

MAYOR MILLER IS DEAD

His Self Sought Destruction Finally Comes to Pass.

ADMITTED TO HAVE BEEN A SUICIDE

Every Evidence of Murder Dispelled by the Facts as the Day Disclosed Them—How His Last Night Was Spent.

Mayor Miller of South Omaha, who shot himself Tuesday afternoon at Eighth and Dodge streets, died at the Methodist hospital at 4:50 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The remains were at once removed to the morgue.

The deceased did not retain consciousness from the time he was found lying in the weeds and died without being able to utter a word.

Simply a Case of Suicide.

That it is a simple case of suicide seems unquestioned.

J. S. Walters, president of the South Omaha city council, called at the hospital Tuesday night, and notwithstanding the general order to admit no one to the wounded man's apartment he was allowed to enter owing to the strong terms of intimacy upon which the two men had been for many years.

Mr. Walters asked Dr. Beas to allow him to look over the effects found on Mr. Miller's person. Among these, written with a lead pencil on the back of an envelope, he discovered the following note:

To Whom It May Concern: I have trouble in my head and cannot stand it any longer. Although the doctors here say I am getting better, Mr. Walters positively identified the handwriting as that of Mr. Miller. He said he was very familiar with it and could not be mistaken.

In corroboration of this Mr. Miller's sister called at the hospital yesterday morning and added her testimony to that of Mr. Walters. After carefully scrutinizing the graphology on the envelope she said positively:

"That is my brother's writing."

Rented a Revolver.

This is sufficient to do away with all theories of foul play, but the extent of the man's act is made still stronger by that of Leonard Labowitz, a pawn broker at 1109 Dodge street. He was also a visitor at the hospital yesterday and identified the English bulldog revolver as the one Mr. Miller rented of him Tuesday, paying him \$2 for it.

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HAS FLORENCE ANY RIGHTS?

Question Which the People Up There Propose to Have Tested.

THEY DON'T WANT THE OMAHA DITCH

Contractors Ordered to Stop But They Didn't Stop, and the Florentines Now Propose to Get Out an Injunction.

There is a war cloud hanging over the town of Omaha and Florence, a local battle between the two municipalities. It is even more than a mere possibility. The towns are up in arms and the trouble all grows out of the construction of a sewer.

Last spring the city of Omaha decided to drain the north bottoms, that the people residing thereon might not be compelled to wade to and from their premises. After revolving the proposition for a long period of time City Engineer Koss-water concluded that open ditches would do as good service as sewer and would be much cheaper. His ideas were given to the council, and acting upon his advice ordinances were passed ordering the construction of a couple of open ditches some sixteen feet wide and twelve feet deep. One of these ditches bore to the northwest and was intended to have the North Omaha sewer for a southern outlet. The other ditch is located on the bottom, west of Fort Omaha, and was intended to be deep enough to carry the water over the divide and discharge it into Brighan Young creek, which flows through the southern portion of the town of Florence and into the Missouri river, a short distance below the pumping station.

Flustered the Florentines.

In due time the Board of Public Works let the contracts, which a few days later were approved by the council and work commenced upon the east ditch, or the one extending to Brighan Young creek. Dirt was at a rapid rate, while the Florentines viewed the situation with alarm. In fact they predicted all manner of calamities, such as cholera, smallpox and a visitation of grasshoppers, which would be brought on by the Omaha sewerage flowing through the southern part of their town. They talked it over while they whittled the dry goods boxes and while they attended the evening devotional services at the little white church which nestles among the trees on the hillside overlooking the townsite, where nearly half a century ago the founders of Joseph Smith held their first conference.

Time kept rolling right along and the ditch kept growing in width, depth and length. As the residents of the town of Florence, they at last came to the realization that, if they hesitated they would be lost, and not having a desire to find themselves in that condition, they on May 15, 1892, they induced the common council of the town to call a special meeting that the situation could be discussed by the wise men who hold the reins of destiny of the town in the palms of their hands.

The council met and after deliberating the manifesto went forth to the people. It was to the effect that the ditch would be that ditch, or the aid of the ditch would be invoked to compel the metropolis of Nebraska to keep its mouth shut and not interfere with its corporate limits, or its sewers, at least. This decision was received amid much enthusiasm by the entire population of the town, as the inhabitants had an idea that the contractors would at once pull off their forces, but in this they were sadly mistaken, and day after day the ditch continued to grow in width, depth and water.

But the Work Hasn't Stopped.

This disregard of law, as laid down by the ordinance builders of the little town, aroused the ire of their constituents and they concluded to do something in the premises. Another meeting was held and the result was that they decided to call a meeting of the board of public works of the city of Omaha, and to have them to a country that was hotter than this.

That is, they are considering the aid of the camel sway and bend beneath its load. Then the people took the matter in their own hands and yesterday they visited the city, called upon the board of public works, where they served notice that unless work was stopped upon the ditch, they would go to the court. The chairman of the board could give them no satisfaction, though he told them that he would lay the matter before the city attorney and the council.

To Much of a Risk.

It is not unusual for colds contracted in the fall to hang on into winter. In such cases a catarrh or chronic bronchitis are almost sure to result. A fifty-cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure any cold. Can you afford the risk of a cough that will amount to a pneumonia? This remedy is intended especially for bad colds and croup and can be depended upon. For sale by druggists.

CONGRATULATES THE GUARDS.

Final Action in the Hitchcock County Seat Trouble.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 5.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Adjutant General Vignau today made an official report to Acting Governor Myers of his action in the recent war in Hitchcock county. Upon receipt of the report, which was a comprehensive account of the settlement of the trouble already reported in The Bee, Acting Governor Myers issued the following:

HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA, NATIONAL GUARDS, LINCOLN, Oct. 5, 1892.—General Order No. 10.—The undersigned acting governor of Nebraska, in pursuance of a resolution of the military forces of the state takes pleasure in congratulating the Nebraska National guards upon their successful and honorable conduct in their operations in the county of Hitchcock, Nebraska, during the recent war in that county. The officers and men of the Nebraska National guards are deserving of the highest praise.

WESTERN PACKING INTERESTS.

Little Improvement in the Movement of Hogs in the West.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 5.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Tomorrow's Price Current will say: The western packing for the week has been 120,000 hogs, against 170,000 the preceding week, 155,000 last year and 225,000 two years ago, making a total of 6,700,000 for the year.

PROMPTLY PLACE OPERATING COMPARE AS FOLLOWS:

Table with columns for Year, Hogs, and Value. Rows include 1891, 1892, and 1893.

Foreign Financial Review.

LONDON, Oct. 5.—[New York Herald Cable-Special to The Bee.]—The stock market was again quiet, but there was some buying toward the close. The American market was better, prices coming higher from New York. Quotations left off firm at an advance ranging from 1/4 to 1 1/4 in St. Paul, Erie and Louisville. Grand Trunk and Mexican railway preferences left off better, but not high, showing weakness on rather poor traffic returns. In the foreign market the international stocks declined for the want of support from the continent. Call loans were very tight at 10 per cent. The rate for three months bank bills was 7 per cent.

Lost on Lake Ontario.

PORT HURON, Mich., Oct. 5.—The steam barge Nashua is believed to be foundered off Goderich and it is feared her crew of a dozen men has been lost. The Nashua was owned by the Northwest Lumber company of Cleveland. She was built in Cleveland in 1893 and was valued at \$130,000.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

South Wind and Fair Weather Will Prevail in Nebraska Today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 5.—Forecast for Thursday: For Nebraska—Fair; continued warm; southwest winds Thursday, probably colder on Friday.

For Iowa—Fair; south winds; warmer in western Iowa.

For North Dakota—Fair; colder; northwest winds.

For South Dakota—Fair; west winds; colder by Friday morning.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Oct. 5.—Omaha record of temperature and rainfall compares with corresponding day of past four years:

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