THE WINE PRESS OF WRATH.

Mormons to Tread It and Press Out the Nation's Blood.

TO AVENGE JOSEPH SMITH.

The Declaration of an Elder in Tennessee Which Caused Great Excitement and a Peter the Hermit Crusade.

Saints Have a Hard Time.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Mormon troubles in Wilson county looked very threatening Sunday, but are believed to have temporarily quieted down now. The Mormons are on the alert, and the anti-Mormon party grows more indignant at every "revelation." Just now, however, the elders have hidden under fear of tar and feathers. In preaching to one congregation Sunday, one of the elders told his sympathizers that this country belonged to them; that they were preparing to take it by force if necessary, and would have it if they had to take blood out of every man in this country; that the church was preparing an army for that purpose. "For," said he, "the blood of Joseph Smith must be avenged, and God commands us to overthrow this government for its oppression of the saints. The great wine press of his wrath has not yet been trodden. We are to tread it, and tread it we will until we have pressed out the last drop of blood and the national and personal existence of this accursed people."

One sympathizer to whom this was spoken became alarmed at the excitement in the community and repeated the elders's words. Thereupon, Rev. John Barrett instituted a "Peter the Hermit" crusade against the Mormons. The Mormons succeeded in proselyting some of his flock, and preached Sunday at Friendship to a crowd. He had a letter from a lady in Kentucky who had joined the Mormons, gone to Utah, seen their practices, become disgusted, returned home and has the courage to tell the truth. She denounces the system as deceptive and rotten, and the priests and many of the layman as a lot of scoundrels. Benjamin Bright, who was an active participant in the first Mormon revival, asserts that the elders deceived him, and henceforth he is an "American and not a Mormon." The people are determined to drive the Mormon elders from this part of the country.

NOT READY FOR PLANTS.

Why the Park Commission Refused the Woodman Collection.

For over a month past the park commissioners have been considering a proposition from Mr. and Mrs. Clark Woodman to donate to the city their valuable collection of tropical plants. Mr. Lininger strongly urged that the offer be accepted, while Judge Lake thought the collection taken at the present time would be something of a white elephant on the commission's hands. Dr. Miller thought, and so expressed himself, that the plants would be a very valuable addition to one of the parks, but was not certain that the commission would care to erect a house for their accommodation, either now or next spring.

Messrs. Platt and Millard didn't favor taking the plants, thinking that the money for a conservatory would be spent in another way to better advantage.

At the last meeting of the commissioners the matter came to a focus. Architect Cleveland had, Mr. Lininger says, advised against taking the gift, and accordingly Messrs. Platt and Millard voted against it. Mr. Lininger, of course, supported it, and Dr. Miller declined to vote. Judge Lake was absent. So the offer was declined.

Mr. Lininger feels that it was narrow policy to throw away so rare an opportunity. "Not in ten years," he said last evening, "will we have such another opportunity to beautify the park at small expense. The cost of a house in Hanscom park need not have exceeded $1,200, and the collection was well worth $5,000. The commission owes it to the people to make the park as attractive as possible, and will best fulfill its duty by adding those things which would refine and educate as well as please the senses. I think it was a very ungracious act to refuse Mr. Woodman's offer."

Another member of the commission, who positively declined to be quoted, agreed that they had done a very unhandsome thing in declining to accept the plants, but he really thought it best to move slowly until the grounds were made ready. Mr. Lininger, he said, had been somewhat impetuous in insisting that the board should decide at once whether to accept or decline. Having, however, pressed the matter, the decision was against him, solely because no one on the board could say just yet whether it was best to build a conservatory next spring or not.

Then Mr. Woodman was seen. He had no comment to make, of course. All there was to it was that the commission had refused his offer. He had written to the park commissioners of Chicago, and had no doubt they would be glad to get his collection. It was started, he says, over twenty-five years ago, and is one of the finest in the country. In it are plants sixty years old; pieces from the banks of the Nile. Every portion of the tropical zone, in fact, had been laid under tribute. He was shortly to remove from the old place on Thirty-seventh street, and preferred rather to donate the plants to some public park than to move them.

Jack Haley Heard From.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., August 8.—In your issue of the 7th appears an account of a shooting affray in which one Jack Haley is accused of shooting one "Reddy O'Neill." I desire to say that I have been in Cedar Rapids, Ia., for the past thirty days, working on the Republican. As I am the only Jack Haley, a "printer from Davenport," it must be that some one else has taken my name for the purpose of shielding himself from the consequences of his crime. Your description and statement of my age, etc., is correct. My home is also at Davenport, where I was born and raised, and where I learned my trade. Any time I am wanted I can be found at the Republican office in this city. Please give this a place in THE BEE, as I very much dislike to stand charged with so grave a crime as attempted murder. JACK HALEY.

The above letter from Mr. Haley would indicate that some very quick thinking had been done by interested parties on the night of the shooting. It is evident that there was a concerted plan to shield the really guilty party by accusing a man who was miles away.

Army Notes.

Brigadier General John R. Brooke, United States army, commanding the department, goes to Fort Robinson.

The following officers have been ordered to Fort Robinson for duty in connection with the camp of instruction: Major Peter D. Vroom, inspector general, department of the Platte; Captain William V. Richards, Sixteenth infantry; First Lieutenant Fayette W. Roe, Third infantry, aide-de-camp; First Lieutenant Charles M. Truitt, Twenty-first infantry, aide-de-camp.

General service clerk, Edward I. Davis, chief clerk department of the Platte, and general service messenger, Joseph Thompson, have been ordered to Fort Robinson.

Captain Charles F. Humphrey, assistant quartermaster, Cheyenne, has been ordered temporarily to Sidney.

First Lieutenant Walter A. Thurston, Sixteenth infantry, has been relieved from the duties of depot quartermaster at Ogden, and will join his company.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Henry S. Haskin, Fort Omaha, Neb., has been ordered to the Bellevue rifle range, for duty at the rifle camp.

Acting Assistant surgeon Frank L. Henderson has been relieved from duty at the Bellevue rifle range, and ordered to Fort Omaha for duty.

Second Lieutenant John L. Barbour, company C, Seventh infantry, has been promoted to the first lieutenantcy, company A, Seventh infantry, vice McCoy, deceased. He will proceed to Camp Pilot Butte, Wyo., to join the company to which he has been promoted at the expiration of his leave of absence.

Second Lieutenant John H. Alexander, Ninth cavalry, now at Fort Sidney, Neb., has been ordered to return to his station at Fort Du Chesne, Utah.

THE PULLMAN REGATTA.

Five Races Rowed Under the Most Auspicious Circumstances.

PULLMAN, Ill., August 9.—The weather was cloudy, the wind dying out, and there was hardly a ripple on the water when the first race was rowed. It was the second trial heat of the senior singles. Kilby, of the Ottumwa Oarsmen, Ottumwa, Ia., won. Time—9:15.

The second race—junior fours—was won by the Union club, of Chicago, the Argonauts, of Toronto, Ont., second. Time—8:30.

The third race—junior singles—was won by the Excelsior club, of Paterson, N. J. No time.

The fourth race—second heat of the junior singles—was won by L. E. Cauette, of the Columbia club, Allegheny, Pa., by half a length. Time—10:13¾.

The fifth and last race of the morning was was the junior four-oars, Mississippi Valley Amateur association, three-quarter miles and return. The contestants were the Union Boat club and Iroquois club, of Chicago; the Athletic club, of Aurora, Ill.; Pullman crew No. 1, of Chicago; Minnesota club, St. Paul; Argonaut club, Toronto, and Pullman club No. 2, of Chicago. The Unions came in first, winning by half a length in 9:54, the Minnesota club second.

The big event of the Pullman regatta was captured by the New Yorkers this afternoon in spite of Boston's best efforts. The water was smooth as glass. Betting was $20 to $10 on the Atlantas. Both the Atlantas and Bradfords were loudly cheered on their appearance on the water. The Bradfords took the water first and had the start at the half-mile; they also held the lead at the three-quarters. The Atlantas now gained and were in the lead for a short distance, again falling to the rear. The Bradfords started out with a 38 stroke, but lowered to 34 at the mile. The Atlantas kept a 34 all the way, though the latter's steady stroke, even rowing and marvelous precision told in the result. The Bradfords' rowing was ragged, some pulling harder than others. The Atlantas gained the final lead, however, only when in the last two lengths of the finish. The New Yorkers crossed the line just half a length ahead. Time—Atlantas 7:41.00, Bradfords 7:44.04. The time breaks the record, the best previous eight-oar time being 7:46.45 on a running river at Boston.

Pair oars—Starters: Garfields of Salt Lake, and the Detroits. The Garfields won. Time—2:18.

Double sculls—Starters: Metropolitans, Farraguts, Don Amateurs, Catlins, Bayslides, Ravenswoods, Winnipegs. The Metropolitans and Bayslides finished even in 8:45, with the Don Amateurs next eleven seconds behind. The race was declared a dead heat and will be rowed off to-morrow.

Senior singles, final—Starters: Dennis Donahue, Corbet, Kilby and Donahue. The winner was D. Donahue, two lengths ahead of J. Donahue, Kelby third, Corbet last. Corbet claimed to have caught his oarlocks. J. Donahue was disqualified for twice pushing out of his course. Time—9:43.

Senior fours—Starters: Torontos, Atlantas, New Yorks, Athletics, Delawares, Winnipegs. The winners were the Winnipegs, five lengths ahead of the Torontos. The Atlantas came in third, but were disqualified for running into the others' water. Time—8:32.

Junior singles, final—Starters: Seaton, Shea, White, Cavette, Lowell. The winner was Lowell, with Seaton second. Time—9:48.

BASE BALL.

Standing of the Clubs.

Following is the standing of the Western association clubs up to and including yesterday's game.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Omaha	79	54	25	.684
St. Paul	80	51	29	.638
Minneapolis	80	43	37	.538
Sioux City	77	36	41	.468
St. Joseph	74	34	40	.459
Denver	77	34	43	.442
Des Moines	74	29	45	.392
Milwaukee	77	30	47	.390

This Afternoon's Game.

The Omahas and the Milwaukees will meet for the second game in their present series this afternoon, and, with Davies in the box, Captain Shock says they have a mortgage on the game. People who are desirous of seeing the Milwaukees play must turn out to these games, as they are the last they will play on these grounds this season. Clarke and Nagle will be Omaha's battery this afternoon, and as the whole team are in fine condition and excellent spirits their friends can anticipate another brilliant struggle. Following are the positions of the two teams:

Omaha.	Positions.	Milwaukee.
Cooney	center field	Silch
Cleveland	third base	Alberts
Strauss	right field	Poorman
Crooks	second base	Sutton
Walsh	short stop	Shock
Andrews	first base	Morrissey
Nagle	catcher	Hurley
Canavan	left field	Lowe
Clarke	pitcher	Davies

St. Joseph 8, St. Paul 2.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., August 9.—St. Paul could not hit Knell, who was backed up by faultless fielding. Tuckerman, on the other hand, received vile infield support. Daly's fielding and Schellhasse's work behind the bat were the features. Score:

ST. JOSEPH.	r.	h.	o.	a.	e.	ST. PAUL.	r.	h.	o.	a.	e.
McGarr, 3b	2	0	1	1	0	Hawes, 1b	0	0	8	3	0
Curtis, rf	1	3	0	0	0	Murphy, cf	1	1	2	0	0
Krieg, lf	2	1	1	0	0	Reilly, 3b	0	0	1	1	2
Ardner, 2b	1	0	6	1	0	Werrick, 2b	0	0	4	3	2
Carwright, 1b	2	2	7	0	0	Carroll, rf	1	0	0	0	1
Hotaling, cf	0	1	1	0	0	Daly, lf	0	1	5	0	0
Burkes, ss	0	1	0	3	0	Farmer, c	0	1	3	0	2
Schellhasse, c	0	1	0	4	0	Tuckerman, p	0	1	3	4	0
Knell, p	1	1	1	1	1	Miller, ss	0	0	1	3	1
Total	8	9	27	10	1	Totals	2	5	27	14	8

BY INNINGS.

St. Joseph	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	3	—8
St. Paul	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	—2

SUMMARY.

Runs earned—St. Joseph 1. Two-base hits—Curtis, Krieg, Cartwright. First on balls—Off Knell 4, off Tuckerman 2. Struck out—Hawes 2, Murphy 2, Werrick, Daly 2, Farmer 2, Tuckerman, Miller, Schellhasse. Stolen bases—McGarr, Krieg, Hawes, Carroll, Double plays—Burkes to Ardner to Cartwright, Werrick to Hawes to Miller. Hit by pitcher—Reilly. Wild pitch—Knell. Passed balls—Schellhasse 2. Time of game—1 hour 55 minutes. Umpire—McDermott.

Postponed on Account of Rain.

DENVER, Colo., August 9.—The Des Moines-Denver game was postponed on account of rain.

The National League.

CHICAGO, August 9.—Result of to-day's game:

Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0
Chicago	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	2	0	—9

Base hits—Boston 5, Chicago 12. Errors—Boston 3, Chicago 5. Batteries—Boston, Clarkson and Ganzell; Chicago, Tener and Farrell. Umpire—Powers.

PITTSBURG, August 9.—Result of to-day's game:

Pittsburg	1	0	1	0	6	6	0	0	1	—15
Washington	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	—3

Base hits—Pittsburg 13, Washington 9. Errors—Pittsburg 3, Washington 7. Batteries—Pittsburg, Galvin and Miller; Washington, Sullivan and Ferson. Umpire—Curry.

INDIANAPOLIS, August 9.—Result of to-day's game:

Indianapolis	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	—1
New York	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	4	*	—8

Base hits—Indianapolis 3, New York 13. Errors—Indanapolis 5, New York 1. Batteries—Indianapolis, Getzein and Daly; New York, Crane and Ewing. Umpire—McQuaid.

The American Association.

KANSAS CITY, August 9.—Result of to-day's game:

Kansas City	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	4	—11
St. Louis	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	—7

LOUISVILLE, August 9.—Result of to-day's game:

Louisville	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	—8
Cincinnati	3	2	1	2	0	3	1	3	*	—15

Amateur Games.

KEARNEY, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Kearney played a game to-day with McCook, resulting in a score of 4 to 3 in favor of Kearney.

NORTH BEND, Neb., August 9.—The North Bend base ball club defeated the Lafayettes here to-day by score of 7 to 1.

THE SPEED RING.

Grand Circuit Races.

BUFFALO, N. Y., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Grand Circuit trotting ended here to-day with two races. The 2:33 class was an easy victory for Ketch, a fast stallion from Michigan, but it took eight heats to end the pacing contest, Ed Annan finally winning by his gameness. Lillian, the first favorite, was finally distanced. Johnston failed to beat his pacing record, but went a great mile in the face of a high wind.

The stables are on the march to Rochester, where the circuit continues next week. Summary:

PURSE $2,000, 2:33 CLASS.

Ketch (Thomas)	1	1	1	
Kentucky Blanche (McDonald)	2	2	2	
Poem (Walker)	3	4	3	
Keokee (Weber)	4	3	4	

Time—2:22¾, 2:22¾, 2:22.

PURSE $2,000, 2:17 PACE.

Ed Annan (Doble)	8	9	9	7	3	1	1	1	
Emma (Bay)	7	1	2	9	1	7	2	3	
Mambrino Harris	10	2	1	2	10	3	6	6	
Wilcox (Walker)	1	5	10	5	5	2	4	2	
Doctor M (Stuart)	6	4	8	1	2	5	3	4	
Grey Harry (Dickrs'n)	2	8	4	4	9	4	5	5	
Lillian (Niles)	9	10	3	3	6	8	dist.		
Allen Maid (Trout)	3	3	6	6	7	6	dr		
Wm. M. Singerly	5	6	5	10	4	9	dr		
Billy Stewart	4	7	7	8	8	dr			

Time—2:16, 2:16¼, 2:16¼, 2:19, 2:16¼, 2:18¾, 2:20¼, 2:19¼.

SPECIAL AGAINST TIME.

Johnston (Doble) ..... Time—2:08¾.

Chicago Races.

CHICAGO, August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The weather was fair, the track sticky and the crowd large. Summary:

Three-quarters of a mile heats—Rambler won, Jennie Macfarland second, T. J. Rusk third. Time—1:15¾, 1:16¼.

One mile—Unite won, Girondes second, Ormie third. Time—1:43¾.

One mile and a quarter—Lela May won, Insolence second, Beaconsfield third. Time—2:02¾.

Three-quarters of a mile—Lucerne won, Va Tout second, Pritchett third. Time—1:15¾.

Five-eighths of a mile—Wrestler won, Harry Kuhl second, Mamie C. third. Time—1:02¾.

Three-quarters of a mile—Contempt won, Lulu McKee second, Jack Cooks third. Time 1:17.

Saratoga Races.

SARATOGA, N. Y., August 9.—The attendance was large, the attendance fair, and the track good. Summary:

Five furlongs—Emma D won, Rebecca second, Ectasy third. Time—1:03.

Five furlongs—Lady Pulsifer won, Century second, Fonsie third. Time—1:04.

One mile—Flitter won, Finclon second, Jim Clan third. Time—1:45¾.

Five furlongs—Sena won, Pearl Set second, Crete third. Time—1:04¼.

Mile and seventy yards—Lady Hemphill won, Cora L second, Silleck third. Time—1:49¼.

Mile and one-sixteenth—Duke of the Highlands won, Frederica second, Mirth third. Time—1:52.

CAVALRY SKIRMISHERS.

The Preliminary Practice Now in Progress at Bellevue.

The second day of the preliminary practice in the cavalry competition took place at Bellevue yesterday.

The following were among the twenty who were leaders in the competition, the score showing the number of points made by each in the shooting of yesterday and Thursday:

Name and Rank.	Skirmish.	Dist.	Known.	Total.
John W. O'Connor, corp A 8th	312	84	396	
Stephen King, serg E 1st	302	75	374	
M. Reilly, corp M 8th	308	65	374	
George W. Daugherty, priv 1st	314	58	372	
Charles H. Griffith, serg B 9th	306	64	370	
Charles Huntley, priv B 1st	295	68	363	
W. A. Holbrook, 2d lieut 1st	296	65	361	
H. H. Wright, 1st	295	65	360	
Charles F. Limes, priv H 8th	309	51	360	
William Washington, serg E 9th	275	84	356	
F. W. Stafford, priv A 1st	292	65	357	
Spencer H. Thomas, priv	297	60	357	
Emil H. Steiner, corp H 2d	300	57	357	
Matthew F. Sullivan, 2d lieut 8th	288	70	358	
Eugene F. Ladd, 2d lieut 9th	305	48	353	
Joseph C. Byron, 2d lieut 8th	278	74	352	
Anton Zimmerman, priv D 2d	281	70	351	
James F. Jackson, serg G 9th	287	64	351	
James Hannaghan, serg F 8th	290	61	351	
Francis M. Butler, serg G 1st	292	55	347	

Of these names several were among the first twenty who have a chance on horseback.

A Cricket Club at Dorchester.

DORCHESTER, Neb., August 9.—A cricket club, composed of leading citizens, has just been organized at this place. The first game is to be played next Tuesday.

The Warsaw Epidemic.

CARTHAGE, Ill., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Warsaw Bulletin says that greatly exaggerated reports have been sent out about the Warsaw epidemic, yet in its own columns it records twenty-two deaths from flux and nearly all the remaining space in the paper is given to remedies for the disease. The facts now substantiated by the state board of health are that about thirty people have died from flux or dysentery, and that 223 cases have been under treatment. It was impossible to learn from Warsaw people the facts about the epidemic until the state board of health took the matter in charge. Reliable citizens say that the disease is still prevalent, but succumbing to careful treatment.

Affairs at Marysville.

MARYSVILLE, Kan., August 9.—The contract for waterworks in this city was awarded the Detroit Waterworks Manufacturing company. Work will be commenced at once and pushed till the works are complete.

Marysville voted $10,000 bonds to the Topeka, Westmoreland & Marysville railroad, only nine opposition votes being cast. Work on this line will be commenced as soon as the bonds are all settled in two different points, which probably will be done this week.

A serious wind and rain storm visited this section yesterday morning. Several barns and other small buildings, as well as the apple crop were injured.

Mr. P. Hutchinson is figuring on erecting immense salt works at the artesian salt well on his place. Water boils out of a pipe ten feet above the ground, and is strong enough to float an egg in its natural state.

Shot His Wife and Suicided.

CHICAGO, August 9.—Christian F. Harder, a well-to-do German, shot his wife dead to-night and then suicided. The tragedy took place on the street after an altercation. Domestic trouble was the cause. Both had been married twice and both had children by their first marriage.

Loans for the Home Defenders.

Mr. F. A. Bailey, a prominent contractor living at the corner of Grace and Nineteenth streets, has announced to the people owning property in the tract claimed by Heifenstein, that he will see that any of them desiring loans on their property obtain them if they will apply to him.

Mr. Bailey was asked what arrangements he had made in this matter. He stated that he and some other gentlemen in that neighborhood had been considering the advisability of forming a company for the purpose of making loans on this property. While they were considering the matter as agent of a loan company offered to furnish $100,000 for this purpose, being willing to accept the title as it stands. Several of the owners of property had applied to agents of eastern capitalists for loans, but were refused unless they would give a quit claim deed, which they were of course unable to do.

Mr. Bailey is treasurer of the home defendant's association, and will see to it that all get loans who wish it. He states that the books of the association will be open until the 15th inst for any property holder who wishes to become a member, after which date the books will be closed.

It is the intention to force the matter to trial as soon as possible, and have the titles quieted.

Dan O'Connor Re-Arrested.

Dan O'Connor, a well known crook and confidence man who sails under numerous aliases, was arrested last night. He was prowling around in the residence portion of the city with an eye to business. There is a sentence of sixty days in the county jail hanging over him which was suspended on condition that he leave town. This sentence was received for supposed complicity in a case of petty larceny.

THURSDAY NIGHT'S STORM.

Great Damage Done in Various Sections of Nebraska.

CASS COUNTY DEVASTATED.

Charles Bradley, an Otoe County Farm Hand, Surrenders Himself For a Murder Committed in New York.

Did Lots of Damage.

LOUISVILLE, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—One of the severest rain storms that has ever visited Cass county occurred last night. Thousands of dollars worth of damage has been done in this precinct. Bridges are washed away, roads turned into ditches, houses flooded, and fences and outhouses washed away. Mr. A. G. Cline, who lives on the bottom west of town, was driven out of his house and had to take to the hills with his family, wading through water waist deep. He lost everything he had—his household furniture, clothes, live stock, fences and garden. His loss will amount to $1,000. Fifteen to twenty families of quarrymen, who were living in tents and wagons close to Rowland's quarries, lost everything, besides having to remain on the hills during the storm without shelter.

Reports come in from the country of bridges being washed away and roads badly damaged. The stone abutment under the first culvert on the B. & M. road west of town was washed out, otherwise their road bed seems to be all right in this section. The Missouri Pacific had several bad washouts, and has a freight train in the ditch just across the river. Their north-bound passenger started from Omaha via the B. & M. track. The side tracks on the B. & M. to the Omaha Sand and Stone Company's quarries were washed out and damaged badly, and it will be some time before they can ship any more stone.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A very heavy rain visited this section of the country last night. More than two inches of water on the level fell during the night, and reports from the country state that a great many bridges were swept away that were heretofore thought to be above high water mark. County Commissioner Dixon estimates that the damage done to bridges throughout the county will reach $5,000. The Missouri river at this point has raised four feet since yesterday. It is supposed to be due to the swollen tributaries of the Platte river, which empties into the Missouri about one mile above town. Two extensive washouts occurred on the B. & M. road between Ashland and Louisville and the Schuyler train, due here at 10 o'clock a. m., was caught between these points and has not yet arrived. The Weeping Water creek was higher this morning than it has been for twenty years.

KEARNEY, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The most disastrous storm ever experienced here swept over this city about 8 o'clock last night. A thunder storm came up from the northwest, and soon after rain commenced to fall in torrents. The rain turned into hail, and the wind into a hurricane. Two buildings were blown down in West Kearney. Hailstones five and six inches in circumference were driven through windows, and hundreds of dollars worth of damage was done. J. H. Wood's photograph gallery is a complete wreck. The Masonic temple has nearly every window in it broken. Cellars are filled with water, and trees are knocked down. The storm was only local and covered the city principally. Only a few farms were devastated. The work of destruction was complete at Camp Brooke, 700 tents of the state reunion being blown down. A force of fifty men is at work and all will be in readiness for the soldiers Monday.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The heaviest rain that ever visited this section fell last night, the actual water fall in three hours being five and one-fourth inches. The Weeping Water creek raised twenty feet in a remarkably short time. Families on the lowlands were compelled to move, the water standing from two to three feet deep in the houses. The large iron bridge, the only one that stood the freshet of 1883, was swept away. The Fowler bridge, two miles west, is gone. Great loss to the community and county is the result.

GRANT, Neb., August 9.—[Special Tele- to THE BEE.]—A terrific wind storm, a half a mile wide, swept across the north part of this county yesterday. Barns and houses were unroofed and demolished and crops damaged. No loss of life is yet reported.

HARRISBURG, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Hail did great damage last evening in a strip of country two miles wide and ten miles long, passing through Harrisburg. Crops are ruined in its path and 140 window lights were smashed in town.

A Robber Confesses.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Charles Bradley, a farm hand, went before a justice of the peace at Wyoming, Cass county, a few days ago, and asked to be put under arrest, together with his wife, for robbing a store at Hiberna, N. Y., early in the spring. Bradley explained that after the robbery he came west with his wife and daughter, and since arriving in this state the wife had fallen into evil ways and was fast going to the bad, and he thought a term in the penitentiary for both might save her from a life of shame. He had her arrested several weeks ago on the charge of adultery, but withdrew the charge before it came to trial. Bradley was accommodated by the justice, and, with his wife, was placed under arrest, and the New York authorities communicated with. An officer arrived from that state with requisition papers yesterday and returned with Bradley and his wife.

Methodist Conference Camp Meeting.

FREMONT, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The second annual camp meeting and assembly of the North Nebraska Conference of the Methodist Church opened on the beautiful new camp grounds here last night and will remain in session until the 19th instant. The threatening weather prevented as large an attendance of visitors from abroad at the opening as was expected, but as prospects for a season of fair weather seem to be improving, it is anticipated that the crowds will be rapidly swelled. Splendid preparations have been made for the entertainment of those who attend from abroad. The opening services were conducted last night by Rev. J. W. Robinson, of Omaha. To-morrow night Miller and Potter, the eminent evangelists, of Chicago, will arrive and conduct the religious services during the remainder of the session. At present the largest delegations present from abroad are from Omaha.

Couldn't Furnish Security for Costs.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—In the county court yesterday a complaint was sworn out by Johnny McCoush, a boy of fifteen or sixteen years of age, against Harvey Sage, a full grown man, charging him with assault and battery. The boy had been brutally kicked and struck by Sage without any cause or provocation. The judge, after filing the complaint, refused to issue a warrant unless security for costs were given. The boy, not obtaining the required security, the case was dismissed.

An Enthusiastic Meeting.

BLOOMINGTON, Neb., August 9.—An enthusiastic meeting of business men was held this evening at the Franklin County bank to consider a proposition from a representative of the Missouri Pacific railroad relative to extending their road from Burr Oak, Kan., in a northwesterly course through Bloomington and Holdrege to Plum Creek, on the Union Pacific. George W. Sheppard was appointed to confer with the railroad officials. The meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the president.

Beatrice to Have a Union Depot.

BEATRICE, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Newman Erb, president of the Kansas City & Beatrice road, for which $50,000 bonds were successfully voted yesterday, telegraphs that work will begin on the road at once, also that he met Mr. Holcomb, of the Union Pacific, at Manitou, and he had agreed to join with the Kansas City & Beatrice railroad in building a union depot at Beatrice as soon as the Burlington or Rock Island or either would join him.

Land Hunters at Niobrara.

NIOBRARA, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—There is a great hunt for land since the news of the Sioux commissioner's success. The best part of the Sioux reservation is the three cornered spot that will become a part of Nebraska as soon as the president declares it open. The bridge that crosses the Niobrara river at this point makes this the only possible crossing on the river, as the quicksand and rapidity of the stream make fording dangerous to life and property.

A Crooked Celestial.

BEATRICE, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Whong Chong, a laundryman, was arrested to-night charged with receiving stolen goods. He was given away by a crook now in jail at Lincoln. The arrest creates surprise here, as the Chinaman was regarded as honorable and was highly esteemed. The impression here is that he is not guilty of the charge. He was arrested by detectives from Lincoln, who had been shadowing him all day.

The Columbus Canal.

COLUMBUS, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—One hundred and fifty citizens, in conjunction with the board of trade, held an important meeting in Fitzpatrick's hall this evening to consider the report of Engineer B. Arnold on the proposed canal. The report shows that 800 horsepower can be furnished at a cost of $55,000. The required amount will be subscribed in stock, and work on the canal will probably be begun this fall.

Will March to the Reunion.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Lion post No. 11, G. A. R., have completed arrangements for their march to the reunion at Kearney and have nobly remembered the old vets at the soldiers' home. Each one will be presented with a ticket for the round trip. They will start Tuesday morning, and have secured two special cars which will be elegantly decorated for the occasion.

She is Death on Snakes.

BARTLEY, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A few days ago Miss Sue Gourley, living a few miles south of town, found a large rattlesnake on the prairie. Finding no stick or stone, she took off her shoe and threw it at the reptile several times. As she picked up her shoe the snake struck her on the hand, biting her glove, but inflicting no injury. The brave girl jumped on the snake's head and stamped it to death.

Charged With Cattle Stealing.

HARRISBURG, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Frank Bourchwinkle and Ed Haik are held here by Detective Billy Lykens, of Wyoming, on a charge of cattle stealing. They run range cattle over from Wyoming and have been keeping them on their farms in the eastern part of Banner county. They will be given a preliminary trial to-day.

An Absconding Nephew.

GRANT, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Price Jones, a nephew and a protege of William Jones, has absconded. Jones senior says the young man collected all the money he could and took the books, too. Jones does not know exactly what his loss is, but thinks it will reach into the hundreds.

A Debt Collector in Trouble

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Information was filed with United States Commissioner Seymour to-day against Thomas Tolle, a bill collector, for violating the postal laws by sending defamatory language on a postal card to several debtors. The arrest will be made tomorrow.

Officially Notified.

NIOBRARA, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—President Hughitt, of the Northwestern system, has been officially advised of the abandonment of the grade between Niobrara and Verdigris by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, and asked to send right of way blanks for warranty deeds of the franchise.

A Land Office Inspector Decapitated.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—N. P. Crump, land office inspector of this district for the last two years, has been called on to step down and out, being succeeded by J. S. Caldwell, ex-congressman from Cincinnati.

A Real Estate Exchange.

BEATRICE, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A meeting of real estate men was held this evening to form a real estate exchange and take steps toward advertising the city extensively.

The Date Fixed.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Nebraska City Driving Park and Fair association have set September 26, 27 and 28 as the time for holding the fall races.

Taken to the Insane Asylum.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., August 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Sheriff Willman left this morning for Hastings with Martin McBride and Mrs. Hallenberger, two incurable insane patients.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

A Havana planter has been kidnapped by bandits.

Two more bodies were found at Johnstown yesterday.

Judge W. F. Bullock died at his home near Shelbyville, Ky., this morning.

Cardiff, Wales, has presented Captain Murrell, of the Missouri, with a gold medal.

The eleventh annual reunion of the 177th O. V. I. will be held at Bedford, O., September 11 and 12.

Bodine roofing, the best in the world. Birkinbine Engineering and Supply company, sole western agents, room 509 First National bank building.

Steamship Arrivals.

At New York—The City of Chicago, from Liverpool.

At Baltimore—The Hungaria, from Hamburg.

At London—Sighted, the Island, from New York, for St. Etten; the Maryland, from Baltimore.

Refuse to Interfere.

LONDON, August 9.—The replies of the British, German and Italian governments to the Greek note coincide in refusing to admit that there is any special Cretan question. They see no reason to interfere between the Sultan's subjects and the Cretans.

Not Far to Canada.

MANKATO, Minn., August 9.—Henry Kusel left Numesta Lake July 27 and it has transpired since that he took $1,900 of the village's money with him. He was treasurer of the village and had just received $1,500 from saloon licenses.

A Judge Tendered a Reception.

SALT LAKE, Utah, August 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The liberals of this city tendered Judge Powers a reception at the Walker house this evening, in view of the recent victory gained over the Mormons.

Blondin's Latest Ambition.

PARIS, August 9.—Blondin, the well-known rope-walker, has wagered $20,000 that he can walk on a cable to the top of the Eiffel Tower from the central dome of the Exposition building in less than five minutes.

American Dental Association.

SARATOGA, N. Y., August 9.—The American Dental association to-day elected as president M. W. Foster, of Baltimore.

Pears' soap is the most elegant toile adjunct.

THE RAILROADS SUSTAINED.

An Important Decision By the Iowa Commission.

A QUESTION