the affair in charge being Miss Rustin and Miss Bella Robinson. The programme was an excellent one, as usual, and was delightfully rendered throughout, greatly to the credit of the participants. It was as follows:

Mignon.....Miss Keating. Thomas Golden Stars.....Denza. Etude, op. 67, No. 6.....Loeschhorn. "Last Night,".....Whither Concerto, A minor.....Schumann. (With H. piano accompaniment by Mrs. Hutcheson.) Miss Abby. "To Sevilla,".....Dessauer. A Consolation.....Liszt. "O Du mein holder Abendstern,".....M. G. C. Hall. Meditation.....Cherny. A Tarantella, op. 11.....Scharwenka. b. Polonaise, op. 11.....Moszkowski. Miss Ida Wiles.

"A Novel Jail."

The Republican yesterday morning contained among its "well selected news matter and pertinent editorial mention," the following item, which must have had a paralytic effect on those, whoever few, who read it:

"Omaha, Neb., has just finished a new jail, of an entirely original plan, and the Omaha Free Press says it is a novelty well worth visiting."

The item of which the above is the opening sentence was of a quarter column length and accurately described the rotary jail built in Council Bluffs some five or six months ago. For the benefit of those who might desire to know how such an original plan could occur in a "metropolitan jail" like the Republican, the Free Press briefly explained. At the time that the jail in question was finished, the Council Bluffs page of the Free contained a thorough description of it. An independent student of some eastern papers and not noticing the Council Bluffs title of the page, they reprinted it, credited to Omaha. In this wise it went the rounds of the press until it fell into the hands of the Free Press, which manufactures to order the Republican's "reprint and fresh intelligence of events hot from the wires and the pen points of legions of reporters, etc." Indignant at the subject matter of its publications, and anxious only to fill up the Republican, it threw in the place which contained the "giveaway" article. That is all, and yet how much of grand enterprise and vast expenditure it tells, all!

State Arrivals.

Among the prominent state people at the hotels yesterday were: T. F. Martin, Loren Clark, Albion E. H. Chambers, Miss Alice Chambers, Nebraska; Mrs. Edith Underwood, Creighton; W. A. Cotton, Nebraska City; W. H. Moore, Creighton; E. P. Olmstead, Hastings; Edgar S. Duff, May; N. G. Franklin, Lincoln; R. A. Washington, Council Bluffs; A. M. Sewell, C. W. Waymouth, Hastings; A. G. Scott, Kearney; H. O. Barber, Holdrege; W. E. Hill, Nebraska City; Wm. A. Vastine, Hastings; Wm. Newman, Omaha; O. J. Quibell, M. C. Keble, North Platte; J. L. Mitchell, Nebraska City; A. V. Dean, St. Paul; S. E. Sierpelt, Clark; Chas. Bier, Lincoln; W. T. Allen, Ashland; J. K. Lee, Creighton; H. H. Leuborn, Sutton; A. R. Case, John R. Hummel, Lincoln; Mrs. Pauline Blair, W. Willingay, R. C. Draper, Nebraska City; I. D. Clark and ladies, Paulson; D. R. Hopkins, S. J. Herman, Wilbur; E. S. Burr, Lincoln.

The Cold Wave.

Instructions were received by the local observer last evening from the chief civil service officer at Washington to hold the black flag accompanied by the following statement: "Cold wave accompanied by a 'norther' temperature will fall from 30 to 25 degrees in the next 24 hours at western and northern stations, and in 24 to 36 hours at southern stations."

As this indication that old probabilities have this time told the truth, the cold wave began to be felt about midnight, and the cold gradually increased towards morning, with a still breeze from the north.

Omaha Base Ball Interests.

A meeting of those interested in base ball is to be called some day this week to consider the advisability of Omaha being represented by a club in the western league the coming season. If deemed advisable a delegate will be sent to St. Joseph to attend the meeting of the league which is to be held there January 13. The exact date of the meeting here will be decided to-day.

HE MUST FACE THE MUSIC.

Four Years Confinement or Forfeiture of the Sum Nominated in the Bond.

A CAPITALIST A CRIMINAL.

An Interesting Story of a Wealthy Chicago Man's Conviction for the Crime of Manslaughter and How the Deed was Committed.

Will Serve His Sentence.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—[Special Telegram.]—It is not often that a business man of great wealth and previously irreproachable reputation is sent to the penitentiary for the crime of manslaughter in so serious and interesting a manner as promises to be the case in the case with Milton Weston, who has for a great number of years been one of the best known residents of the west side, whose social relations and standing have always been of the highest character, and whose property interests are at some times of extraordinary magnitude. Dispatches from Pittsburg yesterday conveyed knowledge of a rumor prevalent there that Weston had fled the country on account of a new trial being refused him in a case where he was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to four years in the Pennsylvania penitentiary. Investigation by reporters this morning showed that although Weston is at liberty on bail, which it would not at all inconvenience him to pay, thereby releasing his bondsmen from any loss in the case, he concluded to spend the balance of his life in a foreign country. He does not propose to do anything of the kind as the following terse dispatch received from New York to-day by ex-Alderman Jonas shows:

New York, Jan. 5.—Julius Jones—Have you not heard that Milton Weston has fled the country or any other foreign port. Will face the music, come what may.

MILTON WESTON.

The story of the crime which will result in Weston's confinement for a term of four years is an interesting one. About five years ago, being of a speculative nature, he went to the gas wells regions of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and located a tract of land on which he proposed to build a gas well. Making the purchase it was discovered that the title to the land was in dispute, and in order that no advantage might be taken of him in the matter, Weston built a cabin on the tract and prepared to assert the right of quiet enjoyment in addition to that he had acquired by the payment of money. With him were a dozen resolute fellows, who were armed to the teeth, and under the leadership of so determined a man as the Chicago capitalist it was inevitable that bloodshed should ensue, in case other claimants to the property should be bold enough to come to the land one night in 1883, at the head of the crowd being a man named Oediah Haymaker. A pitched battle followed, in which muskets and bayonets were freely used by both sides, and at its close it was found that Haymaker had received several bayonet wounds, from which he died a few days later. Weston was indicted and tried for riot and murder, being convicted and sentenced to seven years imprisonment. A new trial was secured, and about a year ago a second conviction was found the penalty being fixed at four years imprisonment. An appeal to the Pennsylvania supreme court was taken, and not long ago the finding of the lower court was approved and a new trial denied. Nothing therefore remains for Mr. Weston but to serve the sentence.

A PECULIAR CASE.

A Doctor Sued by a Patient For Heavy Damages.

Yesterday Messrs. H. D. Estabrook and J. C. Cowin, filed a peculiar and novel suit in the district court.

The action is brought by Mrs. Mary Saxe, wife of Arthur Saxe, of the auditor's department of the B. & M. road, against Dr. J. M. Swetnam, for \$10,000 damages. Her petition alleges as follows: On June 11, during a period of her confinement or rather at the termination thereof, Dr. Swetnam was called in to attend Mrs. Saxe. He had just been in attendance upon another patient who had been suffering from puerperal fever and had died, which fact Mrs. Saxe being informed, was communicated to Mrs. Saxe. The petition in this connection goes on to state that puerperal fever is as contagious as small pox or scarlet fever, and that Dr. Swetnam ought to have recognized this fact and acted accordingly. The petition concludes with alleging that the defendant performed several unskillful operations, which have resulted in Mrs. Saxe's life, and made her a life-long invalid. In consequence, damages against the defendant are asked in the sum of \$10,000.

The suit will raise some very fine questions, for instance as to whether puerperal fever is contagious, etc. The issue of the case will be awaited with considerable interest, especially by the medical fraternity.

A Pleasant Party.

The fourth of the series of parties of the Apollo club was held last evening in the City Guards' hall, and was a success in every particular. There were about fifty couples in attendance, and to the music of the Musical Union orchestra a well arranged programme of twenty numbers was delightfully carried out. All of the parties given by this organization have been most enjoyable, and the one last night was no exception to the rule.

Union Pacific Band.

The Union Pacific band held its annual election of officers Tuesday evening at band room. There was a full attendance of the members of the band. The list of officers elected is as follows: President, A. Engstrom; secretary, Fred Pilling; treasurer, Harry Jackson; leader, Fred Rydner; manager, Wm. Pilling.

The Post and Telegraph, one of the city's foremost evening papers, manifests such a marked interest in the welfare of the proprietors to congratulation. The office and plant have just been removed to new quarters at the corner of Twelfth and Capitol avenues, the paper comes out in eight column form with a new dress. The news service of the paper is up to the standard and editorial touches are made upon all topics, local, political and foreign events, and will doubtless be paralyzed when she returns.

A rare chance for a good hotel man, Omaha, is offered in a new hotel for sale, Splendid location. Cause for selling interested in other Asia. For full particulars address A. L. Anderson, Shoshone, Idaho. Reference Dewey & Stone, Omaha.