OMAHA IN A BASE BALL SENSE

Where Her Team Stands and Where It Should Stand in the Race.

NEW PLAYERS ARE NEEDED BADLY

Some Radical Changes Must Be Made in the List Now Composing the Club—Players That Might Be Had Here—Yesterday's Sport.

The eight nags, Columbus, Milwaukee, Toledo, Kansas City, Omaha, Minneapolis, Fort Wayne and Indianapolis, constituting the starters in the great Western Association handicap, have rounded into the home stretch in the first championship heat in the order named, and are coming down to the wire at a rollicking pace, with their jockeys, Gus Schmelz, Charlie Cushman, Parson Nicholson, Jimmie Manning, Uncle Dave, Charlie Morton, Billy Alvord, and Welyum Sharsig, plying whip and spur remorselessly.

That the handicap has not been an equitable one, especially as to the weight of the jockeys, has been patent to all close observers from the moment the flag fell, and the triumvirate of millennium judges who selected and groomed the respective entries, were either thoroughly incompetent to the task or dishonest in its execution.

You pays your money and takes your choice.

In the field there are at least two nags that would cut a better figure pulling a plow in a cornfield than on a race course struggling for a championship pennant. In one instance the entry is too young and too inexperienced, and in another too old and decrepit, but I won't be personal and mention names.

The result of the first heat at this early date is a foregone conclusion. The nags will finish about as they stand this morning, with the exception that the chase for third place is a trifle problematical, although Kansas City has the call at about 40 to 1.

What Omaha Needs.

As for Omaha, she has about all she can exact, and that this is a disappointment to her backers and supporters cannot be contradicted. She was not a fast horse at the start and her lack of condition and training unfitted her for so long a journey. Again, her grooming has not been all that it might have been, and her owners and jockey must hump themselves from this on to keep her in form guaranteeing anything better in the second heat.

President Stout should make himself heard and that speedily, too. We have got the worst of it from the start, being snort a fielder and a catcher until within the past three weeks, when Bobby Westlake happened accidentally to come our way. The dereliction of the millennium judges forced Omaha to play a semi-professional in the field for the first two months and to keep a very ordinary catcher behind the plate. Cushman, the bulldozer of Milwaukee, runs one of the best little catchers in the business, in young Lake, out of the league by his arrogance and harsh treatment, and within three days thereafter he gets a man in his place good enough for the National league. This is "Bridget" Donahue. Milwaukee telegraphs the millennium judges that it is "Bridget" or she quits and the next day "Bridget" is behind the bat in Brower town. This is but a quiet tip for President Stout. Get a man or two you sadly need and want or quit. That is the open sesame to the trimmer's warehouse of players.

There are one or two players in the present team who should have felt the knife weeks ago. No sentiment should enter into the argument to the peril of the prospects of the club. If an out-fielder can't stop more than one ground hit out of four, release him. That's the medicine! There are plenty of idle ball players to fill all vacancies, and the millenium judges will be forced to respond. Release two or three at a time for instance, and lay off until their places are occupied by competent men, if there is no other resort. This will demonstrate all there is in this great millenium plan.

Bobby Black is lying idle at Sioux City, and wants to play at Omaha at Omaha's own figures, as documents in my hands will prove. While far from being a brilliant man in the field, he is a better catch, covers more ground, can throw farther and truer, bats well, and is superior all 'round to one or two of our present fielders. On the bases he is as lively as any man in the team, and bats about as well. Omaha will lose nothing by an exchange.

Other Players in Sight.

The Columbus Journal of yesterday says: "The case of Fred Lake, the Milwaukee catcher, demands the attention of the Western league. Lake is a good man and should not be kept out of ball simply because he would not brook the abuse of Cushman. Why not assign him to some other club of the league? Lake will play anywhere and is anxious to get to work. Omaha needs a catcher and Kansas City thinks she does. Send Lake to one of these places and allow them to release somebody who is proving a weight to carry."

Columbus has got all she wants and can afford to be magnanimous, and if she didn't have what she wanted you can bet your big money she would get it, and get it quick.

But without further extortation the condition of things has simply simmered down to the fact that Omaha must brace up, and brace up materially, if she wants to see a full grand stand and bleacher. No sensible or fair-minded man will kick or complain if the team plays good ball and loses, but to dump game after game, as they have recently to Fort Wayne and Kansas City by wooden-headed work, is only calculated to engender dissatisfaction and kill all interest in the game.

The Cincinnati Times Star of Monday says: "Eddie Burke evidently believes that his days as a Red are numbered, for he has written to Milwaukee asking them to put in a claim for him." This is another little pointer for President Stout. Omaha, Indianapolis, Fort Wayne and Minneapolis should throw up the sponge incontinently before allowing Burke to go to Milwaukee.

THE BASE BALL PROGRAM.

How Rowe and His Rustlers Will Pass the June Days.

The Omahas will return Saturday and in the afternoon open up their third series with the Toledos. Up to date it is a standoff with the two teams, they having won two games each. On their first trip here but two games were played, Omaha taking the first by a score of 5 to 2, and Toledo the second, 3 to 1.

But two games also were played at Toledo on the occasion of the Omahas' visit there, Toledo taking the first by a score of 3 to 0, and Omaha the second 6 to 2. These games conclusively prove that the two teams are very evenly balanced, and as a consequence the rivalry between them is intense, and a gigantic effort will be put forth in the coming series for the supremacy. Omaha having the advantage of playing on the home grounds should come out on top.

There will probably be four games, two of which will come in on one day, probably Sunday afternoon, as the Toledos are scheduled here for Saturday, Sunday and Monday, and on Tuesday Columbus arrives for her third tilt at the Rustlers. So far they have only knocked us out six times straight, the three defeats on the home grounds being largely due to Charley Snyder's partial umpiring. In fact his work was little less than barefaced robbery. As it was, however, the Buckeyes only pulled out by the skin of their teeth, the scores being 4 to 3, 2 to 1 and 5 to 3.

This trip Uncle Dave will make a superhuman endeavor to even up in a measure. The Schmelz family being here Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Following Columbus comes Milwaukee, who as yet have not played a game here this season, and on their own grounds Omaha beat them two out of three. They play here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the 11th, 12th and 13th. The Brewers are very strong, and Omaha must put up much better ball than she has been doing to keep the best of them. On the 14th, 15th and 16th, Indianapolis, under the management of Billy Sharsig, will make their appearance here. The two teams, owing to the rainy weather, have only met twice so far this year, and Omaha came out victorious in both contests. The Blue Jays, however, are playing in much better form than during their former visit here, and are not to be sneezed at.

This closes the first championship division for the Omahas on the home grounds, as on the 17th, 18th and 19th they play at Indianapolis, thence to Milwaukee, Toledo and Columbus, where they close the first championship season, opening up at home in the second division with Toledo, July 2, 3 and 4, two games being scheduled for the latter date.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Pittsburg Has Very Little Trouble in Defeating New York.

NEW YORK, June 1.—The Pittsburg team defeated the crippled giants at the polo grounds today. Weather fine. Attendance, 907. Score:

New York	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	—4
Pittsburg	3	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	*	—7

Hits: New York, 6; Pittsburg, 9. Errors: New York, 1; Pittsburg, 2. Earned runs: New York, 2; Pittsburg, 4. Batteries: Sharritt, King and Fields; Baldwin and Mack.

Beaneaters Still Lucky.

BOSTON, Mass., June 1.—The Bostons made but four hits, but they bunched three of them in the third with two bases on balls and three stolen bases and won the game. Weather clear and hot. Attendance 1,727. Score:

Boston	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	—5
St. Louis	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—1

Hits: Boston, 4; St. Louis, 3. Errors: Boston, 1; St. Louis, 8. Earned runs: None. Batteries: Nichols and Bennett; Breitenstein and Bird.

Brooklyn in Second Place.

NEW YORK, June 1.—The Bridegrooms defeated the crippled "Colonels" in a walk at Eastern park, Brooklyn, today. Weather fine. Attendance, 1,683. Score:

Brooklyn	4	2	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	—12
Louisville	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2—4

Hits: Brooklyn, 15; Louisville, 8. Errors: Brooklyn, 4; Louisville, 5. Earned runs: Brooklyn, 4; Louisville, 1. Batteries: Ines and Daley; Meekin and Dowse.

Orioles Can't Win.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 1.—Timely hitting in the third and eighth inning won today's game from the Orioles on the part of Cincinnati. Weather clear. Attendance 1,482. Score:

Baltimore	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	—4
Cincinnati	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	*	—6

Hits: Baltimore, 8; Cincinnati, 7. Errors: Baltimore, 5; Cincinnati, 4. Earned runs: Baltimore, 2; Cincinnati, 3. Batteries: Healey and Gunson; Chamberlain and Murphy.

Senators Be at the Spiders.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—Washington batted out a victory over Cleveland today in the ninth inning. Weather warm. Attendance, 1,425. Score:

Washington	0	0	0	1	3	1	1	0	5	—8
Cleveland	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	—7

Hits: Washington, 15; Cleveland, 13. Errors: Washington, 1; Cleveland, 6. Earned runs: Washington, 2; Cleveland 4. Batteries: Killen and Milligan; Young and Zimmer.

Uncle is Third Again.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 1.—The Phillies defeated Chicago rather easily this afternoon. Weather clear and warm. Attendance, 2,500. Score:

Chicago	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	—3
Philadelphia	0	1	0	1	3	3	0	4	*	—12

Hits: Chicago, 9; Philadelphia, 17. Errors: Chicago, 5; Philadelphia, 1. Earned runs: Chicago, 3; Philadelphia, 2. Batteries: Hutchinson and Schriver; Keefe, Weyhing and Clements.

Games Postponed.

All Western league games scheduled for yesterday were postponed.

STATE LEAGUE.

Beatrice Grabs Another Game from Hastings Without Formality.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Though the weather looked threatening there was a big crowd in attendance at the Beatrice-Hastings game here this afternoon. Hastings narrowly escaped a complete shut out. The visitors were continually guyed by the local hoodlum element in retaliation for the treatment recently accorded the Beatrice club at Hastings. Score:

Beatrice	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	—4
Hastings	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—1

Earned runs: Beatrice, 3; Hastings, 1. Base on balls: Off Johnson, 5. Struck out: By Slagle, 3; Johnson, 10. Home run: McFarland. Two-base hit: Holahan. Sacrifice hit: Jones. Stolen base: Beatrice, 10. Hit by pitcher: Holmes, Slagle, Bradford. Passed balls: Chiles, 1. Errors: Beatrice, 1; Hastings, 1. Batteries: Slagle and Jones; Johnson and Chiles. Time: One hour and thirty minutes. Umpire: Hart.

Twelve Close Innings.

FREMONT, Neb., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Grand Island ballists got away with the home team here today in a twelve-inning game, which was well worth seeing, but the attendance was small. Score:

Fremont	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	—4
Grand Island	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	—5

Batteries: Kimmel and Bowman; Summers and Murray. Umpire: Fullmer.

Standing of the Teams.

WESTERN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Columbus	25	8	.758	Omaha	11	14	.440
Milwaukee	17	9	.654	Minneapolis	9	14	.391
Toledo	14	12	.538	Fort Wayne	9	16	.360
Kansas City	14	12	.538	Indianapolis	8	17	.150

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston	28	9	.757	New York	18	18	.500
Brooklyn	22	13	.629	Philadelphia	18	19	.486
Chicago	22	14	.611	Louisville	16	20	.444
Cincinnati	23	16	.590	Washington	13	22	.371
Pittsburg	21	18	.538	St. Louis	12	25	.324
Cleveland	19	18	.514	Baltimore	9	27	.250

STATE LEAGUE.

Beatrice	10	4	.714	Hastings	9	10	.474
Grand Island	12	6	.667	Plattsmouth	6	10	.375
Fremont	8	8	.500	Kearney	4	11	.267

Games Today.

Western league: Omaha at Kansas City, Columbus at Indianapolis, Toledo at Fort Wayne, Minneapolis at Milwaukee. National League: Pittsburg at New York, Cleveland at Washington, Cincinnati at Baltimore, Louisville at Brooklyn, Chicago at Philadelphia, St. Louis at Boston. State league: Hastings at Beatrice, Grand Island at Fremont, Kearney at Plattsmouth.

Work of the Amateurs.

The Creighton Juniors fell upon the Columbians yesterday afternoon and waxed them soundly. The score:

Creightons	4	0	3	0	2	0	0	1	3	—12
Columbians	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	—6

The features of the game were the superb battery work of Lowry and Lee and the home run by Kennedy. The latter was in the final inning with two men on bases. The all-round work of Smith, Clark and Grotte was also very creditable.

The Fort Omaha Juniors after a hard fight were made to lay down by the Tweenty-seventh Street Stars by the following score:

Stars	2	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	—9
Forts	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	—8

Batteries: Holliday and Wiggins; Tully and Welch.

The College Springs, Iowa, team and the College Nine played an eight inning game yesterday, 3 to 3, rain preventing the finish. Batteries: College Nine, Bodwell and Tiggert; College Springs, Anderson and Henderson. Umpire—Bagnall.

The Burt Street Clippers are languishing for a game with any team in the city under 12 years of age, the Cathedrals preferred. Address Frank Fitzpatrick, manager, 721 North Eighteenth street.

DeWitt's Sarsaparilla destroys such poisons as scrofula, skin disease, eczema, rheumatism. Its timely use saves many lives.

GRATEFUL INDEED.

Methodists Who Went to the Black Hills Resolve Some.

The Methodist conference excursionists who returned Monday evening from their three days' jaunt in the Black Hills are much pleased and gratified with the country. They passed resolutions to the effect that they greatly admired the country between Omaha and Deadwood. They were amazed at the wonderful fertility of the soil along the route of the B. & M., and at the numerous evidences of the rapid growth, wealth and prosperity of the two states. Such a condition of affairs invited immigration to enlarge agriculture, grazing, commerce and all the enterprises of an advanced and rapidly growing community with schools, churches and other agencies of cultivation, happiness and refinement.

Another resolution was adopted, expressing the satisfaction of the excursionists with the Black Hills regions.

The excursionists by resolution also tendered thanks to J. Francis, general passenger agent of the B. & M., and other employes of the company for their care, attention and consideration on the trip.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething produces natural, quiet sleep. 25 cents a bottle.

SIR HUGO WON THE DERBY

He Leads the Thirteen English Cracks in the Great Turf Event.

LA FLESCHE THE FAVORITE RAN SECOND

Slavin Tries to Account for His Defeat by Saying That He Was Out of Condition—Sullivan Mourns Over the Fight's Outcome.

LONDON, June 1.—Derby day, the great day of all the year in the English turf calendar, opened cold and cloudy, but later the skies cleared and an immense throng was present when the classic turf event was run. The members of the royal family were absent, being in mourning for the duke of Clarence.

Since the duke of Westminster's Orme was scratched, Baron Hirsch's filly, La Flesche, had been the favorite in the betting, with Rose's colt, Bonavista, and Colonel North's colt, El Diabolo, well thought of.

The rain last night put the course in fine condition. The horses got away at 3:30 this afternoon. M. Camille Blanc's colt, Bucentaure (French bred) by Saxifrane, out of Benise, made most of the running to the quarter mile, where Lord Bradford's Sir Hugo, by Wisdom, out of Manœuvre drew to the front, and coming on won by three-quarters of a length, La Flesche, by St. Simon, out of Quiver, second, one length before Bucentaure; St. Angelos fourth. Thirteen ran.

Betting before the start was 40 to 1 against Sir Hugo. The time of the race was two minutes and forty-four seconds. Sir Hugo was ridden by Alsopp. The crowd at Epsom was the largest gathering in many years. Peter Jackson, the colored pugilist, was among the spectators and attracted much attention.

Splendid Sport at Latonia.

CINCINNATI, O., June 1.—There was a large crowd at Latonia today. The weather was pleasant and track good. Seven races were down on the card, of which good favorites won the majority. There were very few heavily backed favorites after the first three races, and throughout the day the betting was pretty evenly distributed among two or three of the horses in each race. The greatest surprise was when Koko at 5 to 1 beat Judge Cartwell at 1 to 3. In the fifth race Contest fell down at the half mile pole and broke his leg and otherwise injured himself. There is not much possibility of his living. Contest's rider, Porter, was unhurt. Merriment, who won the third race, was sold to his owner, J. O'Leary, for $3,505, $2,505 over his entered price. This gave Little George, who ran second, nearly $1,300.

First race, selling purse, for 3-year-olds and upward, eleven-sixteenths of a mile: Elsie S. (4 to 1) won, Day Dalsifer (20 to 1) second, Tom Darling (8 to 1) third. Time: 1:09 1-5.

Second race, selling purse, 3-year-olds and upwards, seven furlongs: Penn P. (3 to 1) won, Foxhall (3 to 1) second, George Kent (5 to 1) third. Time: 1:28¾.

Third race, selling purse, for 2-year-olds, five furlongs: Merriment (2 to 1) won, Little George (5 to 1) second, Henry Young (3 to 1) third. Time: 1:04½.

Fourth race, the Kentuckian Central handicap, for 3-year-olds and upwards, mile and seventy yards: Greenwich (3 to 1) won, Major Tom (5 to 1) second, Vanzandt (7 to 1) third. Time: 1:46 3-5.

Fifth race, purse, 2-year-olds, four and one-half furlongs: Koko (5 to 1) won, Judge Cartwell (10 to 3) second, Carroll Donder (12 to 1) third. Time: :52 2-5.

Sixth race, selling, for 3-year-olds and upwards, eleven-sixteenths of a mile: Corrinne Kinney (4 to 1) won, Lady Jane (12 to 1) second, Emma Louise (8 to 1) third. Time: 1:02 2-5.

Seventh race, selling purse, for 3-year-olds and up, seven furlongs: Torsen (4 to 1) won, Harry Weldon (10 to 1) second, The Hero (4 to 1) third. Time: 1:29 4-5.

Only One Favorite Won.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 1.—The weather was fairly pleasant today and a good sized crowd of turf lovers were at the fair grounds to exercise their judgment in picking winners. The racing was very disastrous for the form players, only one favorite passing the finishing line in the lead. Servitor, who won the opening event, was the one lone pick to land his backers' money.

First race, selling, six and one-half furlongs: Servitor (even) won, Burt Jordan (15 to 1) second, Leporine (6 to 1) third. Time: 1:23½.

Second race, 2-year-olds, five furlongs: Century (4 to 1) won, Enoch (8 to 5) second, Marie B (7 to 2) third. Time: 1:08.

Third race, selling, four furlongs: Autumn Leaf (4 to 1) won, General Holland (15 to 1) second, Jennie S. Swartz (3 to 1) third. Time: 53.

Fourth race, selling, four furlongs: Tom Karl (4 to 1) won, Ruby Payne (3 to 1) second, Trump (8 to 1) third. Time: 52.

Fifth race, six furlongs: Maud B. (20 to 1) won, Sullivan (20 to 1) second, J. K. Knight (4 to 5) third. Time: 1:20.

Sixth race, selling, one mile: Eli Kendig (9 to 2) won, Carter B. (12 to 1) second, Cornet (6 to 1) third. Time: 1:49.

Even Thing at Morris Park.

MORRIS PARK, N. Y., June 1.—Favorites and long shots made an even break this afternoon, the winning first choices being Raindrop, 5 to 2; Bellevue, 1 to 2, and Now or Never, 11 to 5. The other three events were captured by Roller at 8 to 1, Madstone, 4 to 1, and Spartan, 5 to 1.

First race, five furlongs: Raindrop (5 to 2) won, Astoria Imp (7 to 1) second, Courtship (3 to 1) third. Time: 1:01¼.

Second race, mile and a furlong: Bellevue (1 to 2) won, Kingsbridge (3 to 1) second, Gettysburg (10 to 1) third. Time: 1:59.

Third race, six furlongs: Roller (8 to 1) won, Stalactite (5 to 2), second, Canvass (10 to 1) third. Time: 1:14.

Fourth race, Long Island Lightweight handicap, one mile: Madstone (4 to 1), won, Russell (8 to 5), second, Pickpocket (4 to 1), third. Time: 1:39¾.

Fifth race, mile and a sixteenth: Now or Never (11 to 5), won, Castaway II (4 to 1), second, Joe Kelly (4 to 1), third. Time: 1:48½.

Sixth race, five furlongs: Spartan (5 to 1), won, Prince George (11 to 5), second, Lawless (4 to 1), third. Time: 1:01¾.

Muddy at Garfield.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 1.—Cloudy, threatening; track slow and muddy at Garfield.

First race, half mile: Johnetta won, Frank Evans second, Moss third. Time: 1:02¾.

Second race: Declared off.

Third race, selling, three-fourths of a mile: Annie Clark won, Bolster second, Billy Pinkerton third. Time: 1:36¾.

Fourth race, seven-eighths of a mile: Sull Ross won, Blue Banner second, Palisade third. Time: 1:55.

Fifth race, selling, three-fourths of a mile: Abandon won, Bon Ton second, Redstone third. Time: 1:37¾.

Sixth race, selling, eleven-sixteenths of a mile: Morse won, Little Crete second, J. B. Freed third. Time: 1:15.

SLAVIN MAKES EXCUSES.

He Says He Was Out of Condition and Wants to Fight Again.

NEW YORK, June 1.—Invariably after a big pugilistic contest the "I-told-you-so" sports are always around in great numbers. Notwithstanding the fact that Slavin was a red-hot favorite over Jackson, it is difficult to find any followers of ring affairs who didn't predict Peter's victory or didn't have a vivid dream of a white man being defeated by a negro. The fact remains, nevertheless, that the talent was badly dumped. It is very easy, now that the fight is all over, for sporting men to figure out just why Jackson should have won and exactly why Slavin had no chance for the money. But these calculations are a trifle late.

Slavin's excuse for his defeat is a poor one, for before the fight he was described as being in magnificent shape. A cable from London to a sporting paper says:

"Slavin attributes his defeat to a lack of condition. He intends challenging Jackson again. His jaw was broken and he states that he is very weak after the fight."

It will not be an easy matter for the white Australian to get a match with Jackson, for it is doubtful if any club would put up even a fair sized purse for such a contest. It is generally conceded that the result of the big fight will have a marked effect on the betting in the next big battle. Jim Corbett's stock has naturally taken a big boom, and men who smiled at the young Californian before now admit that he is a mighty good man. It is claimed by Jim Wakely and other Sullivan men that Corbett's followers asserting this kind of an argument counts for nothing.

John L. in Mourning.

BOSTON, Mass., June 1.—John L. Sullivan was disappointed at the result of the big battle. He figures that he lost about $50,000 by Slavin's defeat, for he considered that the white Australian would have been an easy mark for him.

"If Slavin had won," said John L., "he could easily have secured backing against me for $25,000 and a $30,000 purse would probably have been offered for the fight. I could have won all that money easily."

Too Badly Hurt to Fight.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 1.—Physicians find that both Billy Murphy and Johnny Murphy, who fought forty rounds last night, are not in condition to continue the fight tonight, so it has been postponed for a week. The former has his right hand broken and the latter has a sprained wrist.

CAPTURED A CROOK.

J. R. Smith, an Alleged Odd Fellow, Taken in for Wholesale Swindling.

FORT DODGE, Ia., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—J. R. Smith, an alleged Odd Fellow who has been victimizing the fraternity all over the country, is under arrest here and has been held to the grand jury on the charge of obtaining money on false pretenses. Smith arrived in Dayton Monday and presented an order for $40 on the Dayton lodge from an Austin, Tex., lodge. The fraternity at Dayton had been warned by newspaper clippings, and, after spying the order, had Smith arrested. The prisoner broke away from the constable and fired two shots at his pursuers before being recaptured. A telegram from Austin states that Smith is a fraud and has stolen the lodge seal and check book.

Prominent Railroad Man Drowned.

CRESTON, Ia., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Clarence Wilson of Burlington, superintendent of Iowa lines, aged 45, was drowned tonight at 10:50 at Dudley, a small station west of Ottumwa. He had gone to Dudley to examine the extent of the flood damage. He was walking along the track when he slipped and fell into a deep hole. All efforts to resuscitate him were unavailing. He was taken to Albia and died almost immediately after his arrival. Mr. Wilson was very popular among railway men and stood in almost immediate line of promotion. He succeeded W. C. Brown, who was promoted to general manager of the Hannibal & St. Joe. He leaves a wife and two children. He entered the service of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad about twenty-five years ago as a freight clerk. He was a son of J. J. S. Wilson, who was at one time superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company.

Advocating Temperance.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The state convention of the Iowa branch of the Catholic Total Abstinence union of North America was opened at St. Joseph's church this morning with solemn high mass, celebrated by Bishop Cotter of Winona. There were present the following visiting priests: Revs. Phillip O'Connor, Carroll, James Gilchrist, New Haven; James Donahoe, Bawarden; T. Maher, Danbury; John Bowren, Preston; J. J. O'Reilly, Marcus; James Barron, Lemars; J. J. Garland, Eagle Grove; James Larence, Rockwell City; John Gerleman and Joseph G. Carroll, New Hampton. In the afternoon forty delegates arrived and were given a ride in carriages over the city, after which there was a brief business session. Tonight a large mass meeting was addressed by Bishop Cotter on temperance.

DES MOINES, Ia., June 1.—The prohibition state convention met here today. Captain W. W. Brown of Ames was made temporary chairman. The permanent officers are: Chairmaa, Rev. Wilmot Whitfield, Sioux City; secretary, Mrs. E. S. Cline, Rochester. A number of speeches were made before the convention formally assembled.

In the Jury's Hands.

KNOXVILLE, Ia., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The celebrated case of Fanny Edwards against Isaac J. Edwards, her cousin, in which the plaintiff asked damages to the amount of $10,000 for the alleged breach of promise, was given to the jury last night, and they are still debating the matter. The case has been on trial for a week and was contested bitterly. The court room has been full of ladies witnessing the trial. The general opinion is the jury will disagree.

Malvern's Peculiar Case.

MALVERN, Ia., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Six months ago a fine colt of Rev. J. W. Watson's appeared to be very ill. The cause of the trouble could not be learned. Yesterday a veterinarian extracted from the animal's shoulder a piece of a sage orange splinter ten inches long. It had been imbedded there for more than six months.

Freight Train Wrecked.

WAUCOMA, Ia., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A wreck occurred one mile from this city this morning. A freight broke in two on a down grade. The rear part plunged into the head and five cars were smashed. The track was ripped up but no one was hurt.

Cedar Rapids' Commencement.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., June 1.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The graduating exercises of the Cedar Rapids High school commenced today, and will continue for three days. The class contains thirty-nine graduates.

Nebraska City at the Exposition.

J. W. Hunter, general agent of the Nebraska City cereal mills, C. L. Wilcox of the Nebraska City Starch company and Carl Morton, Nebraska City's director of the manufacturers association, are in the city arranging for the exhibit of the products of the factories of their city. They have taken a large space at the Coliseum building and Mr. Morton says that they will make a display that will be a credit to the state. Besides showing the products of their factories they will try to induce the corn cob pipe factory to ship up their machinery and operate it during the exposition. Mr. Morton called upon the B. & M. people and arranged with them to run a special train from Nebraska City to Omaha on Saturday, June 18. That day will be known as Nebraska City's day at the exposition, and will probably be characterized by some special program, the details for which are not yet completed.

Holds Them Both Fast.

Jack Murray, the burglar and safe blower who was shot through the leg some time ago by Officers Hudson and Hayes, was arraigned before Judge Berka yesterday afternoon on two complaints, each charging him with shooting with intent to kill. Murray waived examination and the judge held him in $2,000 bonds on each charge.

J. A. White, who was brought here from Lincoln a few days ago and who was identified by Officer Cory as Murray's partner the night the burglars shot at him, was also given a hearing. White wanted to prove by Murray that he was not one of the gang on the night in question, but Murray refused to testify and White was held in $2,000 bail for shooting at Cory.

Dentists Satisfied.

The Omaha Odontological society held its regular weekly meeting in Dr. Whinnery's office last evening.

Two applications for membership were received and a constitution and by-laws adopted. The committee having in charge the preparation of a code of ethics was not ready to report and were given one week more. All members must sign the code.

Those present expressed themselves as being satisfied with the progress of the new society and a large membership is already assured.

Loyal Legion Officers.

The Loyal Legion had a banquet last night at the Millard hotel. About sixty members were present. Officers were installed and General Brooke was chosen commander to succeed Major Paddock. Major J. B. Furay succeeds General Brooke as senior vice commander, Major Pierce of Lincoln, junior vice commander, succeeding Major Furay.

Royal Arcanum.

Members of Union Pacific council, No. 1,069, are requested to meet on Thursday, June 2, 7:30 p. m., at their parlors in THE BEE building and thence to South Omaha to take part in instituting a council in that city.

JOHN B. SHELDON, Regent.

The Fire Record.

COQUILLE CITY, Ore., June 1.—Fire destroyed three-fourths of the business portion of this city. Loss, $100,000; partially insured.

DeWitt's Sarsaparilla cleanses the blood

NEBRASKA'S FAIR INTERESTS

Details of the State Commissioners' Meeting at Beatrice.

DEMANDS OF THE PRESS ASSOCIATION

All the Members Inclined to Favor the Requests of the Newspaper Men—County Exhibits Must Be Determined at Once.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The regular meeting of the Nebraska Columbian commission met in this city at the Paddock hotel Monday, with the following members present: Commissioner General Joseph Garneau, jr., President Charles A. Coe, Omaha; A. J. Sawyer, Lincoln; M. H. Weiss, Hebron; J. B. Stewart, Benidict; Seth P. Mobley, Grand Island, and Secretary A. H. Gale of Bassett. The report of Commissioner General Garneau and President Coe were read and accepted. Under the call of committee reports, the building committee was given further time to conclude details relative to the contract, advertising for proposals, etc. It is, however, intended to have the Nebraska building at the World's fair ready for occupancy not later than September 20.

A communication from Rev. J. B. Gordon of Omaha, protesting against the opening of the World's fair on Sunday, was read and placed on file without debate. A communication was read from L. Bruner, state entomologist, requesting that some provision be made for the exhibition of an entomological collection of the state. The expense of such an exhibit would be about $400. It was agreed that a preliminary appropriation of $150 be made now and a further appropriation of $250 be made later. A communication was read from the Nebraska Press association, transmitting the resolution adopted by the executive committee of the Press association adopted at Fremont in May last.

Nebraska's Newspaper Interests.

The resolution calls for an appropriation of $3,000 to make an appropriate exhibit of the newspaper interests of the state at the World's fair and asks for a preliminary appropriation of $1,500 to be made at once.

Mr. Mobley spoke earnestly in favor of the resolution, believing that no more profitable appropriation could be made whereby the general interest of the state will be conserved. On motion of Mr. Stewart a preliminary appropriation of $150 was made for the proposed request and it was agreed that a later appropriation of $1,500 should be made. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

The question of a cereal display from every county in the state was discussed and it was decided that special effort should be made to secure the pledge of as many counties as possible during June. A resolution was subsequently passed that final decision should not be deferred beyond September 1 and counties that do not remit by that date a $50 warrant will be shut out from the special county exhibitions.

Mr. Garneau asked the commission to authorize himself and the six superintendents of divisions to visit Chicago before the fair and get a better appreciation by investigation of the work before them. The proposition was unanimously agreed to. The meeting concluded tonight after auditing a few bills. The next meeting will be held at Grand Island about August 1.

After the adjournment the commissioners were entertained by the Beatrice club at the club rooms.

The following superintendents of departments were appointed: Frank A. Barton, Pawnee City, education; E. Whitcomb, Friend, apiary and designated; Commissioner Seth P. Mobley, Grand Island, charge of the Nebraska Press association.

Discussing Religious Subjects.

CORTLAND, Neb., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Lincoln Association of Congregational churches met at Cortland today for a three days' session. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Mr. Hafrench of the Nebraska Congregational News. About the only business attended to today was the election of officers for the ensuing year. They are: Moderator, Rev. H. S. Wannamaker of the Vine street church, Lincoln; scribe, Rev. Norman Plass of Plymouth church, Lincoln. The full program of the day was carried out. A sermon was delivered this evening by Rev. Wilson Denny of Ashland. The program for tomorrow and Friday is very complete and it is expected that a large attendance will be present.

Lost an Arm.

WOOD RIVER, Neb., June 1.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—As train No. 5 on the Union Pacific was slowing up to stop at this place today John Stone, aged 21 years, tried to board the train and was thrown between the depot platform and train and the wheel ran over his left wrist. His arm has been amputated below the elbow.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

John Kinzie was held to the district court yesterday by the police judge for stealing $35 and a watch from a carpenter named Martin about a month ago.

The Northwestern has generously offered free transportation from Chicago to Omaha and return for 1,000 tents and necessary poles for use of the approaching military drill.

Owing to the absence of a large number of the members of the Live Issue club from the city, the annual banquet, which was to have taken place Thursday evening at the Millard, is postponed until a time when a larger attendance can be secured.

Accommodations for Independents.

The entertainment committee of the people's party convention desire all parties who have rooms to rent and all hotel keepers and boarding house keepers to send in at once the number of people they can accommodate, how much per day for room without board, how much per meal and how much per day for room and board.

Address all communications to R. T. Hodgens, secretary, room 333 Board of Trade.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

J. A. Smith of Beatrice is at the Paxton.

G. A. Raymer of Lincoln is at the Paxton.

N. H. Axders of Wilber is at the Dellone.

J. R. Brinker of Lincoln is a guest at the Dellone.

Mr. E. E. Good, a prominent attorney of Wahoo, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. W. W. Watson of Fairbury, a pioneer of Nebraska, was in the city yesterday and called upon THE BEE.

Bishop John F. Hurst of Washington, D. C., was in the city yesterday visiting his nephew, Mr. W. K. Kurtz.

Charles Lincoln has resig