

RESTORED TO THE PEOPLE.

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Opened to Settlement.

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A MORMON SENSATION.

Joseph Smith's Secluded Son for Head of the Church.

ST. LOUIS, August 15.—(Special Telegram to the Bee.)—The Globe-Democrat prints a sensational story about the Mormon church, that has the marks of a romance, but lacks confirmation. About twenty-five years ago, the little town of Nauvoo, Ill., the headquarters of the Mormon church of the Mississippi valley, was started by a story in which Joseph Smith, in 1835, figured as the lover of a daughter of a prominent wealthy family, believers in Mormonism, and who were travelling in America. The prophet wished to take the girl as his "spiritual" wife, and she consented with the condition that if she bore a son he should eventually become the head of the Mormon church. The child was born, and for fear of foul play from the other children of the Smith family, the mother and child hastened to England and there educated the child in Cambridge university, the proper records having been given to secure all rights. The story is now being published by Dr. Baron Havelin, a man of note in the city of London, and is the subject of a book which is being published by the publisher of the present issue of the Globe-Democrat. The story is now being published by Dr. Baron Havelin, a man of note in the city of London, and is the subject of a book which is being published by the publisher of the present issue of the Globe-Democrat.

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TOPEKA TAKES THE THIRD.

Lincoln Loses the Last of the Series by Loose Playing.

THE PENNANT STILL IN DOUBT.

Emporia Again Defeats Hastings—The Black Star will Fight Wilson—Local Gun and Trap.

The regular weekly shoot of the Gate City Gun club was held yesterday at Riverside park—25 blue rocks, 15 yards rise. Following is the score: Lincoln 11, Emporia 10, Hastings 9, Topeka 8, Council Bluffs 7, Des Moines 6, Omaha 5, Waterloo 4, Iowa City 3, Keosauqua 2, Fort Dodge 1, Council Bluffs 0.

TOPEKA 15, LINCOLN 7.

LINCOLN, Neb., August 15.—(Special Telegram to the Bee.)—The path of glory trodden by the Lincoln club Saturday led to the grave today. In fact the home club played as though they had a grave yard yawning before them, and the 4000 people in attendance felt as though they had front seats at a funeral. Inexcusable errors among the Lincoln players, who have a habit of playing errorless games, characterized almost every inning, and while the Topeka played from perfect form, their work was much the better. The home club led out as though they intended to play ball, but in the third inning they became demoralized, and after two men were out, five men crossed the home plate. The audience drew a sigh that was felt blocks away, and, with a sinking faith, hoped that the lead could be overcome. The club was broken up, and the spectators, who had been so respectful to the visitors, but again in the sixth they exploded, going all to pieces. Again the giants crossed five men over the home plate. After that all hope was abandoned, and with a sigh as if they were about to be buried, the Lincoln club kept in the last two games the audience watched the contest to the close. The game was lost five times on the field. Hoover and Hall on the left of the diamond making seven of them, and the audience was of the opinion that they should have been executed with more than a bullet in the box and uncertain. Young umpired without a protest from either side.

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SCORE BY INNINGS.

Table with columns: Lincoln, Topeka. Rows for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Total.

SUMMARY.

Runs earned—Lincoln 4, Topeka 4. Two base hits—Beckley, Lang, Ardner, Kenyon. Home runs—Holler, Schaefer, Macular. Left on bases—Lincoln 2, Topeka 7. Double plays—Ardner, Macular, Stearns, Johnson. Base on balls—Hart 1, Dooms 1. Passed balls—Dolan 1. Wild pitches—Hart 1. Time of game—Two hours and ten minutes.

EMPORIA 9, HASTINGS 7.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE GAMES.

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Brighton Beach Races.

BRIGHTON BEACH, August 15.—Following is the summary of to-day's races: Three-quarters mile: Charley May first, Ornament second, False Note third. Time—1:17 1/4. Three-quarters mile: Tipsey first, Sweetie second, Monte Cristo third. Time—1:16. Five-eighths mile: Armstrong won, King Arthur second, Pat Divver third. Time—1:19. Mile: Adrian won, Charley Russell second, Tatler third. Time—1:44. One and one-eighth mile: Jacobus won, Change second, Frank Mills third. Time—3:14. Three-quarters mile: Franz won, Hazard second, Monogram third. Time—1:17.

The Black Star Accepts.

OMAHA, Neb., August 15, 1887. Mr. Billy Wilson, of the St. Paul navy weight, which speaks for itself: You are hereby notified that you are charged with a fight with hard fists for \$250 a side, fight to take place three weeks from date of signing articles, which will be held at St. Paul, is accepted by McHenry Johnson. You will also be allowed to draw up the articles of agreement, which will be forwarded here and they will be signed by Johnson.

As an earnest that the Black Star means blood and light, have this day opened with the sporting editor of the Bee \$100, which you can cover at your pleasure, the quicker the better we will be satisfied. There is no question for negotiation, notoriety. If you want a fight you can have it right away. All that is necessary for you to do is to cover further the investigation. Yours respectfully, HERBERT ROTHEBY, Backer for McHenry Johnson.

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