

FOUGHT BACK TO THE CELLS

Prisoners at the County Jail Make an Attack on Deputy Ernest.

WHY HE COULD FIGHT SURPRISED THEM

Two Knocked Down and Others Got Back to Their Cages—Plan to Get the Keys and Escape—Led by De France.

A turnkey's plucky resistance foiled a desperate and almost successful attempt at jail delivery at the county jail at half past 7 o'clock last evening. Jailer Miller had gone to Hastings and at that hour Turnkey Samuel Ernest was alone in charge of the jail. He heard a sudden commotion in one of the cages in the west annex and ran in to see what the matter was.

The first cage in the upper floor was occupied by W. D. France, the Gorham mail carrier, and John Christensen, a Swede, who was charged with a recent burglary at South Omaha.

When Ernest arrived the two men appeared to be fighting desperately in their cage. De France, who is by far the most powerful man of the two, had his opponent's head against one corner of the cage, and Ernest was fighting him with some serious injury to the turnkey's arm into the cage to separate them. The act came near being a fatal one for him. He had no sooner opened the door than the prisoners led off each other and leaped upon the turnkey. De France grasped the turnkey by the neck and threw him down, while Christensen kicked him repeatedly in the stomach.

Attacked Then by a Dozen.

Ernest was taken by surprise, but was not disposed to yield easily. He partially tore himself from their grasp and struggled to keep them from leaving the cage. Christensen saw that they had no easy task on their hands and grasped the turnkey's arm and opened all the other cages in that section. A single pull and ten other criminals sprang to the assistance of their fellows. The turnkey was fighting for his life, and the narrow confines of the cage his opponents could not bring their full force to bear. Some of them threw Ernest on the floor and choked and kicked him, while others ran into the corridor to look for the keys that opened the outside doors and the path to liberty.

Secures Billy and Knocks Two Down.

Meanwhile Ernest refused to give up and finally he succeeded in getting hold of a key, with which he sent a couple of the prisoners to the floor. They found that they could not hope to escape, for the turnkey arrived and finally went back in their cells without further violence. Ernest pulled himself together and when the turnkey arrived had the keys and the attempted jail breakers locked in their cages.

When the row started Jailer Miller's boy ran down the street and called to patrolmen for help. Sergeants Ormsby and Whalen were just going to the hotel for supper when they met the boy, and hurried to the jail to find that there was no need for their services.

Cell Fight Only a Hint.

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Judge Baxter Decides It Necessary in the County Clerk Contest Case.

The Tracy-Sackett election contest opened up again yesterday in the county court when Judge Baxter decided it necessary in the County Clerk Contest Case.

Following the line of argument started upon, Mr. Davis contended that if there was any change of the kind in question, it should have been made within twenty days after the canvass by the election boards of the wards and precincts. If the change was not made within that time the contestant was barred from pleading such claim.

C. J. Smith, attorney for Tracy, urged that it was his intention to include nothing in the amended complaint that was not pleaded in the original paper.

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The new round house built by the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley company is completed. It contains stalls for three engines.

DISMISSED THE CASE.

WELLSBURG, Va., Jan. 18.—The case of ex-Cashier Curtis, charged with embezzlement of county funds amounting to about \$10,000, was brought to a close this morning in the circuit court when the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. By the sale of Curtis' effects and the payment of \$5,000 a bondman agreed not to prosecute him, thereby setting him free, as the county does not care to prosecute.

WORK AT FORT CROOK.

FORT CROOK, Neb., Jan. 17.—To the Editor of THE BEE: There seems to be considerable gossip in regard to the work at Fort Crook. The work at Fort Crook is going ahead rapidly, the workmen here have no objection and all seem to be satisfied with the manner in which they are treated; also the subcontractors and supply firms.

When a man applies for work here he is not asked what state or country he comes

from, what his politics are or the shrine he worships at. If he is able to do his work he remains, if not he is politely handed his pass and he is as good as any wages paid in Omaha, and in many instances better. As I am having men do work here who are not citizens—the assertion is false.

However, I will give you a list of the following named firms of your city who are doing the work required on this work. If you will kindly send your reporter to call on these men, I think you will find that the Omaha manufacturers are getting the lion's share of the work, as it has always been my policy to purchase supplies from the home industry wherever I am doing work.

Yan Court & Lenoir, who are furnishing stone for range work; S. H. Atwood & Co., Plattsmouth, furnishing rubble stone; Hugh Mackay, furnishing brick; The Omaha Hydraulic Press Brick company, furnishing the press brick; Richard Smith, Herman Deiss, H. C. Johnson, J. W. O'Connell, J. H. Andreen & Co., furnishing jail, cell and window guard ironwork; Paxton & Vierling, who are doing the cast iron and iron masonry; A. Schall & Co., who are doing the cut stone work; Craze company, which has furnished wrought and cast iron pipe; Lee-Clarke-Anderson company, Birmingham, Ala., furnishing material and labor of the Baum Iron company furnishing nails, hardware, etc.; J. J. Johnson & Co., cement; C. W. Hall company, lime, etc.; F. R. Koenig, the linings, red metal, etc.; The Omaha Elevator of the Eagle Concrete works, who are doing the galvanizing iron, tin, copper and lead work; Jones & Humphrey, who are doing the sheet iron and roofing company, who are doing all the slating.

All of the above named firms are of Omaha. (Perhaps these men are sent abroad for foreign labor to do this work for Fort Crook.) All the men I have here on the work are citizens of the United States and I have no objection to complain about the people of Omaha. They have treated me in a courteous and businesslike manner. I have treated reciprocally, and I am sure that they are as good as any I have met. I am, respectfully yours,

M. P. KEENE.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA.

Police Catch an Overcoat Thief—Other Magic City News.

John Hall is in jail on the charge of being a suspicious character. Hall was run in by Officer Davis, who found the fellow with three overcoats in his possession, and when asked where he got all of his surplus clothing Hall was unable to give a satisfactory explanation. The police are of the opinion that at least two of the coats were stolen. In the pocket of one of them was found a telegram to W. F. Denny, a commission man, signed by A. Kull. The message is dated at Chicago. Hall will be held until his case is cleared up.

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1 lot of gents' fine flannel overshirts, worth \$2.00 each, reduced to \$1.25. 1 lot of gents' heavy wool sock only 9c per pair, reduced from 15c. We are now showing an elegant line of gents' linen collars, all the new shapes, only 12c each.

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FURNITURE. The first few cases of our new furniture for dining room have come to hand and we have succeeded in getting a line of goods, especially bedroom suits, that for finish and style are second to none.

We shall not carry a single piece of furniture that is poorly made or cheaply put together. All our suits are oak, polished, and we are showing the very best the markets afford, the price is lower, that is all.

SOLID OAK BEDROOM SUIT. 3 pieces, full size, can have double top, 24x30 level mirror (remember 24x30 size of mirror, 24x30 for \$18.00. This suit is worth \$25.00 and we have lots of them.

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Solid oak cane seated rocker \$1.50 each, regular price \$2.25. 10c extension table \$4.50, oak, regular price \$5.85.

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WHILE THEY LAST FRIDAY

Hayden Bros' Great One Hour Sale—These Are for One Hour of One Day.

LONSDALE MUSLIN 50 YARD FOR ONE HOUR

These Prices Are All One—Fabrics as Standard as Gold Dollars—These Prices Hold Only During the Hours Named—Big Furniture Special.

FOR ONE HOUR EACH.

Special bargains on each tomorrow (Friday) at special prices and at special hours. From 9 to 10 a. m. we will give you Lonsdale muslin at 5c yard. From 10 to 11 a. m. we will give you best calico 25c yard. From 11 to 2 p. m. we will give you apron checked gingham 25c yard. From 2 to 3 p. m. we will give you white shaker flannel 25c yard. From 3 to 4 p. m. we will give you 35c plain black sateen at 15c yard. From 4 to 5 p. m. we will give you choice of our 25c table of towels at 15c each.

These are all special prices, cut costs no figure, as some of these bargains are less than half cost. In order to give each person a chance at these special sales a limit as to quantity will be given. Also bear in mind these are no jobs lots of remnants, etc., but all first class, cut from full pieces and good styles. Remember the hours and watch for your bargain, and be on time.

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sovereign camp in this city, and will be at work for about a week. The members present are: J. C. Ross, S. C. Omaha; P. A. Falkenberg, S. A. L. Denver; J. T. Yates, S. C. Omaha; Prof. Walter, R. O. Omaha; B. O. Omaha; S. W. Chicago; G. H. W. Jewell, S. S. Manchester, Ia.; Dr. W. O. Rodgers, S. P. Omaha, and Sovereign Managers—C. E. Farmer, H. W. Overall, Ill.; Hon. Buren R. Sherman, Waterloo, Ia.; Hon. C. K. Erwin, Tomah, Wis., and Jonathan H. Frost, Atlanta, Ga. The first two days of the season have been taken up with the appointment of committees and the annual reports of the executive officers.

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1,500 children's suits, sizes 4 to 15 years, double and single breasted, separated into three lots. Lot 1, worth \$6.50, \$7.00, \$7.50, \$8.00 and up to \$8.00; choice of entire lot \$3.50. Lot 2, worth \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.25, \$4.50, \$4.75 and \$5.00; choice of entire lot \$2.50. Lot 3, worth \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.50; choice of entire lot \$1.25.

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BUFFALO BILL IN OMAHA.

Was Elected to Legislature, but Does Not Want to Go to Governor.

Hon. W. P. Cody was in the city for a few hours yesterday afternoon on his way to Duluth, where he has interests that demand his personal attention. Colonel Cody is looking better than he has for years and says he is getting younger every day. Since his remarkable success with his show at the World's fair he has been making a number of investments in various enterprises and is now a very busy man. He is interested in the manufacture of a coffee substitute, for which he has a factory at Lancaster and is now going to open another at Duluth.

"I see that some fellow out at Kearney has been trying to prove that I was never elected to the legislature," said Colonel Cody. "I got some talk about 30 me for my jury, but I have taken the pains to secure the proofs of my claims and will present them when the proper time comes. There was no occasion for any such enterprise on the part of the Kearney individual, but I think the public man has to expect that sort of a thing."

"Perhaps he is just giving you a taste of what you may expect when you run for governor," suggested the reporter. "All that talk has been absolutely without any authority on my part. I am not a candidate for governor and I do not intend to be under any circumstances. My show business has grown to