

EDUCATIONAL LANDS LEASED.

Two Hundred Thousand Acres Taken Up in the Last Year.

RAPID SETTLING IN THE STATE.

Rumors About Boss Stout and His Contracts and What Caused Them—Changes at Nobesville—State Capital News.

(FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.)

The records at the office of the commissioner of lands and buildings show that since the 1st of July, 1885, 191,805 acres of educational lands in this state have been leased. To cover this acreage there were issued in duplicate 5,284 leases, and the lands so leased will average about two hundred and forty acres to each applicant. The average value per acre of these leased lands of the past year will not vary greatly from \$3.50 per acre. During this same period the sale of school lands has largely increased, and the fact is very evident that permanent settlers, now that speculators are shut out, are turning largely to the educational lands of the state for homes rather than join the rush of homesteaders who seek vacant lands under the government. There yet remains in the state a large amount of school land subject to lease, probably to approximate not far from two million acres, much of which has not as yet been appraised or put on the market. These lands are, many of them, valuable, and the rush for lands for nothing has caused a good many settlers to overlook the fact that homes can be secured from state school lands that are in many respects more valuable. The fact, however, that 300,000 acres were taken in the last year past, furnishes a good index for the demands for these lands, and is further an illustration of the fact that the state of Nebraska is settling up at a rate rapid enough to exhaust all the public lands in the state within a period of less than ten years.

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Only two cases of drunkenness occurred at the attention of the police court yesterday, and the day was a cool one for both police and court officials.

After considerable delay the fire department cleaned house yesterday, and rejected affairs around a street with street engine hoses, and polished up their fire machines in proper shape for a street parade, if necessary.

G. W. Hooker of McCook, the representative from that town, and several other worthy citizens in the last legislature, was in the state capital yesterday on business matters.

Tenth street is enjoying a cleaning up at the hands of the city engineers and the amount of filth that is carted away from this central thoroughfare is fairly astonishing.

Sheriff Green, of Thayer county, has brought to the state penitentiary for safe keeping, pending his trial, a man named Pierce from that county under indictment bigamy. It is stated that Pierce was exceedingly glad to get from the wrath of Thayer county people, who are in the hanging business at present.

The traveling passenger agent of the Sioux City route to Spirit Lake, Minnetonka and the far north in the city, making up his route for Lincoln people to contemplate when making up their route for a summer watering place.

Since the Lincoln base ball club scored its usual defeat on the home ground the other day that club has had its colored mascot parade in the street at all hours of the day in an effort to encourage Lincoln base ball enthusiasts for the next contest.

Samuel Barker, of Silver Creek, president of the state board of agriculture, was called to the city yesterday on state fair business.

The fact that another railroad was being built through Lincoln is illustrated by Lincoln ticket scalpers, who have brought out their banners used in war times heretofore and now parade them on the outer wall.

The waterworks commissioner has issued to date 109 permits and 100 licenses from the works is steadily climbing upward.

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The New York produce exchange is the subject of an interesting article by Richard Wheatley in the July number of Harper's Magazine. The produce exchange is one of the most conspicuous buildings on Manhattan Island, the seat of the most influential mercantile operations within its limits, and the market in whose exchanges the entire national commonwealth is most deeply interested. "Like a heaving cliff commanding the eye of the home-bound mariner," it challenges the notice of travelers approaching through the Narrows or crossing the Hudson from the further shore. Its massive campanile shares with the lace-like Brooklyn bridge, the spire of Trinity church, the tall tower of the Tribune and the ambitious altitude of the Equitable and Western Union structures the admiration of one of two parties. Bids and offers are usually regulated by telegrams from Chicago. The difference in prices between the two marts should be the cost of transmission from the latter to New York, but the way is not always a straight one, at either point, delves all criteria of value. A "corner" in Chicago may raise wheat there above the normal price at New York; or a broken corner in New York may bring the price below the healthful standard at Chicago.

The facility with which sales and purchases for future delivery are made has enormously augmented the volume of business. Involving with suppressed emotion, solves of it provide for the prospective needs of different markets. It gives to the farmer a ready home market for his products at their full value, and affords to the speculator a means of disposing of his goods at a reasonable profit, and at a moment's notice, and to deliver at option within specified times, as may be agreed. The exports of grain and grain products from the New York market, for the year ending in 1885, were valued at \$10,370,821. Seventy-five per cent or more of the whole was probably sold ten or twenty times over before it was finally shipped. Sales and purchases of such large bills of exchange for payment, said at least all contemplated "future" delivery. Similar remarks are true of oil, tobacco, cotton and other commercial staples. 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