SHADOWED BY DETECTIVES.

Treasury Department Clerks Feel That They Are Watched.

IT HAUNTS THEM EVERYWHERE.

Mysterious Eyes Are on Them at All Times and Places, in Their Minds—Nebraska and Iowa Crops.

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The treasury department clerks complain that they are shadowed by government detectives.

Said one of the oldest of them to-day: "It is the only disagreeable feature of my employment, to feel that I am always being watched, and that I can never leave the department building or my house with any confidence that my footsteps are not dogged by secret service detectives in search of information as to my habits."

The fact is that of the 1,400 employes in the treasury department at least 1,000 are firmly convinced that they are followed about pretty nearly all the time by government detectives, employed expressly for that purpose, to see that they behave themselves and to report everything they do that is naughty to the authorities of the department. If a money counter takes a glass of beer in a saloon he imagines that the man who picks his teeth on the other side of the screen in the doorway is lurking there to watch the motions of his elbow. If the young lady who helps work the hash machine in the redemption division indulges in a flirtation at an evening party it is with a faint though haunting dread, lest the cocked-eyed violin player may possibly be observing her at so much an hour, drawn on vouchers against the secret service fund. If the youth who does up silver in bags of $1,000 each invests $2 in a poker chip he can not help suspecting that the newly introduced acquaintance on the opposite side of the table who keeps "straddling the blind" so prevokingly is an officer in disguise detailed to shadow him.

NEBRASKA AND IOWA CROPS.

The secretary of agriculture in his monthly report on the condition of crops throughout the country, distributed to-day, publishes the following from J. M. Osborn, of Ohio, who is a large farm owner in Nebraska and who is described by Secretary Rusk as an "intelligent and experienced observer":

"I have taken a close, continuous look at the crops, from Omaha to Kearney. Corn is an unusually even, heavy crop. From Omaha to Central City, a distance of 131 miles, the blade, stalk and ear is ripe and dry. West of Central City the ear has the appearance of ripeness, hanging downward, the husk white and dry, while the blades are yet green. This is just the reverse of the situation in previous yeras. There may have been more rain west of Central City than east of that place. Corn shows remarkably good cultivation in freeness from weeds or grass.

"The hay harvest is nearly completed, the meadows have a fine aftermath, and pastures are in fine condition.

"Oats are a fair crop, hardly as good a yield as last year, owing to a few hot windy days before they were fairly filled, at least that was the condition at this point, it may not be general throughout the state.

"Fall plowing is quite a general practice. At this time the ground turns up moist and mellow.

"So far as I have seen and heard, the production per acre seems to be highly satisfactory to farmers. They are not pleased with the outlook for prices. Oats at 10 cents and corn at 15 to 20 cents per bushel is not encouraging."

The following general observations on the condition of crops and stock in Iowa appears in the report:

During the month of August the temperature the greater part of the time has been above the normal and the rainfall considerable below. In fact there has been practically no rainfall since the first week in August, except in a few localities, and then only in small showers. The warm, dry weather was for a time favorable to corn, but its continuation, producing a drought, is shrinking the ears and drying the stalks prematurely.

Potatoes will fall short of the anticipated yield.

Pastures are drying up and water in wells is lower than ever before. In some localities growing crops are not suffering so badly, owing partly to a heavy rainfall and partly to the nature of the soil.

Oats are nearly all harvested and have produced an average yield, and the grain is of the finest quality that has been harvested in the state for years.

Sorghum promises a good yield. The problem of manufacturing sugar from sorghum is creating considerable interest.

The number of young hogs is unusually large, and, compared with last year, makes it still larger. The good prices paid for pork for the past two years, together with the large corn crop of last year and the absence of all disease in swine, have contributed to the favorable conditions of hog raising. The condition of stock hogs is also good.

MAHONE'S BATTLE.

Although General Mahone is fighting against tremendous odds in Virginia his friends are now more sanguine than at any time since the campaign opened. Both sides will appear for the first time at Abbington, on Monday. Overtures were made by the republicans for a joint debate there between General Mahone and Senator Daniels, but Senator Barbour, who is managing the democratic campaign, peremptorily declined to entertain them. So far the efforts of the democrats have been devoted to a careful scrutiny of the registration lists, but General Mahone has accomplished more than that and has organized one of the most complete canvasses of the entire state ever known in the history of Virginia.

MISCELLANEOUS.

During the past four or five days cool weather has prevailed in this region and it has had the effect of rushing Washingtonians home from the summer resorts in great numbers. Every incoming train is crowded with returning citizens anxious for the comfort of their homes in the capital city.

NEBRASKA AND IOWA POSTMASTERS.

Nebraska—Malulla, Buffalo county, P. O Frame.

Iowa—Read, Clayton county, F. W. Wilke; Shambaugh, Page county, Charles T. Cox.

PERRY S. HEATH.

Clerical Roundings.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—It is reported, says an afternoon paper that one of the sensational preachers of the city who used his pulpit as a rostrum for the discussion of politics and other secular topics, has been making the rounds of the gambling dens of the city under the guidance of a newspaper reporter who "knows the ropes," and that his observations while on this tour are to form the subjects of the rhetoric of some future Sunday for the improvement and delight of his congregation. It is said that the clergyman, to escape recognition, put off his usual cloth and put on a suit of checks with a loud neck tie. He should have had a shiny silk "tile" to have completed his disguise. He claimed to be from an interior town, green in the ways of the city and in quest of excitement. The "dramatic art" with which he carried out the scheme is highly praised by the reporter who accompanied him. The clerical divine who has thus been "seeing the town" is understood to be Dr. George C. Lorimer, the well-known Baptist divine.

A Big Forest Fire.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 21.—The largest forest fires ever seen on Prince Edward island raged on Summer Side on Thursday and Friday. The loss cannot be estimated. Three saw mills and a large number of dwellings and outbuildings were destroyed. Several people had narrow escapes from being burned. The rain which has been falling steadily, partly subdued the flames, but the people are fearful lest the strong wind will again fan them into activity.

KEARNEY'S MISSING MASON.

No Explanation of His Disappearance Known By His Friends.

KEARNEY, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Last night's Associated press telegram from New York relative to John Greenlee, the missing Mason from this city, has revived the interest in the mystery. The secretary of Robert Morris lodge has telegraphed the grand secretary of New York and the rumor will be run down as soon as possible. The facts concerning him are these: He left the home of his parents, in Richland, Keokuk county, Iowa, on the 28th of last April, bound for Belle Plaine, in the same state, where he proposed visiting relatives of his father for a short time and then return to Kearney. It is known that he ordered his mail forwarded from this place to Belle Plaine, and that after his visit was completed there he again ordered his mail sent to Kearney. There is mail matter for him in the hands of parties in Kearney. It is fact a that Mr. Greenlee's habits are the very best and that he has the confidence of every business man who knows him. He left Kearney late last fall for the purpose of visiting his parents, and remained there until the date above mentioned. At the time of his departure he was not in good health, but before leaving the home of his parents for the purpose of returning to this city he had fully recovered.

Mr. Greenlee is not the man to fall into bad company or the hands of confidence men. He had when starting for Kearney on the 28th of April quite a sum of money. He has large landed interests in this part of Nebraska, two farms in Buffalo county, city property in Kearney and a half section near Cozad, in Dawson county. He has no agent here, but his business matters are perfectly straight. He is a mason in good standing, being a senior knight and a member of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias. All of his paraphernalia for each of these secret orders are in this city in the hands of friends.

LOVE MADE HIM A CONVERT.

Why Professor Garner Gave Up His Infidel Views.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Something of a sensation was created here when it was learned that Dr. Samuel Garner, professor of languages at the United States military academy at Annapolis, and Miss Emily F. Owens, a very cultured lady of Baltimore, had been married. There is a very interesting romance connected with the affair, the interest in which has been intensified by the high standing of both parties in the field of letters.

Dr. Garner was for a long time connected with Johns Hopkins university, successively as student, assistant librarian and instructor, and during this time had formed the acquaintance of Miss Owens, the daughter of a well-known citizen of this city, now deceased, and they soon became fast friends.

There was only one barrier which prevented marriage and that was the religious differences of the couple. Dr. Garner was a confirmed infidel, while the lady was a devout believer in christianity. She was firm and said she would marry none but a christian. Dr. Garner could not bring himself to believe the doctrines of christianity, and seeing his pursuit of the hand of Miss Owens was hopeless he determined to try to forget her.

With this end in view he went to the far west. There, after a while, he quite accidentally became a boarder in the house of a minister of the Gospel. In a few years, however, Garner noticed in what perfect harmony the minister and his wife lived together and then, for the first time, he began to realize that perhaps it was better for man and wife to be christians than for them to hold widely different opinions on religious topics. He asked the divine to lend him some religious books, which request was gladly complied with, and in due course Samuel Garner became a christian man.

By corresponding with friends in Baltimore he found that Miss Owens was still unmarried. Letters were at once exchanged between them and Mr. Garner set out for Baltimore. The culmination of the story was had Wednesday evening when two happy hearts became one.

SCHEMING COLLEGE MEN.

They Adopt an Unusual Method of Raising the Wind.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Charles Snyder, of Hartsville, has entered suit against the trustees of Hartsville college to recover $20,000 which he claims was secured by coercion. Mrs. Snyder is worth over $50,000 in her own right. She is regarded by her acquaintances as being of unsound mind and incapable of transacting business. Hartsville college is a United Brethren institution, of which church Mrs. Snyder is a member. Snyder charges that during his absence yesterday Rev. James Woolford and Isaac Van Sickle, trustees of the college, visited his wife, and finding her alone locked themselves with her in a room, that they remained in conference with her for several hours, and were successful in gteting her to sign over to them and place in their possession $20,000 in money and notes, which they alleged was to go to the benefit of Hartsville college.

As soon as Snyder returned home and learned of the trustees' visit, he came immediately to this city and stopped the payment at the First National bank of a $2,000 check which the men received. He also asks that his wife be declared of unsound mind.

THE BILLINGS CASE.

Some Very Damaging Testimony Against Kingsley.

WATERLOO, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—In the Billings case to-day W. H. Gillis testified that he was in Kingley's office about an hour before the tragedy and Kingsley said to him, in reference to Billings, that he was a "darned old stinker and was trying to put up a job on him, but that he would send him (Billings) to hell or the penitentiary and had the tools to do it with." He said he had not testified to this before because that question had not been asked him.

Michael Murphy and L. M. Bice, testified that they had heard a shot while in a store across the street; that they walked eighteen feet to the door and Murphy stepped out and heard some one cry out on the opposite side of the street. He learned this man was Billings. Bice stated that he heard a second shot, and the time he heard it indicated that it was after Murphy heard Billings on the walk.

Dr. Burbank testified in regard to Billings' wound and also that he knew of no shelving in Billings' office where Witness Blain said he saw the revolver.

W. H. Semple testified to having gone to Kingsley's office at midnight the night of the tragedy and finding the baliff in charge cleaning the revolver.

Henry Arms said he once went to Kingsley's office and found Emily Shane there with Kingsley and soon afterwards when he and Billings went there the door was locked. Another witness swore to hearing threats made by Kingsley against Billings.

Republicans Harmonious.

MASON CITY, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republicans held a very harmonious convention here to-day. James E. Blythe was nominated for representative, L. M. VanAuken for auditor, D. Howe for treasurer, B. P. Kirk for sheriff, A. R. Sale for superintendent of schools and William Henderson for supervisor. Most of the nominations were made by acclamation.

An Old Man's Suicide.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Daniel Algeyer, an old man living in East Dubuque, who had been deserted by his family, suicided last night by taking "Rough on Rats." His body was found this morning sitting in a chair.

An Italian Peddler Robbed.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—An Italian peddler named D. S. Shrope was waylaid Thursday night about 8 o'clock, two miles east of Waukee, Dallas county, by a couple of men, one of whom held him up at the end of a revolver, the other going through his pockets and grips. They made off with about $75 in money and goods and Shrope came to this city yesterday, reporting the affair to the police. Last night Officers Livingston and Monarch arrested T. J. Harsh and Al Gibson in a house near Chesterfield, and they were recognized by Shrope as the robbers. The sheriff from Adel took them up to Waukee to-day.

Officer and Prisoner Got Drunk.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Constable Whitmarsh, of Malcom, came here yesterday to arrest one S. Tavers for obtaining goods under false pretenses. He found his man, and while waiting for the train both got drunk and were run in by the police and lay in the jail and were fined $10 and costs this morning by the mayor.

An Iowa Road Ordered Sold.

KEOKUK, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—After a week of arguments before Judges Love and Shiras in the federal court at this place, a decree was made this afternoon ordering the sale of the Fort Madison & Northwestern railroad to satisfy a foreclosure by the Union Trust company. The master in chancery will sell the road within a few weeks. It has been run at a net loss for months.

Fatally Injured By an Iron Drill.

EDDYVILLE, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—This afternoon a large iron drill eighteen inches long and two inches square fell twenty feet and struck and crushed through the skull of Thornton Newton, who was digging a well. He was injured so badly that he will die.

She Was Disappointed in Love.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Miss Annie Vogle, living three miles from East Dubuque, shot herself last night, intending to commit suicide. She had been disappointed in love. She is still alive and may recover.

HURON CONFIDENT.

Dakota's Capital Contest Goes Merrily On.

HURON, S. D., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Huron's capital committee has compiled the returns from its canvassers for forty-six of the fifty counties of the state. These returns show that 32,000 votes will be polled for Huron the capital on election day. Pierre, which was supposed to be second in the race, displays surprising weakness it occupying only third place. Pierre is being frightened, notwithstanding its failure to gain strength, by its connection with the Woonsocket investment scheme. It to-day undertook to bolster up its falling fortunes by purchasing another worthless concern, the Bridgewater.

Hutchinson's Ticket.

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A gentleman down from Hutchinson county reports that the republican county convention there to-day was captured by the prohibitionists and that strong resolutions in favor of prohibition were adopted. J. H. Swanton was nominated for the state senate; M. K. Bowen, brother of W. S. Bowen, of the Press and Dakota, and Frank Bauck were nominated for representatives and John Halphid for county judge. All the old leaders were set aside and the vote of the county will be against Moody and Pettigrew for United States senators.

Everything Lovely.

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Colonel Eolbeck, of Des Moines addressed a democratic anti-prohibition meeting here to-night. Turner hall was well filled and the crowd was moderately enthusiastic. Colonel Hughes East and Rev. A. Burdick had a good natured spat and the meeting dispersed in good humor.

A Crushed Devil.

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Carl Webber, a youth employed in the press room of the Frei Press newspaper, of this city, had a hand and arm crushed by the machinery to-day and it was amputated above the elbow.

Prohibition and Farmers' Meeting.

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A prohibition and farmers' alliance meeting was held on the James river, twelve miles from Yankton, this afternoon and was addressed by Sam Small, Major Pickler, candidate for congress, Wardell, candidate for United States senator, Loucks, Corse and others. Many people attended from the city. This county will vote against prohibition two to one.

Small's Peregrinations.

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Some six or eight hundred people attended the farmers' picnic on James river to-day. Speeches were made by Major Pickler, Sam Small, and several local politicians. Sam Small goes to Tyndell, Bonhomme county, to morrow.

A Farmer's House Burned.

ST. CLOUD, Minn., Sept. 21.—Last night the residence of Michael Haupt, a well-to-do farmer living near Spring Hill, this county, burned, and his two sons, Conrad and Alois, aged respectively twenty-six and twenty-three years, perished. The other members of the family barely escaped.

HER LATER LOVE.

Mrs. Gordon is Anxious to Espouse Him.

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The celebrated Gordon divorce case came up in the circuit court again to-day, Mrs. Ada E. Gordon once more applying for a divorce from her husband, George B. Gordon. Mrs. Gordon will be remembered as the lady for whom Charles J. Beattie the attorney, procured a fraudulent divorce in Judge Jamieson's court. By perjured witnesses procured by Beattie it was shown that Gordon had violated his marriage vow. For imposing the fraud on the court Beattie was found guilty of contempt and was sentenced to a year in jail. His case is now before the appellate court on an appeal.

Mrs. Gordon, believing Beattie's statement that she was a free woman, married a Mr. Wilson. The exposure of the fraudulent divorce, she herself testifying against Beattie, placed her in a terrible position for a woman of refinement, which she appeared to be. Judge Jamieson, in sentencing Beattie, expressed sympathy for the woman, while he condemned her hasty action. After the proceedings in Judge Jamieson's court Gordon had his wife and Wilson arrested for living together as man and wife, but they were discharged. Mrs. Gordon has now procured additional evidence against her former lord and hopes to be able soon to legally espouse her later love.

Nebraska and Iowa Pensions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Pensions granted Nebraskans: Original invalid—John J. Bailey, Henzie A. Maxson, James S. Suethen, Henry C. Powers, William D. Pulver. Increase—John L. Davis, Abner G. Winn. Original widows—Bula, widow of Simeon N. Ball.

Pensions for Iowans: Original invalid—William E. Westcott, Charles Hodges, Samuel B. Lyman, Joshua Vickroy, Henry Volte, Adam Byram, Myron C. Griffith, Mathew J. Thompson, Phillip Stuben, James Hobs. Increase—D. F. Ghrist, John B. Fidiar, Frank Chapman, William B. Harris, Charles L. Porter. Original widows: Eliza C., widow of Peter B. Hazlett; Ruth M., widow of Samuel Spurgeon.

A Squatter Ousted.

The case of Elward Olsen vs the East Omaha Land company occupied Justice Anderson's time yesterday afternoon. Olsen had squatted on some land on the bottoms claimed by the land company and refused to vacate. The company then proceeded to pull his fence down and he instituted suit for damages. A decision was rendered in favor of the land company, as they claimed title to the land before its occupancy by Olsen.

DAKOTA'S ANTICIPATIONS.

She Complacently Hopes For a Necktie Party.

ACROSS THE COUNTRY ON FOOT.

Engineer Bayard Quits Railroading—Lively Times With State Politicians—Doings of the Fair People—Nebraska People's Affairs.

A Bad Man's Bad Break.

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A warrant has been issued for the arrest of John Severson for assault and battery on the person of his sister, Mrs. Hans Knudson. Mrs. Knudson had advertised the effects of her late husband for sale, and Severson, hearing of the contemplated move, went out to the farm, where his sister lives, taking with him three or four men, and told his sister the stock all belonged to him, and that she had no right to sell anything. They exchanged a few words, when it is asserted Severson had the men hold her to the floor while he kicked and beat her. While the men were still holding her he went and turned out twenty-six head of cattle, and drove them to his own farm, claiming them as his own.

Severson is the man who killed Marshal League in Jackson about nine months ago. The people are very indignant over this outrage, and if all is true as stated in the warrant, Dakota county may have a private necktie party.

He Faded Away.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The third consecutive wreck within two weeks occurred this morning about 5 o'clock on the Union Pacific road, five miles west of Fremont, where a front-end collision of two heavy freight trains occurred. Freight No. 17, with Engineer Bayard and Conductor Searles, going west, pulled out of the city with orders to side track at Sanberg, five miles west, for freight No. 28, westbound, with Engineer Dill. Engineer Bayard, instead of sidetracking, as ordered, went past the siding at the rate of about thirty miles an hour. The eastbound train, which had stopped for the Elkhorn crossing, saw the headlight of No. 17, but supposed it was standing on the sidetrack and went ahead. When it was discovered that the collision was imminent, the engineers and firemen jumped from both engines and saved their lives. The two engines were almost completely wrecked and fifteen cars of merchandise piled up in a mass. By 2 o'clock this afternoon the track had been cleared and trains were passing. Engineer Bayard confessed that he was at fault in not reading his orders carefully. He took a last look at the disaster he had wrought, bade the boys goodbye with the statement that he had done his last railroading and started across the country on foot.

He Wasn't the Robber.

VALPARAISO, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A young man giving the name of George Sawyer was arrested here yesterday on the charge of being concerned in some robberies at Wahoo. He came in on the 7:30 train from Wahoo and jumped off about a mile from town, while the train was at full speed, badly spraining both ankles. He hobbled into town, however, and after his injuries were attended to, was held on complaint of a Mr. Reeves of Valparaiso, who came on the same train and had observed his suspicious actions in getting aboard at Wahoo. Sawyer says he had jumped a board bill and was afraid they were after him. Sheriff Wilson came down, and after talking with him had him discharged as there seemed to be no proof of his being connected with the robberies. Sawyer is being taken care of, as he seems to have no money.

Last Day in Camp.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The National guards encampment of 1889 is a thing of the past. The last of the troops left this morning for their respective homes. The boys were paid off yesterday and last night they came down town for a hilarious time. The crowd was largely augmented by a lot of hoodlums and considerable noise was the result. John Harper's place was visited in the early part of the evening, and as he happened to be the disgusted sutler of the earlier days of the camp, the boys thought to worry him a little before their final departure. John met the onslaught good naturedly, and the boys after considerable yelling and cheering, with, however, no evident purpose but fun, dispersed, only to return about 11 o'clock with increased numbers. Harper fearing that there might be a disposition to do his establishment damage wisely closed the doors. After repeated calls he reappeared and intimated that he would protect his property at all hazards. Mayor Kretsmeyer appeared on the scene at this juncture and mounting a box addressed the crowd to the effect that as they had hitherto conducted themselves creditably, he hoped they would do nothing to forfeit their good name. He enjoined upon them to enjoy their fun, but let it be confined to harmless fun. The mayor's talk had the desired effect and the National Guard boys all crowded around his honor to shake hands with him, promising that they would not let their exuberance get the better of them. A couple of stalwart sergeants at this moment caught hold of the mayor and lifting him to their shoulders carried him up to the corner of Fifth and Court streets, cheering him to the echo. Some time afterwards a crowd again gathered at Harper's with mischievous intent, but were finally dispersed by Colonel Correll who appealed to their honor and credit as gentlemen and soldiers, and intimated that the National Guards should not forfeit the good opinion and name that they had earned during the encampment thus far. Colonel Correll's address struck the boys about right and they quietly dispersed and the city was quiet the rest of the night.

There was a lively runaway on Court street last evening, a team hitched to a large hay rack being the operator. The rack collided with a street car and badly damaged it, loosing the street car team that ran on up Court street to Ninth, when it ran into another street car, knocking it off the track and crippling the horses. The hay rack and team kept on down Court street, ran into a sand wagon, knocked the driver out and broke his collar bone, and finally brought up astride of the iron rail between the roadway and foot parts of the bridge. Both horses were badly hurt and the hay rack completely demolished.

The County Fairs.

BENKLEMAN, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The third annual exhibition of the Dundy County Agricultural society has just closed. The attendance was good and the display splendid. The managers and everybody connected with the association are well pleased with the results.

CREIGHTON, Neb., Sept. 21—[Special to THE BEE.]—The sixth annual fair of Knox county has closed. The weather has been exceptionally fine and large crowds have been in attendance. The races were, as usual, fast and successful. Knox county puts up the best fair in the northern tier.

The Victors Welcomed Home.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Company E, Nebraska National guards, of this city, was given a royal welcome home to-day upon its return from the state encampment at Beatrice, and bringing with it the governor's challenge cup, won Wednesday in the competitive drill. Upon the arrival of the Union Pacific train from the east bearing the company a vast throng of people was at the depot to extend a welcome. A procession was formed at the depot with the cornet band in the lead. Captain Fowler bore the gold badge won by the company at the state fair in 1885, and the governor's cup was conspicuously displayed, while a banner was carried bearing the following inscription: "Company E, Fremont, the best drilled company in the state; 1885-1887-1889." A large number of citizens, carrying brooms, marched in open ranks on each side of the street, with Company E between, performing many evolutions. After parading the principal streets, the company brought up in front of the armory, where speeches were made by Mayor Shervin and L. D. Richards, in which the boys were highly complimented for the many honors they have won, and told how proud the citizens of Fremont are over their crack militia company. The officers and members of the company bore the honors heaped upon them with becoming modesty. There were many handsome floral tributes bestowed."

County Politics.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republicans of Jefferson county to-day nominated the following ticket: S. M. Bailey, for treasurer; J. N. Thompson, for clerk; E. H. Fowles, for county superintendent and James Calland renominated for sheriff. The hardest fight was on the commissioner. Henry S. Martin defeated the present incumbent, Charles York. Delegates were chosen for the state and congressional conventions. The ticket is very satisfactory.

SIDNEY, Neb., Sept. 21.—Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The democratic county convention held here to-day nominated the following ticket: Sheriff, William T. Eubank; commissioner, First district, Louis Decker; commissioner, Third district, N. L. Kent; clerk, Daniel McAleese; superintendent of schools, Charles R. Chambers; surveyor, Joseph Gettamy; coroner, Dr. Charles H. Field. A resolution endorsing Adam Ickes for county treasurer, the republican nominee and the present incumbent, was unanimously adopted. The office of county judge was left blank. The best feeling prevailed and the representation throughout the county was larger than at previous conventions.

BLAIR, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican county central committee met to-day. They set October 4, between the hours of 4 and 7 p. m., as the time to hold the primaries in the different precincts. The county convention is called for October 5. The number of delegates is one to every twenty-five votes and a fractional majority thereof, based upon the vote cast for Presidential Elector Hastings. This makes sixty-six delegates to the convention, of which Blair city and township have twenty-two. It looks as if the hardest fight would be made for the county judges. The central committee made an order of business for the convention to follow and the county judge is placed at the head to be balloted for first. The balance of the ticket depends upon who the convention nominates for judge.

SEWARD, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The democrats of this county met in convention to-day and put in nomination the following men: For treasurer, William N. McNeil; for county clerk, August Reickmann; for sheriff, C. H. Adams; for county judge, W. H. Miner; for county superintendent of schools, M. Meehan; for coroner, Dr. Grady; for county surveyor, J. A. Cocklin. The ticket is entirely satisfactory to the democrats of the county. Perfect harmony prevails.

FORT NIOBRARA, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican county convention held here to-day was the most harmonious political gathering ever held in Knox county. The delegates to the convention are Al. Towle, A. C. Logan, S. Draper, A. L. Jones, J. B. Lucas, C. D. Haughthorn, J. L. Packard and C. A. Hammond. The county nominations are A. J. McCarn, treasurer; Frank Nelson, clerk; Benjamin F. Chambers, county judge; John Dolphin, sheriff; Dr. W. H. Britt, coroner; C. A. Nipple, surveyor; H. L. McCoy, superintendent of public instruction, and George R. Dodson, commissioner.

HARRISON, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The republican county central committee met yesterday in the office of the Sioux County Herald and appointed Friday, October 4, as the date whereon the republican county convention shall be held; and the primaries to elect delegates thereto will be held in the various precincts on the Wednesday preceding. The meeting of the central committee was wholly harmonious, and the prospects of a republican victory next fall could not be better. A resolution congratulating Colonel W. H. McCann, the newly appointed register of the Chadron land office, was unanimously adopted by the central committee.

A Lively Nebraska Town.

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—One Davis, a noted tough and bum hereabouts, took a notion to "clean out" a saloon last night. He did the job in good style, throwing cuspidores, beer bottles and chairs at the proprietor and bystanders until they vacated the room. Officer Jenkins was called to arrest him, but when Davis saw him coming he jumped over the bar and took possession of a six shooter, leveled it at the officer and ordered him to throw up his hands. The officer quietly obeyed, but not for long. Marshall Guther, a toll collector on the pontoon bridge, stepped in at a side door and threw his arms around Davis, thus giving Jenkins a chance to put the handcuffs on him. He in police this morning and was held to the district court.

The Methodists.

NELIGH, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The M. E. conference opened this morning with an address to the min isters by Bishop Vincent. Dr. Fry, editor of the Central Christian Advocate, St. Louis, talked on church papers. The committee on educational work, in conference reported, passed a resolution to support in part the professorship in the Wesleyan university at Lincoln. Chancellor Creighton, of Lincoln, spoke on the resolution. A memorial service was held in the afternoon with addresses by Dr. Lemon, of Omaha, and others. An educational meeting in the evening was addressed by Chancellor Creighton, of Lincoln, and Francis Ware, president of the Central City college.

A Wrecked Sheep Car.

WISNER, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A trainload of twenty-one cars of sheep was badly wrecked to-day two miles from here. Cattle on the track was the cause. The engine and several cars were piled up a total wreck. The sheep lay in great heaps, bruised and dead. The engineer was the only person injured, and he not seriously so. Superintendent C. C. Harris showed much executive ability in handling the wreck and clearing the track so that travel could be resumed.

Trouble Expected.

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad company continue to keep track walkers on the approach to the Missouri river bridge on this side. The Short Line folks also have a man here to see what is going on. The station agent for the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha forbid the latter gentleman from entering the depot or remaining anywhere around it. Trouble is expected almost any time.

Last Day of the Camp.

FORT ROBINSON, Neb., Sept. 21.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Camp George Crook is a thing of the past. The last of the troops, the Seventeenth infantry, left this morning. General Brooke and family and staff leave this evening in a special car attached to the regular train.

BRICKLAYERS WILL PICNIC.

A Contemplated Good Time at West Lawn Next Sunday.

The Bricklayers' union of this city are making extensive preparations for a grand old fashioned picnic at Pickard's grove at West Lawn one week from to-day, and a large attendance and a general good time is anticipated. At the grounds amusements will be provided for everybody and will consist, in addition to the regular order of procedure in such cases, of foot racing, amateur and free-for-all sack races, wheelbarrow races and all kinds of athletic sport, concluding with a game of base ball between a nine composed of members of the building and trades unions and a leading nine of the city. The game will be for an elegant prize. The union will also give handsome medals to the contestants in the other sports, which will be placed on exhibition to-morrow. Trains will leave the Webster street depot at 10 and 12 o'clock, returning at 7 p. m.

IT CROWNS THE HILL.

The New Deaconess Institute in Monmouth Park.

Rev. E. A. Fogelstrom, formerly pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church, is now devoting all his time and energy to the up-building in this city of the Immanuel hospital and Deaconess institute.

To this great undertaking many of our leading citizens have contributed very liberally. They have been assisted by charitable people from abroad and some of the latter have been most liberal in their contributions. One especially is spoken of with the kindliest appreciation by Mr. Fogelstrom. It is an eastern lady who read in THE BEE an article detailing the objects of the new institute, and the need it had of pecuniary assistance. She immediately forwarded a check for $1,000, the receipt of which, it needs scarcely be said, was immediately acknowledged with thanks by Mr. Fogelstrom.

The first wing of the institute has been erected at a cost of $25,000, and all of this has been paid. Before the institute may be opened, however, it will require the expenditure of about $12,000 to furnish and supply it with the necessary accommodations. With the task of raising this money Mr. Fogelstrom is now busy, and will warmly receive any contribution in money which the charitably disposed may desire to make to the cause.

The institute is situated in Monmouth park, northwest of the city, and occupies a commanding position on one of the eminences of that locality.

The hospital is intended to supply medical care and attention to sick people, while in the institute will be trained young women who feel called upon to devote their lives to the succor and comforting, without recompense or reward, those who are unable from poverty or other misfortune to care for themselves.

Strangers at the Frst Congregational.

A gentleman sends the following to THE BEE:

"The custom which is in use at the First Congregational church, of seating those who are not pew holders in chairs placed in the aisles, proves somewhat embarrassing to the guests. It calls public attention to the fact that they are strangers, of which fact they themselves are conscious when they enter the church, but under the circumstances, painfully so.

"It may be that the entire good of service will not eradicate the first unfavorable impression. Is there not some better way?"

Zion Baptist Church.

Zion Baptist church, near Grant and Twenty-first streets, was organized in July, 1883, by Elder G. W. Woodbey with seven members. For five years its spiritual and financial progress was not marked with great success. On May 20, 1888, Rev. T. H. Ewing, of Leavenworth, Kan., accepted a call to assume pastoral charge. His coming was followed with very satisfactory results. Within four months $1,300 were raised, $1,200 of which were applied on the purchase of a lot costing $2,200. Upon this lot a parsonage costing $1,000 was erected, as also a temporary chapel costing about $3,000. Work is now in progress upon a brick church, 70x40 feet. The services are well attended, and great religious fervor marks the members of the flock, a tribute to the zealous efforts of the new pastor.

A New Pastor.

The Rev. Mr. Belno A. Brown, of Toledo, O., one of the brightest men and most successful workers in the ministry of that city, has just been appointed resident missionary for the Protestant Episcopal Mission societies in South Omaha. He will immediately, on his arrival, begin his labors, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Isaac Houlgate till the first of next month. The many friends of the latter will very much regret his departure from this field where he has made himself so popular and has been so successful in his work.

St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

The Omaha chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood sends ten delegates to the annual convention of the order, which is to be held next week in Cleveland. Mr. A. P. Hopkins and Mr. Jenner, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., go from All Saints; Mr. John Plair, from St. Phillip's; Mr. Joseph Weeks, with the Rev. John Williams, from St. Barnabas'; Messrs. Powell, Nye and Smith, from Trinity. The delegates bear as credentials little cards having a St. Andrew's cross embossed in gold and red on the corner.

Church Notes.

First Baptist church, strangers' Sabbath home, corner Fifteenth and Davenport streets—Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. A. W. Lamar, pastor. Morning theme: "Bearing One Another's Burdens." Evening theme: "Some of the Blessings of Standing Up Straight Before God." Sabbath school at 12 m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45. Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:45. All are cordially invited. Seats free. The fourth of the series of sermons to men.

Rev. J. M. Wilson will preach at the William street Presbyterian church, Fifth and William street, this evening. Rev. Charles G. Sterling, a seminary class mate, will occupy his pulpit at the Castellar street Presbyterian church.

Trinity cathedral, Eighteenth and Capitol avenue—Rev. C. H. Gardner, dean. Services as follows: Morning prayer, litany and sermon at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 3:15 p. m. Afternoon service with address at 3:45 p. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:45 p. m. During the absence of Dean Gardner the assistant, Rev. C. T. Brady, will officiate at all services. There will be no early celebration at 8 a. m.

First Congregational church, Nineteenth and Davenport streets—Preaching morning and evening by the pastor, Dr. Duryea, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pews in this church will be rented for the next fiscal year on Monday evening, September 23.

Universalist church of the Good Shepherd will meet on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mr. John Wilson, Eighteenth and Ohio streets. Rev. Mary G. Andrews will preach.

The Beth Eden Baptist Sunday school will hold its regular harvest home service at the church at 823 Park avenue. Services begin at 11 o'clock. No evening service.

Rev. Willard Scott will preach in the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church in the morning at 10:30 o'clock. No evening service.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Mr. Jones Makes a Favorable Impression Regarding Florida Connection.

The arguments presented by Mr. S. A. Jones, of Tampa, Fla., to the meeting of the directors of the board of trade, yesterday morning, made a favorable impression, and a resolution was adopted favoring the memorial to congress asking for a mail line from Tampa to Aspinwall.

A telegram was sent to Kansas City, inviting the delegates to the convention of the bankers' national association, to visit Omaha at the close of their session on Friday next. Euclid Martin was chosen to make any further arrangements, and a committee, consisting of Messrs.