PITH OF THE NEWS

The City.

Omaha defeats St. Paul 9 to 5.

A laborer loses $100 in a mock auction shop.

Receipts of hogs at South Omaha 3,700; cattle 700.

The B. & M. makes provisions for harvest excursions.

Sardius H. Brewster wants an accounting for his Omaha property.

Real estate transfers aggregate $37,667; building permits $8,450.

A. J. Earling succeeds J. T. Clark, as general superintendent of the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul road.

Nebraska.

The Westphalen monument has been completed at Fremont.

Dr. T. L. Meyers, of Aurora, was killed by the cars at Bromfield.

Dr. S. W. Thurber died suddenly of appoplexy at Tecumseh.

Hon. N. V. Harlan of York, interviewed on the political situation.

The body of an unknown man was found on a bar below Dakota city.

Thomas Montgomery was drowned in the Blue River near DeWitt.

Henry Fuhrman, a dealer in general merchandise at Fremont, has failed.

The prohibitionists will hold a congressional convention at Hastings to-day.

R. B. Claney, who shot himself with suicidal intent on Sunday, died yesterday.

A man was arrested in Dodge county on an indictment of stealing horses in Illinois.

Jerry Connolly, a brakeman on the Elkhorn road, was run over and killed near Johnstown.

The three-year-old child of Charlie Koog was accidently shot while playing with a revolver at Holdredge.

General.

New York letter carriers are dissatisfied.

Lynchers hang a murderer at Carthage, Tenn.

Two boys attempted to wreck a train at Des Moines.

Storms and death followed the excessive heat of Tuesday.

The republicans of California assemble in state convention.

Peavey's opera house, at Sioux City, was damaged by fire.

An interview with Patrick Eagan on the Parnell commission.

The Catholic total abstinence association is in session in Boston.

A Mississippi man fatally stabbed three men who assaulted him.

The public debt was decreased $4,137,298 during the mouth of July.

The mystery surrounding Chicago's double tragedy has been removed.

It is believed that the jute combine is now able to control the market.

The Minneapolis base ball franchise has been transferred to Davenport.

A fourteen-year-old boy accidentally shot and killed his little sister at Cincinnati.

Calvin Faulkner shot and killed Michael Shantry, his daughter's lover, at Athens, Tenn.

Fifteen Polanders were injured in a logging railway accident in Michigan, one of them dying.

The minority report of the senate judiciary committee on the Minnesota political riots was submitted.

William K. Vanderbilt has been sued for $1,000,000 for an alleged crooked transaction in Lake Shore stock.

THE JACKSON RIOTS.

Minority Report of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

WASHINGTON, August 1.—The minority report of the senate judiciary committee on the Jackson (Miss.) political riots was submitted by Senator Pugh in the senate to-day. The minority says that hearings were held with closed doors and in Washington, more than one thousand miles from the locality of the transaction. Hence the members of the committee had no opportunity of examining the great mass of witnesses who were on the ground.

The report follows every detail of the occurrences under investigation. It says: "This conspiracy of McGill and Baldwin to eliminate the negro vote and to secure the co-operation of the committee of one hundred is suggestive of the methods by which these southern outrages are manufactured for political purposes." It declares that Baldwin stands impeached as utterly unworthy of credit. It finds the evidence against the federal officials inculpated by the majority as unimportant, untrustworthy and illegal. "It is not shown," the minority says, "that any of the federal officers incriminated by the committee did a single illegal act, or aided or advised in the doing of such."

The report is signed by Senators Pugh, Coke, Vest and George.

THE BERENICE SEARLE CASE.

The Question of Guardianship Settled by Judge Baker.

CHICAGO, August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—After a two days' legal battle, intensified by ill-will between her relations, the custody of little Berenice A Searle was awarded to Judge Thomas C. Patterson, of North Platte, Neb. Judge Patterson, who is Berenice's aunt's husband, was appointed her guardian by the Lincoln county, (Neb.) court. Mrs. Emly A. Thompkins, another aunt, who lives in Chicago, disputed Judge Patterson's right to the child on the ground that before she committed suicide the girl's mother gave her to Mrs. Thompkins. The point was also made that the appointment of Patterson as guardian by the Nebraska court gave him the right to take the girl in Illinois. Judge Baker said, in deciding the case, that Alfred C. Tole, to whom Mrs. Thompkins wanted to give Berenice for adoption, no doubt had the means and the disposition to bring the child up properly, but he had no legal rights beside that of an uncle-at-law, and a properly appointed guardian. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are beloved by the girl, who willingly went with them after she had affectionately kissed Mrs. Thompkins and Mrs. Tole, both of whom cried bitterly.

A Brakeman Injured.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Abraham Loughlon, a brakeman employed in the St. Joe Terminal yards, while attempting to climb on a moving car at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, lost his footing and fell beneath the wheels. Both his legs were mangled so that amputation was necessary, and it is thought he will die. Loughlon had been railroading eighteen years, and at one time was freight conductor on the Kansas City, St. Joe & Council Bluffs, and afterwards on the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska.

Destructive Fire in Virginia.

NORFOLK, VA., August 1.—This morning a destructive fire began in Suffolk, Va., which was not controlled until about 4 o'clock this afternoon. Nearly the entire business portion of the town is destroyed. The loss is roughly estimated at from three hundred and fifty to four hundred thousand dollars, with insurance far below the loss.

Prostrated By Heat.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—While at work on the excavation for a building at Fourth and Jule streets this afternoon, Charles Alston, a Swede, fifty years of age, was prostrated by the heat and died to-night from the effects.

The Weather Indications.

Nebraska—Local rains, cooler, variable winds.

Iowa—Threatening weather with rain, warmer winds, generally southeasterly, local storms.

Eastern and Southern Dakota—Threatening weather with rain, warmer, variable winds.

Blaine Sails From England.

LONDON, August 1.—The Inman line's new steamer, City of New York, left Liverpool to-day on her first voyage to New York. She carries 1,000 passengers. Among the number are James G. Blaine, his wife and daughter and the Earl and Countess of Donoughmore.

THE LEADERS DOWNWARD GO

The Locals Take a Ball From the Ice Palace Crowd.

OMAHA'S GENERAL IN THE BOX.

Kid Brynan's Curves Caressed With a Frequency That Wins—Des Moines Demolishes Milwaukee—Minneapolis' Hard Luck.

Western Association Standing.

Following is the official standing of the Western association teams up to and including yesterday's games:

	Played	Won	Lost	Pr Ct
St. Paul	66	42	24	.636
Des Moines	61	36	25	.590
Omaha	62	35	27	.564
Milwaukee	68	32	36	.470
Sioux City	26	12	14	.461
Kansas City	63	30	33	.460
Chicago	65	30	35	.452
Minneapolis	64	25	39	.390

Dedicated to the Apostles.

By The Bee Poet.

The game yesterday was a great walkaway
For Omaha over St. Paul.
The home team's sluggers hit the sphere hard,
While the visitors could scarce see the ball.
The Apostles made errors, and Omaha too,
But the visitors' were frequent and Omaha's few;
And Lovett's inshoot—there was no use in tryin—
While the Omahogs fairly paralyzed Bry'an.
There were singles and doubles, and even a triple,
And a home run by Miller which caused quite a ripple—
But say, what's the use of telling you more;
At the bottom you'll find the official score.

Omaha 9, St. Paul 5.

The apostolic crowd from the home of the walrus and the white bear, went out to the ball park yesterday afternoon as full of hope and joy and confidence as a lot of school boys going to a circus.

Little did they dream of the dark cloud that was so soon to enshadow their young lives, and leave them sad, subdued and sorrowful.

At practice they were as frisky as a lot of gay gazelles, and threw the ball with an accuracy, and caught it with a certainty, and hammered it with an emphasis that made the fifteen hundred anxious people in the stands shiver with apprehension and alarm.

Indeed they did present a formidable, as well as an impressive picture, as they cavorted like a lot of colts just let out to pasture, and the universal verdict was that the Omahas were doomed to get it in the neck. They are every one model athletes, clean limbed, supple and brawny as any cohort of the old olympic days, and it's no little wonder that fear filled the hearts of the spectators.

The war horse as described in the Book of Job falls short of the eminence reached by the exultation of the St. Pauls.

Instead of a horse it was nine lithe and muscular young men whose necks were clothed with thunder and the glory of whose nostrils was terrible—it was the Apostles.

They paweth not in the valley, but mocketh at Omaha, and; neither turneth they back at the bats of justice; the curves of Thomas Lovett rattleth against them, and the big gloves and wind-filled chest protector of me lord juke Nagle! When the assault commenced by the Omahas they would swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage, and they saith among the ball tossers ha! ha! and they smelleth the battle afar off, the uproar of the spectators and the fierce cries of the umpire.

But stranger things than all these came to pass.

The first brown appareled hero that stepped out from the reim of shade along the grand stand into the crematory sunshine of the first day of August was that lovely youth, yclept by his mamma, Jimmy Burns.

A ripple of hand clapping run like a zephyr through the crowd, and the Poet look around as much as to say, "Shall I paste her." Then he turned and with all the power within his puissant frame, he pasted her.

Out through the quavering sunshine the sphere went whirling like an aereolite athwart the background blue, and a mighty shout arose, but quickly fell into a husky groan, as Mr. Murphy galloped back, settled him like a statue of Atlas and took in the whizzing globe.

That was bad; it looked like a "homer," and yet was an out.

Sir William Annis came next, but all he could do was pop up a high foul to a herculean young Irishman named Morrissey.

Morrissey, they say, is growing fat on fouls.

Following Billy came he of the musical jaw, better known among statesmen, jurists and politicians, as Jack Crooks. He only waited a moment, then sent the ball like a streak along the ground, safe past second.

Everybody yelled.

Then O'Connell, stimulated by the plaudits bestowed on "Well! Well!" on an infield hit, beat the ball to first.

Everybody yelled some more.

A dead calm instantly followed, though, for Cooney fouled out to Earle.

The Apostles came in, and the first thing that happened was a strike out for Lovett. His perplexing shoots were too much for Mr. Carroll.

That was nice.

Another Italian named Murphy ambled to the plate to try his luck. He drove a wicked ball at Crooks, and although the latter made a good stop, he was unable to throw the batter out.

Morrissey, like some tall oak, next towered up at the plate. He looked big enough to knock a church down, but all he could do was drive a sharp one to Miller, who fired Murphy out at second. There was time enough for a good double, but Murphy got in Crook's way and the young man tried to knock an English sparrow off the bleaching boards, and Morrissey waltzed around to third. Pickett brought him home by a safe smash to center, and the grand stand ejected one great big soulful "ah!"

But thank the little twinkling stars they could do no more.

In the second it was one, two, three for Omaha, and one, two, three for the Apostles, two of the latter striking out.

In the next inning Joe Miller was the first to bat. Two strikes were called on him where he caught the ball in the ribs and sent it flying out to Murphy's territory. Murphy started for it, but his little feet caught in a clump of four-leafed clover, and he went headlong upon his head, and the ball sailed on out over him like a bird upon the wing, out, out, out, across the bicycle track and among the carriages, and honest old Joe galloped clear home.

Talk about making the welkin ring, why the audience fairly made it howl.

The score was tied, and being in a hurry to reach the next inning, the next three men went out in succession.

In their half, the visitors came within a hair's length of making another run, but Mr. Miller and Mr. Nagle were too smooth for them, and Murphy was caught at the plate.

In the fourth, Chippy McGarr, who is Omaha's base ball hero to-day, although a couple of weeks ago his name was mud, stepped up and cracked the ball out to the left field fence for a couple of cushions. Nagle struck out, but Lovett's fly was muffed by Carroll and Chippy went to third, and then what did he do?

Why he simply got up on his toes and stole home.

Oh my, oh me, how the people did shout.

Miller then drove a hot one right at Mr. Brynan. He attempted to catch Lovett on a force at second, but Shaffer dropped the ball and both men were safe.

Say, you should have heard them ring the welkin again.

It was now the Peet's turn. He did just what Miller did, hit to Brynan, and Brynan in again essaying a double play threw to second, but he missed Shaffer by about six feet, and Lovett came home and Miller reached third. Annis then continued the uproar by making a dandy two-bagger, and clearing the bases. Crooks, just for the fun of the thing, slipped in another safe drive, and Annis scored. P. O. then came up with a smile on his face as deep as a well and as broad as a barn door, and corked a hot one to Pickett, and Pickett threw him out at first. Morrissey, in his eagerness to make a double by throwing "Well! Well!" out a third, threw wild and Jack brought in the sixth tally.

Wasn't that sufficient to make a wooden Indian yell? It was several minutes before the uproar subsided. Cooney's out retired the side.

In their half St. Paul drew a blank.

In the fifth McGarr's magnificent three base drive, and a passed ball, scored another tally. St. Paul could do nothing, neither could Omaha in the sixth, but in this inning Morrissey scored for the visitors on a safe hit, a passed ball and an error by O'Connell.

In the seventh McGarr made another hit and another run. He stole second, and came home on Lovett's safe drive.

No more runs were made until the ninth, when the Apostles, on a base on balls and three singles added three tallies to their score.

And thus the game ended.

It would not be right to wind up this report without a word of praise for Umpire Hagan. His work was simply perfection itself.

The official score:

OMAHA.

	AB.	R.	B.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Burns, lf	5	1	1	0	0	0	0
Annis, m	5	1	2	0	3	0	0
Crooks, 2b	5	1	2	0	1	1	1
O'Connell, 1b	4	0	1	0	7	1	2
Cooney, ss	5	0	0	0	0	7	0
McGarr, rf	5	3	3	2	1	0	0
Nagle, c	5	0	0	0	11	1	0
Lovett, p	4	1	2	0	2	11	0
Miller, 3b	4	2	2	1	2	1	0
Totals	42	9	13	3	27	22	3

ST. PAUL.

	AB.	R.	B.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Carroll, lf	5	0	1	0	2	0	1
Murphy, m	5	0	2	1	2	0	0
Morrisey, 1b	3	2	1	0	16	1	2
Pickett, ss	4	0	1	1	1	2	0
Patton, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shafer, 2b	3	1	0	0	2	4	1
Reilly, 3b	4	1	1	0	0	2	0
Earle, c	3	1	1	1	3	1	0
Brynan, p	4	0	0	0	1	4	2
Totals	34	5	7	3	27	14	6

Omaha	0	0	1	6	1	0	1	0	0—9
St. Paul	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3—5

Earned runs—Omaha 3, St. Paul 3. Two-base hits—Annis, McGarr. Three-base hits—McGarr. Home run—Miller. Double play—Lovett, Nagle, Miller; Pickett, Shafer, Morrisey. Bases on balls—By Lovett 3, Brynan 1. Hit by pitcher—By Lovett 1. Struck out—By Lovett 10, Brynan 2. Passed balls—Nagle 2, Earle 1. Time—2:00. Umpire—Hagan.

Sioux City 10, Minneapolis 7.

SIOUX CITY, August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Sioux City and Minneapolis clubs played a brilliant game to-day. It took thirteen innings to decide it. The clubs were tied in the eighth inning and then each club goose-egged the other for four innings. Then in the thirteenth Sioux City, by magnicent hitting, scored four runs. The batting was strong the first half of the game and the fielding on both side exceedingly effective. Hawes of the Minneapolis club, excited admiration by his thievery of bases. Fessenden as umpire gave entire satisfaction. There have been complaints by the partisans of the home club against Cusick as umpire, although he seems to have been reasonably fair. The score:

Sioux City	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	4	—10
Minneapolis	0	2	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	—7

Earned runs—Sioux City 4, Minneapolis 5. Double plays—Phelan and Powell; Scheldknecht and Phelan; Kreig and Hawes. Two base hits—Jevne, Powell, Veach, Force. Bases on balls—By Winkleman 3. Struck out—By Winkleman 6, by Wells 6. Passed balls—Sheldknecht 2, Broughton 1. Wild pitches—Winkleman 1, Wells 2. Time—3:30. Umpire—Fessenden.

Chicago 7, Kansas City 3.

KANSAS CITY, August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Kansas City bunched the errors in the seventh inning to-day and allowed the Chicago Maroons to make four runs without a hit. Previous to this the score had been a tie, and the Blues were playing good ball. They went to pieces in the seventh, however, and did not recover themselves during the game. The score:

Kansas City	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—3
Chicago	0	2	1	0	0	0	4	0	*	—7

Earned runs—Chicago 1. Two-base hits—Dwyer. First base on balls—Off Conway 1, off Sprague 3. Hit by pitched ball—Hengie, Schoeneck. First base on errors—Kansas City 3, Chicago 6. Struck out—By Conway 5, by Sprague 7. Passed balls—Gunson 2, Dugdale 1. Wild pitches—Sprague. Hits—Kansas City 7, Chicago 7. Errors—Kansas City 7, Chicago 4. Batteries—Conway and Gunson, Sprague and Dugdale. Time—1:55. Umpire—Cusick.

Des Moines 16, Milwaukee 1.

DES MOINES, August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The home team had the visitors at their mercy from the beginning to-day, and piled up the runs with slight effort. Griffith pitched a fair game but his support in the field was very weak. At the bat the visitors could do nothing with Hutchinson's curves. By a tripple and a single in the eighth inning they managed to earn the only run they got. The score:

Des Moines	1	5	3	0	0	0	1	4	2	—16
Milwaukee	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—1

Runs earned—Des Moines 15, Milwaukee 1. Two base hits—Shafer, Holliday. Three base hits—Hutchinson, Griffith. Double plays—Quinn and Shafer; Forster, Pettee and Fuller. Bases on balls—By Griffith 5. Struck out—By Hutchinson 9, by Griffith 5. Passed balls—Mills 2. Wild pitches—Hutchinson 2. Time of game—1:40. Umpire—Quest.

Davenport Succeeds Minneapolis.

DAVENPORT, IA., August 1.—The transfer of the Minneapolis club to Davenport will be completed to-morrow. Manager Lucas will be the manager of the new club, and Manager Gooding one the directors. The club will be supplied with good players. The pitchers will be Small, Sowders and Winkleman. The catchers, Crossley and Broughton. Pitcher Mains, who has signed with the Chicago league team, left for Chicago to-night.

OTHER GAMES.

Yesterday's Winners in the National League Contests.

CHICAGO, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Chicago	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—4
Pittsb'g	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	—6

Pitchers—Baldwin and Galvin. Base hits—Chicago 5, Pittsburg 11. Errors—Chicago 8, Pittsburg 3. Umpire—Kelly.

DETROIT, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Detroit	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1
Indianapolis	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	*	—4

Pitchers—Gruber and Shreve. Base hits—Detroit 3. Indianapolis 6, Errors—Detroit 5, Indianapolis 1. Umpire—Lynch.

NEW YORK, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

New York	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	—5
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	—4

Pitchers—Keefe and Widner. Base hits—New York 10, Washington 6. Errors—New York none, Washington 3. Umpire—Daniels.

BOSTON, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Boston	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—2
Philadelphia	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	*	—4

Pitchers—Sowders and Buffinton. Base hits—Boston 2, Philadelphia 5. Errors—Boston 5, Philadelphia 2. Umpire—Knight.

The American Association

CLEVELAND, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	—3
St. Louis	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	—4

BROOKLYN, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	—2
Brooklyn	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	3	*	—8

BALTIMORE, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Baltimore	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	—4
Louisville	0	3	2	0	1	1	3	0	*	—10

PHILADELPHIA, August 1.—Result of to-day's game:

Athletics	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2
Kansas City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—1

They Are Fighting Mad.

GENOA, Neb., August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—On behalf of your many readers in this village and the citizens in general, your correspondent desires to register a hard kick against the Fremont base ball club for their ungentlemanly conduct in failing to fulfill their engagement to play the Genoa Leaders at this place today for a purse of $100. The game had been extensively advertised and an immense crowd convened from the country and neighboring towns to witness the contest, several coming thirty or forty miles. No intimation of the intention of the Fremont club to shirk out was received until late yesterday afternoon, when they wired our boys to that effect. The Leaders are fighting mad and demand that the Grays pull down their champion sign.

Hardins 16, Lafayettes 12.

The Hardins beat the colored Lafayettes yesterday at Lake Manawa. The game was not a very good one, as the score indicates. The Lafayettes promise a better game next Saturday. The score:

Hardins	6	2	1	0	4	0	2	1	*	—16
Lafayettes	1	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	2	—12

Batteries: Hughes and Hoff for the Hardins; King and Lancaster for the Lafayettes.

TURF EVENTS.

Summary of Yesterday's Races at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, August 1.—This was the second extra day of the races. The weather was clear and the track in good condition. Summary:

Three-quarters of a mile—Business won, King Crab second, Kermesse third. Time—1:17¾.

One mile and one furlong—Amelia P won, Banjo second, Longlight third. Time—2:00¼.

One mile—Birthday won, Volatile second, Argo third. Time—1:46¼.

One and one-sixteenth miles—Broughton won, Elyton second, Redstone third. Time—1:52¼.

Steeple chase, one and one-half miles—Killarney won, Abraham second, Sandford third. Time—2:53.

Cleveland Races.

CLEVELAND, August 1.—The attendance at the races to-day was much better than that of yesterday. The track was in splendid condition, and the weather delightful.

2:28 class, trotting, purse $2,000—J. B. Richardson first, Philosee second, Frank Buford third, Beauty Bright fourth. Best time—2:19¼.

Free-for-all class, pacing, purse $1,000—Arrow first, Jewett second, Balsora Wilkes third, Gossip jr., fourth. Best time—2:13¾.

2:20 class, trotting, purse $2,000 (unfinished)—Governor Hill won the first and second heats, James G. the third, and Geneva S. the fourth heat. Best time—2:18¼.

To-morrow, in addition to the great special race between Guy and Fred Folger, the phenomenal pacer, "You Bet," will try and beat his record of 2:06.

Brighton Beach Races.

BRIGHTON BEACH, August 1.—Summary:

One and one-sixteenth miles—Goldstar won in 1:56¾, Polk second, Vaulter third.

One and one-sixteenth miles—Taxgatherer won in 1:55½, Quincy second, Bedford third.

Seven-eighths of a mile—Wayward won in 1:34½, Can't Tell second, Blessed third.

Seven-eighths of a mile—Miss Charmen won in 1:34½, Effie Hardy second, Think third.

One mile—Exile won in 1:46¾, Dago second, Raveller third.

Three-fourths of a mile—Bertie W., colt, won in 1:18½, Calgra second, Leman third.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Mr. Ford Defends the Regans—Th Business Transacted.

Members of the city council gathered in groups last evening to discuss affairs of state, and it was nearly 9 o'clock when the president's gavel fell.

A resolution was passed ordering the board of public works to repair the garbage dump boat at the foot of Chicago street.

Mr. Lowry tried to have the resolution referred to the mayor, who, he asserted, had pigeon-holed a similar resolution for the Jones street boat, introduced by Mr. Lowry five weeks ago. He thought one boat worth as much attention as another, and if the mayor was not so small and narrow-minded he would have had the Jones street boat repaired as requested.

The councilmen from the First ward were directed to arrange with the B. & M. for a crossing of their tracks at the foot of Jones street.

The city engineer was authorized to employ and equip three additional men for field work.

Peter Hendricksen, through his attorney, J. C. Cowin, asked whether the city proposed to pay a judgment of $752 in his favor without further proceedings. The query was referred to the city attorney.

The following contracts from the board of public works were approved: For paving Farnam street from Thirty-sixth to Thirty-seventh with cedar, in favor of J. B. Smith & Co.; with Regan Bros. & Co. for paving Leavenworth street from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth with cypress; with J. E. Riley for curbing Fourteenth street from Howard to Leavenworth.

The committee to whom was referred the unfinished 1887 paving contracts of Regan Bros. recommended that the paving on Grace, Seventeenth (from Farnam to Harney) and Eighteenth streets, be awarded to Regan Bros., to be done with cypress blocks, and that the contracts for Pacific, Twenty-fourth, Seventeenth (from Davenport to Cummings, Sixth, Nineteenth and Harney streets be cancelled and re-advertised.

The report provoked some discussion, and Mr. Ford took the part of the arbor day, as he expressed it. He asserted that the Regans had been delayed by the curbing contractors, and had paved all streets, except two blocks, in which the curbing was ready for the pavers. He said the Regans had been the victims of those of whom they bought material, and he also intimated his belief that the board of public works and the city engineer were "down on the Regans." What is sauce for Peter should be sauce for his master, said Mr. Ford, and the council ought to jump on the curbing contractors and other delinquents as well as the Regans.

President Bechel felt snubbed because the Twenty-fourth street contract was to be cancelled. He wanted another day's grace and felt hurt because concessions had been frequently made in favor of other councilmen and one was now denied him.

The recommendation of the committee was amended by requiring cedar on Nineteenth street instead of cypress, and the report was adopted. Messrs. Ford and Van Camp voted in the negative.

The board of public works submitted a report of their action in the Regan contracts. It was in accord with the report of the council committee, and was approved, except as to Nineteenth street.

Their Buggy Upset.

As Mr. Ruben and his family were out driving last evening, their horse took fright at the cable cars near the corner of Tenth and Jackson streets, and in making a quick turn upset the buggy and threw the occupants to the ground. Mr. Ruben's chin struck the corner of the curbstone and inflicted a very bad wound. Fortunately Mrs. Ruben and the children, barring a few slight bruises, were unhurt.

The Snowden Saloon Fight.

Saloonkeeper Snowden and his bartender, Johnny Carlow, appeared before Magistrate Berka yesterday afternoon to answer the charge of assault with intent to kill brought by Marcus Franklin. There being no evidence to hold them, the case was dismissed, but charges of assault and battery were brought against all three of the persons concerned. They will be tried this afternoon.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday by Judge Shields:

Name.	Residence.	Age.
Solomon Irwin	Omaha	38
Mary Reggle	Omaha	24
Calvin A. Breeden	Omaha	25
Delia C. Vaneppe	South Omaha	17
Peter J. Smith	Omaha	54
Bridget Feeney	Omaha	35
Henry O. Edwards	Omaha	38
Maggie Jones	Omaha	28

Personal Paragraphs.

B. C. Burgedorff, of Norfolk, Neb., is in the city on business.

Doc Haynes has returned from a summer's jaunt to Macinaw Island and a voyage on Lake Michigan.

T. K. Sudborough, chief clerk in Auditor Bechel's office, Pacific express, left for Idaho and the Pacific Coast, on a month's journey, combining business with pleasure.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS

The Agricultural Department Bill Reported to the Senate.

SUNDRY CIVIL BILL DEBATE.

The House Consumes the Entire Day in the Consideration of the Army Appropriation Bill.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, August 1.—Mr. Plumb, from the committee on agriculture, reported back the house bill to enlarge the powers and duties of the department of agriculture, and to create an executive department, to be known as the department of agriculture. He said that the bill was in the same shape as when last reported and recommitted, and that he would call it up for action at an early day. In the bill, as reported, the provisions of the house bill for the transfer of the weather bureau from the war department to the department of agriculture are struck out.

The following bills were taken up and passed:

House bill, to authorize the Winona & Southwestern railway company to build a bridge across the Mississippi at Winona, Minn.

House bill, to protect purchasers of lands lying in the vicinity of Denver, heretofore withdrawn by the executive department as lying within the limits of certain railroad grants, and afterwards held to lie without such limits.

Senate bill, to grant to the city of Chadron, Neb., the right to lay pipe lines across certain tracts of lands.

The senate resumed consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill, the pending question being on an amendment offered by Mr. Call, appropriating $10,000 for the recovery of the property of the late confederate states now held in adverse possession to the government. After a speech by Mr. Call in support of the amendment, Mr. Edmunds said that he had been a member of a committee a few years ago which had investigated that whole subject, and he was satisfied that the appropriation would be a useless waste of money, and that the wisest thing to be done with the late confederacy was to forget all about it.

Mr. Gibson opposed the amendment. He submitted that it was not proper at this late hour to call in question the validity or integrity of the surrender that was made by the officers of the confederate forces. The confederate states had died a noble death on the field of battle many years ago, all that survived being of that sentiment of honor which had beaten high in the hearts of men who represented that fallen power.

Mr. Call did not sympathize with Mr. Gibson in the opinion that the confederacy should be buried, and that its good friends should let it alone. The confederate states would live in history for the great and heroic characters which they had developed. Their fame was written in the immortal pages of history by such illustrious characters as Lee and Jackson, and he was glad to know that the loyal hearts of the north and of its soldiers responded to that sentiment.

Mr. Allison moved to lay Mr. Call's resolution on the table, and the motion was agreed to.

The bill was then reported back to the senate and all the amendments were concurred in, except that appropriating $50,000 for the widow of Prof. Baird, on which Mr. Reagan demanded the yeas and nays. The amendment was concurred in; yeas 28, nays 11.

Mr. Plumb inquired of Mr. Allison as to the length of time it would probably require for the sundry civil bill to become a law. He said that he made the inquiry with the object of learning the probable length of the session.

Mr. Allison stated that there remained undisposed of five of the regular appropriation bills. He thought that it might be safely assumed that all the appropriation bills could be disposed of next week. As to the tariff bill, it was not possible for him to say when it could be reported to the senate, but it was the intention of the committee on finance to bring that bill into the chamber at the earliest practicable moment, and to have it considered with all due speed consistent with its careful consideration.

After an unsuccessful motion to have the senate meet at 11 a. m., the senate adjourned.

House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 1.—After disposing of unimportant business on the speaker's table, the house went into committee of the whole, Mr. Springer, of Illinois, in the chair, on the senate amendment to the army appropriation bill.

The pending motion was that made by Mr. Townshend, of Illinois, to non-concur in the amendment appropriating $2,500 for repairs to the sea wall and wharf at Willet's Point.

Mr. Burnes of Missouri addressed himself to the policy which the house should follow in acting upon the senate amendments, which is offered in the house, would be out of order.

Mr. Wheeler of Mississippi could see in the amendment no disposition on the part of the senate to infringe on the power of the house.

Mr. Butterworth thought that the senate acted under an apprehension that the fortifications bill would not be reported, and deemed it wise to provide a defence on the army bill. He advocated the fortifications bill as reported from the committee on appropriations, as against the plan provided in the senate amendment, in that the former invited competition in the building of guns and provided for a board to pass upon their merits. In doing so he had one or two heated colloquies with Mr. Reed of Maine, which were much relished by the democratic side.

Mr. Laird of Nebraska spoke in support of the senate amendments as the only way of securing that protection which the country needed.

The pending amendment was then non-concurred in, as were also amendments appropriating $1,000 for repairs to the works at old Farrancas, Pensacola bay, Florida, and appropriating $900,000 for the manufacture or purchase of cannon and carriages.

Mr. Bayne moved to substitute the Allegheny arsenal for Watervliet arsenal as the site of the proposed gun factory. Rejected.

Mr. Townshend moved to now concur in the amendment providing for the establishment of a gun factory and for the purchase of steel. Agreed to and the committee rose and reported its action to the house.

The recommendation of the committee as to minor amendments was carried out. The amendments were non-concurred in.

Mr. Sayers of Texas offered a resolution declaring that the house will insist upon its disagreement to the senate amendments relating to fortification and ordnance, and that the house requests a conference thereon.

Mr. Townshend raised a point of order against the resolution, and pending a decision the house adjourned.

Excursionists at Madrid.

MADRID, Neb., August 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The land excursion to Perkins county with Madrid as its objective point, reached this place to-day at noon with coaches filled to overflowing. The town was profusely decorated with agricultural products which not only were attractive and timely, but could not fail to convince all of the fertility of our soil. In the afternoon the excursionists, headed by Hammerson and his able lieutenant, C. C. Pace, took a drive over the land to be sold, and without exception it was regarded favorably. The home arrangements for the occasion were faultlessly executed, and the visitors, numbering 500, are all accomodated. The land will be auctioned off to-morrow, at 3 o'clock.

Senator Meservey Stabbed.

DES MOINES, Iowa, August 1.—Word comes from Cherokee that Senator Meservey, who had returned home from the investigation of the university troubles, was stabbed three times in a personal encounter which was bred in a republican caucus Monday night. The ex-postmaster of Cherokee was struck by Meservey and he retaliated with a pocket knife. Meservey has a long sharp wound and a deep cut under one arm.

Doostadter's Famous Minstrels.

This popular minstrel company begins a two nights' engagement at Boyd's opera house this evening.

LOCAL POLITICS.

A Social Session of the Second Ward Republican Club.

The Second ward republicans held a social session last evening at Kaspar's hall, on South Thirteenth street, with President S. J. Broderick in the chair. The meeting was a pleasant and interesting one, speeches being made by Judge L. R. Wright, William Alstadt, Mr. Decker, John Hoey and others. Mr. M. J. O'Reilley read a most striking selection from the Irish World, written by a democrat, and calling upon the Irishmen of the country to support Har