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A CATTLE DILEMMA'S HORNS.

The Chicago Pleuro-Pneumonia Cases Bothering the State Commission.

STOCK MEN HAVE NO LOVE FOR IT

A Visit to the Stock Yards—Opinions Pro and Con—Distillery Sheds Must be Burned—Filth of the Phœnix.

The Slaughter Will Go On.

CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The proposed slaughter of all animals in pleuro-pneumonia affected distilleries and farms is to be strictly carried out in spite of protests from interested parties, who attempt to deny contagion. Chairman Pearson, of the live stock commission, said today:

"We intend to have every one of them slaughtered, and we will make separate inspection of the lungs of each of the animals. Those whose lungs show signs of pleuro will be burned up, but others will be sold for beef for whatever is bid for them. I suspect that Wisconsin, Iowa and Michigan will quarantine our cattle as soon as their veterinarians, who were down here to satisfy themselves of the nature of the disease and its prevalence, make their reports. This will probably occur within a week."

The visit of the commission to the stock yards this morning excited a good deal of comment, as it was thought they had come to examine for contagious pleuro among the cattle kept there. The commission is decidedly unpopular among cattle men, some of whom profess to believe that the investigation is in reality a scheme to secure an appropriation to the board from the state. When it was known that a quarantine was expected there was some wild talk about securing an injunction against the state authorities to prevent any such bar to free shipment, but nobody seemed sure as to what would be the best course to pursue. It was the general opinion that any restrictive measures would result in immense injury to the trade in cattle.

Mr. Irus Coy made a statement of the cattlemen's side of the matter to a reporter. He said: "We had hoped that the commission would make no attempt to place beef from distillery cattle on the market, but they do not seem to be willing to grant our request. The result may be very disastrous, as eastern dealers are always willing to accept an opportunity of stopping shipment of dressed beef from Chicago, and they will spread a report the beef from cattle with pleuro is being sold here, of course to our disadvantage. The quarantine, of course, will hurt us. I think we have enough trouble on our hands without that."

The trouble with the commission is, that the appropriation by the legislature is inadequate to make good the losses. There would arise, in all probability, claims which the state would have to make good. Suppose this to be so, the commissioners say that the next legislature would blame them for not realizing all they possibly could on the slaughtered animals. The commission is thus placed in a somewhat delicate position, and are uncertain how to proceed, being placed, as it were, between two fires.

The commission visited the Chicago distillery on Blackhawk street and killed a cow whose lungs were found to be clearly and strongly marked with the fatal disease. This adds an extra burden to the already great task of the live stock commission. The 600 head of cattle at the Chicago distillery were supposed to be all right, although they were quarantined on Tuesday, as a matter of precaution. The owners of the cattle gathered in large numbers, and were inclined to oppose the veterinarians in their work. The cattle at this distillery are all fine, large animals, valued at from $50 to $80 each.

Dr. DeWolf says every board, post and shingle, down to the minutest sliver from the cow-sheds of the Phœnix distillery, must be burned to the ground. That, he says, is the only satisfactory fumigation for that place. The other distilleries are not so bad, and can be disinfected easily.

An evening paper, which has been investigating, says that the "English language is short of words which can be put in print describing the frightful filth of the Phœnix cow-sheds."

At the conference between the members of the live stock commission and the officials of the Stock Yards company this morning, Mr. Pearson said to the stock yard representatives that the commissioners had decided to kill all the cattle now in the Phœnix and Shaffeidt distilleries, about two thousand head; that on post-mortem examination all deceased cattle would be cremated, and all healthy cattle sold to the highest bidder. The stock yards company replied that millions of dollars would be lost to the packing interest of Chicago if the report went out to the world that beef from the infected distilleries, whether healthy or not, was being shipped from Chicago. Mr. Pearson then informed the gentleman that the state only had $49,000 with which to compensate the owners of healthy cattle, and if none of the healthy beef was utilized the state would be at an expense of at least double that amount. He suggested to the stock yards men that they buy up the healthy beef and help the commissioners out of their dilemma. He said the commission would, of course, exhaust the appropriation already in hand. No decisive answer to the proposition was given.

The commissioners this afternoon held a conference with Dr. Salmon, United States veterinarian, Dr. Casewell, state veterinarian, and veterinarians from Wisconsin, Michigan and Iowa. Dr. Salmon said he had been in telegraph communication with United States Commissioner Colman, of the department of agriculture, who had authorized a continuance of the quarantine at the expense of the national government until it should be decided what disposition to make of the carcasses. Dr. Salmon said that he was authorized to double the quarantine force now existing, which would cost to the government about $87 per day. The quarantine force would then consist of twenty-nine deputies, two during the day and four during the night at each of the four distilleries and five at the Harvey farm. The commission decided to detail an extra force.

Excepting 400 head of cattle owned by the Fairbanks Canning company, of which Nelson Morris is president, the majority of the 3,000 animals under quarantine belong to men depending on their two or three cows for a living. When the news of the extension of the quarantine reached them to-night they were thoroughly aroused. They say that the state will be obliged to destroy all the beef, and as only healthy cattle will be appraised the quarantine extension is a conspiracy to spread the disease as far as possible along the quarantined cattle before the slaughter takes place.

DR. SALMON'S REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—Commissioner Colman, of the department of agriculture, who sent Dr. Salmon, of the bureau of animal industry, to Chicago to ascertain if the disease that has broken out there is pleuro-pneumonia, received by telegraph to-day the following report:

There is no doubt that the cattle disease here is pleuro-pneumonia. The authorities find much difficulty in dealing with it, as $75,000 worth of cattle are to be slaughtered and less than $50,000 are available in the state appropriation. The department cannot pay for the diseased cattle here because the state law requires their slaughter without the compensation of owners, for disinfecting, and also to make an inspection of the suspected district. Do you approve of what I have done? The state commissioner is now arranging the details of the slaughter.

Commissioner Colman sent the following reply:

Telegram received and your action approved. You are also authorized to take any steps deemed necessary to still further confirm your diagnosis and fully establish that the disease is pleuro-pneumonia.

Disease Among Hogs.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—Late information received at the agricultural department regarding the condition of hogs, is that in Illinois and Indiana cholera prevails generally. In the former state heavy losses are reported in several counties. In Ohio and Michigan the condition of animals is fair. In some parts of Wisconsin farmers are afraid to keep hogs on account of cholera, and reports from Iowa are of a similar character in some cases. Cholera, pinkeye and measles are reported from Missouri and Nebraska. The condition is considerably below the average. Kansas and Kentucky hogs are generally in good condition.

THE ODD FELLOWS.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge Transacts Much Important Business.

BOSTON, Sept. 24.—The sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows continued its session this morning. The committee on the state of the order reported it would be inexpedient to establish a home for orphans of Odd Fellows under the care of the sovereign grand lodge. The report was adopted. The special order for lodge headquarters of the sovereign grand lodge was taken up. Past Grand Sire Nicholson moved that nominations be made and an informal ballot be taken to determine the feeling of the grand lodge on the subject, which was adopted. The nominations were Columbus, O.; Washington, D. C.; St. Louis, Philadelphia, Indianapolis, Chicago and Baltimore. On the sixth ballot Columbus received a majority of the votes, with Chicago next in number.

In secret session this afternoon the ritual for Rebekah degree lodges was adopted, but no form of floor movement, that being left to each lodge to determine for itself, so long as the ritual is adhered to. The growing interest in this branch of the order demanded this action, which will be received with great satisfaction throughout the country. Grand Sire Garey being ill, Deputy Grand Sire White presided at the evening session. The action of the grand sire and secretary in granting a charter for a lodge at Regla, on the island of Cuba, was approved; also for a Rebekah degree lodge at McAllister, I. T. The constitution of the grand lodge at Denmark was approved; also the by-laws of the Polynesian encampment of the Sandwich islands. The report of Lieutenant General Underwood was then taken up. It was ordered that the works on tactics as prepared under the supervision of the lieutenant general shall be sold by the chief of supplies as supplies, and the moneys received covered into the headquarters fund until further ordered. Cantons and chevaliers, or other orders of patriarchs militant, are prohibited from publishing and selling forms, plates, books, etc., of the nature of those sold by the chief of supplies, under penalty of paying a royalty. It is the desire of the grand lodge that no pronounced changes be made in the uniforms of patriarchs militant; that the lieutenant general shall have the power to make such minor alterations, additions, etc., as may be necessary to complete and systematize the uniform; but it is the intention of the Sovereign Grand Lodge not to alter the uniform adopted at its last session. The uniform of patriarchs militant is denominated regalia, and as such can be worn by chevaliers when visiting lodges and encampments of the order. The grand lodge will adjourn to-morrow.

OHIO RASCALITY.

The Beauties of Democratic Reform as Practiced in a Penitentiary.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Further investigation of the penitentiary under the Hoadly administration reveals darker deeds than has yet been exposed. One employe is said to have procured the release of a female prisoner on parole that he might install her as his mistress in town. Another official will be surely convicted of forgery and another will be sent to the penitentiary for selling goods made in the prison at reduced prices and failing to account for the receipts. Ex-Governor Hoadly's brother-in-law, Samuel Perry, is implicated in many of the transactions. Parties in charge of the investigation claim that nearly every official of the Hoadly regime will be indicted by the grand jury, now hearing the testimony of the convicts. Several of the accused parties have left town, but have been tracked to hiding places by detectives and will be brought back when necessary. It is proved conclusively that the election tally sheet forgery was committed in the person by Jno. Francis, a Dayton convict in for manslaughter. He confessed the crime and furnished the names of prominent democratic politicians who instigated the crime. Francis also states that he was promised release for his work and was to leave the prison in a hack and go to Windsor, Canada, he would be counted an escaped convict, but would never be hunted. The plan failed as the conspirators were afraid he would be caught. He was betrayed and so he squeals. The disclosures are exciting every part of the state.

Excuse for Russian Interference.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The Bulgarian government has been informed that a hostile demonstration at the Russian agency in Sofia against General Kaulbars will furnish an excuse for Russian interference.

SOFIA, Sept. 24.—It is stated that the Russian ultimatum, of which General Kaulbars is the bearer, demands the immediate raising of the state of siege in Bulgaria, the liberation of all political prisoners, and the indefinite postponement of the elections for members of the national assembly. However, there are no signs of flinching on the part of the regency. On the contrary, the anti-Russian feeling increases daily.

The Coming Revolution.

PARIS, Sept. 24.—Senor Zorilla, the leader of the Spanish revolutionists, in an interview published in the Figaro, says that last Sunday's uprising in Spain was premature, and he declares that in the revolt that will take place at the proper time many of the generals in the Spanish army will support the revolutionists. Spain has demanded from France the expulsion of Ruiz Zorilla. The French cabinet has discussed the demand and separated without being able to arrive at a proper conclusion. It was resolved to submit the matter to President Grevy.

England's Labor Problem.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Lord Roseberry, speaking at Linlithgow to-night, said that he thought that no greater calamity could befall the country than the continual ruining of provincial life by the absorption of the best labor into great cities, especially London. He feared that when the enormous mass of people in the metropolis should become unmanageable the authorities would find it too late to deal with the problem.

A Change in Ambassdors.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 24.—It has been finally settled that Sir William White, now British minister at Bucharest, will succeed Sir Edward Thornton as British embassador here. Sir William White is considered a strong diplomat, well versed in eastern affairs, and able to counteract the Russian intrigues with the porte.

Memorial Column Unveiled.

VIENNA, Sept. 24.—The column erected to the memory of Admiral Baron Von Tegelhoff at the entrance to Prater was unveiled today by Emperor Francis Joseph in the presence of an enormous assembly.

The Captured Adams.

HALIFAX, Sept. 24.—Chief Justice McDonald to-day gave his decision on a motion made by Meager, counsel for the United States, to have evidence for the defense in the schooner Adams case taken before a commissioner in the United States. The chief justice's decision is that the captain of the vessel must come to Halifax to be examined, but that the crew may give their evidence before a commissioner in Boston.

Business Failures.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—The total number of business failures occurring throughout the United States and Canada during the last seven days is 187.

HUDSON, N. Y., Sept. 24.—Elisha Gifford, jr., stock broker of this city, made an assignment to Wm. Bosteck, with creditors preferences to the amount of $49,000. The full liabilities and assets are not yet known.

JOHN A. M'SHANE THE MAN.

The Democratic Convention Nominates Him For Congress on the First Ballot

BY A VERY LARGE MAJORITY.

Ashby Receives Only Sixteen Votes and Brown One—The Vote by Counties—The Platform As Adopted.

Omaha's Candidate Gets There.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The democrats of the First congressional district of Nebraska met in this city at 7:30 p. m., and placed in nomination for congress John A. McShane, of Omaha, a gentleman who, it has been for some time conceded, would receive that honor. Nearly all the delegates came in on the afternoon passenger trains, only a few coming in the morning. No wire pulling nor cat hauling was resorted to. The convention was called to order at 7:30 by C. W. Pool, and J. G. P. Hildebrand, editor of the Pawnee Press, was chosen temporary chairman, and H. C. Davis of the Falls City News, temporary secretary.

A committee of five on credentials was appointed by the chair, consisting of the following: Charles Ogden, of Douglas; Whitmore, of Lancaster; Lowe, of Pawnee; Woodcock, of Gage, and Hackney, of Nemaha.

While the committee on credentials was at work, Captain W. H. Ashby, of Gage county, made a neat speech.

The chair appointed a committee on resolutions, consisting of one member from each county, as follows: Lancaster, A. J. Sawyer; Nemaha, H. Kellegar; Cass, J. N. Block; Douglas, C. H. Brown; Gage, W. H. Ashby; Johnson, Mr. Chamberlain; Otoe, Sarpy, J. H. Langdon; Saunders, C. L. Mills, Mr. Manning; Richardson, R. S. Malony;

While the committee on resolutions were at work, a recess of fifteen minutes was taken. When the convention was called to order again they submitted the following set of resolutions:

Resolved, That the administration of Grover Cleveland has the cordial and emphatic approval of the democrats of this district for the ability and fidelity with which he has redeemed all the pledges made to the American people in the late democratic platform of 1884, thereby greatly promoting the prosperity of our industries and the purity and efficiency of reform in the civil service.

Resolved, That the democrats of this district are in favor of a law of congress for the regulation of inter-state commerce, essentially the same as the Reagan bill, so-called, and emphatically opposed to the senate Cullom bill as in the interest of monopoly and opposed to the interests of the people.

Resolved, That we sympathise with the laboring classes to improve their condition, and urge such legislation as will advance it. We denounce the system of the contract prison labor that comes in competition with the honest workingmen. All prison made goods should be so branded when put on sale. We demand that when the time of a convict in the state prison expires, he shall be transported to the place where convicted.

Resolved, That we demand the reduction of the present oppressive tariff, and that at least lumber, coal and salt be placed upon the free list.

Resolved, That we favor a national currency consisting of coin, greenbacks and national bank notes convertable into coin at the option of the holder, and we are opposed to the coinage of silver.

The platform as above was adopted with the exception of the clause relating to national bank notes, which was stricken out.

The convention then proceeded to the nomination of a candidate for congress. T. J. Moriarty, of Douglas, placed in nomination Hon. John A. McShane, of Omaha. The nomination was seconded by W. H. Killegar, of Nemaha county. J. H. Duncan, of Gage, placed the name of Captain W. H. Ashby, of Wymore, before the convention.

On motion it was decided that the first ballot should be a formal one, and it resulted as follows:

Cass, 12 for McShane; Douglas, 42 for McShane; Gage, 14 for Captain Ashby and 1 for C. H. Brown; Johnson, 7 for McShane; Lancaster, 14 for McShane; Nemaha, 8 for McShane; Otoe, 12 for McShane, 1 for Ashby; Pawnee, 5 for McShane; Richardson, 12 for McShane, 1 for Ashby; Sarpy, 4 for McShane; Saunders, 12 for McShane.

Thus the vote resulted in 126 for McShane, 16 for Ashby and 1 for C. H. Brown.

It was moved by A. Abbott, of Richardson, that the nomination of McShane be made unanimous by acclamation. Carried.

The chair appointed as a committee to notify McShane of his nomination, Hayden of Lancaster, Brown of Douglas, and Robert Clegg of Richardson. Short speeches were made after the nomination of McShane by Brown of Douglas, Maloney of Richardson, Ashby of Gage, and Sawyer of Lancaster. Mr. McShane was not present.

The consolidated Falls City and Salem bands were present and furnished good music throughout the afternoon and evening.

A Superior Fair—Court News.

OAKLAND, Neb., Sept 24.—[Special to the BEE.]—The Burt county fair, which closed yesterday, has been pronounced a decided success in every respect. The exhibit of fine stock was never better, and the exhibit of fruit and farm products was never equaled in this part of the state. Premiums will be paid in full. A new set of officers for the society were elected, the present ones having served three years to the entire satisfaction of all, and the president and secretary are to be congratulated for their good work in making the fair in this county equal to any in the state.

Court convenes Tuesday, the 28th of this month, with forty-five civil suits and four criminal. The most important civil case is the one against the county treasurer, which has been attracting so much attention among taxpayers.

Nebraska and Iowa Weather.

For Nebraska and Iowa: Local rains, followed by fair weather; nearly stationary temperature.

Personal Paragraphs.

Deputy Treasurer Groves went east over the Q. last evening.

George W. Holdrege and Charles J. Green of the B. & M., went to Lincoln last evening in the former's special car.

Miss Addie M. Hall, of Walbach Bros., Grand Island, was in the city last week, and left yesterday morning over the Union Pacific.

County Clerk Needham and wife returned from St. Louis yesterday, where they had been attending the Knights Templar conclave.

George A. Joslyn went to Chicago last evening on a trip of business and pleasure—the former in regard to matters connected with his new hotel, corner of Tenth and Farnam, and the latter to meet his wife and other relatives coming westward.

School Notes.

The Lake school will be opened on Monday for the term, the four room addition to the building having been completed.

The board of education on Thursday closed contracts for the construction of a two room addition to the Long street school and a new two room building for temporary use in Omaha View, both to be completed and ready for occupancy three weeks from the date of contract. The buildings will cost about $1,200 each.

WIGGINS SCARES CHARLESTON.

The Canadian Weather Prophet Carries Terror into South Carolina.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—A New York special from Charleston says: Wiggins' prediction has done more to unnerve the people of Charleston than all the seismic disturbances that have occurred since September 1. It is useless to say there can be no foundation for the prediction. Even men who know the utter absurdity of it, but who have been through the earthquake, were unnerved at reading it. Women and children are utterly prostrated. The News and Courier tried to show Wiggins' prophesy to be without foundation, but there is no use to attempt to argue with men, women and children who have been living on the brink of a crater for nearly a month. Until September 29 is passed there will be no rest in this afflicted city. Many men sent their families to Savannah, New Orleans, Macon and other cities, in the hope of being able to attend to their business. Their state of mind cannot be described. The situation, barring the Wiggins prophesy and its results, is rather cheerful to-day. The opinion among the more intelligent classes is that the Canadian charlatan should be "snuffed out."

An Iowa Earthquake.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—A dispatch from Winfield, Henry county, says: "Five distinct shocks of earthquake were felt here about 11 o'clock last night. No special damage was done."

Mild Shakes.

CHARLESTON, Sept 24.—There was a slight shock at Summerville last evening, and possibly two during the night. There was none in Charleston.

THE CONCLAVE ENDED.

Knights Templar Finish Business to Meet at Washington in 1889.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 24.—So far as public business is concerned, the twenty-third triennial conclave of the Knights Templar was finished yesterday, and the closing receptions held last night. The various headquarters are being stripped of decorations this morning, and every departing train is crowded with knights and their friends. Thousands who remained spent the day viewing the sights of the city and enjoying steamboat excursions on the river. To-night the local commanderies and remaining visitors will hold a reception, and a few minor parades will be given and the city illuminated.

At the session of the Knights Templar grand encampment this morning the most eminent grand master made the following appointments: Rev. G. G. Webster, New York, grand prelate; John R. Parson, Missouri, grand standard bearer; Nicholas Vanslick, Rhode Island, grand sword bearer; Nicholas P. Buckle, Indiana, grand warden; Edwin F. Warren, Nebraska, grand chaplain of guard. The installation of officers and the report of the committee on the time and place of holding the next grand encampment was postponed.

The afternoon session of the grand encampment brought the business of the body to a close. On reassembling after dinner the discussion of the ritual, which had consumed most of the morning session, was resumed and occupied the attention of the encampment the larger part of the afternoon. The celebrated "Michigan question" was decided, the action of the state commandery being almost unanimously sustained. After the ritual was disposed of the appointive officers were installed and the matter of the time and place for holding the next triennial conclave was taken up. Washington, Louisville and Cincinnati were the leading applicants for the honor of entertaining the knights, and after considerable deliberation Washington was fixed upon as the place and the second week in October, 1889, as the time.

THE BASE BALL RECORD.

Red Cloud's Nine Backs Down to Alma—League Games.

ALMA, Neb., Sept 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The Red Cloud base ball club came to Alma to-day, but did not have the sand to play after arriving, so went home without a game. An effort was made to get them to stay over and play to-morrow for $100 a side, but it had no effect.

OTHER GAMES.

AT PHILADELPHIA—

Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1—2
Philadelphia	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0—3

Base hits—Washington 8, Philadelphia 6. Errors—Washington 5, Philadelphia 5. Umpire—Fulmer.

AT PITTSBURG—

Pittsburg	0	0	1	0	1	2	5	1	10
Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3

Exhibition game. Base hits—Pittsburg 14, Chicago 6. Pitchers—Morris and Clarkson. Umpire—Galvin.

AT BOSTON—

Boston	1	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	8
New York	0	0	1	0	0	3	4	0	8

Base hits—Boston 18, New York 9. Errors—Boston 8, New York 4. Pitchers—Stemmyr and Welch. Umpire—Pearce.

Jockey Club Races.

GRAVESEND, Sept. 24.—Three-fourths mile: Mamie Hunt won, Bill Sterritt second, Brait third. Time—1:16.

Mile and one-eighth: Frank Ward won, Aretino second, Ada D. third. Time—1:55½.

Mile and one-fourth: Blue Wing won, Gonfalion second, Favor third. Time—2:10.

Mile: Gleaner won, Pericles second, Maggie J. third. Time—1:42¾.

Mile and one-sixteenth: Barefoot won, Santa Claus second, Bess third. Time—1:50½.

Mile and one-eighth: Broughton won, Pilot second, Error third. Time—1:56½.

Three-Year-Old Record Broken.

STOCKTON, Cal., Sept. 24.—In the three-year-old trotting race, in which Valensin, Alcazar and Tempest started, the fourth heat was made by Valensin in 2:13, being the fastest fourth heat three-year-old time on record.

The Race is Off.

LYNN, Mass., Sept. 24.—A message just received from Marblehead, says: It is officially announced there will be no race between the Mayflower and the Galatea to-day.

AN ANARCHIST'S APPEAL.

Herr Most's Paper Must Be Supported or Die.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—When Anarchist Most wrote the incendiary articles for the Freiheit, the newspaper paid well and Most lived in high style. But during his present enforced sojourn in the penitentiary the articles written by John Miller have been so tame that the circulation has fallen from 5,000 to barely 300 copies. The office was besieged yesterday with creditors. Miller went to the penitentiary and had a serious talk with Most. Miller returned to his office, sat pondering over his desk, and wrote a column editorial under the heading: "Shall the Freiheit Be Supported?" The article urged that anarchists should not give capitalists a chance to boast that the publication of the paper was suspended for lack of support, but by smoking one cigar less or drinking a glass of beer less save the five cent piece necessary for the purchase of the paper. The article closes with the threat that unless the circulation speedily increases the paper will be suspended and the anarchists abandoned to their fate.

The Telephone Case.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 24.—Joseph E. McDonald, closed the argument this morning in the American Bell telephone case, for the company, in the United States court. All the speeches were reported in short hand, and will be printed for the use of the court. At the close of the argument the court said that while it had a distinct impression of the points involved, it wished all the papers to be laid before it in order that a deliberate review of the case may be made.

SLAUGHTERED FOR MONEY.

A Family of Six Persons Massacred by Robbers at Cuba, Mo.

THE DEED DONE WITH A HATCHET

One of the Supposed Murderers Arrested—Men Drowned in a Collision at Sea—Many Crimes and Casualties.

Bloody Crime in Missouri.

CUBA, Mo., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Malcolm Logan and family, consisting of wife, three children and adopted girl, seven years old, were murdered on their farm six miles east of here at an early hour Wednesday morning. The first discovery of the horrible crime was made yesterday morning when a neighbor saw a trail of blood leading to the house, which he followed. The first object he found on entering the residence was the body of the adopted girl lying in the hall. She had been killed with a hatchet. The rear portion of the house was burned down and in the ruins were found the charred remains of Mrs. Logan and three children. The father's body was missing. The trail of blood was again followed and a mile and a half from the house Logan's body was found. He also has been killed with a hatchet. The body was dragged to the railroad track and placed on the rails. Logan had recently received $1,300 for some property and robbery is supposed to be the motive for the crime. No clue here to the murderer.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—P. F. Wallace, a railroad man, was arrested here last night at a late hour on suspicion of being the murderer of the Logan family at Cuba. He strenuously denies his guilt. It is claimed he flagged the train near the scene of the murder and came direct to this city.

Hartford's Great Defaulter.

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 24.—George M. Bartholomew was heard from to-day in Montreal. Several letters were received from him. As far as can be learned the missives contained no facts of public interest. Friends of Bartholomew here say that under the great pressure that was on him at the time of his flight he would have died had he stayed here. He made the utmost exertions to protect those whose funds he had taken. As the matter is studied over it is found that he gave the Charter Oak Life Insurance company $150,000 bonds, which he said were worth 70 cents on the dollar, and gave the Holyoke Water Power company security for all the money he had received from it, and also secured other creditors as far as he could, where he had wrongfully appropriated funds, although the securities were not really negotiable. The condition of the Union Manufacturing company has not yet been fully ascertained, but it is believed the concern owes about $330,000, which would wipe out the stock but leave notes worth a large part of their face value. Most of these have his endorsement. It is known to his friends that he only took $5.0 with him. Isaac W. Brooks, of Terrington, who has been appointed receiver of the Charter Oak Life Insurance company, gave bonds in $250,000 to-day and qualified.

Fatal Mine Disaster.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 24.—A terrible accident occurred at the iron mines at Jaysville, St. Lawrence county, at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. A charge of dynamite had been fired and Fireman William Apple and two workmen, Felix Basse and Frank Blackburn, descended to observe the results of the blast. They had scarcely entered the mine, however, when a rock fell, instantly killing Basse and Blackburn. A depression in the rock saved the life of Apple, but he was badly injured.

Bad City Officials Arrested.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 24.—Charles Doll, member of the late board of public works, and Charles S. Blackburn, its clerk, were arrested this noon upon a charge of embezzlement of $15,000 of the city's funds. There are rumors of other arrests to be made soon. These charges are based upon discoveries made by expert accountants who are examining the books of the late board. Major James C. Morgan, who was a member of a former board, has also been arrested upon similar charges.

A Knight Templar Killed.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 24.—A. C. Story, of Naperville, Ill., a knight templar in attendance upon the conclave in this city, was killed this morning by being run over by a passenger train near this city.

Schooners Collide.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 24.—In the Bay of St. John this morning the British schooner Summerset collided with the schooner Mary Ann, cutting her in two. There were thirty-seven persons aboard the ill-fated craft, four of whom were drowned. The others saved themselves by clinging to the main rail of the Summerset and were picked out of the water by her boats. The Mary Ann sank within two minutes after the collision.

Wholesale Jail Delivery.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—All of the prisoners confined in the county jail at this place escaped last night by digging their way out. They included some desperate characters, and the public are not particularly unconcerned to know that the rascals are at large.

Mysterious Shooting.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—John Shone, a wealthy farmer living four miles northeast of Pomeroy, Calhoun county, was shot and instantly killed by a shot fired through the window while seated at the table with his wife and hired man last night. Full particulars not yet obtained.

Rapist and Murderer Hung.

MACON, Ga., Sept. 24.—Frank S. Humphreys was hanged to-day at Milledgeville for murder and the rape of two ladies, Carrie Raines and Ella Humphreys (his kinswomen), on March 4. He confessed his guilt to the sheriff last night, but made no statement on the scaffold.

A Misplaced Switch.

BERLIN, Sept. 24.—A train laden with German soldiers home from Strasbourg and Alsace, after having completed their three years' service, collided with another near Berlin to-day. Three soldiers were killed and twenty wounded. The collision was caused by the misplacing of a switch.

Working For His Life.

OTTAWA, Sept. 24.—Counsel for the prisoner Sproule, who has been sentenced to be hanged on October 1, intend making another effort to save him from the gallows on the strength of a report that he has become insane.

Fatal Fire Damp.

BERLIN, Sept. 24.—A dispatch from Essen announces that an explosion of fire damp occurred in a coal pit near Schalke to-day, and forty-five persons were killed and sixteen injured, eight of the latter being in a precarious condition.

A Blaze at Toronto.

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 24.—The building occupied by Davidson & Hay, wholesale grocers and liquor dealers, burned this morning. The stock, valued at $120,000, was a total loss. They were insured for $70,000.

Bogus Butter Vendors Arrested.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 24.—Four retail grocers were arrested to-day on warrants issued at the instance of Deputy Food Commissioner Geghan, charging them with an offense under the law which provides that imitation butter shall not be sold without having put up a notice that imitation butter is for sale. An analysis showed samples bought at the different places to contain from 9 to 12 per cent of real butter. This is the first prosecution attempted under the law.

Convicted of Manslaughter.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Sept. 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—In the district court this morning, young Pfiffer, charged with murdering old Patrick Harrington with a stick of cord wood, was convicted of manslaughter.

Benzine and Lightning.

VIENNA, Sept. 22.—Lightning to-day struck and set fire to the Italian bark Nicola while she was being laden with benzine at Tieuine. Eight men perished in the flames.

"CHARLESTON'S LOSS."

Rabbi Benson's Lecture at the Jewish Synagogue Last Night.

The services at the Jewish synagogue were attended by an appreciative audience. It was held in the schoolrooms of of the building, as the workmen did not finish the decoration of the interior of the building until late last evening. Below we give the substance of Rabbi Benson's lecture.

This being the last Sabbath of the Jewish year 5646, he commented upon the word "last," as applied in human affairs. Man, presuming too much upon his vigor, wealth and mental attainments, the voice of poverty is unheard, the shrilled hands of penury are outstretched, but presumptuous man turns aside with disgust and contempt, forgetting the words of the Psalmist, "That life passeth away ere we perceive it." Whilst it is true that the xc Psalm may be attributed to Moses, written as it is in a pensive strain, nevertheless its its words are felt in harmony with the sentiments of the thoughtful element of every generation. These words are still the key-note to the human heart. We might endeavor to hide the facts of our ultimate departure from this sublunar world, yet there passes not a day when we do not see the fraility of man.

Often has this melancholy fact been presented to our consideration; daily is our attention arrested, but we banish such thoughts from our mind simply because they teach us our own insignificance. Were it that banishing thoughts would turn aside the evil; could want of reflection make our body immortal, then might we be justified in living oblivious of our end. But not thinking, not caring, not heeding, render us not exempt from change and grief and the unapprehended evil will nevertheless come and fulfill its errand.

A thousand instances cross upon the mind as examples that could verify that there is no stability in life, no certainty in worldly possessions; whilst we rejoice we are hastening unto death, and the delights we crave for pass away like the vision of the night. A man must have lived without any reflection, and no little purpose, whose recollection is not stored with many illustrations of this truism.

Take for example the sudden horrible death of Mrs. Titcomb, a lady who resided but a few doors from this very temple." Here Rabbi Benson spoke feelingly of the unfortunate woman's death. A child—a parents' joy—was consumed in the devouring flames on last Wednesday.

The city of Charleston. Here the audience was deeply affected, when Rabbi Benson, in a tremulous voice, said: The best years of my life I have been in the south. It was there that I married the choice of my heart and it was there that my dear children were born. Many a time have I been in this unfortunate city, and many a time have I had occasion to admire the truly benevolent and pious feeling of our co-religionists, most of whom are descendants from Spanish and Portugese families, who, on account of religious persecution, emigrated to this country as early as 1660. There are reminiscences in their synagogues showing that during Washington's administration they were already an organized body, as President Washington had contributed to the building of their house of worship, and now, how lonely sits the mistress of all cities? How many are suffering there to-day? Here the Rabbi gave a graphic description of the misery and sufferings of the inhabitants, which had a great effect on the audience. Now, if I would have gone to those people and said: "Prepare, O men to-day, for to-morrow you die," why I would be laughed at. I would have been called an alarmist, a croaking raven, ever crying "nevermore". If I would have gone to the woman who was burned, and said: "Madame, prepare for eternity, for to-morrow you will appear before the Creator," I would have been jeered at. And yet, on this last Sabbath of the year I cannot help but halting upon the most momentous term in the vocabulary of the human term, "last," Here Rabbi Benson dwelt upon the "regret of remorse" and the anguish which that feeling causes.

If man would only think that there must be an end to their sublunar existence, much of the feelings of remorse would be saved.

The husband's heart would not be lacerated with the consciousness of hurrying his wife to an untimely grave; he would make home happier, be more tender and forbearing. The parent would not curse the day when his offspring first saw the light of day, as that offspring's pernicious ways can be traced to the neglect of proper moral and hom etraining.

The Rabbi spoke at length upon the duties of respective relationship. His lecture was listened to with profound attention and had considerable effect. This is but a faint attempt to give a synopsis. It is to be regretted that Rabbi Benson had no notes of this instructive discourse: as a perusal of it in extenso would be of benefit to many.

During the past week the Hebrews sent a draft to Charleston for the relief of the sufferers.

The Jewish new year commences at 7:30 o'clock next Wednesday evening, at which hour imposing services will be held.

Building Permits.

Inspector Whitlock issued building permits yesterday as follows:

Rudolph Koch, one-story addition to dwelling, corner Fifth and Walnut streets	$ 125
Chris Hartman, two-story brick, 2220 Farnam	1,000
A. V. Larimer, one and one-half story frame, Twenty-ninth, near Leavenworth	125
John P. Lundquist, one-story frame addition to cottage, Porter, between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth	150
Thos. Griffin, one-story frame cottage, Mason, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third	950
Five permits aggregating	$ 2,350

A Babe in a Bottle.

Yesterday afternoon Anna Everett, a colored woman who lives at 1312 Leavenworth street, was emptying the straw from a bed she had bought from Mrs. Wilson, a neighbor, when she found in the straw a glass fruit jar in which were the remains of a premature birth. The find was turned over to the coroner. Mrs. Wilson has left the city.

PARTISANS STEPPING DOWN.

Reform in Its Various Shades in the National Capital.

CHANGES IN THE MAIL SERVICE.

How the Civil Service Rules Are Evaded—An Issue For the National Campaign—Military and Postal Affairs.

A Department Clerk Talks.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—[Special to the BEE.]—A clerk in the postoffice department, who attends to the appointment books, said to-day, in talking about the changes under this administration:

"Up to this time there have not been more changes than ordinarily after a new president comes in. Garfield did not make as many changes as did Grant. Hayes' first six months brought many, very many, new employes to this service. Hayes, however, began at the outset to make his presence in the white house a necessity, notwithstanding he pledged in advance against a second term."

"Do you mean," said your correspondent, "that there have not been more than the usual number of new men put into the mail service since Mr. Cleveland came in?"

"I hardly mean that," replied the experienced clerk, "for many have resigned, and in speaking of changes, I refer to removals only. It is not generally known, but the number of people who have gone out of the mail service—I speak of postal clerks and carriers—on their own motion, by resignation, is very large; I should say over one-half, possibly one-third have resigned."

"Why so large a per cent, of resignations?"

"They doubtless thought they would be discharged. Most of them, it has been ascertained, were active partisans, although I do not believe one-fourth of them would have been removed. The most effective way of disposing of an active partisan is to get him into office in the opposite party and keep him there."

PROGRESS OF REFORM.