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THEY CAN'T FIND THE CORPSE

A Blair Man Turns Himself Over to the Authorities.

HE HAD SHOT DOWN A BURGLAR.

The Robber Fatally Wounded, but Confederates Take Him Away—Fifteen Horses Burned—A Drummer's Romance—State News.

Filled Full of Lead.

BLAIR, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—This morning, while the county judge and a number of attorneys were engaged in the trial of a case, the engineer of the Acme mills of this city, G. W. Fackler, came into the court room and offered to give himself up, saying he had killed a man.

An investigation of the matter resulted in finding that at about 2 o'clock this morning, while the engineer was sleeping in the mill, he was awakened by hearing a person trying to get into the mill. He immediately arose and armed himself with two revolvers. The men, as they afterwards proved to be, then went to another part of the building and removed the lower sash of a window. By the time the engineer got to that part of the building one of the men was in the mill and just in the act of picking up a sack of flour, when the engineer opened fire with the smaller revolver. He fired three times. Upon the flash of the first shot he saw two men step away from the outside of the window. His three shots not scaring the thief away, and noticing him stooping over, evidently trying to find some weapon, the engineer opened upon him with the large revolver. The first shot rolled the thief over and brought a yell from him. After he had fired six shots one of the parties on the outside jumped through the window and picked up the wounded thief and carried him out doors.

The engineer remained in the mill until morning, probably too much frightened to give an alarm or further investigate the matter. The other mill hands on going to the mill this morning found large pools of blood on the floor and meal sacks, and succeeded in tracing the parties to a lumber yard near by, where blood was found in large quantities.

A report was circulated that a man had died near one of the freight depots early this morning, but an investigation did not develop anything tangible to the rumor. No trace, so far, has been discovered of the parties.

Some two weeks ago three men broke into the mill one night and beat the engineer in a brutal manner and then helped themselves to all the flour they could carry away. The engineer thinks these were the same parties and that they live in this vicinity. It is very evident from the amount of blood found at the different places that the man was fatally shot, and a day or so will undoubtedly disclose more of the particulars.

A Drummer's Dilemma.

YORK, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A sensational marriage occurred in this city yesterday. Last Saturday C. E. Moore and J. E. Lane, of Macomb, Ill., arrived in the city, but the object of their visit was kept secret until Tuesday. They brought with them Miss Etta D. Moore, sister to young Moore, but she remained almost constantly in her room at the hotel. Lane is an officer of the law. They were after a young traveling man of the name of Willard P. Wilson, also of Macomb, and were very anxious that Wilson should marry Miss Moore. He arrived in the city, as was anticipated, and was immediately taken charge of by by John Afflerbach, ex-marshall of York. He accepted the proposition of marrying as that was the only alternative left him. Both parties are of the best families in Macomb, and are well educated and highly respected. They had been previously engaged, but the engagement was broken off at the instigation of Wilson's mother.

Remarkable Springs.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—This town may soon have a fame like that of Colfax and Waukesha. On the bank of a slough on the farm of P. C. Moore, two miles west of here, are several springs. They have been known to exist for years, but it was not until very recently that their waters gave evidence of curative powers. Philip Donahue, aged about fifty years, has suffered much from rheumatism, and recently tried drinking and bathing in them. He now avers that he feels like a new man. When he commenced using the water his hands were covered with warts, which have now disappeared. Whether anything will be done to develop these springs or whether their waters really possess healing powers is as yet a matter of conjecture, but many people are taking quite an interest in them. Others besides Donahue will testify to relief from rheumatism after using the water.

Solid for Henry Grosshans.

SUTTON, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Sutton primary was held here yesterday, resulting in a Grosshans delegation without an opposing vote. The delegates chosen to the county convention are L. D. Fowler, J. W. Johnson, A. C. Burlingame, William Griess, R. M. Thompson, Frank Cann, Judge Burnett, Phil Schwab, Wilber F. Stone, H. C. Brown, Dave Anthes and P. T. Walton. The county convention is to be held Saturday, August 4. All the delegations in the entire county are solid for Grosshans for state auditor and the county convention will endorse him heartily. G. Hurd, of Harvard, will have this county without opposition for state senator. C. W. Boratis, a farmer at Glenville, will contest W. S. Randall's return to the house. Representative William Newton will be opposed in his return by S. W. Christy, of Edgar.

The Prohibitionists at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The prohibitionists of the Second congressional district held their convention here this afternoon at the opera house. The counties of Chase, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock and Thayer had no representatives. C. G. Wilson of Webster county presided and Chamberlain of Clay county was secretary. The names of Rev. George Scott of Sutton and L. B. Palmer of this city were presented to the convention. The latter declined and Scott was nominated to congress by acclamation. He accepted in a long speech. Mr. Scott was United States consul two years under Arthur's administration and has been pastor of the Congregational church, but left a year ago to lecture on temperance. There were many ladies in the convention to-day. No special degree of interest or enthusiasm was manifested. A meeting is in progress to-night with speeches and songs.

Fifteen Horses Burned to Death.

YORK, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Last night a little before 11 o'clock the livery barn of C. B. May was discovered to be in flames. The barn, with its entire stock of fifteen horses, besides carriages, harness, grain, etc., was totally destroyed. Among the animals burned is a thoroughbred jack valued at $800, a Norman stallion worth $800, C. M. Carpenter's roadster mare worth $600 and other valuable specimens of horse flesh. The total loss foots up $7,000, without a dollar of insurance. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary, but nothing is known regarding it. The excellent work of the fire department saved the adjoining buildings.

An Elkhorn Extension.

CREIGHTON, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley extension, in this county, is about completed. Trains will be running in a few days. This extension is of considerable importance to this section, as it is the first move by any company to enter the rich farm lands along the Niobrara river, although several are pointing that way. Two towns in this county are the direct results of the extension. Verdigre, twelve miles from this place, is at the terminus and the site for another town, seven miles from Creighton, has already been purchased by the railroad company and parties here, at Missouri Valley and Omaha.

Bitten By a Rattlesnake.

BLAIR, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Charley Emery, the twelve-year-old son of William Emery, living about six miles west of this place, was just brought to town by his father to be treated for a rattlesnake bite. The boy was working in the harvest field barefooted, and on raising his foot to take a step was struck by the snake in the heel. He is suffering terrible agony and may not recover. The wound is being cauterized by the doctor and the boy is being dosed with whisky.

Auburn Republicans.

AUBURN, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The republicans of Douglas precinct met at the court house in Auburn last night and organized a republican club of 100 members. Hon. J. S. Church was elected chairman, W. P. Freeman, secretary, R. O. Fellows, corresponding secretary, and C. H. Willard treasurer. An executive committee was appointed consisting of Hon. Church Howe, A. L. Fry, William Armstrong, Rufus Leach and Herley Wilson. Rousing speeches were made by Rev. Tibbetts, S. W. McGrew and Hon. Church Howe.

Sneak Thieves at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Aug. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Two men, supposed to belong to Greneir Bros'. circus, went into the jewelry store of A. J. Arnold, this afternoon, to have a pair of spectacles mended, asking to have the work done at once as they were in a hurry. One of the men engaged Mr. Arnold in conversation while the other stole a $45 watch from the show case. Other articles are missing in different parts of the city. The police are on the track of the thieves.

Lost His Hand.

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Mike Dawson, a man of about fifty years of age, who has been working in the gravel pits five miles east of Springfield, after receiving his weekly wages became intoxicated and lay down beside the Missouri Pacific railroad track with his hand resting on the rail. At 12 o'clock last night the train came along and cut his hand off. The saloon keepers at this place took charge of the patient.

Stonecutters Quit Work.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The stonecutters employed in laying paving to-day quit work, as the city engineer refused to accept the work done as not being according to contract. Nevins, who has the contract for curbing and paving, is again missing, although he was here last week and promised to begin. It is now rumored that he cannot secure blocks, they being controlled by a trust of which he is not a member.

Brown County Teachers.

AINSWORTH, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The teachers institute of Brown county commenced here Monday under the supervision of County Superintendent Douglass assisted by Prof. Cooper of Ainsworth and Fordyce of Auburn, Neb. About sixty-five teachers are in attendance already, and it promises to be the most pleasant as well as profitable institute ever held in the county.

Merrick County Politics.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The fight on county attorney promises to overshadow that on the senator and representative. The cause of this is the prospect of fierce litigation between the county and the bondsmen of ex-Treasurer Webster. John Patterson, present attorney, and W. T. Thompson will contest for the republican nomination.

Married Over Again.

GRANT, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—George Wilford appeared before Judge Hastings to-day to procure a license to marry Lavina Bartzalome. George married the woman some years ago but procured a divorce from her about this time last year. He now concludes, after a separation of twelve months, that she is the woman he loves.

Brown County's Harvest.

AINSWORTH, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The farmers of Brown county are in the midst of cutting small grain which has ripened rapidly during the past week. A small portion of the rye and barley crop has already been threshed and is yielding as high as sixty bushels per acre of rye, and forty of barley.

Charged With a Deadly Assault.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Charles Hoffmeister, one of the participants in the Sunday row of a week ago, and whose wounds it was thought would prove fatal, was to-day bound over to the district court to answer the charge of deadly assault. It was proven that he did all the shooting.

Thayer County Teachers.

HEBRON, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Thayer county teachers' institute opened on Monday of this week. The institute is in charge of County Superintendent F. M. Gallant, with Prof. Mackie and E. W. Avery as instructors. There were over seventy-five teachers in attendance the first day and the number is increasing.

Improvements at Hebron.

HEBRON, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The contract for the new $2,000 school building has been let and work will soon commence on it. The contract requires the building to be enclosed before cold weather. Hebron is soon to have a large dry goods establishment. A party has been here and rented a store room.

Odd Fellows at Fairbury.

FAIRBURY, Neb., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A large delegation of Odd Fellows from Beatrice is here to-night for the purpose of conducting a school of instruction in the Fairbury lodge. Wymore, Steele City, Reynolds and other towns are also represented.

York's Street Railway.

YORK, Neb., August 2.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The street railway has been accepted. The contractors allowed $500 for the month the company had been deprived of the use of the road. The company commences to-day building more lines. The road is paying well at present.

Boiled in a Bath Tub.

ANCHORAGE, Ky., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mrs. Laura Crull, an inmate of the insane asylum, filled a bath tub with hot water in the absence of the matron last evening and deliberately laid down in it. When found she was unconscious, part of her flesh being literally boiled. She died soon after.

The Florida Scourge.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—Surgeon General Hamilton this morning received a telegram from Tampa, Fla., saying that Manatee village is now guarded by twenty-five men and that suspicious houses have been disinfected. Probably 100 persons are liable to take the fever.

THE MISSOURI COMMISSION.

Submission of Its Report For the Fiscal Year.

A GOOD DEAL OF MONEY NEEDED

Appointment of the New House Conferees on the Omaha Building Bill—Bids For the Fort Omaha Site.

Needed Improvements on the Missouri

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., August 2.

The annual report of the Missouri river commission for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1888, has been received at the war department. It is dated at St. Louis July 11, and is very voluminous. The report states that the survey of the Missouri river is still incomplete, and that the triangulation is yet to be carried from Leavenworth to Traverse Point, Montana, 1,520 miles, and permanent bench marks over the same distance, and and also from Berlin, Missouri, to the mouth of the river, a total distance of 1,652 miles. Topography and hydrography are required from Fort Pierre to Fort Benton, 1,100 miles. This work, it is stated, is of great national importance, and it is much to be regretted that adequate means have not been furnished for completing it. The work of construction during the past year has been carried on in the vicinity of Kansas City and St. Joseph. The commission states that its funds are about exhausted, being only sufficient to provide for watching the public property for a few weeks longer. Under these circumstances the commission cannot make any exhibits for the work contemplated for the present season, as this improvement necessarily depends upon the provisions of the river and harbor bill now before the president. The commission ask for $1,000,000 for continuing the general improvement of the river now in progress from Kansas City down stream, and for conducting the survey, making examinations and observations required in the thorough study of the problem, and for salaries, travel and other expenses, $150,000. It also renews its previous recommendation that $15,000 be appropriated for a survey of the Missouri river above the Missouri river falls at Fort Benton, to be made available for a general survey of the river. For making improvements from the mouth of the Missouri to Sioux City $1,000,000 is asked.

GENERALITIES, BUT NO SPECIFICATIONS.

The report observes that the boat trade on the Missouri is at present very small; that it is confined practically to the distance between Fort Yates and Fort Benton, for the upper river and from St. Louis to Glasgow for the lower. The comparative ease with which the Missouri may be made profitable for navagation and the necessity for the improvement is pointed out at great length. No special recommendations are made and nothing specifically is pointed out for the encouragement of those who are interested in the improvement of the Muddy about Omaha. In general terms it is stated that the navigable qualities of the Missouri may be materially enhanced by the expenditure of $50,000 a mile, in deepening the channel and clearing the stream of rubbish, but it is not stated in positive terms how this improvement is to be conducted and where it is to begin. Nearly all of the report is confined to observations about the lower portion of the river. It is hardly necessary to state that the failure of the president last year to sign the general river and harbor bill is where the responsibility rests for the stagnation which now rules the improvements on the Missouri river. With no appropriation last year and only the surplus from the previous season to draw from, it is no wonder the work is at a standstill.

SELECTING A SITE FOR FORT OMAHA.

Senator Manderson called at the war department to-day to ascertain the forms which will be followed under the act providing for a new site for Fort Omaha. Secretary Endicott informed him that he will first advertise in the Omaha newspapers for the purchase of suitable lands, and that bidders will be requested to send their propositions direct to the war department. Blanks, to be used by bidders, will be furnished. When the bids are all in the secretary of war will send an engineer to make a topographical survey of the ground offered, and the reports will be placed in the hands of a board of army officers, who will make a recommendation. Then the general of the army or the secretary of war will select the site and accept the best bids.

DECREES OF UNITED STATES COURTS.

The president has signed the Manderson bill requiring decrees of United States courts to be filed in the counties whence the cases came, so that investors and others interested will be enabled to readily secure reliable information. There have been many inquiries sent here from Nebraska and Iowa in regard to the measure and its provisions.

THE OMAHA BUILDING BILL.

Other conferees on the part of the house were to-day designated by the speaker to act on the Omaha public building bill. The same conferees on the part of the senate that acted in the first conference will continue in this conference. A belief is expressed that this controversy will finally end in the appropriation of $400,000 for the purchase of a site and $300,000 to be used in the construction of a building the cost of which will be limited to $1,300,000. The whole amount would be appropriated without hesitancy at one time, were it not for the fact that the democrats are determined to keep down the aggregates of the appropriations to the minimum, so they will be enabled on the stump this fall to point out their economy in congress.

LEFT FOR HOME.

Representative Dorsey secured an indefinite leave of absence and left last night for his home in Nebraska.

PERRY S. HEATH.

THE CHIPPEWA LANDS.

Testimony Before the Senate Committee on Indian Traderships.

WASHINGTON, August 2. — Ex-Governor Pound of Wisconsin, counsel for some of the timber contractors on the Chippewa reservation, was before the senate committee on Indian traderships to-day. He said that the commission had arisen by reason of the fact that the department, having promulgated an order that after a certain time allotments should be made in conformity with the Dawes act, afterwards permitted allotments to be made which were not in conformity with the provisions of the act. In reply to a request for his opinion as to what may best be done to secure a solution of the difficulties on those reservations, he said that a special agent should be sent there, to remain at least thirty days, who should publish advance notices as to the time and place for hearing evidence as to the eligibility of the Indians for allotments. He should in the meantime inform himself of the amount and nature of lands to be disposed of. With this information in hand it would be possible to do even justice to the Indians without injustice to the lumbermen. In the Doreille reservation it was known that there was not sufficient land to give the Indians their full allotments.

Army Matters.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Private Rudolph Schmid, Company D, Seventh infantry, is transferred to the hospital corps as a private.

John C. Walterick, Company G, Tenth infantry, now with his company at Fort Crawford, is transferred to the hospital corps as a private.

Leave of absence for one month to take effect on being relieved from duty at Fort Rendall, Dakota, is granted Captain William C. Gorgas, assistant surgeon.

NOT ENTITLED TO INDEMNITY.

A Decision in the Case of the Northern Pacific vs. Miller.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—The secretary of the interior to-day rendered a decision in the celebrated case of the Northern Pacific against Guilford Miller. The secretary holds briefly that when the map of the main line was filed and accepted in 1870, a general rule was fixed, and statutes withdrawn under section six of the granting act became operative. The secretary holds that in attempting to make a withdrawal of these lands for indemnity purposes the commissioner of the general land office did that which was prohibited. The railroad company selected Miller's land as indemnity for lands left within the Yakima Indian reservation. The secretary says that inasmuch as the supreme court said in the Buttz case that the fee simple title to lands within the Indian reservations passed by grant to the company, subject to right of occupancy by Indians, the company is not entitled to indemnity lands within said reservation, which has passed to it by its grant. The effect of this decision is far-reaching, and will affect about eight hundred cases now pending in the general land office, and probably the claims of many settlers which have not reached there. The denial of the right of the company to indemnity for lands within the Yakima Indian reservation is said to be equally applicable to other Indian reservations along the line of the road, and will have the effect of reducing the indemnity claims of the company very largely, probably to the extent of 1,500,000 acres. About two thousand cases now in the general land office will be affected by the decision.

HEARTILY FOR HARRISON.

Blaine Will Do His Campaign Fighting as a Subordinate.

NEW YORK, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A letter has been received in this city from Blaine, in which the returning statesman intimates that nothing that is done or contemplated with regard to his movements should be pushed with the idea of making him the central figure of the canvass. Blaine feels that this is a Harrison campaign, and when he reaches here he will want to do his fighting under the leadership of the Indiana general. Everything and everybody, he believes, should be subordinate to General Harrison. For this reason he urges that whatever demonstration his friends may make shall be a Harrison welcome to an earnest follower. Mr. Blaine will leave here within two days after his arrival. A special car for himself and family will be attached to one of the regular trains on the New Haven to convey him to Boston. He will speak on the route at Stamford, New Haven and Hartford. He will also be heard in Boston, and will then go direct to his home in Maine, where he expects to rest at least two weeks. He has no fixed plans extending further than that. He will be heard in all the doubtful states during September and October.

BLINKY MORGAN'S DEATH.

It Is Caused by His Inability to Touch Terra Firma.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, August 2.—Charles, alias "Blinky" Morgan, the principal figure in the Ravenna rescue and murder of Detective Mulligan, of Cleveland, Ohio, was executed at the Ohio penitentiary at an early hour this morning. The prisoner spent a quiet day, refusing to see visitors, except those with whom he had been intimate, and who had taken an interest in the commutation of his sentence. All with whom he had talked he protested his innocence of the crime. There has been a wonderful curiosity to see the prisoner, and the warden this evening received more than five hundred applications to witness the execution. He left a long letter to the warden of the penitentiary, thanking him and his assistants for the uniform kind treatment he had received at their hands, and emphasizing his previous declaration of innocence of any connection whatever with the theft of the furs, the rescue of McMunn, or the murder of Detective Halligan.

The execution took place shortly after 1 o'clock, and was witnessed by about thirty persons. When Morgan was put on the scaffold the warrant was read, but he refused to say anything After the trap was sprung, his body writhed in great agony and he slowly strangled to death.

CRANE'S THREATS.

He Makes a Desperate Effort to Have Himself Indorsed.

BURWELL, Neb., August 1.—[To the Editor of THE BEE.]—"Boodler," or rather "Traitor" Crane has created another sensation. Last Saturday, at Taylor, he stated that he would give well secured bonds of $2,000 that, if a Crane delegation was sent from Loup county to the district convention there would be trains running on both branches of the L. & B. H., railroad, the line extending from Burwell to Cranes, and the one from Arcadia to Brewster before snow flies. Further, that if Loup county did not send a Crane delegation the said bonds should hold good that said branches would not be used for five years. He is making a desperate effort to have his county indorse him. The convention on the 11th hardly thought he would get there. Further, he agreed to give railroad passess to and from the state fair by way of St. Louis or Chicago, and hotel bills all paid, to those distinguished parties, and they could put in their extra time finding out whether he had any influence or not. Verily, the fool killer has not been around lately. ANTI-BOODLER.

THE STEVENS COUNTY WAR.

Kansas State Militia Ordered to the Scene of Action.

TOPEKA, Kas., August 2.—Attorney General Bradford and General Myers have returned from Stevens county and made a report to Governor Martin. After hearing the report and recommendations of the officers the governor was satisfied that the civil authorities were powerless to preserve good order in Stevens county, and that the introduction of militia into that section of state would be warranted and therefore decreed that the second brigade, K. N. G., and the second battery of artillery of Topeka, with a gun, proceed there post haste. His order was sent out by telegraph. The eight companies rendezvous at Hutchinson to-night and leave there at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning for Liberal. Complaints have been filed with United States Commissioner Wilson, which charge Robinson and his party with the murder of Cross and his posse.

The Only Kel Quits Boston.

BOSTON, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Michael Kelly, Boston's $10,000 beauty, is very weary because Captain Morrill fined him for his two days' alleged drunkenness in Chicago, and as the fines will not be remitted he packed up last night and with his wife and child left town for New York. He will go to his home at Hyde Park, N. Y., and he says he has left the Boston nine for good. Joe Hornung is also aggrieved at Manager Morrill because Morrill fined him for his poor work, and the affairs of the Boston nine are in a melancholy condition.

The New Bridge.

The western approach to the new bridge is nearly completed, but a short space remaining to be planked. The second pier in the river is already assuming definite proportions and in the opinion of Engineer Green will be ready for the first span about the 25th.

Appointed Consul.

John J. Frainey, of Council Bluffs, yesterday received notification from Washington of his appointment as consul to the Argentine Republic.

NO DOUBT ABOUT ILLINOIS.

A Prominent Republican Discourses on the Political Situation.

THE OUTLOOK NEVER BETTER

Harrison and Morton Clubs Being Organized All Over the State and Increased Majorities Assured.

Solid For Harrison.

CHICAGO, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—"I think there can be no doubt that we will carry the state by a largely increased republican majority," said General James S. Martin, chairman of the republican state central committee, when talking over the political situation to-day. "Everything, so far as we can gather, is favorable to the republican ticket. The members of the state central committee are hard at work in their respective districts organizing and getting everything in proper shape so that when the fight does begin in dead earnest we will be in a position to carry it through to a successful and triumphant victory."

"What about the prohibition vote in this state this year?"

"I do not believe there will be as large a prohibition vote this time as last. We are gaining and they are losing. Aside from the prohibition vote, however, there will be a generally increased republican vote based upon the tariff question. The people know that the republicans are on the right side on that question and they are with them and will support them. Wisconsin is counted sure for Harrison and Morton, but that fact does not prevent the republicans in that state from laying just as solid a foundation for a canvass as if the prospects were the other way. In nearly all the older settled counties of the state clubs will be found in every township. In many townships a school district campaign will be made. It is the intention not to leave a single loophole for the escape of voters into the democratic camp. The state central committee will this year draw on two new strings—the very old and the very young voters. The former are those old veterans who in 1840 voted for "Tippecanoe and Tyler too." It is surprising what a number of these there are in the state. Chairman Payne said when the subject was thought up that when he first gave it a thought he expected that possibly there might be three hundred of these old veterans from the letters he was receiving. He now believed that there were fully 2,000. Many of these old fellows voted for Cleveland four years ago, but now have enrolled themselves in the veteran clubs which are organizing everywhere."

New York is Debatable Ground.

CHICAGO, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—"New York is debatable ground," said the Hon. J. M. Thurston of Nebraska, this morning in speaking of the presidential situation in the east, whence he has just come. "Both sides are making claims, of course," he continued, "but there is no real assurance back of them. Both sides lack confidence and each is preparing for a desperate battle. The vote is so vast that no man can safely gauge the outcome. The republicans will gain in certain directions and the democrats will be helped by the followers of Henry George and the prohibitionists. There is no doubt about the George men going to Cleveland, but Warner Miller will win the governorship. That much seems no longer in doubt. The democrats will not dare to throw Hill overboard, yet they know in advance that not only many of their own party but the bulk of the labor and independent contingents will do all they can to defeat Hill's reelection. If Hill were shelved he would fight the ticket and make Cleveland's defeat inevitable."

"How about New Jersey?"

"I made three speeches there and found the situation something more than merely hopeful. The current is running our way, but there is some trouble on the liquor question, and that may do us some hurt. Should the prohibitionists poll 20,000 votes it would lose us the state unless we should make enormous gains among the workingmen on the tariff question. However, as I said, the situation is promising, and I believe we will win. Connecticut is certainly republican. We will win there, I think, beyond a doubt. That is the feeling in the east, and what I saw convinced me that Connecticut will snow up for Harrison and Morton."

"How about your own state?"

"There will be few votes cast there for the labor party. The prohibitionists will do very little. They will gain some, of course, but not enough to make a show. The republicans will maintain their usual majority of 30,000."

"While at Washington did you hear any talk to the effect that the senate tariff bill was designed as a sort of rebuke to the Chicago convention, or as a refutation of the McKinley-Kelly tariff platform?"

"No; the talk was that the republicans of the country demanded some action from congress on the tariff, and the majority in the senate undertook to respond to the popular sentiment, the majority in the house having failed in that respect Messrs. McKinley, Reed and Kelly felt disposed to resent the senate's interference in the matter, holding to their prerogative and insisting that the decision of the minority of the house to offer substitutes for the Mills bill was good policy, which the majority in the upper chamber should not have discouraged. These gentlemen, of course, resent the senate's action, but that action cannot be said to reflect in any measure upon the Chicago platform.

Trying to Restore Rates.

CHICAGO, August 2.—Prominent officials of the Pennsylvania and Vanderbilt lines are in New York trying to arrange for a meeting of the trunk lines association, the object being to bring about some sort of agreement whereby rates may be restored. It is believed that a settlement of the existing difficulties among the eastern lines will be reached within a week. The Chicago & Atlantic road announces round trip rates of $18.50 from Chicago to New York for clubs wishing to participate in the Blaine reception. The other roads had agreed to make no reduction, but the action of the Chicago & Atlantic may induce them to change their minds. A meeting of the east-bound passenger committee will be held tomorrow to consider the matter.

The "Q" Dynamite Cases.

GALESBURG, Ill., August 2.—The preliminary hearing of George Clark and George Miley, charged with conspiracy to injure the property of the Burlington road, was begun this morning. Informer Bowles was the principal witness, and his testimony was similar to that given in Chicago. Early in the morning Clark and Miley were rearrested on a charge of conspiring with Bauereisen to bring dynamite into the county. Bauereisen, who was brought here from Aurora, was presented with Clark and Miley, and all three furnished bonds and were released.

A Mysterious Affair.

PITTSBURG, August 2.—Shortly after 9 o'clock this morning May Patton, of Johnstown, shot and killed Charles DeKnight, a well known young man of Lawrenceville, and then blew her own brains out. The couple registered at the Metropolitan hotel early this morning as C. Lewis and wife. Both moved in good society. The girl has always borne a good reputation. DeKnight was a Pullman car conductor. The cause of the shooting will probably never be known.

Heading Off Trespassers.

LONDON, August 2.—A Russian cruiser has been ordered to Behring sea to prevent the English and American vessels from fishing in Russian waters.

THE ENGLISH COMMONS.

Further Debate on the Parnell Commission Bill.

LONDON, August 2.—In the house of commons to-night Goschen moved that the debate proceed on the bill to investigate the charges against the Parnellites if it were still under discussion at midnight. To this the house agreed. He next moved that the chairman shall have the power at 1 o'clock in the morning to put the remaining clauses.

Reid hoped that they would not close the debate until the final clause had been discussed, which was to exonerate the Times from an action for libel.

T. P. O'Connor said that the cloture of debate, as proposed, amounted to a decree that the most important proposals in the bill must be passed without discussion. It was an act of brute violence on the part of the government.

Timothy Healey moved to amend the motion by inserting the words, "If the chairman so thinks," thus leaving to the discretion of the chair the application of the cloture rule. The amendment was rejected.

Justin McCarthy moved an amendment extending the inquiry to the circumstances under which the charges were originally made and published by the Times. The amendment was defeated.

Labouchere moved that letters be inquired into and reported before other matters.

Sexton argued at length in support of the amendment.

Labouchere's amendment was defeated.

Mr. Healey moved an amendment to the effect that the commissioners should make a separate report in regard to the charges against each individual member where the decisions are adverse. Healey's amendment was defeated.

The Parnellites having left the house, the chairman put the remaining clauses, which were carried without division.

The Gladstonians abandoned the idea of quitting the house in a body, because such a course would have enabled the government to proceed with the tithes bill, which the Gladstonians did not wish taken up.

PERUVIAN GALL.

The Government Seizes All the Roads Built by Foreigners.

NEW YORK, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The foreign residents of Peru are greatly excited and indignant over the Peruvian government seizing the railroads of that country which were built by foreigners, and the Americans are waiting anxiously to see if the United States will not take some decided steps to vindicate the rights of her citizens which have thus been violated. A private letter to a gentleman in this city, written from Arequipa, June 17, says the government has seized all the railroads and a vast amount of other property. It seized the road built by Henry Meiggs, 407 miles long, constructed entirely by outside capital, and sacredly guaranteed by Peru. It also seized about $1,000,000 worth of private property belonging to John L. Thorndyke, Meiggs' successor. The writer adds that Buck, the American minister at Lima, has made a strong protest to the government about the proceeding, and Thorndyke has gone to Washington, taking with him all the original documents and papers relating to the seized railroad.

CRANKS ON ELECTRICITY.

Another Explanation of Chicago's Recent Tragedy.

CHICAGO, August 2.—A new phase of the mystery attending the death of Mr. and Mrs. Hoesch was developed to-day. The pair were ardent believers in electricity. He and his wife were in the habit of taking electric baths and being treated by electric appliances. In the course of the investigations at the house of the dead couple a battery was found charged so heavily that a shock from it given by an inexperienced hand would surely produce death. It is now supposed that Mrs. Hoesch desired her husband to treat her with the electric battery. This he did, and in an unfortunate moment turned on the battery at its full strength, giving his wife such a shock that she fell dead. Realizing that he had caused his wife's death, the frantic man took his own life.

CHOLERA AND VOLCANOES.

They are Doing Much Toward Depopulating Japan.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 2.—The steamship Arabia, arriving last night from Hong Kong and Japan, brings advices that the cholera in Amoy seems for the time to be held in check, but at Changchor it is reported that 3,000 deaths have occurred in the past sixty days.

Japan papers state that a telegram from Wakamotell, Japan, dated July 15, says that the volcano of Mount Iwabassi suddenly burst into activity and in a short time fifty-six houses in Iwazenura were destroyed. A telegram received on the 16th says that the eruption still continues, with great destruction and loss of life. About four hundred persons and thirty houses, in the village of Bira, were buried under the sand and ashes thrown out by the volcano. Among those buried were some fifteen visitors at the hot springs, in the neighborhood.

RAIN AND LIGHTNING.

Wild Work of the Elements in Two Minnesota Towns.

MINNEAPOLIS, August 2.—Specials to the Journal from St. Cloud and Sauk Rapids, Minn., state that a most terrific thunder storm occurred last night. Torrents of rain fell from 6 o'clock last night until 4 o'clock this morning. Many houses were struck by lightning, but fortunately there was no loss of life.

Severe Storm at Chicago.

CHICAGO, August 2.—The storm which passed over this city this season was the severest of the season. Numerous trees on the boulevards were blown down, but no serious damage was done in the city proper. In the southwestern suburbs the havoc was greater. A barn at the stock yards was truck by lightning and set on fire. Twenty horses were burned, incurring a lost of $15,000. A rumor was afloat that a pleasure yacht had been lost in the lake off Hyde park, but the report could not be verified. The La Salle street tunnel, under the Chicago river, was filled with water to a depth of six feet. Travel was impeded until the water was pumped out. In Lake View a man was struck by lightning and instantly killed. Two houses were also struck and demolished. The rainfall measured .67 of an inch.

Bartley Campbell Laid to Rest.

PITTSBURG, August 2.—The remains of the famous playwright, Bartley Campbell, arrived from New York this morning, and were in St. Mary's cemetery a few hours later. The body was first taken to St. Paul's cathedral, where the casket was opened and thousands of friends were given an opportunity to look upon his face for the last time. The delay in the arrival of the remains, caused by the body being shipped by a circuitous route, resulted in the report that it had been lost en route.

The Democratic Banner.

NEW YORK, August 2.—The national democratic committee has adopted as a campaign banner and badge a typical bandana, which has the stars and stripes stamped in the center and in each corner.

Postal Changes.

WASHINGTON, August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A postoffice was established to-day at Eureka, Hayes county, Neb., and Hiram Snyder appointed postmaster.

The Fire Record.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., August 2.—The Little & Croft Lumber company's mill here was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $100,000; insurance, $60,000.

HUNG HIS WARD TO A TREE

The Fiendish Brutality of a Polk County Guardian.

CHOKED AND DRAGGED ABOUT

The Terrible Story of Misery and Suffering Told in a Petition in the District Court.

A Guardian's Crime.

DES MOINES, Ia., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A suit with very sensational features was begun in the district court to-day by a young girl named Julia Flynn, charging her uncle, who was her guardian, with gross and abusive treatment, for which she asks $10,000 damages.

Rumors of these charges came up several weeks ago, but the case was settled without going into court. The parties resided in Camp township, a few miles south of this city. The petition charges that the guardian had falsely accused his ward of stealing money from him. She asks $5,000 damages for this injury to her reputation. The petition further alleges that Michael Flynn was the guardian of her property, and while she was under the care of the man he accused her of stealing his money, cursed and swore profanely at her, and in the most violent and furious manner seized hold of her, choked her nearly to death, and swore he would kill her if she did not give up his money. After beating her and choking her until she could not stand up he put a rope around her neck and by it dragged her across the floor and out of the house, and by said rope around her neck he hung her to a tree until she was nearly dead. After he let her down he continued to threaten her with violence, and dragged her on the ground into the house by the rope that was still hanging around her neck and placed her on a chair, but she was so badly injured that she fell on the floor. After she had lain there some time he threw a bucket of water upon her, which revived her to some extent. Then he again accused her of stealing his money, and said: "My money or your life," and asked for and was trying to find a revolver to shoot her with when Mr. Jarvis, a neighbor, came in and stopped him. Five thousand dollars is claimed for the bodily suffering, mental anguish, loss of home and fright.

Killed His Son.

DES MOINES, Ia., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mike Dail, a miner living west of Albia, this morning shot and killed his son Dick, in a quarrel growing out of domestic difficulties. The father is fifty-three years old and the son was twenty-seven. The father's story is that Dick came into the house when his mother was punishing a younger child. Dick objected and threatened to strike his mother if she persisted in correcting the child. The father interposed, and, to prevent him from striking his mother, grabbed him. The son threw him down and proceeded to choke him, but was pulled away by other members of the family. The son then went out and began throwing stones through the windows. The father took a shotgun, and, aiming it high, as he claimed, at the boy, fired, but the charge struck the boy in the face and killed him. The father gave himself up and is now in custody of the sheriff.

A Grand Republican Demonstration.

WATERLOO, IA., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A grand Harrison and Morton ratification meeting of the republican clubs of the Third Iowa district, including the cities of Dubuque, Waterloo, Manchester, Independence, Eldora, Grundy Center, Iowa Falls, and dozens of smaller towns, will be held in Waterloo between the dates of September 1 and 10. Beside speakers within the district, Congressman J. C. Burrows, of Michigan, will deliver an address. It is intended to make this one of the largest meetings of the kind ever held in the state.

Congressional Convention.

MASON CITY, Ia., August 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Fourth congressional republican convention will be held at Charles City on September 12. The candidates are: W. E. Fuller, of Fayette, the present member; John McHugh, of Howard; J. H. Sweney, of Mitchell; H. C. Bulis, of Winneshiek; S. J. Kinyon, of Chickasaw. The contest will be between the three first named, their strength now being considered about equal.

**Arguing the Injunction.