NEBRASKA'S STORM DAMAGE.

Much Stock Destroyed and Many Buildings Torn to Pieces.

WORK OF HEAVY RAIN AND HIGH WIND.

Narrow Escape of Several Beatrice Citizens from Death by Lightning—Talmage Deluged—Notes of the Flood.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The residence of Wesley Collett at No. 614 North Ninth street was badly damaged by lightning during the heavy storm here last night. None of the occupants of the house were hurt beyond a severe shaking up. The storm played considerable havoc elsewhere through the city in the demolition of shade trees and blowing down of bill boards.

In the northwest part of the county numerous hay and grain stacks were blown over and some few frail barns demolished. Several head of live stock are reported as having been killed by the lightning in the northern part of the county. The storm came from the northwest. It rained incessantly here for about two and one-half hours.

Killed at Ashland.

ASHLAND, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mr. S. P. Henry, an old and respected resident of this city, was instantly killed this morning. He has for the past year been in the employ of J. H. Snell in the Jewel roller mills. As was his custom in the morning, he went up to the cable to oil the machinery. As he returned he came onto the track and stood there apparently gazing at some cattle some distance away. There were five men within fifty yards of him. They yelled and beckoned him off the track, but could not attract his attention, neither could he be aroused from his apparent meditation by the shrill whistle of the coming train. The train was on the Schuyler line and just entering the yards where it makes a sharp curve and comes around an embankment. It was coming at the rate of about ten miles per hour, and the distance from where the man might have been seen to where he was struck was not more than 200 yards, thus giving the engineer no time to even reverse his engine. The man when struck rolled to the right and was struck by the steam chest in the side, then striking his temple on the rail of the main line causing instant death.

Establishing Indian Rights.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Special Allotting Agent McKean of the interior department under instructions of the commissioner of Indian affairs has investigated the rights of head chief Iron Nation and other Indians to land settled upon immediately after the opening of the Sioux reservation by several whites for townsite purposes and reports to the local United States land offices today that the Indians have no legal rights to said lands under the allotment act and that they do not desire the lands to be alloted them in consequence of the report. A number of filings were presented and received by the land officials. A new town Oacoma is built on these lands and the decision of the special agent will give it quite a spurt. The lands adjoin the 640 acres belonging to the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and are very valuable. Special Agent McKean is entitled to credit for his prompt action in the matter as the rights of the whites or Indians to the lands have long been in doubt.

Storm Damage in Phelps City.

PHELPS CITY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A terrific storm visited this section of the country at about 8 o'clock last night and lasted for several hours. The rain fell in torrents, flooding the streets with at least a foot of water. The wind shrieked and howled and blew down several houses, among which was the fine meat market owned by Jake Bartholomew, and a fine barn owned by John Brown, just finished this summer. The hail, which was about five inches in diameter, killed several hogs and other small animals.

The prospect for a corn crop is ruined.

Arrested a Nebraska Fugitive.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—On the strength of a telegram from J. W. Ammerman, sheriff at Albion, Neb., Jerry Connell was arrested today and is held pending the arrival of Ammerman with requisition papers to take the prisoner back to Nebraska, where he is wanted on a charge of obtaining $250 by mortgaging stock not his own. Connell, who takes the affair coolly, was arrested at Garden City, where he had been working at the chlorination plant for the last three weeks.

Nebraska City Honored.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Word was received here today that the executive board had concluded to hold the Nebraska Baptist state convention in this city. There are to be about two hundred and fifty delegates from every part of the state, with perhaps fifty visitors from Iowa, Kansas and other states. The First Baptist church of Omaha and the First church of this city invited the convention, through their pastors, and this church won.

Hail and Rain.

TALMAGE, Neb., Aug 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—This locality was visited last night by a most terrific electric storm. The lightning struck in several places in town, but did the most damage to the Poesor manufacturing company, striking its building near the comb, tearing off considerable siding. An unusual quantity of rain fell, and at Delta, five miles north of here, immense hail stones fell in large quantities, breaking window glasses and seriously damaging growing crops.

Charged with a Horrible Crime.

KEARNEY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Frank Hutchinson, a local corn doctor, was arrested by Sheriff Wilson this afternoon on the charge of assault. Mary Staley, a thirteen-year-old girl, states that on June 7 Hutchinson committed a criminal assault on her and that Hutchinson's wife held her while the crime was being committed. Hutchinson will not be heard until next week and meanwhile lies in jail.

Wedding at Nelson.

NELSON, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Cards are out announcing the wedding this evening of Moberly M. Bennett and Miss Lyda Stansbury, two of our most popular society young people. Mr. Bennett is a rising young farm hand, base ballist and sport, while Miss Stansbury has long been one of the leading belles of Nelson and vicinity and a favorite in the circle in which she moved. They will reside in Nelson.

Chautauqua Visitors.

CRAWFORD, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Mr. Levy Hall and family, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Read, Miss Mary Ryan and others started this morning for a ten days' stay at the Hot Springs Chautauqua. Others will go soon.

Rev. O. T. Moore, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at this place, arrived this morning with his bride from Crete.

Landslide Delays Trains.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—There was considerable of a landslide on the Beatrice branch this morning near Brownville, which completely covered the track and delayed trains several hours out of this city.

Stock Killed by Lightning.

HOLDREDGE, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—During the storm last night, lightning struck the corral of George Stennett, a farmer living three miles east of town, and killed several head of valuable stock.

Cyclone at Kearney.

KEARNEY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—About two hundred feet of the cotton mill wall was blown down by a cyclone last night. Damage to the wall is on the south end and east and west sides. It is estimated that the damage will amount to $3,000. The brick work was insured by the sub-contractor. The work was not insured and Contractor Cummings will sustain a loss of about $500.

S. H. H. Clark has written Mayor Johnson in response to a letter to Jay Gould, requesting him to visit Kearney on his return from the west, saying that Mr. Gould would take great pleasure in doing so.

Injured at Kearney.

KEARNEY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Sam Rankin, an employe in a livery stable here, met with a painful accident this afternoon. He was riding in a wagon and leading a horse by a strap which had a snap attached to the end. The animal shied and drew the snap through his hand, tearing the flesh in a horrible manner.

Almost Crossed Over.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A waiter named Burt, who is a morphine and chloroform fiend, took an overdose of chloroform this evening and narrowly escaped death.

Lost a Foot.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—While drunk John Earhart, a laboring man fifty years old, was knocked down by the cars and his right foot cut off.

PATTI'S VOICE IS SOUND.

Rumors to the Contrary Proven False by the Great Singer.

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LONDON, Aug. 15.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—Rumors about Patti's voice being unsound were dispelled at the brilliant opening in her private theatre at Craig-y-nos. All who heard her sing say her voice is still good. Patti is now fifty-one years old and will probably not make as much effort as before.

Next Wednesday Howard Paul, the well known playwright, starts for America and will visit the new state of Washington with Daniels Corbin. They will send pictorial letters, illustrated, to the London News. Mrs. Paul was a famous singer. It only this week leaked out that she dressed herself up in male attire once and passed herself off before a vast audience at Scarborough as Sims Reeves, the famous tenor. Her extraordinary voice and long study of Reeves' manners enabled her to play the trick so well that up to this week no one knew the truth.

There is irony in the announcement that Lady Clancarty, who formerly sang in the concert halls under the name of Bella Bilton, intends to play a leading role.

In the provinces the imperial edict of the czar forbidding the exporting of cereals from Russia is playing the dickens with the prices of cereals in England. All operators all bullish. Russian bonds are weak. The effect is not so great here as on the continent, especially Germany, which usually imports three and half million quintals of rye annually from Russia. Rye is now dearer than wheat on the continent. Wheat will therefore take its place for some time.

The weather remains unfavorable to the harvest both here and on the continent. The general expectation is that prices will go much higher. A good deal of fun is made in London over proverbial luck of Americans in having good crops at just at the right time.

Sir Edwin Arnold is going to America on an extended tour.

Marie Williams Dead.

Marie Williams, the burlesque actress, who came to England from America in June, died this morning. She had been indulging too freely in the rosy cup. She was unconscious nearly twenty-four hours.

There was a pretty wedding at St. Peter's church today. Count M. Harry Cassell was married to Elizabeth Frances, widow of the late Joseph T. Farmer of Denver. There was a fashionable attendance, many handsome presents and pretty decorations.

The announcement of the engagement of Miss Elizabeth Bisland and Mr. Wetmore, a New York lawyer, has revived the interest taken in that lady during her flying trip around the world.

A rich literary find has been made this week. I learn privately that an American publishing firm has bought the series of unsigned essays printed a fortnight ago by the Review now turns out to be the work of Thackeray. The publishers have produced receipts in payments for an article signed by Thackeray. They are fine specimens of his work including his opinion of Frenchmen and other spicy topics.

Chauncey Depew expected to get back from the continent tomorrow. Cornelius Vanderbilt will be here a few days afterward. Their movements are deeply interesting to capitalists connected with the Chicago stock yards enterprises.

The artistic world is laughing over the row between Von Beers and the Royal Antwerp academy. In response to the invitation of the academy Von Beers sent a portrait of Henri Rochefort, asking for an especially good place for the picture. It got there late and was rejected. Von Beers addressed stinging letters to the academy.

Insulted the Committee.

"In Paris," said he, "among gentlemen, when a guest of certain importance, owing to circumstances beyond his control arrives a little late and begs the host kindly to excuse him, I do not think the latter would shut the door in his face. I hoped to please you and you gave me the rebuff. It is so like Antwerp." The academy committee got red hot with anger and sent an answer accusing Von Beers with blustering, saying: "If, sir, you retained any recollection of the poor town of Antwerp so unworthy to have given birth to such a genius as yourself, you would have remembered that here, as in the great Parisian world, a host never fails to welcome a guest who has missed a coach or train, but a guest apologizes and assures him that he is all right and quite contented with what is left. He remembers also that, according to the homely proverb, 'every man is master in his own house', and that no one there is permitted to lay down a law imperiously, not even monarchs of advertisement." The entire correspondence was made public yesterday.

I hear Ivan Caryll, the husband of Geraldine Ulmer, is anxious to get married again. He is a Roman Catholic and she is a Protestant and wishes the ceremony of both churches. Caryll says: "I enjoyed the first experience so much I would like to undergo it again in every country we visit."

DISASTROUS HAIL STORM.

Men Hurt by Falling Stones and Crops Buried.

ST. CLOUD, Minn., Aug. 15.—The storm proves to have been more serious than at first supposed. All corn and standing grain in its path are utterly ruined, the immense hailstones crushing them to the ground. Grain in shocks also suffered severely. Men in fields were bruised and cut about the head by the hail. In some places the hail was fifteen to twenty inches deep on a level. All windows on the exposed side of houses were smashed. No conservative estimate can be made of the damage accomplished, but it must be heavy.

WILLMAR, Minn., Aug. 15.—The hail storm which passed over the eastern portion of this county cut down standing grain. The storm was furious. It rooted up trees and broke down sheds. Hail broke a number of windows.

To Keep Out Tin Workers.

NEW YORK, August 15.—The executive committee of the American federation of labor has instructed President Gompers to co-operate with the Amalgamated association of iron and steel workers for the purpose of preventing the effort to import tin workers into this country.

TROUBLE FOR THE ALLIANCE.

Nebraska Members Cause Discord by Their Scramble for Office.

REPORTS FROM COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Open Rupture in One Instance and Avowed Opposition from Individuals in Many Cases Throughout the State.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The independents held their county convention this afternoon. In the main it was harmonious. J. V. Wolfe acted as chairman and Steve Jones of the World-Herald as secretary.

The following nominations were made: County treasurer, O. Hull; sheriff, William F. Elfeldt; county clerk, William Demaree; clerk of district court, Elias Baker; county superintendent, H. S. Bowers; county judge, W. S. Wynn; surveyor, E. J. Robinson.

A resolution was passed demanding that an investigation be made of the records during Mr. Melick's term of office as sheriff, as he never turned any fees into the county treasurer while his successor, Mr. McClay turned in nearly $2,000.

A resolution was passed favoring the following salaries for county officers:

County clerk, $2,500; county sheriff, $2,500; clerk of district court, $3,000; county superintendent, $1,800. All fees coming into their hands in excess of these amounts to be turned over to the county general fund to the credit of the county, the county to pay for all necessary clerk hire and a reasonable compensation for the same for each office above named.

The delegates to the Hastings convention were authorized to use all means to secure the nomination of Hon. J. W. Edgerton for the office of judge of the supreme court, after a red hot debate. The slight opposition resulted in a flood of eulogiums on the Omaha attorney and resulted in the unanimous passage of the resolution.

The following resolutions, which were aimed at Boss Burrows, were unanimously passed:

Whereas, There are certain designing politicians who for self aggrandizement give out to the public that they are the recognized leaders of the people's independent party; and

Whereas, These methods of procedure bring reproach upon our party and thereby materially retards its growth, therefore

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that such self-constituted party leaders are a disgrace to the party and enemies in disguise.

Resolved, That we do hold and publish to the world,

1. That he who sets himself up as a party boss is a traitor to our cause, for bossism is the especial regime of both the dominant parties.

2. That he who acts the part of a dictator in the independent party should be purged from our councils and be banished to the corrupt school whence he was educated.

3. Bossism, dictatorship and the manipulation of secret conclaves for slating tickets are the fruits of ignorance and tyrrany and the acts of the cunning knave, who is afraid of honest competition in the race for office.

4. That all acts of the people's independent party should be open, free and candid, with the sunlight of heaven shining on all of our labors, and that we may have the utmost freedom and fairness in the selection of our standard bearers, so that they may march to a grand and glorious victory at the coming election.

After the selection of delegates to the state convention the convention proceeded for nominees for district judge. Ex-Attorney General Leese was nominated by acclamation. Judge Tibbetts was next nominated and Mr. Cromwell was the third nominee.

Otoe County Convention.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The political campaign opened up in this locality today and it is now a settled fact that Otoe county will have three full tickets in the field. The independents met today at Syracuse and nominated a full ticket. General Van Wyck was there and occupied a delegate's chair well down in front. The only double-header delegation came from Otoe precinct and none of the other districts had a full representation.

When the meeting was first called to order there were only about fifty of the delegates in the hall, but they kept dropping in as the session proceeded until the gathering adjourned for dinner. The convention was called to order by L. Ward of Russell precinct, chairman of the county central committee. On motion of Sam Patton, M. E. Campbell was made the permanent chairman and E. S. Whittaker as secretary, with C. C. Cowles to assist him. The following committee was selected to prepare credentials: Sam Patton, O. A. Severe, John Sims, R. L. Foster and B. Fitzpatrick.

While the above committee was out preparing its report General Van Wyck took advantage of the opportunity and delivered a fine speech. He talked for thirty minutes.

O. H. Thompson proposed having a big picnic on October 6, and had the matter referred to a committee. If the picnic is made a go Senator Peffer of Kansas and General Van Wyck will be the orators of the day. The county central committee was made up as follows: Nebraska City, first ward, B. Poling; second ward, R. M. Foster; Third ward, G. H. Hails; Fourth ward, W. B. Simpson; Rock Creek, W. Whalana; Wyoming, A. Tipton; Belmont, Sam Patton; North Branch, N. Ehlers; Four Mile, G. Mahley; Syracuse, G. B. Sabin; Osage, R. J. Beers; Palmyra, E. H. Baldwin; South Branch, George Quible; Russell, Levi Ward, Deleware, B. F. Westbrook; Hendricks, Thomas Barker; McWilliams, A. H. Walker; Otoe, Van Overton; Berlin, Louis Carstens. The following gentlemen were selected as delegates to the state convention which meets at Hastings, August 18: Washington Hair, C. H. Van Wyck, Z. Masters, T. D. Harver, Van Overton, John William, Sam London, Robert C. Druezedow, J. H. Davidson, G. H. Wilson, Robert Elliott, George Quble and E. H. Baldwin. After this much had been accomplished, some of the delegates proposed that the convention shut off making any nominations, but the motion was set down and the following gentlemen were nominated: Clerk of the district court, William Moran; county clerk, D. H. Doeden; county treasurer, Eugene Munn; sheriff, Warren Willman; coroner, C. N. Karsten; county commissioner, William Young; county superintendent of schools, William Griffith. There were from two to six candidates for each nomination.

Trouble for the Alliance.

HARVARD, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The caucus for election of delegates to the county convention of the farmers' alliance was held here Thursday. It developed yesterday that several of the leaders were not satisfied with the delegation elected because a part of the members refused to agree to support Harvard, the candidate for district judge at the county convention. A consultation was held yesterday and another caucus convened last night, at which a new delegation was elected, all of the members of which will support Harvard, and a double header goes to the convention at Clay Center today prepared for the fight. Great interest is manifested here. It is a question which of the delegations will be recognized.

Ticket Composed of Farmers.

ALBION, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The independent convention of Boone county convened today at Albion and made the following nominations: For treasurer, D. K. Cackin; sheriff, R. H. Shafer; superintendent, James Pelley; county judge, Joseph Hamilton; clerk of the district court, W. A. Hosford; surveyor, M. G. Barnes; county clerk, W. B. Watson; commissioner, L. W. Braman; coroner, D. E. Sabin, M.D. The convention met in the opera house. There was a large attendance, and the persons selected are good men. All are farmers except W. A. Hosford.

Not a Strong Ticket.

ALMA, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The independent convention here today nominated the following ticket: County clerk, Theodore Mahan; treasurer, C. W. Whitney; judge, J. D. Smith; sheriff, H. B. Dow; clerk of the district court, Will Downs; superintendent of public instruction, J. T. Lampson; surveyor, A. Hoffmayer; coroner, J. O. Hoffman. The clerk of the district court, surveyor and coroner succeed themselves. The ticket, outside of the clerk and clerk of the district court, is not considered a strong one by some members of the alliance. The delegates selected for the district convention are not yet instructed, but favor the nomination of Judge Gaslin. The convention passed resolutions adopting the Cincinnati declaration of principles and platform.

Some Hot Resolutions.

GRANT, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The independent county convention was held in this city today and was the largest convention ever held in the county. There were present fifty delegates, every one of the fourteen precincts in the county being represented. Representative Charles Purnell was elected permanent chairman and T. A. Clugston secretary. A complete county ticket was nominated. N. T. Potter received the nomination for county clerk; E. M. Harrison, treasurer; T. W. Hall, sheriff; Rev. W. S. Hampton, county juudge; A. M. Johnson, surveyor; Miss Jennie Carothers, who was assistant postmaster of the house of representatives during the last legislature, was nominated for county superintendent; C. A. Cooper, coroner, and Calvin Sparks, commissioner.

Following are the names selected to be delegates to the state convention: E. W. Ellis, A. B. Wilcox, Calvin Sparks, E. Barrister and H. R. Wilson.

It was recommended that the delegates cast their vote for Judge Inman of North Platte for supreme judge.

After the nominations were made a general love feast followed and speeches were made by the nominees, denouncing the two old parties and favoring sticking to the men they had nominated. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That no person be placed in nomination for any office who has been identified with the independents and advocated independent principles at the last election in November.

Resolved, That we endorse the Principle advocated in the platform of the Cincinnati convention. That we denounce action of twenty-second session of the legislature of Nebraska for defeating the opportionment bill, known as house roll bill No. 288. That we denounce the democratic alien Acting Governor Boyd for vetoing the Newberry bill; That the state board of transportation deserves condemnation of all the producing classes of Nebraska for not fixing a maximum freight on all of the railroads of this state. That we favor the election of good and true men to all official positions, who will regard such positions as a public trust to be administered in interests of the whole people.

Creighton's Convention.

CREIGHTON, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE]—The Alliance convention for Knox county was held here today. It will go down in history as a memorable one for the persistency in which the candidates continued to bob up. Forty-two delegates considered with closed doors this forenoon the availability of over forty candidates for the various offices and from the fact that after dinner the candidates were on hand showing for reform, it is concluded that the delegates gave it up in the secret morning session. The open convention was called to order by County President McCoy. At 2 o'clock a glee club of ladies and gentlemen sang "When the Farmers Get a Chance." Seven candidates scored for the start on treasurer and on the fourth ballot S. L. Whitmore of Walnut Grove came out best. Nine candidates followed in the candidacy for county clerk, Charles C. Van Camp of Verdigree winning in the fifth.

The other officers nominated were: Sheriff, Charles Crockett; county judge, J. N. McCormick; superintendent of schools, J. P. Preston; clerk of the district court, John T. Lindsay, jr.; coroner, Dr. W. O. Campbell, and surveyor, F. M. Grove. The delegates elected to the state convention were: Hon. J. G. Cruse, chairman; P. Phillips, George Hanks, S. Patton Van Camp, A. L. Jones, I. L. Whitmore, D. Mooney and Frank Schneider. The same delegates were elected to attend the district judicial convention at Norfolk. A motion to instruct the delegation for W. V. Allen of Madison for district judge was lost in the shuffle, although it is understood that they are favorable to him. Considerable dissatisfaction exists among the delegates as to the nominations made. It is not a strong ticket.

More Alliance Discord.

ATKINSON, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The independents of Holt county met at this place today at 10 a. m. J. P. Mullen was made temporary president and S. B. Howard secretary. These officers were made permanent. The different committees were appointed and adjournment taken until 1:30. After dinner the different committees reported.

Five townships were found without representatives, and after discussing the pros and cons of the ordinary alliance platform, with the adoption of a woman suffrage plank and a resolution to the effect that no liquors or cigars should be used by candidates for campaign purposes, the convention proceeded to the nomination of candidates.

Sheriff, C. M. Smith of Connolly township; treasurer, J. P. Mullen of Pleasantview; county clerk, S. L. Congers of Inman; judge, W. M. Bowen.

An adjournment was then taken until 8 o'clock. The ticket elected so far does not create harmony in chunks, from the fact that there were fourteen candidates for sheriff, twelve for clerk and eight for county judge. The western part of the county has been skunked on the officers and feel sore.

Nuckolls County Independents.

NELSON, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The independent county convention was held today at this place with a fair attendance. Resolutions favoring the free and unlimited coinage of silver and a circulating medium of $50 per capita were adopted. The old parties came in for their share of denunciation. The republican members of the alliance were not in it. The following ticket was placed in nomination:

Clerk of the district court, J. M. Burd, democrat; treasurer, John D. Rouse, greenbacker; county clerk, W. G. Bradley, democrat; county judge, Gaines Patrick, democrat; sheriff, L. D. Baldwin, democrat; superintendent, V. A. Thomas, democrat; coroner, Dr. Barrett, democrat; commissioner, F. W. Tucker, republican; surveyor, F. B. Cope, democrat.

With the exception of the nominees for treasurer and county clerk the ticket is not regarded as a strong one. The nominees for superintendent and commissioner and judge are particularly unpopular.

Nemaha Independents.

AUBURN, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The independents of Nemaha county met in convention today at the court house in Auburn. Eleven precincts were represented by 135 delegates. J. Johnson was chosen chairman, Fred Huntington and J. T. Ralston secretaries. The following delegates were chosen to the state convention: J. T. Ralston, Ben Fredenberg, J. J. McAllister, W. W. Seammon, A. W. Saultzbaugh, J. H. Dundas, D. N. Jones, T. G. Ferguson, G. N. Titus, J. W. May, B. J. Johnson.

The following are delegates to the judicial convention: J. D. Storms, Dan Carey, M. C. Shurtleff, J. C. Densor, D. W. Pierson, A. C. Leeper, A. Watkins, E. F. Swobe, Robert Smith, S. H. Shroap, R. J. Stewart.

All delegates go uninstructed. The following were chosen members of the state central committee: T. G. Ferguson, J. D. Storms, John Swan. The convention named Saturday, September 26, as the day on which to select a county ticket.

County Candidates Named.

MINDEN, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The alliance county convention was held in this city today. The following ticket was nominated: For treasurer, A. B. Andrews; county clerk, A. G. Bloomfield; district clerk, J. E. Hedlund; county judge, E. O. Smead; sheriff, Patrick H. Driscoll; superintendent, Sylvester Canaday; coroner, G. J. Richmond; surveyor, John Seedler. Delegates were chosen to the state and judicial conventions. Delegates to the judicial convention were instructed for Fletcher of Franklin as first choice, Shaffer of Holdredge second. Ragan wasn't in it.

Cass County Republicans.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Cass county republican central committee met here today and set the date for holding the convention for September 19. The primaries will be held September 12.

Endorsed Judge Gaslin.

HOLDREDGE, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The farmers alliance of

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Commencing Monday Morning, August 17th, and for 3 days Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we will give Discount of

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Ladies' Lawn Dressing Sacques,
Ladies' Chemise,
Ladies' Drawers,
Ladies' Night Dresses,
Ladies' Skirts,
Ladies' Corset Covers,
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SEVERE STORM AT HASTINGS.

Much Valuable Property Destroyed by Wind and Rain.

ROOFING FACTORY TOTALLY WRECKED.

One Person Probably Fatally Injured From the Effects of Shock by Lightning—Details of the Elements Work.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Last night between 8 and 9 o'clock Hastings was visited by one of the most terrific electric storms that ever raged in this portion of the state. The rain fell in torrents and the lightning flashes were continuous. Strong trees were broken by the irresistable tempest like so many pipe stems. Cellars were flooded out, houses were tipped over, bill boards demolished and loose boxes and boards were scattered by the terrific onslaught of wind and water.

The new Vulcanite roofing factory was blown over and totally wrecked. The loss was covered by a tornado insurance policy. In the midst of the storm an electric light wire crossed a telephone wire and forty-seven telephones were burned out. Hundreds of shade trees were killed or injured. Water leaked in the Alexander block on Second street and Lincoln avenue at an open upstairs hall door and dripped down into the notion store of J. V. Rowells and did much damage there. Mr. Rowell's cellar is flooded with three feet of water. R. B. Wahlquist's house was struck by lightning.

Henry Smith, a gentleman of color, was driving "Trailer," N. H. Dillon's pacer, in the free-for-all at the matinee races yesterday afternoon and had just driven under the wire when a driver behind him drove his sulky into Harry's. Smith was thrown out, but as he fortunately struck on his head he was not injured.

W. Browne Cessna, a son of Judge Cessna, is quite dangerously ill.

A lively runaway on Second street yesterday afternoon sent pedestrians scurrying.

The damage by last night's storm in the country south of town was very heavy. Lammert Lay reports that corn is almost totally destroyed around his place, six miles southeast of town. Mr. Lay's barn was destroyed and carried bodily for some distance. The damage at Juniata is said to have been much heavier than here. North of town the corn fared better than south.

August 18 and 19 the Hastings ball club are preparing to play Plattsmouth, or rather a picked club of the best players from all over the state. It is commonly understood here that Castone and Maupin of the Lincoln Giants will play with the state, but it is doubtful whether they will be allowed to play on the grounds after their letter to Plattsmouth complaining of cheating here. Miles of the Texas league is now in the city to play against Hastings.

Joseph Cox, traveling solicitor of the B. & M. railroad, was in the city on company business yesterday.

Paralized by Lightning.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—During last night's electric storm Miss Laura Bates, residing on east Fifth street, while closing an open window, received what is supposed to have been a return shock from a bolt which struck a block or so away. She was rendered unconscious and is now temporarily paralized in her left limb. A peculiar feature is that the outlines of the posterior tibial and peroneal nerves are clearly marked by a greenish streak.

Reports are confirmatory of heavy damage to crops by hail and lightning in the southern part of the county.

BLACK HILLS NEWS.

Much Valuable Mining Property Being Developed by Syndicate Aid.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The controlling interest in the Lead City gold and silver mining company passed this week to A. D. Clark of Buffalo Gap, who is representing a syndicate of Iowa and Illinois capitalists. Immediately after the transfer the directory was reorganized, a new superintendent appointed and a force put to work getting out ore for shipment. The company owns a group of six claims in the Bald mountain district, showing ore that averages $37 per ton. Owners of the Big Bonanza lode are now shipping 200 tons of $38 ore to the Aurora, Ill., plant.

Alterations to the furnace of the Deadwood and Delaware smelter have been completed and the plant is once more in full blast, running on ore from the Maggie mines. The daily bullion output is a little more than $12,000.

The Golden Reward chlorination works were idle five days during the first half of the present month while repairs were being made to the dust chamber. Notwithstanding this, however, a gold brick valued at $8,000 was shipped yesterday.

A long pending injunction suit which has prevented the Elkhorn railroad from completing one of its spurs on the Bald mountain narrow gauge extension has been settled and the company now has a large force grading for the line to the Portland and Mark Twain mines. The former has 700 tons of $50 ore on the dump and the latter some four hundred tons of $60 ore waiting to be shipped.

The hoisting works on the Minnesota mine were damaged by fire to the amount of $3,000 on Tuesday. The effect will be to delay development of the property until repairs are made.

A dispatch from Hermosa says that arrangements have been perfected for the concentration of the ores from the Spokane silver mine at the Glendale mill which is only about two miles from the mine. By this arrangement the owners will realize a considerably greater profit in working the mine as there is quite a quantity of ore that is hardly rich enough to pay for shipping to Omaha or Denver but which will pay a nice profit by concentrating here in the hills.

Busy Christian Workers.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., Aug. 13.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Chautauqua association of the Black Hills is in session with a good attendance and a rich programme. No more beautiful spot can be found in the picturesque Black Hills than was selected for the grounds. Bounded on the several sides by the majestic hills, fringed with the evergreen pines and cedars, while a serpentine stream of clear water ripples over the pebbles at the base of the pavillion. Nestled in this cosy, beautiful canyon are found a large number of white tents about the auditorium room, and all occupied with earnest, devoted students of biblical history, and regaling themselves three times a day off the rich feasts provided for upon the platform.

It is a positive luxury to look upon this busy hive of Christian workers, note their earnestness, their devotion to work and hunger for knowledge in the higher and broader fields of biblical literature. The programme contains the names of such men as the scholarly and learned Dr. Freeman of the state university of Wisconsin. As a word-painter and graceful teacher the platform does not furnish his superior. The witty, profound and captivating lecturer, Prof. John Dewitt Miller; the studious, careful and learned biblical student, Rev. Dr. Ternilliger. Time would fail to particularize, but it is enough to say a richer repast of intellectual viands has never been offered the people of the Black Hills. The musical department is equally as rich as any other, both vocal and instrumental.

The management of the entertainment is in the hands of that tireless and skillful worker, Rev. Dr. J. W. Hancher, president of the Black Hills college. It is but due to say that progress, reform, education, broad christianity, moral purity and intellectual culture has in President Hancher a champion who has no book in which the word "fail" is found when he is enlisted.

The board of directors yesterday issued a season ticket free of charge to each of the sixty-two members of the soldiers' home. This generous act is greatly appreciated by the old veterans, on whose hands time hangs heavily. They greatly enjoy the services in the cool shade and with hearts full of gratitude thank President Hancher and his colaborers. The number of strangers in town are numerous, some enjoying the health giving baths, some rambles over the hills, and all the Chautauqua.

The Adelphian quartette of Crete are met with storms of applause at each appearance. Prof. Vance is in charge of the vocal music classes and is the right man in the right place.

Judgment Unsatisfied.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Eleven days ago Captain C. T. Jeffers, deputy warden of the state penitentiary and captain of company B of the state guards and a prominent citizen of this city was arrested and imprisoned in the county jail in consequence of his assumed inability to pay a judgment of $9,500 obtained for damages sustained by Miss Maggie O'Rourke, who was injured while crossing the street by the explosion of a cannon which Jeffers was firing in honor of the election of Senator Pettigrew in November, 1889. Today the captain appealed before Judge Aikens and asked to have the action of Miss O'Rourke dismissed. After a complete examination it was found that a considerable amount of property had changed from the captain's possession to that of his wife after the beginning of the suit. The judge intimated that the transfers were fraudulent and before any decision could be delivered the defense withdrew their motion to dismiss and the deputy warden was remanded back to jail where he will remain until some disposition is made of the property alleged to have been fraudulently transferred.

Affairs at Pine Ridge.

PINE RIDGE, S. D., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Dr. V. T. McGillycuddy, ex-agent, arrived at the agency today. It is understood here that the doctor comes by request of some of the most influential chiefs and head men of the Sioux nation, and that he will use his best endeavors to bring about a satisfactory settlement between the government and the "friendly" Indians during the late war in regard to their claims for damages resulting to them by reason of the depredations committed by the hostiles of that event.

A very strong opposition to the reappointment of Dr Royer as agent at Pine Ridge has manifested itself during the past few days, some of the best Indians at the agency declaring that should that gentleman be reappointed to the position from which he was removed last January, that they would ignore his authority, and even going so far as to threaten him personal violence should he have the hardihood to again visit the agency.

Affairs here are running smoothly under the present administration and the Indians are well pleased with the treatment so far accorded them since difficulties have ceased.

Damaged by Flood.

ROSEBUD AGENCY, S. D., Aug. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A cloud burst or water spout made a great flood at the agency yesterday morning. All the bridges across Rosebud creek at the agency were washed out, and the slaughter house was a complete wreck. The roads through the canons are in a very bad condition at present. Hail was very bad in the vicinity of Cody on the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley.

THINKS OMAHA WILL GET IT.

Ex-Congressman Conger's Views of Nebraska's Claims to the Convention.

ADMIRES HER ENERGETIC EFFORT.

Continued Work in the Line Already Indicated Will Give the City a Good Lead in the Race.

CHICAGO BUREAU OF THE BEE, CHICAGO, Aug. 15.

Talking of national republican affairs to a reporter for the Tribune today, ex-Congressman Conger of Ohio spoke in terms of the highest admiration for Omaha's energetic canvass for the next national convention. "And," said he, "the city has a number of claims which will have to be considered. When the committee meets in New York in November to decide upon the location Omaha will have a delegation of representative men there and will make a strong bid. And she may get it. Much more unlikely things have happened.

Will Rival Dwight.

It has been decided that Chicago will soon be a rival of Dwight in the matter of an asylum for alcoholic patients. The time is not far distant when visitors will see more typical "horrible examples" than in any other city—except Dwight—in the country. In other words, an institution for the cure of "drunkards, morphine eaters and cigarette fiends" will be erected and the bichloride-of-gold treatment will be given. Dr. Hargreaves, who is one of the alleged discoverers of the cure and who is the only one except Dr. Keeley who knows the mystery of the ingredients of the composition, is organizing a company for the new sanitarium, and upon its erection will be installed as president and chief advisor.

Western People in Chicago.

The following western people are in the city:

At the Grand Pacific—G. H. McLennan, Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. George M. Tuttle, Salt Lake City, Utah.

At the Auditorium—K. C. Morehouse, Omaha; B. E. Brewster, Cheyenne.

At the Richelieu—R. G. Redd, Miles City; Mr. and Mrs. James Farley, Creston.

At the Wellington—E. P. Pratt, Des Moines, Ia.; C. M. Thompson, Walter H. Cook, Arthur Johnson, Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hanscom and Miss Hanscom of Omaha are at the Palmer on their way home from the east, where they they have been for several weeks past.

Hon. and Mrs. W. A. Paxton, who have been in the city for several days past, leave for home tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Moores are at the Auditorium. They attended the Grand Army reunion at Detroit, and are en route home. Mr. Moores stopped at the Libby prison to have a plate affixed to the floor to mark the spot where he used to sleep while a prisoner in that institution. F. A.

PRELIMINARY SCORES.

Result of the Practice Firing by the Cavalrymen at Bellevue.

BELLEVUE, Neb., Aug. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Today closed the preliminary practice firing by the cavalrymen. The day was well calculated for good shooting, and some very nice work was done. The total score for practice firing is:

Name, troop and regiment.	Aggregate.
M. L. Mitchell, K, Sixth	479
A. Gray, Sixth	465
W. C. Carroll, H, Sixth	447
S. W. Thomas, A, Ninth	431
M. Toler, D, Ninth	431
A. W. Strother, F, Ninth	416
P. A. Bettens, Ninth	415
W. Davis, G, Ninth	407
F. Warren, B, Sixth	402
W. Mason, B, Ninth	398
C. Sholz, A, Sixth	397
S. L. Edmondson, I, Ninth	383
J. J. Pershing, Sixth	383
M. S. Parker, Ninth	371
A. Drew, H, Ninth	370
J. Oliver, F, Sixth	358
M. B. Swanson, D, Sixth	304
A. Baker, C, Sixth	359
J. J. McCarthy, G, Sixth	355
E. F. Golden, E, Ninth	351
DISTINGUISHED MARKSMEN.	
J. B. Kerr, captain, Sixth	441
A. Keiser, blacksmith, H, Sixth	466
J. Garrard, captain, Ninth	435
M. W. Day, captain, Ninth	372
J. F. Jackson, sergeant, G, Ninth	420

Agricultural Chemists Elect.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The association of official agricultural chemists has elected officers for the next year as follows: President, N. P. Lupton of Auburn, Ala.; vice president, S. M. Babcock of Madison, Wis.; secretary, H. W. Wiley of Washington, D. C.

Hungary Will Be on Hand.

BUDA PESTH, Aug. 15.—The Chicago fair commissioners have been assured by the minister of commerce of his hearty interest in the exhibition. He will appoint a fair commission and will send a special representative to Chicago

England's Trade Decline.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—The Pall Mall Gazette, in an article on British trade, gives as a further evidence of the declining trade of the country the great decrease in the freight traffic in England and Scotland.