

EIGHTEENTH YEAR.

HORDES OF HOME-SEEKERS.

Mighty Hosts of Boomers Bound Across the Border.

SWOLLEN STREAMS NO BARRIER.

Foolhardy Attempts to Cross Them Result in Death to the Investors—Fakirs Engaged in Trapping the Unwary.

A Migratory Mob.

ON THE BORDER OF OKLAHOMA, via Arkansas City, April 19.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The Oklahoma boomers continue to-day and trains of wagons, droves of cattle and a large number of horsemen are hurrying into the Cherokee Strip, undaunted by swollen streams and the almost impassable condition of the roads.

Boomers Hold a Town Site Meeting. ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., April 19.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—An Oklahoma boomers' meeting was held at the opera house here this morning to take action looking to the reservation of land enough at Guthrie for town site purposes.

Banking and Newspaper Projects. ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., April 19.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Arrangements have already been made to start a bank and newspaper at Guthrie, Oklahoma, on Monday, the opening day.

Scenes Along the Road. ON THE OKLAHOMA BORDER (via Arkansas City), April 19.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—The scene along the roads through the Cherokee Strip from the border of Arkansas City and Caldwell, Kan., to Oklahoma, beggars description, and the general appearance presented is similar to the line of march of some great army on retreat.

Some Picturesque Outfits. CALDWELL, April 19.—Two thousand camp fires glimmered along the old Reno trail last night from Caldwell to Pond Creek. To-day a thousand canvas-covered wagons are slowly moving along the trail.

Preparations to Preserve the Peace. WASHINGTON, April 19.—An order signed by Assistant Adjutant-General Kelton, supposed to have resulted from the cabinet meeting this afternoon, has just been sent to the commanding general of the Division of the Missouri at Chicago.

Boomers and Deputies Fight. WICHTA, April 19.—A Daily Eagle special from Purcell, I. T., says the chief deputy marshal at that place, with a posse all afternoon has been engaged in hunting the boomers in the Oklahoma land opposite this city.

Soldiers Hold a Conference. ANKAS, April 19.—Last night the old soldiers, union colony of this city held its last meeting before going to Oklahoma.

Postoffice Sites in Two Cities. WASHINGTON, April 19.—There are several perplexing questions before the treasury department in regard to the selection of sites for public buildings.

A Double Arkansas Jerk. ST. LOUIS, April 19.—A special from Fort Smith, Ark., to the Post-Dispatch says that a half Indian and half negro, were hanged there to-day for the killing of three men in the Indian reservation.

Price of Whisky Reduced. CINCINNATI, April 19.—The price of whisky, which has been held at \$1.05 as a basis for several months, was to-day reduced to \$1.02, according to the agreement made at the Peoria meeting on the 17th inst.

RAILROADS TAXED TO THEIR UTMOST.

CALDWELL, Kan., April 19.—The rush of people who will try to strike the Rock Island route between to-day and Monday will be so great that the Rock Island almost despairs of being able to accommodate them.

Pawnee Bill's Colony. WELLINGTON, Kan., April 19.—A special to the Standard, brought by mail from South Haven and from there telephoned to this city, says: Pawnee Bill's colony, consisting of 300 wagons, left Hinnewell yesterday and is now water-bound at the south fork of the Arkansas, twenty miles south of that city in the territory.

Rivers Rising Rapidly. ARKANSAS CITY, April 19.—The Arkansas and Walnut rivers are rising rapidly. The Walnut has gone up ten feet since morning.

An Oklahoma Land Opinion. WASHINGTON, April 19.—Secretary Tolson today, rendered a decision relative to town sites in Oklahoma.

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TREASURY COMPTROLLERS.

One Was Too Fresh and the Other Has Resigned.

TIRED OF BEING A BOURBON. Editor Ivins, of the Athens, Tennessee, Post, the Oldest Democratic Organ of the South, Has Resigned.

WASHINGTON BUREAU, THE OMAHA BEE, 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 19. It is learned to-night that at the cabinet meeting today the only topic discussed was the treasury comptroller.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF DEPARTURE. The Athens, Tenn., Post, was received here to-day. The Athens Post is the oldest paper in the state, and the oldest democratic organ in the south.

There has been much talk of the probable construction the present administration will put upon the time of the commencement of the four-year term of office, were it to be extended to the end of the year.

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SHROUDED IN MYSTERY.

The Boulanger Commission's Work Progressing in Secret.

LOUISE ARMAINDO'S BOY HUSBAND CREATES TROUBLE IN CHICAGO. CHICAGO, April 19.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Louis Armand and her boy husband, who are well known in Omaha, are in trouble once more.

LOWER CALIFORNIA WATERS THE SOURCE OF A NEW DIAPYCNIA. SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 19.—There has been trouble for some time between the international company of Mexico and American fishing vessels, the company claiming the sole control of the fisheries of Lower California in the Pacific ocean and Gulf waters.

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AN ILLINOIS HURRICANE. HINCKLEY, Ill., April 19.—A hurricane passed through this village, last night, unroofing many buildings and tearing up sidewalks and trees, in a path about one hundred feet wide. No one was seriously injured.

THREE MILLIONS IN FLAMES.

New York City Visited by the Worst Fire in Years.

A HALF A MILE LAID WASTE. A Big Lard Refinery and Huge Elevators Consumed—Loss of Life Heavy But No Details Obtainable.

A FINANCIAL AND HUMAN HOLOCAUST. NEW YORK, April 19.—The largest and fiercest fire witnessed here for years swept the east bank of the North river clear to-day, from Fifty-ninth street to what would be Sixty-fifth street if that street ran to the Hudson. It destroyed more than \$3,000,000 worth of property, belonging to the New York Central railroad company, and at least \$500,000 worth of lard, flour and the like belonging to other persons, notably N. K. Fairbank, the great Chicago lard merchant.

THE RACE IS A DECIDED SUCCESS, and the English boys are like winning, with either Baldwin or Wood a good second. A great crowd was present last night. The Chicago all-around race was held at the track this morning. Misses Oaks and Baldwin rode thirty miles the first two hours last night, which is record for a fourteen lap track.

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PROHIBITIONISTS AT WORK.

Lincoln, Neb., April 19.—(Special to The Bee.)—A paper is being circulated in Lincoln on June 5 to devise ways and means of pushing the prohibitory amendment campaign.

CROOKED MINNESOTA LEGISLATORS. ST. PAUL, April 19.—At various times during the present session of the legislature there have been rumors of bribery, names being mentioned in several instances, but it

STeamship Arrivals. At Baltimore—The Oranmore, from Liverpool. At New York—The Saale, from Bremen and the Bolivia, from Liverpool.