TRAILING BLOODY TRACKS.

Strong Evidence That Rev. O. C. Haddock's Murderers Have Been Arrested.

PEOPLE WILD WITH EXCITEMENT

Suspicious Characters Decamping—Sensational Developments at Hand Arrival of the Prisoners—Reconvening the Jury.

An Important Capture.

SIOUX CITY, IA., August 16.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Sioux City was again thrown into a state of unusual excitement this morning by the report that the murderers of Rev. Haddock had been captured. City Marshal Shanley and Chief of Police Nelon were at Fargo, Dak., Saturday last and arrested two men near there named John King and Charles Waltering as being accomplices in the murder. The officers arrived here from St. Paul early this morning with their prisoners, being met a few miles north of the city by Mayor Cleland and a squad of policemen. Upon arriving here the prisoners were taken to a private house and guarded until their examination by the coroner's jury. John King is well known here, as he has been a resident of the city several years. He has been employed in various houses of prostitution as a musician, and for a time was a musician at Leavitt's theater. He is about twenty-eight years of age and a chronic bum. Charles Waltering has been a close companion of King for some time, and has been hanging around dives and low resorts of the city. Everything was kept as quiet as possible by the officers during the day, and the public was held in suspense. It is known, however, that the two prisoners have been identified by John Ryan as the men he saw with Leavitt near the scene of the murder. It was for this reason they were sought for and brought back. Leavitt, the variety theater man, skipped to-day, having given a bill of sale for his property to a party here. His whereabouts is still known, however, to the police, and he will not escape, but be brought back at the proper time. The general opinion is that King is the man who fired the shot that caused the death of the Rev. Haddock, and that Waltering is the man seen with him. Another party implicated in the tragedy unexpectedly left the city last night, but he is spotted and will not be allowed to escape. It is further learned concerning King and Waltering that they were connected with a conspiracy to waylay Walker, the Sargents Bluffs witness in the whisky cases. Their implication in this plot and presence near the scene of the murder indicates strongly that the two men who were concerned in the dastardly and cowardly murder have been at last caught. Dr. Watterman, reached the city to-day and reconvened the jury. It is believed that with the information that King and Waltering can give, the whole mystery will be cleared up and a verdict reached very soon. If it should be clearly demonstrated that the right men have been caught there is no telling how far, public indignation may go. The city has been feverish with excitement all day.

In Favor of Hall.

DONELSON, Ia., August 16.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The Lee county democratic convention held here to-day instructed its delegates to the congressional convention to vote as a unit for the nomination of Congressman B. L. Hall. This indicates that Hall will undoubtedly be renominated by acclamation, as the only opposition to be feared was here in Lee county, where the ancient rivalry between Keokuk and Burlington, the latter Hall's home, has not entirely disappeared.

Caught By the Clark Law.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., August 16.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The first complaint for violation of the amended Pharmacy law was against John N. Ayres, druggist. To-day he plead guilty to selling to minors and habitual drunkards, five counts in all. The judge declared his pharmacist license forfeited and fined him $50 besides. Ayres had flagrantly violated the law, having kept what was called a drug store saloon, and his conviction shows a determination to close up that kind whenever found.

Senator Allison's Assessment.

DUBUQUE, Ia., August 16.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Senator Allison, assessed by Dubuque county $2,000 on moneys and credits, appeals to the circuit court on the ground that he was a resident of Washington from January 1 to August 1.

THE BASE BALL RECORD.

Lincoln Takes a Back Seat For Leavenworth—Other Games.

LINCOLN, Neb., August 16.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The Lincoln club, under the exhilaration occasioned by their Omaha game, fell easy victims to the Leavenworths to-day, the latter winning by a score of 5 to 1. The following is the score by innings:

Lincoln	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1
Leavenworth	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	—5

OTHER GAMES.

AT CHICAGO—

Chicago	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	—4
Kansas City	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	—2

Pitchers—Flynn and Weidman. First base hits—Chicago 9, Kansas City 5. Errors—Chicago 6, Kansas City 6. Umpire—Pierce.

AT WASHINGTON—

Washington	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	*—4
New York	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	—2

Pitchers—Welch and Show. First base hits—New York 5, Washington 10. Errors—New York 5, Washington 1. Umpire—Fulmer.

AT DETROIT—

Detroit	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0—4
St. Louis	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0—5

Pitchers—Baldwin and Kirby. First base hits—Detroit 3, St. Louis 9. Errors—Detroit 3, St. Louis 3. Umpire—Powers.

AT LOUISVILLE—

Louisville	2	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	8—8
Baltimore	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	4	0	0—7

Pitchers—Kilroy, Ramsey and Hooker. Base hits—Louisville 10, Baltimore 12. Errors—Louisville 3, Baltimore 3. Umpire—Walsh.

AT ST. LOUIS—

St. Louis	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	—9
Brooklyn	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	*	—11

Pitchers—Caruthers and Porter. Umpire—Bradley.

AT PHILADELPHIA—

Boston	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	—5
Philadelphia	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	—4

Pitchers—Ferguson and Stemmeyer. First base hits—Boston 6, Philadelphia 5. Errors—Boston 11, Philadelphia 7. Umpire—Gaffney.

Races at the Springs.

SARATOGA, N. Y., August 16.—Attendance good and track good.

Mile—Pat Sheedy won, Little Mamie second, Santa Anita Belle third. Time 1.44.

For maiden two-year olds, five furlongs—Romp won, Mohoney second, Coral third. Time—1.04¾.

Mile and 500 yards—Lucky B. won, Ultimatum second, Orlando third. Time—2.15.

Mile and furlong—Zamson won, Joe Mitchell second, Tony Foster third. Time—2.00.

Steeple chase, one and one-half miles—Disturbance won, Mystic second, Joe Shelby third. Time—3.35.

The Beach Races.

BRIGHTON BEACH, August 16.—Mile—Cathcart won, Feat second, Belle B. third. Time—1.45.

Purse, mile—Little Minch won, Battledore second, Mentor third. Time—1.45.

Selling purse, seven-eighth mile—Delilah won, Woodflower second, Manitoba third. Time—1.30¾.

Purse, for two-year olds, three-fourth mile—Thriftless won, Sutter second, Pommedor third. Time—1.20. Certificates paid $72.75.

Purse, one and one-eighth mile—Pilot won, Hickory Jim second, Bohana third. Time—1.58¾.

Purse for all ages, one and one-sixteenth miles—Valley Forge won, Treasurer second, Eastern third. Time—1.47¾.

APACHES UP AGAIN.

Murderous Doings in the Sierra Madras Mountains.

TOMBSTONE, Ariz., August 16.—News was received this evening from Santa Rosa canyon, in Sonora, that Indians had jumped a mining camp killing John Thompson, Mr. Hatcher, Tim O'Brien, and Floyd McMahon and wounding two others. Official advices from Sonora announce that the Apaches killed a vaquer named Manuel Robles, near Lajero ranche, Montezuma district. They afterwards attacked Palomas' ranch and drove a family off and soon after the Indians attacked the train of San Mooler, which was coming from Soyopa, killed five teamsters and forty-five mules and wounded forty mules more. They also killed Edward Roma, near Tecolota ranche, twenty men from Minas Prietas, thirty from San Jose de Pimas and thirty from Montezuma have gone in pursuit of the Indians, who have gone towards the Pajarito mountains. This shows that all the Apaches in Sonora are not corralled by Lawton in the Sierra Madras.

BLOWN TO DEATH.

Five Men and Boys Killed by a Boiler Explosion.

ASHLAND, Wis., August 16.—This morning this city was startled by a terrific explosion, which was discovered to have been occasioned by the bursting of a boiler in the carpenter shop of Perinier & Webster. The boiler-house was utterly demolished and five men and boys instantly killed and two wounded, viz: Willie P. Periner and Alex Perinier, sons of the senior member of the firm; Joseph McLaughlin, foreman of the shop; O. V. Johnson, wood turner; August Olson, workman, killed. Felson Peso, foreman of the working crew, was slightly wounded in the leg and B. F. Barley severely. He is now in the hospital, with a fair show to recover. The terrible accident has cast a gloom over the entire city. The cause of the explosion was a lack of water in the boiler. Saturday the boiler was blown off and pumped up after cleaning. The usual fire was built this morning, when it was found that the injector would not work. While trying to fire it the explosion obcurred. McLaughlin, the foreman, leaves a wife and three small children. Johnson leaves a wife and child. Steps have been taken to relieve their immediate wants. The blow falls with terrible effect upon Mr. and Mrs. Periner, who are in poor health. The loss will foot up about $3,000. August Olson was recently from Eau Claire, where he has a brother. His body will be taken there for interment.

A Few Civil Service Forms.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Upon the advice of the civil service commission President Cleveland has amended Article X of the civil service rules as follows:

Rule X. All applications for regular competitive examinations for admission to the classified civil service must be made on blank forms to be prescribed by the commission. Requests for blank forms of application for competitive examination for admission to the classified civil service and all regular applications for such examinations shall be made.

1. For the classified department, civil service—"To the United States civil service commission at Washington."

2. If for the classified customs service—"To the civil service board of examiners for customs"—(Name of the district in which the person desiring to be examined wishes to enter the custom house.)

3. If for the classified postal service—"To the civil service board of examiners. (Name of the postoffice at which the person desiring to be examined wishes to enter the postal service.)

Reports of Heavy Storms.

ST. PAUL, August 16.—From various Minnesota and Dakota points reports show that the storms of Sunday afternoon and night were unusually severe. At Fargo there is a rumor that a cyclone visited Breckenridge, Minn., with disastrous results to life and property, but the wires are down and the report cannot be verified. A cyclone was seen at Albert Lea but too high to be dangerous.

A Nebraska Postmaster Appointed.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Ephriam Brown was today appointed postmaster at Little, Holt county, vice B. F. Cleveland resigned.

Damaged by Fire.

NEW YORK, August 16.—The two and three-story brick buildings, 204 to 210 Elizabeth steeet, used by the Brush Electric Light company as a lighting station were damaged by fire to-night to the extent of $100,000.

Death of a Baron.

BERLIN, August 16.—Count Adolf Decken Ringelheim is dead. He was eighty years of age.

Not Wanted Very Bad.

LONDON, August 16.—General Booth of the salvation army goes to America in October.

Cass County Candidates.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., August 16.—[Correspondence of the BEE.]—Candidates for the various offices in Cass county are appearing on the surface. As the Van Wyck and anti-Van Wyck factions are pretty evenly divided, candidates are extremely careful in expressing their individual preferences. For the state senate Ex-Senator R. R. Windheim and Prosecuting Attorney J. B. Strode are understood "to be in the hands of their friends," while for the lower house nearly every precinct has from one to three who are willing to sacrifice their own feelings and accept nominations. The county attorneyship is another prize being looked after by J. H. Haldeman, of Weeping Water, Allen Beeson and Byron Clark, of Plattsmouth. At the meeting of the republican central committee held at Weeping Water, the 14th, the primaries were called for September 11th and the county convention the 18th.

Brevities.

Haverly's minstrels to-night.

Frank King, a crazy man from the Elkhorn precinct, was placed in the county jail yesterday.

J. Goodman was arrested yesterday evening charged with the larceny of two razors from the barber shop of J. M. Park, at the corner of Eighth and Leavenworth.

County Auditor Clausen, Treasurer Plumer and Supervisor Underwood, of Council Bluffs, visited the county building and jail yesterday, on a tour of inspection.

The sale of seats for Haverly's minstrels commenced at the opera house yesterday. The performance takes place this evening, and as usual a big audience is expected.

News reached this city yesterday of the accidental death of F. W. Haldeman, a constable at Avoca, Iowa. He was lifting a rifle from a buggy when the weapon exploded, killing him instantly.

J. K. Sturgeon, of Lancaster, Ohio, has purchased the grocery store at 2716 Farnam street, of J. K. Jankoski, and will continue the business on an enlarged scale.

J. M. Carney, a coupe driver, ran into and smashed the buggy of J. L. Loyett, which was standing on Thirteenth street Saturday night. Carney will be called upon to pay the damages.

Officer John Turnbull emphatically denies that he had anything to do with the circulation of reports about the character and reputation of the "Cosmopolitan," on South Thirteenth street.

ATTEND ALBRIGHT'S ANNEX AUCTION SALE TO-DAY. FREE TRAIN AT UNION PACIFIC DEPOT.

Plasterers, Attention.

There will be a meeting of the plasterers union to-night (Tuesday) at 7:30 o'clock at the K. of P. hall, Fourteenth and Douglas streets. All members are requested to attend as business of importance will be transacted.

M. G. ALLEN, President.
S. M. EMERSON, Sec'y.

PICKED UP ABOUT THE CITY.

An Eagle Hotel Guest Found Dead in His Bed.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Wine God of Gotham—"Sleepy" Hewitt—Prominent Railroaders—A Woman Lost—An Athletic Exhibition—Other Local.

Found Dead in His Bed.

Rudolf Lambrecht, a German, was found dead in bed in his room at the Eagle hotel on Fourteenth street yesterday morning. He had been lying around the hotel all day on Sunday and complained of being sick, but no attention was paid to him as his illness was supposed to be of a trivial nature. He retired early in the evening and nothing more was seen of him until his lifeless body was found lying across the bed, face down, by an employe who went to call him for breakfast yesterday morning. His death had apparently been caused by an attack of cholera morbus. Lambrecht and a fellow boarder named Martens occupied separate beds in the same room. Martens, who retired at the same time that Lambrechet did on Sunday night, knew nothing of his companion's condition until yesterday morning. Lambrecht was a German, forty-two years of age, and has lived in Omaha about a year. He tended bar for Charles Fleck at the Eagle hotel awhile, but of late has been engaged as a teamster by the same gentleman. He is married, having a wife and children living in Germany. His remains were taken in charge by Coroner Drexel, and interred in the county burying ground yesterday afternoon. Information of his death has been sent to his family.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

A Lengthy, Dreary Session, With Unimportant Results.

The board of education held a dreary session, two hours in length, last evening without transacting any business of importance. President Points and Members Copeland and Livesey were absent. Vice President Clark presided. A number of applications for positions as teachers were received and referred to the proper committee. Mrs. Iler and Miss Evans were elected as assistant teachers. The committee on buildings and grounds was instructed to build a wall in the rear of the Pacific street school. The report of Boiler Inspector Jenkins upon the condition of the boilers of the High school was received and referred. The committee on buildings and property was instructed to purchase a new boiler for the High school. The secretary was authorized and instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of an underground boiler house at the High school. The board of examiners was authorized to meet at the board rooms on September 2 to examine such applicants as may come before them. William Geiselman was transferred as janitor from the Hartman school to the Georgia avenue school, and Mrs. Grainey elected as janitor of the Hartman school. The position of special teacher in the High school was created and Miss Fannie Arnold elected to the place.

The matter of selecting a teacher of German in the High school came up and formed the only interesting feature of the session. Mrs. Grossman, Miss Nagl and Mr. Hartman were placed in nomination for the position. Mr. Long acted as teller, and after twenty ballots had been taken threw up in disgust because two members persisted in casting blank ballots. He suggested that they ought to be "men or mice" and declare their convictions. Mr. Blackman announced his willingness to collect blank ballots and was given the job. The votes were about evenly divided between the candidates, with an occasional stray vote for Pat Ford and other educators until thirty-five ballots had been taken without any election. On motion of Mr. Clark further balloting for a teacher of German in the high school was postponed until the next meeting, and the board adjourned.

PILGRIMS RETURNING.

Arrival of General Jacob Scheider of New York.

Every train from the west these days has one or more G. A. R. veterans homeward bound. The large delegations that passed through here some weeks ago will return via the Northern Pacific or the Kansas Pacific routes. Yesterday Jacob Scheider, the "Wine God of Gotham," who startled the boys in Omaha with his parlor magic when on the way to the coast, arrived in town. He is enthusiastic in his account of the San Francisco trip, and says it was worth nearly four years hardship in the war to enjoy the last reunion. Jacob has had his mess of pleasure sure. It might be well to remark right here, now that Scheider is many miles away, that he is the original Jakey Einstein, who has been made immortal by the epic poet of the New York Sun in his writings on the Thompson street poker club. The time Jakey lost his standing in the club is fresh in the public mind. Arrangements were made to rope in a "fresh 'un," and when he was in another room four full fat kings were dealt to him which was enough to make any poker player's eyes glisten. Imagine the horror that seized upon the Thompson street club when the old stranger and intended victim on his return rubbed his glasses with an ancient bandanna, studied his cards for upwards of fifteen minutes and then quietly asked:

"Who dealt them kee-urds?"

"Jakey Einstein," replied the room keeper.

"Veil I poss" said the old man and the game broke up by common consent.

Gen. Scheider was a delegate to the Frisco encampment and he is accompanied by Frank Lennon, of New York, who was an aide on the staff of the commander-in-chief. Both gentlemen say that the New York veterans were especially well treated by the Pacific coasters. In the grand parade they made a noticeable appearance, being the only department who brought their old battle-torn flags with them which fact alone was a great attraction.

"SLEEPY," THE SLICK ONE.

A Juvenile Sneak Thief Relates Some of His Experiences.

"Sleepy" Hewitt, Lew Shields and Ben Roth, three young scamps, who have spent the major part of their yet youthful existence in preparing themselves for careers of future usefulness in the service of the state, were arrested yesterday evening on two charges. The first was for an assault upon the young son of Wm. Mulhall, on Cuming street. The second charge is that of larceny, preferred by Manager Kay, of the Athletic park. It appears that on Sunday the trio of juvenile toughs faked a package of tickets to the Lincoln-Union Pacific ball game and made a neat stake selling them to patrons of the ball game who were crowding around the ticket stand. It is not difficult to recognize "Sleepy's" fine work in this trick. "Sleepy" is a character. An unusually bright boy, with respectable, hard-working parents, he has the characteristics of a vagrant strongly developed and has the unenviable reputation of being the slickest sneak-thief in the city. He has done time in the county jail for a half dozen offenses, and prides himself on the fact. He is a nighthawk, and turns up at the station house at all hours and braggingly relates his experience of the night. A few weeks ago he presented the day jailer with a handsome flower in a pot, which was identified a few hours afterward as having been stolen from Donaghue's greenhouse. He grew confidential last night after a BEE representative had given him a sandwich fund, and in the dialect of the fakirs, of which he is a fluent speaker, related some of his experience. "I could give you enough, boy, to fill your paper if I'd give away all the snaps I've been into in this town. The slickest job of swiping I ever done was when I got the rings out of Carter's jewelry store. It was in broad daylight and the fellow was sitting by the window at work with one of these funny businesses on one eye. I got a small wire and made a hook on the end of it and, placing it through a hole in the window frame, I got away with six dandy rings while the fellow was looking right at me. I got ninety days for that. I've had lots of fun, too, in the business. The time Hornberger's saloon burned I got my work in with a grab hook and planted enough demijohns to keep myself good and drunk for a month. I did the same thing when Iler's distillery was burned. The funniest snap, though, was the time I stole Marshal Cummings' gold ticker while he was standing talking to me. He was awful hot and would have fired me from the jail if I had not turned up and squealed on some fellows who had stolen a coat that the marshal was very anxious to get. Come up and see me in the county jail and I'll give you my history."

THE LARGEST SUBURBAN SALE OF REAL ESTATE TOOK PLACE AT ALBRIGHT'S ANNEX. ANOTHER ONE TAKES PLACE TO-DAY. NO TICKETS REQUIRED. TERMS BUT ONE-FIFTH CASH AND BALANCE $5 PER MONTH.

Prominent Railroad Men.

General Superintendent Kerrigan, of the Gould system of railroads; F. B. Drake, general superintendent of the Missouri Pacific; J. F. Ewing, general agent of the Michigan South association, and H. T. Lemist, vice president of the Pomeroy Coal company, came in yesterday afternoon by a special train over the Missouri Pacific. These gentlemen left St. Louis Saturday last and have visited all the prominent points and branches of the road between this city and St. Louis. They went across the river last evening but will return this morning when a trip will be made to Lincoln to examine the new line of the Missouri Pacific just completed.

The special train was made up of two private cars and a cooking car, of which latter Cyrus Brown is commander in chief. Cyrus is a sturdy looking African, past middle age and well posted on current events. He has not been in Omaha since 1861, when he came up the river on the Spread Eagle, Captain John La Barge, well remembered by Omaha's pioneer citizens. Cyrus used to sail on the Chippewa, Captain Joe La Barge, which was the first craft at St. Louis to hoist the confederate flag. He possesses quite a large fund of "upper river" reminiscences and, when officials lips are sealed on railroad matters he is a good substitute for an interview.

THE MUSICAL UNION BAND WILL PARADE THIS MORNING FROM 7 TO 10 O'CLOCK BEFORE GOING TO THE GREAT SALE AT ALBRIGHT'S ANNEX.

Postoffice Changes.

Postoffice changes in Nebraska during the week ending August 14, 1886, furnished by William Van Vleck, of the postoffice department:

Established—Bartlett, Wheeler county, Ezra B. Mitchell, P. M.; Bartley, Red Willow county, Rezin C. Fidler.

Name changed—Crow Butte, Dawes county, to Crawford.

Postmasters appointed—Friend, Salme county, William F. Wolfe; O'Neile, Holt county, Frank Campbell.

IOWA.

Postoffice changes in Iowa during the week ending August 14, 1886:

Postmasters appointed — Columbus Junction, Louisa county, George P. Neal; Des Moines, Polk county, Wm. H. Merritt; Logan, Harrison county, T. A. Massie; Malvern, Mills county, Richard L. Gidley; Sigoumey, Keokuk county, James Frey.

FREE MUSIC, FREE LUNCH, FREE RIDE, AT ALBRIGHT'S ANNEX TODAY.

Next Saturday's Sport.

All the lovers of athletic sports in the city are taking a hand in the coming testimonial to Captain O'Malley. The exercises will take place at Athletic park next Saturday evening and the programme will be very attractive. Two silver cups will be given as prizes, one to the best middle weight and one to the best light weight boxer. Captain Dalton, Patsy Killeen and a lively boxer named Summers will be in attendance, and Ed Rothery is endeavoring to secure the presence of the Maori, Herbert Slade, who is on his way east from Stockton, California.

Building Permits.

Inspector Whitlock issued building permits yesterday as follows:

Nicholas Rumel, 1-story frame dwelling, 23d and Clark	$800
F. Funk, 1½-story frame barn, 19th and Castellar	130
C. E. Stratton, 1½-story frame barn, 28th and Poppleton	125
W. G. Shreiver, four 1-story frame cottages, 25th, between Parker and Blondean	3,600
Albert Rowe, 1-story frame store and addition, 31st and Leavenworth	450
Five permits, aggregating	$5,105

Death of Mr. Shields.

Nothing has yet been heard from the relatives of James Shields, whose sudden death was recorded in yesterday's BEE, although four telegrams have been sent by representatives of the local plasterers' union. Unless they respond very soon, the remains will be interred by the union.

Shields was forty-eight years old at the time of his death. He has a sister and niece living at Saxton River, Vt.

The O'Boyle-Sweeney Case.

The friends of James Sweeney, who was arrested on Thirteenth street Saturday night for assaulting Officer O'Boyle, have dkmanded a jury trial for Sweeney. The case will be tried to-day or to-morrow before the following jury: A. L. Strong, S. A. Orchard, W. T. Seaman, John Fox, J. T. Bell and D. J. Donahue.

The Peddlers.

The cases against the fruit peddlers who have been arrested for violation of the ordinance keeping them off of Farnam and Douglass streets have all been dismissed but one, which will be tried today as a test case before the following jury: R. J. Pieronet, John Fox, J. S. Caulfield, W. T. Seaman, M. O. Maul and James Stephenson.

An Early Morning Blaze.

At 2 o'clock this morning an alarm of fire was turned in from box 21, at the corner of Ninth and Jones. It was occasioned by the burning of a quantity of barrelled lime which had been set on fire by slacking from the rain.

SHEEP OF THE ROCKIES.

Plunging Over The High Cliffs and Landing on Their Horns.

CURLING THEMSELVES IN BALLS.

Wild Sheep That Stand as High as a Full-Grown Man's Shoulder—The Wariest of Mountain Game.

Of all the game animals in the Northwest, and particularly Montana, the Big Horn or Rocky Mountain sheep—says the Philadelphia Times correspondent, writing from Fort Keogh, Montana—furnishes the most sport to huntsmen. Chasing the buffalo across the plains on horseback and killing them with a revolver, which was at one time the favorite method of hunting the big bison, used to be the ne plus ultra of Nimrodic amusements in Montana, but since the buffalo have disappeared hunters have drifted back into the mountains, where the "Ovis-Montana" are to be found during late years in the greatest abundance. There may be lots of fun scampering over the prairie after a 1,500-pound bull, but there is the heat and violent exercise, not to speak of the danger of your horse plunging into a prairie-dog hole and sending you downwards to grass at an angle of fifteen or twenty degrees. The mountain sheep is always found among the peaks and cliffs in cool altitudes and pretty near the timber or perpetual snow line. The big-horn sheep of the Rocky Mountains is a most difficult animal to bag. They are usually found in pairs, often in flocks of from four to forty and sometimes in bands of a hundred or more. One old sheep-hunter living on Pryor's fork, near here, relates that he saw not long ago a flock of eighty-one sheep in the Bitter Root range, and about five years ago, while scouting through the Teton basin in Northern Wyoming, near the southern boundary of the Yellowstone national park, he ran upon a band that must have numbered over three hundred.

THEIR HOME IN THE MOUNTAINS.

These animals range all the way from the Rio Grande to the Mackenzie, but at limits named they are exceedingly scarce and most difficult to kill. Their natural home is among the mountains of the Upper Yellowstone and Missouri rivers. Some few are found in Washington territory, Oregon and California, but the center around which they revolve is the Yellowstone National Park and the bordering counties of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. Particularly are they plentiful in the mountains from which they take their name, viz., the Big Horn.

Very little is known of the habits of this rare game animal, even by those who have written on the subject. They range winter and summer alike in the same latitudes and altitudes, only in summer they wander farther away than in the opposite season. During the cold months they stay on the southern slopes of the mountains so as to catch the sun. In the summer they are generally found on the higher benches where the bunch grass and mountain clover are abundant. Among the peaks where they habituate, one of the first things to appear in the spring is the wild onion or leek, which is eagerly sought out and devoured by them. This wild plant imparts to the flesh a delightful flavor, and makes the meat of the big horn the most delicious in the mountains. Their greatest enemy is the mountain lion. In fact the principal diet of the mountain lion is the tender offspring of the "Ovis Montana." When lambs are not to be had, the fierce North American panther does not object to feasting on the parents. These rare sheep are also subject to a sort of scab disease, which, when it becomes epidemic, sweeps off at short notice scores of them, young and old alike. The lambs are usually brought forth from the 5th to the 20th of May.

ROLLING OVER THE CLIFFS.

The "Ovis Montana" is adorned with the most remarkable head-gear imaginable in the shape of monstrous horns. These are used by them for various purposes, but principally as a means of defense. Astonishing as it may seem, they also use their immense horns to assist them in descending from one loft eminence to a lower. If in skipping from crag to crag and from ridge to ridge should it become necessary to make a jump downwards, no matter what the height, they roll themselves up into a kind of ball, vault out into the air and, furning a succession of somersaults, keep the ball rolling, so to speak, until they strike on their powerful horns below. The shock would kill an ordinary animal, but these wary denizens of the mountains don't seem to mind it much, for they spring to their feet and go bounding over impossible chasms and jagged rocks until it becomes necessary make another descent, when the same tactics are repeated.

W. B. Dow, of the Green Mountain Cattle company, relates that he saw near his ranch on Powder river, not long ago, a band of 300 mountain sheep. They were browsing on a lofty cliff, when for some unaccountable reason, the flock became stampeded and rushed away like a whirlwind. On they came pell mell to the edge of the cliff, which was cut sharp into a perpendicular decline of fully fifteen hundred feet. The leaders paused, but there was no help for it, the rear guard crowded them over, and the entire flock went neck over heels down into space. It was, no doubt, a curious sight to see 300 mountain sheep doubled up into balls and falling over such a lofty precipice. Down they came, one after another, until the whole band had made the awful jump. As this was such a frightful leap for any breathing creature to make and live, it is not surprising to know that thirteen out of the 300 were killed by the concussion. The cowboys of the ranch secured the meat, which they declared far superior to their choice Montana steers.

HORNS OF GREAT SIZE.

Some of the mountain sheep horns attain a remarkable size. One pair brought into this fort last February by a Cheyenne Indian measured seventeen inches in circumference, although only forty inches in length. The ram from which they were taken was a splendid specimen, weighing over two hundred pounds, and stood when erect, nearly up to a man's shoulders. Being such a wary animal, the following story of the capture of a big horn by Mr. F. F. Baker, a Pennsylvania gentleman who has a ranch near Boulder, in the western part of the territory, will seem most strange and surprising. The story comes well authenticated and there can be no question about its veracity. Mr. Baker actually accomplished the singular feat of catching and holding by his unaided strength a wild Rocky Mountain sheep—a ewe. He came upon her at the foot of a sloping bank which led up to a steep but not very high cliff of rimrock. His dog, of the shepherd breed, trained for hunting, was following, and when it saw the sheep pursued it up the bank to the cliff, where it stood at bay, making demonstrations at the dog, which was prompt in returning them.

Mr. Baker sent a man, who accompanied them back to the house, a quarter of a mile away for a gun. While he was away Baker "made a sneak" on the sheep and came around on top of the cliff above the animal, whose attention was still occupied with the dog. From this vantage point he dropped astride of its back, and grasping it around the neck with his arm, held it firmly; but the wild denizen of the mountains was not to be conquered so easily, and a struggle began, in which Mr. Baker and the sheep rolled over and over down the bank, but were not separated. Just as they reached the ground where it was level the man with the gun arrived on horse-back, trailing behind a long, snew lariat. Happy thought! By the aid of the rope the mountain ewe was bound and taken to the house. But it refused to eat, and from straining on the rope required constant watching to prevent it from choking to death. Mr. Baker was in hopes of getting a lamb that he could domesticate; but finding that the ewe was barren and thin in flesh, besides pining for her mountain home, a few days afterwards he turned her loose, when she fled towards the mountains from whence she was captured, bounding like a rubber ball from eminence to eminence until lost to view.

Personal Paragraphs.

Superintendent of the Census Lane is in the city.

General Test has gone to St. Paul with his family to spend a few days.

Miss Jennie Butler, of Peoria, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. S. Smith.

J. H. Briggs and daughter, of Gunnison, who have been visiting Mr. J. Markel, left for home yesterday morning.

Miss E. L. Niles, of the general traffic manager's office of the Union Pacific, is suffering from a badly poisoned lip.

John D. Creighton and family and Charles Creighton and wife went to Salt Lake last night for a season of pleasure.

The Hon. John A. McShane went to Chicago last evening to attend the national league convention, to which he is a delegate.

W. N. Babcock, general agent of the Chicago & Northwestern, with Miss and Mrs. Babcock left yesterday on a ten days' trip to Salt Lake.

Judge and Mrs. Wakeley left last evening for a tour through Wisaonsin and Michigan. They will also make an extended visit to Chicago.

Judge Wakely and wife leave to-day on a trip of about three weeks to Chicago and northern Wisconsin. He will return about the middle of September.

William Sievers and Thomas Swift were among the prominent Germans who returned last night from the turnfest at St. Joseph. They are lavish in their praises of the trip.

D. C. Dunbar, editor of the Western Merchant of this city, went to Portland, Ore., last night to bring his wife and child to Omaha, where he will take up his permanent residence.

The Misses Mollie and Sarah Fallon, of Hillsboro, O., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taggart, of Walnut Hill, for some weeks, went to Helena, Mont., last night for a continuance of their summer pleasure.

J. H. Greene, of the Union Pacific passenger department, went to Carson, Ia., Sunday evening to let the veterans thereabouts know that Nebraska's G. A. R. encampment would take place on the 30th, and via the Union Pacific was a good way to get there.

Mrs. M. F. Anderson is enjoying her summer vacation in New Mexico, at Raton, the guest of Mrs. T. Marsh Henderson, her cousin, and reports as having an enjoyable time, having visited Las Vegas, Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Paso del Norte, and states that the climate is delightful there in summer. Her cousin, Mrs. T. Marsh Henderson, is president of the W. R. C. of G. A. R., and is on a tour of inspection for the association.

General J. M. Thayer was in the city yesterday on business connected with the coming state encampment at Grand Island. He has secured the attendance of the United States regulars from Fort Omaha and Sidney, and also a full battery from Fort Leavenworth, Kan. The presence of these troops will add greatly to the attractions of the reunion. General Thayer will go to the Norfolk reunion to-day.

Thomas Carr, William O'Shea and Dr. J. R. McNamara, of Lincoln, Neb., delegates to the national league convention at Chicago, came from the capital last evening and will start for Chicago today. Hon. John Fitzgerald and Malachi Grace, other delegates from Lincoln, went via St. Louis. These gentlemen are among the solid men of the capital city, and are most worthy representatives of a good cause.

Tom Foley, one of the old-time sporting men of Chicago, at one time the proprietor of the finest billiard saloon in Chicago, subsequently a member of the common council and an active backer Chicago base-ball club, and now manager of Collender's great billiard hall, has been in Omaha for several days back as a guest of Mr. Humphrey Monyhan. He has just returned home.

Looking for a Lost Woman.

Some excitement was created in the vicinity of Leavenworth and Tenth streets last evening by the report that a young woman named Ollie Wells had mysteriously disappeared. Her parents reside on Leavenworth street, and as the girl is subject to serious spasms it is feared she may have been attacked by one of them and been unable to make her residence known.

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One of the most remarkable excursion trains which ever left the Union Pacific depot conveyed nearly 1800 people to the auction sale of the beautiful lots in Albright's annex yesterday morning. Two engines were required to pull the load up the Summit. On board were people of all races and sexes and conditions in the community, from the lordly millionaire to the thrifty workman. The train was superintended by Mr. Albright and his partner, who got all the cars that could be had in the depot, though