A BIG DIAMOND DISCOVERY

Ponca People Go Wild Over a Remarkable Find at That Place.

A RIVAL FOR THE KOH-I-NOOR.

Three Ounces and a Half the Weight of the Jewel—The Falls City Murder—Other State News.

Ponca's Great Gem.

PONCA, Neb., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—More or less excitement has prevailed in Ponca during the past six months over the land purchases make immediately north of the city, between it and the Missouri river, by parties in Boston, Rock Island and Sioux City at prices largely in excess of the value of the land. What did they want these lands for? They are unfit except in a few instances for agricultural purposes. Was it that coal was discovered in them? Some thought this theory afforded a solution of the matter, for at various times parties have dug for and found coal in the vicinity—coal, too, of such fair quality that many individuals here made use of it for fuel purposes, declaring it burned well and was as good coal as that for which they pay $7 per ton. But some still thought there was an ulterior object and that a railroad bridge was to be built at this place. The general opinion seems to have settled upon this conclusion as the most rational, owing to the natural site for a bridge at this point, the river being narrow, with a rock bottom, some sixty feet under the water, and the banks on either side being high and firm. But the discovery of diamonds here within the last few days seems to have unsettled all prior opinions with regard to the purchasing of the lands by the parties stated. J. S. Keyser has discovered what seems to be a diamond of rare value and brilliancy. It weighs three ounces and a half. He took it to Sioux City for examination and there he was offered $40,000 for a fourth interest in the find. Other parties wished him to go with them to New York to diamond experts there for the purpose of determining what the mineral was, diamond or ruby, offering to liquidate his expenses there and back and furnishing money to work up the matter. Whatever it is, there is the greatest excitement in Ponca over it.

The Falls City Murder.

FALLS CITY, Neb., March 21.—[Special to the BEE.]—There seems to be wild rumors afloat in regard to the killing of Frank Nebergall by John Marvin here Saturday last. The account of the affair which appeared in the BEE of yesterday is correct and direct from an eye witness, who was talking with Marvin when Nebergall came down the street and attacked him. Only a few minutes before the affair took place Nebergall tried to borrow a revolver from a traveling man at the hotel, and when asked what he wanted with it said he "would kill the whole d——d Marvin family." He afterwards went to the store of W. M. Maddox and bought one, then started out to find Marvin (which he did), and as soon as he seen Marvin standing on the walk he made a lunge for him, striking at him the same time. Marvin being a much smaller man than he was had to protect himself the best he could, so he drew his revolver, which was a self-acting one, and began to club Nebergall over the head, and while in the act of striking him he missed the top of his head and the weight of the weapon coming down was accidentally discharged, with the above result. Marvin was cool at first and said he did not shoot him intentionally. He gave himself up to an officer, and Nebergall, who died instantly, was carried to the Union hotel, where Coroner H. C. Ryan took charge of the body, empanelled a jury and held an inquest.

The jury returned the following verdict: "We, the jury, sworn and empannelled by M. C. Ryan, coroner of Richardson county, Nebraska, to hold an inquest upon the body of Frank Nebergall now lying dead before us, do find from the evidence before us that the said Frank Nebergall came to his death by a pistol shot discharged from a revolver in the hands of John Marvin, and that the said shooting and killing was purposely and feloniously on the 19th day of March 1887."

Since the verdict of the jury has become known considerable feeling is expressed against the last part of the verdict, where they say it was "purposely" and "feloniously," for according to the testimony of the man who stood only a few feet from Marvin there is not a shadow of doubt but what he did it accidentally while defending himself. The deceased leaves a wife, who of late was employed at the Union house dining room. Marvin is a married man and has lived here from boyhood. His brother, G. P. Marvin, of the Beatrice Democrat, is here to-day to make arrangements for the defense.

Destructive Fire at Cozad.

COZAD, Neb., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—At 11 o'clock yesterday morning the large two-story brick block, owned by Watson Graham, was discovered to be on fire and in less than half an hour, the building with contents, was entirely destroyed. The building was occupied as follows: S. R. Williams, flour and feed, loss, $1,500, no insurance: H. A. Darner, hardwear, loss $5,500, insured in Phœnix for $3,500; Grand Army of the Republic lodge room, everything lost, and a public hall, everything destroyed.

A high northwest wind prevailed and carried fire to W. H. Blackman's drug store adjacent. This, with contents, was entirely destroyed. Loss $2,500, small insurance. Mr. Blackman's dwelling house being adjacent to the store, also fell a prey to the flames, and with contents was destroyed. Loss $1,500, no insurance. The Bundy hotel was also on fire several times, but by heoric efforts was put out. The excitement for a time was intense, as the prairie was on fire on all sides and for a while it seemed as if the entire town would be wiped out of existence. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Grand Island Nominations.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—At a citizens meeton Saturday evening W. H. Platte, a leading attorney and old resident of this city, was nominated for mayor; Henry Garn was nominated for police judge; John W. West for city treasurer, and C. W. Brininger for city clerk. The former three are democrats and the latter is a republican. It is a strong ticket, but may be weakened by a split, owing to the fact that the Knights of Labor were ignored. There is some probability that a candidate that they can support will yet be put in the field. Mr. Platte was called for and made a stirring speech in favor of enforcing existing laws and a reformatory city government, and pledged himself to furthering the highest interest of Grand Island by encouragement of enterprises to help the growth of the city.

Death of Henry Carrig.

COLUMBUS, Neb., March, 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Henry Carrig, of Shell Creek, died last night after a long illness from cancer of the stomach. He came to Platte county in 1858, was a very thrifty, industrious farmer and cattle dealer, accumulating a handsome property of between $40,000 and $50,000. He was about fifty-five years of age and leaves a wife and seven children.

Burglary at Fort Dodge.

FORT DODGE, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The merchant tailoring and clothing store of Rhemstead & Yosler was broken into last evening and over $400 worth of goods stolen. The robbers made an entrance by cutting a panel out of the back door and unlocking it. There is no clue as yet to the thieves.

Collision at Creston.

CRESTON, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—There was a collision of freight trains two miles west of this city at 21 o'clock last night. An engine was badly wrecked and thrown into a ditch. Ten cars loaded with corn and provisions were badly damaged and others more or less broken up. Fifty feet of track was torn up. The track was cleared and trains running at 8:30 this morning. The cause was the first section of the freight broke loose on the hill and ran back to the second section, which was following and could not be stopped, as it was going down hill. The engineer and fireman jumped for life. The fireman was uninjured but the engineer, John Van Gent, had his back badly wrenched and injured his chest, but it is thought that he is not dangerously hurt.

Iowa Supreme Court Decisions.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The supreme court to-day rendered the following decisions:

E. Coleman vs the Omega Lodge of Free Masons et al, appellants, Fremont circuit. Affirmed.

Frederick E. Maeher, appellant, vs John Jenswold, jr., Palo Alto circuit. Affirmed.

Elizabeth Gardner, appellant, vs, Isaiah Lightfoot, Jasper circuit. Affirmed.

Henry Vorwald vs C. C. Marshall, appellant, Delaware circuit. Affirmed.

M. Farschheimer & Co., appellants, vs John T. Stewart, Pottawattamie circuit. Reversed.

Nettie Arnold, appellant, vs D. S. Goshall, Tama district. Reversed.

W. K. Pershing et al, appellants, vs Chicago Burlington & Quincy railroad. Affirmed.

Ready For the Trials.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Arrangements are fast completing for the opening of the Haddock murder trials on Wednesday of the present week. Developments of the most startling and interesting nature are expected and there is no longer any question but what some will be made. Many outside parties are already here to attend the trials. It is not known what the defense will ask concerning the matter of a judge to try the cases—whether they will object to Judge Lewis or not.

The Sentence None Too Long.

MONTEZUMA, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The trial of Andrew Brown for inhuman cruelty in whipping a little colored boy to death has concluded with a verdict of murder in the second degree, and he was sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years. The trial of his accomplice, Chloe Robinson, will be held next month.

Society Circles Surprised.

IOWA CITY, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Society circles were quite taken by surprise here by the marriage on Saturday evening last of T. S. Baldridge and Mrs. Ida May Pryce. The groom was the valedictorian at the recent medical commencement of the state university, and the bride is the queen of song of this city, so widely known in musical circles.

An Accidental Shooting.

FORT DODGE, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Jacob Schmall accidentally shot Payne Daud in the groin yesterday while fooling with a target rifle that he didn't know was loaded. The wound is not considered fatal. The size of the ball is twenty-two calibre. Both are young men.

A Garabaldian Fatally Injured.

DUBUQUE, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—A trackman named Blondi was struck by a passing train on the Chicago, Burlington & Northern road this afternoon and is supposed to be fatally injured. He is an Italian and served under Garabaldi.

A Brakeman Killed.

KEOKUK, Ia., March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Frank Mosier, of Monroe, married, a brakeman on the Rock Island, fell while detaching cars at Otley, Sunday, and was run over and killed.

Nebraska and Iowa Weather.

For Nebraska and Iowa: Fair weather, becoming warmer, variable winds.

CHICAGO'S LAKE FRONT.

The Illinois Central Company Gains a Partial Victory.

CHICAGO, March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The Illinois Central railway, which has grabbed land on the lake front valued at $50,000,000, gained a partial victory in the United States district court to-day. A motion was made by the railroad company before Judge Blodgett to compel the state of Illinois to close up proofs by May 1. Judge Trumbull for the railroad company argued that the motion ought to be granted because of the evident disposition of the complainants to cause annoyance by delay. Messrs. Jewett and B. F. Ayre also appeared for the defense. Attorney General Hunt, E. B. McCagg, Norman Williams and C. S. Holt, who appeared for the complainant, all denied that there has been any unnecessary delay on the part of the complainants. What delay there had been was caused by the railroad company itself. By its agents it had lobbied against the bill of Congressman Adams, which sought to have the United States government made a party to the suit. Attorney General Hunt asked Judge Blodgett if the fact of making the order to close proof would necessarily prevent the granting of a preliminary injunction restraining the Illinois Central from making any further encroachments, as they are doing now, below Fourteenth street pending the taking of testimony in the case. Judge Blodgett replied, "Not necessarily so." Then the attorney general asked if the order to close the taking of proof would prevent the United States from entering appearance in the case. The court replied that undoubtedly on application by the federal government it would be allowed to come in. Then the attorney general flatly asked the court to grant a restraining order enjoining any further encroachments on the rights of the people of Illinois by the railroad corporation. The defense objected all around. Judge Blodgett finally said that such an application could not be heard without having a summons which would practically enter into the merits of the whole case and thus open it up throughout. "I do not feel," he said, "that it is my duty just at present to do so. There is a press of business on hand which must be attended to at once. I don't care to take up the matter when it must come to trial so soon, anyhow. The whole case must be heard in June, and in the meantime I think no interests of the people will suffer." Attorney General Hunt asked if the complainants were not entitled to have their riparian rights respected and begged that matters be carried no further until the case had been heard and a decision given. Judge Blodgett coldly replied: "No interests will suffer in such a short time as will elapse between now and June, and what is still more important, if the court grant such a restraining order all motive for the complainants to bring the case to a speedy trial will be lost and the matter will be allowed to drag along as it has done for the last thirty years. The motion for a restraining order is denied." At this the attorneys for the railroad company were visibly rejoiced. This is the first signal victory for their side. An order was also issued compelling the complainants to close proof by May 1 and defendants by May 15.

A Cable Road Enjoined.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Judge Tuley, of the circuit court, granted a temporary injunction this afternoon against the construction of the cable railroad in the north division of the city upon the application of a contesting property owner that the proposed cable system would injure his land. This throws 2,000 men at work on the road out of employment.

The Demurrer Overruled.

NEW YORK, March 21.—In the case of Adam W. Spies against the Chicago & Illinois railroad company for $62,500, which the plaintiff invested in bonds of the road, and which the defendant demurred to the suit, Judge Wheeler to-day in the United States circuit court overruled the demurrer. He decided that the plaintiff had a right to bring suit for the recovery of his money.

Collector Thompson's Successor.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—It is said that W. W. Stewart, of Des Moines, Ia., will be appointed collector of internal revenue for the second district of Iowa, vice W. C. Thompson, deceased.

Took Down the Cable.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 21.—In accordance with the compromise between the citizens' committee and the telephone company the cable of the latter on Main street was taken down this morning.

THE ALL-ABSORBING TOPIC

Another New England Man Mentioned For the Inter-State Commission.

ONLY THREE MEMBERS CHOSEN.

Ex-Senator Eaton Discusses the Presidential Probabilities of 1888—The Most Available Candidates—Other Washington News.

The Inter-State Question.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—The one absorbing topic in Washington continues to be the personnel of the inter-state commission. Every man prominent in business or political life who comes here is at once seized upon as a certain candidate for a place on the board and he is interviewed and pumped until he leaves. W. W. Crapo, of Massachusetts, who was here on Saturday, it is learned to-day positively declined the proffer of a place. It seems to be the settled conviction of everyone that a New England man is to be present before the president can announce the appointments. The latest to be selected by common consent is Hon. John W. Candler, of Boston, who was a member of the Forty-seventh congress. Mr. Candler only served one term, but during his service he made an exceedingly valuable member of the commerce committee, which committee at that time had charge of the river and harbor bill. He voted for the passage of that bill over the veto of President Arthur and that veto retired him to private life. It is said to-night that Mr. Candler can shave a place on the board if he will accept, but his friends here think that he cannot be induced to do so. With a Massachusetts man decided upon the board will be practically complete, though it is said at the white house that only three members have been definitely chosen. It is understood that the fifth man will come from New York and that the president has several good men in that state from whom to choose, any one whom he knows will accept.

PRESIDENTIAL PROBABILITIES.

Ex-Senator Eaton, of Connecticut, was talking with a reporter to-day about the political outlook toward 1888: "If the republican nominating convention were to meet to-morrow I think Mr. Blaine would certainly be the choice. Not," he added, "that he is their strongest man. The strongest man they could nominate is John Sherman. He would make the best run. But, of all the republicans I think that Mr. Edmunds would make the best president. The administration would be clean. He cannot get the nomination, though."

"It has been suggested that Mr. Blaine would not like to see another republican elected immediately after his defeat."

"I know; but if Blaine is not nominated himself he will name the man, as he did Garfield, and will do all he can to secure his election."

"Allison, I suppose," said the reporter.

"If so he will be elected," was the emphatic reply of the democratic ex-senator.

"What is the outlook for the democrats?"

"I don't like to talk about it. I am a democrat and I don't like to think about it," and he shook his head suggestively.

AN UNGUARDED TREASURY.

The press dispatches have announced the fact that the officials of the treasury have given orders that several men who made frequent visits to the vaults should no longer be admitted. These men have been lingering around the department for some time, and it was feared that their designs upon the wealth which was stored in the cellar was not altogether a proper one. The department has for some time past allowed visitors into the vaults between the hours of 12 and 2 o'clock each day. The enormous silver store-house is literally packed full; there is not room for even another bag, and naturally the sight of this vast amount of bullion attracts the cupidity of impecunious visitors. It is a great many years since an attempt was made to rob the treasury and no one has ever tried to carry off the coins stored since the Eland law made storage necessary. Beyond twenty-five or thirty watchmen who are employed to watch the building when the clerks are gone there is absolutely no protection whatever against robbers, and it is doubtful if any is needed. It is possible that a gang of thieves might secrete themselves somewhere in the building and perhaps they might be able to break into some of the smaller vaults, but the exposed position of the building would make it an exceedingly dangerous undertaking and it is hardly likely that any thief would have the hardihood to attempt it. The fact that the building is not watched from the outside causes no comment whatever from people who know how things are conducted in this country, but the English visitors to the capital always wonder why a squad of soldiers are not detailed to parade in front of the treasury building by night as is the case in London in the neighborhood of the Bank of England.

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE.

The following attorneys were admitted to practice before the interior department to-day: John P. Swisher, Cedar Rapids; Thos. Malleson, Panora; G. McFall, W. G. Jones, Oskoloosa; F. M. Darrington, Chadron; A. S. Drake, Ipswich; Robert P. Allison, Steele; Nelson F. Boucher, Washburn; John J. Skuse, Fargo, Dak.

PENSIONS GRANTED IOWANS.

Iowa pensions were granted to-day as follows: Sarah E., widow of John Denbow, Albion, (original); Levi S. Silvester, Albia; Hirim Pearce, Creston; Isaac Willett, Columbus Junction; John W. Jones, Manson; Stephen Cain, Dubuque (increase); Calvin R. Jackson, Plano; John F. W. Wicke, Keokuk (restoration). Reissued and increased: John Denbow, deceased (of widow) Albion.

Pritchett Among the Appointees.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The president made the following appointments this afternoon: George E. Pritchett, United States district attorney for Nebraska; Emory B. Sellers, United States district attorney for Indiana; Thomas Haydon, United States district attorney for Nevada.

No New Indictments.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Contrary to general expectations the special grand jury failed to return any additional indictments this morning.

AMUSEMENTS.

PEOPLE'S THEATER.

Last night the Hyers' Colored Comedy company began a week's engagement at this theater, presenting their laughable comedy, "The Blackville Twins." This company is composed entirely of colored people and is undoubtedly the best now traveling. The audience last night was convulsed with laughter from the beginning to the close of the entertainment. Mrs. Hyer and Gertrude Revels, as the twins, acted their part in a most pleasing manner. Billy Carroll and Tom Davis, the comedians, carried the house by storm—their acting being extremely funny. The singing of this company is very fine, the solos, duetts and quartetts winning numerous encores. Taken as a whole this is certainly the most pleasing entertainment that has been witnessed at the People's this season. The same bill will be repeated to-night and will undoubtedly be received by a large house.

A Daft Dame From Denver.

Annie Forrest, a lady of neat attire and faded beauty is posing as a puzzle before the police authorities. She hails from Denver, and came hither to let Marshal Cummings share the credit of a big murder mystery she has unearthed. She also tells, in an off-hand way, of a great fortune to which she has recently become sole legatee. She was seized by the police as a crank dangerous to be at large a few days ago, but was immediately released for some reason. Yesterday she was again arrested, and to-day the county commissioners will ship her back to Denver.

Fourth Ward Meeting.

There will be a regular meeting of the 4th Ward Republican club, at the store of C. J. Johnson, 39th and Farnam, on Tuesday evening, March 23d, at 7:30 o'clock. By order of the club.

JOHN S. WOOD, Secretary.

By C. J. JOHNSON, Secretary pro tem.

VACATING THE BASEMENTS.

The School Board After Health Reforms—The School Laws.

The board of education met last night with a full attendance of members. A number of applications for positions as assistant teachers were received and referred to the committee on teachers and text books. The vexed question of basement school rooms was brought up by a protest of Mr. J. R. Reed against the further use of the basement of the Long school. The petitioner stated his two children, who have been attending school in the basement, are continually becoming sick as a result of the confinement in the damp, unhealthy basement. Mr. Coburn moved that the two basement rooms in the Long school, two in the Leavenworth and one in the Izard be vacated at the close of the present week. Members Davis, Livesey, Clark and the chairman were opposed to the motion claiming that there should be some provision made for the accomodation of children now attending the basement rooms before the rooms are vacated. Those favoring the motion claimed that it should be adopted as no steps would be taken to secure other rooms until the basements were vacated. The motion prevailed and the committee on buildings and property was instructed to secure school room for the accommodation of students now attending in the basement rooms.

The committee on buildings and and property reported that they had rented a room on South Thirteenth street for one year for the relief of Center street school.

Mr. Conoyer's resolution, authorizing the payment of the teachers' pay roll as soon as approved by the committee on claims, so the teachers can draw their pay for March before vacation, was adopted.

The members then indulged in a little amusement in an effort to change the name of the Georgia avenue school. Mr. Blackburn proposed the name of Park school. Mr. Coburn wanted it called Blackburn school; Mr. Long proposed the name of Mann school, and Mr. Clark that of Garfield. After a good deal of voting and more comment the propositions were all voted down.

The architects who are to furnish plans for the new buildings at the corner of Twenty-eighth and Webster and in Omaha View were required to furnish the board with duplicate plans and the time for receiving bids for the construction of the buildings was extended until April 18.

On motion of Mr. Davis the vote, by which the architects were instructed to propose plans for both the steam and hot air systems of ventilation in the proposed buildings, was reconsidered and the instruction given to prepare the plans for the steam heating system. This was also afterwards reconsidered and made the special order for an adjourned meeting to be held on Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The board then took up the amendments that are proposed to the school law now pending in the legislature. It was resolved to be the sentiment of the board that the number of the members of the board shall not be increased; that the time of election be the first Monday in April; that the board have the power to fix the salary of the secretary, and that the members of the board be chosen by a general vote and not by wards.

Court Notes.

Yesterday was the last day of the March term of the county court.

In the county court the Queen City Shirt company, of New York, commenced suit against McInnis & Bussey for $242.63 on account. David Richardson, of New York, commenced a suit against A. Atkinson for $335.07 on accouut. The Omaha National bank sought judgment against Eugene Tribble for $500.

In the district court W. A. Howland began action for the foreclosure of a mechanics' lien to secure a claim of $149.85 against Otis and Harriet N. Haynes. Meyer Hellman began suit against Henry Homan et al to quiet title to the nw¼ of the ne¼ of section 34, township 16.

South Omaha Nominations.

A citizens' meeting was held at South Omaha last evening for the purpose of placing in nomination a ticket for city officers in opposition to that placed before the people last week. The following were nominated for the various offices: Mayor, E. P. Savage; police judge, Judge Rubher; treasurer, P. M. Hunt; city engineer, Henry Keinhart. The adjourned until to-night, when they will assemble in the various wards for the nomination of aldermen.

Run Over and Killed.

A railroad man named Burns was run over and instantly killed at an early hour in the Union Pacific yards this morning. The coroner took charge of the remains.

Brevities.

The revenue collections yesterday amounted to $4,800.06.

Henry Long was arrested last night charged with rifling the pockets of a drunken man named Anderson of $14.

Belle Sanford, the notorious, was sentenced by Judge Stenberg yesterday afternoon to twenty days in the county jail, for robbing a granger of $18.

Peter Block, a cook at the Paxton house, was arrested by Officer White last night for an assault upon Charles Fidler, the steward at the same hostlery.

Advices were received in this city last night, to the effect that the remains of Henry D. Rumsey, whose sad death in the Buffalo hotel fire was noticed in Saturday's BEE, were interred in Fort Wayne, Ind. Mr. Rumsey was well known in this city, having for two years conducted the Cozzens hotel on Ninth street. He left here in December 1886, for the purpose of visiting friends in the east. He was formerly a captain in the United States navy and had a son in the naval academy at Annapolis. The deceased had many friends in Omaha and Nebraska, who will learn with grief of his tragic death.

It is a Curious Fact

That the body is now more susceptible to benefit from medicine than at any other season. Hence the importance of taking Hood's Sarsaparilla now, when it will do you the most good. It is really wonderful for purifying and enriching the blood, creating an appetite, and giving tone to the whole system. Be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is peculiar to itself.

Personal Paragraphs.

C. E. Mayne was put yesterday after a serious ten days' illness.

Jean Decker, of the Black Hills Pioneer, Deadwood, Dak., is in the city on a short visit.

Frank R. Morrissey, of the Herald, left Friday for St. Paul, and is still in that city.

W. J. Helphrey, a road agent, employed by Penrose & Hardin, is in from a successful trip through Nebraska.

Mr. J. L. Miles, a banker from Davenport, Iowa, bought about $100,000 of Omaha city property loans last week. He expresses himself as well pleased with Omaha and says he intends to loan a million of dollars here this year.

Daniel Miller, of Donegal, Pa., bought a pair of common white rabbits a year ago. He now has seventy rabbits, the offspring of the original pair.

Talmage Lecture.

Sale of Talmage lecture tickets for reserved section Tuesday morning, March 22, at 9 a. m., exposition building.

AVENGING A SISTER'S WRONGS

Grant Hart, of Hastings, Tells How He Killed Dr. Randall.

WESTERN LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

The Board of Education—Shippers Correcting Abuses—South Omaha Nominations—Court Notes—City News in General.

Dr. Randall's Slayer.

"There goes the boy who killed Doc Randall," said a Hastings gentleman to a BEE reporter at the Union Pacific depot yesterday evening, pointing out a young man who was crossing the platform toward the waiting room. The reporter followed into the room and found himself facing a young, boyish looking fellow, about eighteen years of age, with bright keen blue eyes, light black hair and a face as smooth and rosy as that of a country school girl. He wore a neat fitting ready-made suit of a greyish color and a black slouch hat. Of the score or more of young men who were in the room at the time he was the last one whose looks or bearing would indicate him capable of killing a man as he did Dr. Randall at Hastings on Saturday. He appeared ill at ease, glancing nervously about him, and appeared startled when the reporter addressed him as "Mr. Hart." He looked as though he expected to see a pair of handcuffs flashed upon him at the next moment. When made aware of the interviewer's identity, his face assumed a bored only-a-reporter look common with men of more experience.

"The papers," said young Hart, "have already given all of the facts," when asked for particulars concerning his shooting of Dr. Randall, the man who had ravished his little eleven-year-old sister at Hastings.

When pressed to tell the details of the affair the young man demurred and was only brought out by the question, "Did you go to the court house with the intention of killing Randall?" To this he quickly replied:

"No, sir. I had no idea of such a thing two seconds before it was done."

"How did it happen?"

"I stood in the crowded court room listening to the evidence. When my poor sister, who was too weak to walk, was helped into the witness chair and told the story of the brutal treatment she had received at Randall's hands my blood fairly boiled. She testified that she had been drugged and kept from her boarding house and subjected to the most fearful treatment. Judge Fleming had just fixed the old scoundrel's bail when I felt something slipped into my hand and my fingers closed upon a revolver. Instantly I was seized by an absolutely uncontrollable desire to avenge my sister's wrongs and I raised the pistol, took a hasty but accurate aim and pulled the trigger. If it had been my own mother against whom I held such a feeling as I had that instant I would have fired just the same. When I saw Randall fall the thought that I had killed a man flashed through my brain and overcome me entirely. I turned sick at heart. I don't know what became of the revolver. Some one took hold of my arm and pushed me from the court room. On the stairs two men took me and led me across the street to Deitz's lumber yard and kept me there a couple of hours, then they hurried me to a place of concealment. I came to Omaha this morning."

"Where are you going now?"

"I don't know. At the suggestion of friends in Hastings I have seen an able Omaha attorney and he advises me to go back to my home, relying on the feeling there to protect me from prosecution. I have some relatives in Iowa and I may go over and see them for a week or two before I decide what I shall do." The interview was ended suddenly by Hart, who responded to the call of "all aboard" from the conductor of the east bound Kansas City train.

THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

The Schedule of Games For the Coming Season.

The schedule committee of the Western league met at Topeka on Sunday and prepared the following schedule of games for the coming season:

The Denvers—At Hastings, May 5, 6, 7, July 6, 7, 8, August 30, 31, September 1; at Lincoln, May 10, 11, 12, July 9, 11, 12, September 2, 3, 5,; at Omaha, May 13, 14, 15, July 3, 4, 4, September 7, 8, 9; at Topeka, May 28, 30, 31, July 22, 23, 25, September, 23, 24, 26; at Kansas City, May 25, 26, 27, July 26, 27, 28, September 20, 21 22; at Leavenworth, May 21, 23, 24, July 19, 20, 21, September 16, 17, 18; at St. Joe, May 18, 19, 20, July 14, 16, 17, September 11, 13, 14.

The Hastings—At Denver, April 21, 23, 24, June 19, 21, 22, August 17, 18, 19; at Lincoln, May 13, 14, 16, July 2, 4, 4, September 7, 8, 9; at Omaha, April 26, 27, 28, July 9, 10, 12, September 3, 4, 5; at Topeka, May 25, 26, 27, July 19, 20, 21, September 15, 16, 17; at Kansas City, May 28, 29, 30, July 22, 23, 24, September 11, 12, 14; at Leavenworth, May 18, 19, 20, July 14, 16, 17, September 23, 24, 25; at St. Joe, May 21, 23, 24, July 26, 27, 28, September 20, 21, 22.

The Lincolns—At Denver April 26, 27, 28, June 24, 25, 26, August 21, 23, 24; at Hastings April 30, May 2, 3, June 28, 29, 30, August 26, 27, 29; at Omaha April 21, 23, 24, June 19, 21, 22, August 17, 18, 19; at Topeka May 18, 19, 20, July 14, 15, 16, September 20, 21, 22; at Kansas City, May 21, 22, 24, July 19, 20, 21, September 23, 24, 25; at Leavenworth May 28, 29, 30, July 26, 27, 28, September 11, 13, 14; at St. Joe May 25, 26, 27, July 22, 23, 24, September 16, 17, 18.

The Omahas—At Denver April 30, May 1, 3, June 29, 30, July 1, August 26, 27, 28; at Hastings May 10, 11, 12, June 24, 25, 27, August 23, 23, 24; at Lincoln May 5, 6, 7, July 6, 7, 8, August 30, 31, September 1; at Topeka May 21, 22, 23, July 26, 27, 28; September 12, 13, 14; at Kansas City May 18, 19, 20, July 14, 16, 17, September 16, 17, 18; at Leavenworth May 25, 26, 27, July 22, 23, 24, September 30, 21, 22; at St. Joe May 28, 29, 30, July 19, 20, 21, September 23, 24, 25.

The Topekas—At Denver, June 2, 4, 5; July 30, 31, August 2; September 28, 29, 30; at Hastings, June 7, 8, 9; August 4, 5, 6; October 3, 4, 5; at Lincoln, June 15, 16, 17; August 12, 13, 15; October 11, 12, 13; at Omaha, June 11, 12, 13; August 7, 9, 10; October 7, 8, 9; at Kansas City, April 30, May 1, 3; July 3, 4, 5; August 21, 23, 24; at Leavenworth, May 5, 7, 8; July 6, 7, 8; September 7, 8, 9; at St. Joe, May, 10, 11, 12; July 9, 10, 12; August 3, 4, 5.

The Kansas Citys—At Denver, June 7, 8, 9; August 12, 13, 14; October 7, 8, 9; at Hastings, June 2, 3, 4; August 8, 9, 10; October 11, 12, 13. at Lincoln, June 10, 11, 13; July 30, August 1, 2; October 1, 3, 4; at Omaha, June 15, 16, 17; August 4, 5, 5; September 28, 29, 30; at Topeka, May 13, 14, 16; June 28, 29, 30; August 17, 18, 20; at Leavenworth, April 21, 23, 24; July 9, 10, 12; August 26, 27, 28; at St. Joe, May 5, 7, 8; July 6, 7, 8; September 7, 8, 9.

The St. Joes—At Denver June 11, 12, 13, August 7, 9, 10, October 2, 4, 5; at Hastings June 15, 16, 17, August 12, 13, 15, September 28, 29, 30; At Lincoln June 2, 3, 4, August 3, 4, 5, October 7, 8, 10; At Omaha June 7, 8, 9, July 30, 31, August 2, October 11, 12, 13; at Topeka April 21, 22, 23, June 24, 25, 27, August 26, 27, 29; at Kansas City, April 26, 27, 28, June 19, 21, 22, August 30, 31, September 1; at Leavenworth April 30, May 1, 3, June 28, 29, 30, August 21, 23, 24.

The Leavenworths—At Denver June 15, 16, 17, August 4, 5, 6, October 11, 12, 13; at Hastings June 10, 11, 12, July 30, August 1, 2, October 6, 7, 8; at Lincoln June 7, 8, 9, August 8, 9, 10, September 28, 29, 30; at Omaha June 2, 4, 5, August 12, 13, 14, October 2, 3, 4; at Topeka April 26, 27, 28, June 20, 21, 22, August 30, 31, September 1; at Kansas City May 10, 11, 12, June 24, 25, 26, September 3, 4, 5; at St. Joe May 13, 14, 15, July 3, 4, 4, August 17, 18, 19.

CORRECTING ABUSES.

The Live Stock Shippers at Work—A Letter From the Secretary.

The Live Stock Shippers' Association of Nebraska, which was only recently organized, promises to be a grand benefit to the shippers and to the general live stock interests of the state. The association is already at work remedying certain abuses against which the shippers have been forced to struggle for years. One of these abuses, which the association is in fair way of putting a stop to, is the practice of certain commission firms in sending out buyers who compete with the regular buyers and attempt to force them to consigning their shipments to them. It has been denied that this is ever done and some commission firms claim that the shippers are misinformed, as was recently published in an Omaha paper. John Wiggins, of Columbus, one of the best known shippers in the state, and the secretary of the Nebraska Live Stock Shippers' association, has the following to say on the subject:

The shippers are rightly informed and there are commission men or their representatives in the country who solicit consignments and when not able to get the stock offer to buy and do buy as can be proven by good witnesses. There are cases where such parties have offered to quit scalping in certain territory for a bonus of $100. It is no secret that shipments have been made from South Omaha to Chicago by commission firms of stuff that they had bought and that actually belonged to them. The complaints are not all confined to South Omaha as there are other packing points in the state. The shippers as a class have a good opinion of the live stock men and believe them to be as honest and trustworthy as the same number of men engaged in any branch of business, but possibly they may consider it disreputable for them to be a competitor of a shipper in the country, a seller of his stuff in the stock yards and a buyer of the same stock all at the same time, but the shippers do not propose to encourage any such combinations and that was the import of a very mild resolution passed at their meeting.

The shippers know full well what they were talking about and some of the South Omaha commission men know the same facts and have so stated.

The shippers pay well for the work done and all they ask is correct returns for just what their stock sells for to actual purchasers, and for commission men to confine themselves to a legitimate commission business, which will win in the end.

Wedding Bells.

Last Thursday evening at 9 o'clock occurred the marriage of Mr. Isaac Sylvester and Miss Louise Rumel at the residence of the bride's parents in North Omaha, by Mark H. Forscutt. The bride was attired in a cream colored albatross dress with satin trimmings of same color. The parents of both bride and groom are old residents of Omaha, the latter having lived here for over thirty years. Congratulations were received by the happy couple by mail from numerous friends in the east and west. A large number of valuable and useful presents was received. The well-wishes of their hosts of friends will follow them to their home at 846 South Twenty-third street.

A New Rifle Club.

There is a scheme on foot to organize a new rifle club in this city. Among those who are at the head of it are J. R. Clarkson, O. H. Gordon, J. S. Collins and A. S. Patrick. It is proposed to organize with thirty or forty members and hold weekly shoots at the Bellevue rifle range. An effort will be made to induce the B. & M. to put on a Saturday noon train to Bellevue, returning in time to bring the marksmen back in the evening about 6 o'clock. Colonel Henry, army instructor of rifle practice, has agreed to do all he can to aid the would-be sharp-shooters.

For Clow's Consideration.

Mr. Dan Delaney, of Chicago, arrived in the city last evening and brought to the BEE office the following communication to John P. Clow, the pugilist:

Having recently won such an easy victory over Hanley, are you now willing to meet any man of the same weight as yourself in a fight to a finish—Frank Glover, of Chicago, for instance? If so, I can be found at Ed Rothery's with money for a match in any amount. An immediate answer is desired.

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