# LINCOLN WOMAN HELD UP

## Mrs. C. W. Alquist Robbed on a Public Thoroughfare.

## TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS LOST

### One Man Choked Her While Another Relieved Her of a Purse—Proposed Sermon on Municipal Corruption.

LINCOLN, July 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. C. W. Alquist reported at the police station that she had been held up and robbed of $250 at the corner of P and Fourteenth streets. The robbery was committed, she says, last night, but there is no official report of the robbery on file at the police station. This looks very singular, as Mrs. Alquist is known in the neighborhood as a most quiet and respectable lady and one whose word is to be taken anywhere. She said in her account of the affair that she had been assaulted in broad daylight by two men. One of them had choked her, and the other had grabbed her purse, which she carried in her right hand. As she passed them on the sidewalk one of the men grabbed at her gold watch, and as she threw up her arm to prevent his getting it she exposed the purse.

TAKEN IN BY A "RINGER."

Fred Rawlings, a local liveryman, has been taken in by a traveling outfit which brought into town a sorry looking plug which on the race track yesterday proved to be a speedy "ringer" of the swiftest description. Rawlings paid $50 and a number of other gentlemen side bets running into the hundreds to find out that the apparent bag of 17-year-old bones was a wind splitter. It is said that the outfit did up several Hastings parties in a similar manner.

There is a possibility that the $534,000 refunding bonds of the city of Lincoln may have to be sold over again owing to the failure of the Farmers Loan and Trust company to take $13,000 of them which fell due July 1, as per agreement. Konntze Bros., fiscal agents at New York, of Nebraska, state that they have been ordered by the trust company not to take them up. In consequence of this the Lincoln city council is indignant and may cancel the contract which it has with Green & Van Duyn, the local agents here through whom the bonds were sold.

DROWNED IN SALT CREEK.

Orvin P. Colby, aged 35 years, was drowned last night in the big bend of Salt Creek at the east end of Lincoln park. He was fishing in a boat with a man named Munn. Leaning over he lost his balance and fell in. Before Munn could reach him Colby sank. After the creek had been dragged two hours the remains were located and brought to the city early this morning. The deceased was a married man living with his wife at the west end of the park. Colby's relatives live near Seward. Arrangements for the funeral have not been announced, pending receipt of information from them.

Sister Benedict, one of the sisterhood in charge of the convent of the Holy Child Jesus, died at 8 o'clock this morning, aged 31 years. Her death was due to consumption. The funeral will occur at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning from the chapel of the convent.

The district court is told by Ely & Richardson that they hold unpaid notes of Alice G. and Oliver Beethoven Howell to the amount of $20,000. They ask that the conservatory of music on Thirteenth and L streets be sold and the proceeds devoted to the payment of these notes.

WILL PREACH TO MEN ONLY.

Rev. Byron Beall will deliver a sermon next Sunday to men only, entitled "Some Paths in Lincoln that Lead to Death; or, Steps that Take a Hold on Hell." Rev. Mr. Beall in these sermons gives expert testimony, as he was an ardent supporter of the candidacy of Mayor Graham, the present executive, as against the reform candidate, Judge Broady.

The Burlington Beach company has issued $40,000 in bonds and is now trying to place them on the market.

George A. Marshall of Arlington, vice president of the State Horticultural society, was in the city today enroute home from the summer meeting of the society at Wyomore. He says the meeting was largely attended by prominent horticulturists from this state Kansas, Iowa, Missouri and Illinois.

OMAHA PEOPLE IN LINCOLN.

At the Lindell—H. H. DeFoe, A. L. Migton, O. A. Boehme, Mrs. R. Geppuer. At the Windsor—E. A. W. Soule. At the Lincoln—C. S. Carrier, C. A. Potter, G. W. Covell, George King.

Finley Burke and wife of Council Bluffs are registered at the Lincoln.

### GOSSIP FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

#### Articles of Incorporation for a New Railroad Filed.

LINCOLN, July 25.—(Special.)—The Belmont & North Platte Valley railroad today filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $1,000,000 and the incorporators are John A. McShane, Frank C. Condon, C. B. Rustin, Louis Schroeder and B. L. Baldwin. The termini of the proposed railroad are Alliance, in Box Butte county, and an unnamed point on the south bank of the North Platte river. This gives nearly an air line from Alliance south to the river.

Governor Holcomb today remitted the $300 fine against ex-Councilman B. F. Madsen of Omaha. On June 9, 1892, Madsen was found guilty in the district court of Douglas county of having solicited and received a bribe of $500. This was secured while he was one of the Omaha council and is said to have been for favoring the passage of an ordinance granting certain privileges to the Ballou Electric Manufacturing company. Madsen is not now in his right mind, although perfectly docile and harmless. He has never been confined on account of the non-payment of the fine, but is not in a financial condition to pay the same. The fine was remitted on the application of the judge of the district, the grand jury which indicted him and the county attorney who conducted the prosecution, T. J. Mahoney. It was shown in the application for remission of the fine that a new witness, Mrs. L. Walter, was ready to swear to certain facts which occurred in her presence at the time Ballou is said to have called on Madsen, which places the affair in a new light. The case was taken to the supreme court, which sustained the trial court below.

Superintendent Mackay of the Norfolk Asylum for the Insane has written Governor Holcomb that he has on hand a lot of clothing which, as he expresses it in his letter, "has been exposed to mice, moths and the corroding influences of time," which he desires to donate to the State Relief commission for distribution. He says the clothing is useless for hospital purposes, but thinks it might be found available for charity.

S. L. Leidigh has been appointed postmaster at the penitentiary, vice Mrs. Anna T. Dorgan, wife of the contractor, resigned. The name of the postoffice is Lancaster.

#### Grand Island Social Event.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—A very pleasant mid-summer social event was the reception given by Hon. and Mrs. George H. Thummel in honor of Misses Blanche and Bertha Thummel of Prairieville, Ill., who are here on a visit with their uncle. It was a lawn party. The place was prettily illuminated with Chinese lanterns, colored switch lights and head lights. A large platform was built under the trees and a fine program of dances was enjoyed. An elegant supper was served.

The democratic county central committee with a fair representation from the several townships met yesterday and decided to call the county convention for the selection of delegates to the state and judicial conventions and for placing candidates in nomination for the various county offices August 17.

An illuminated bicycle parade was held by local wheelmen last night. Miss Brown was warded a prize of a fine lantern for the best decorated wheel.

#### Opening of a Street Causes Trouble.

OSMOND, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—A lively time is being had between this town and the Pacific Townsite company over the extension of one of the public streets through an unplatted strip of their land. A temporary injunction was secured restraining the town board from opening the street. At a hearing before the district court the injunction was vacated, and by some neglect no supersedeas bond was fixed. Yesterday all available teams were put to work on the street. Work continued but a short time before all parties engaged were placed under arrest, charged with trespass. The parties were released upon their own recognizance to appear today for trial, and immediately went back to work, finishing the grade last night.

### CHICKEN THIEVES CAPTURED.

#### Plattsmouth Officers Catch Two Old Offenders Redhanded.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., July 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff Elkenbary and two of his deputies arrested Sam Stribling and Julius Ramge last night. Stribling and Ramge have during the past several months conducted a series of raids upon the hencoops, granaries, and hogpens of numerous farmers in this vicinity, and their thefts will aggregate several hundred dollars. The sheriff had spotted the thieves several weeks ago, but it was not until last night that the officers were able to detect the men in the commission of their crime. Then the officers witnessed the forcing of a lock on a chicken coop, and before any booty had been secured the thieves were nabbed and immediately taken to jail. The accused will have their preliminary hearing tomorrow, and are now in jail on account of their inability to procure bail in the sum of $500.

The arrest of Clay Connor at Glenwood, Ia., and of Mrs. John Shafer at Lincoln, both on the charge of adultery, at the instance of Mrs. Shafer's husband, promises to have interesting developments, as far as this city is concerned. Mrs. Shafer went astray in this city while her husband was serving out a sentence in the Glenwood, Ia., jail for selling liquor without a license. Connor played quite a part in the woman's waywardness, and after the arrest of both the irate husband now proposes to cause further trouble. Shafer was in town today in conference with County Attorney Polk. It is a well known fact that numerous parties in this city, many of them of considerable standing in the community, were on intimate terms with the woman, and it was to secure the punishment of the guilty ones in this city that Shafer was here today.

A runaway, which occurred at La Platte last evening, had a fatal result. Messrs. McKinsey and O'Leary were returning from Omaha, and when almost home the team ran away, throwing both occupants to the ground. McKinsey received injuries which resulted in his death this morning. O'Leary will recover.

### MILITARY ROAD TO PENDER.

#### Detail from the Army Examining Routes for that Purpose.

FREMONT, July 25.—(Special.)—Lieutenant Abercrombie of the Second infantry, U. S. A., Fort Omaha, and two enlisted men of the same regiment passed through Fremont on bicycles last evening on their way from Pender to Omaha. Lieutenant Abercrombie has been looking over the country with a view of selecting a route for marching the soldiers from Fort Omaha to Pender. He is a believer in the use of the wheel in military service and he thinks it can be used effectively in scouting expeditions.

One of the first mutual life insurance companies to be organized under the new law will be the Security Mutual of Fremont. This company commenced taking applications today and as soon as the law is in force will file articles of incorporation. The following constitutes the board of directors: Frank Dolezal, J. E. Frick, R. B. Schneider, L. M. Keene, C. M. Williams, R. L. Hammond, Otto Huette and J. S. Devries of this city and D. Z. Mummert of Blair. Frank Esmay will be superintendent of agencies and have charge of the work of soliciting insurance.

Prof. R. A. Heritage, who has had charge of the musical department of the Fremont Normal school, has resigned, to take effect August 1 and will remove to Oregon, where he will have charge of the musical department of the Willamette university. In addition to his work at the Normal school during his stay in this city Prof. Heritage has taken an active part in musical and literary circles.

#### Nebraska City Physician Arrested.

NEBRASKA CITY, July 25.—(Special.)—Yesterday Dr. Jordan of this city was called to Percival, Ia., to administer to a patient. After attending his patient he was arrested on a warrant sworn out by a local physician of that place and charged with evading the Iowa state law, which requires all physicians practicing in that state to register with the state medical examiner. He was fined $10, which he paid. The citizens immediately raised that amount and reimbursed him.

A queer freak of the wind was witnessed here yesterday. A whirlwind started near the postoffice, and, crossing the street, tore up a large portion of the new sheet iron roof on Levy Bros.' livery barn, and then disappeared. Considering the fact that the day was perfectly still, with no wind blowing, it was quite singular.

The stock of W. E. Ingalls, recently taken by the sheriff, has been replevined by the administrators of the estate of Paul Schminke, deceased, under a chattel mortgage given some years ago.

General Superintendent G. M. Levy, Division Superintendent J. H. Dugan and other Chicago, Burlington & Quincy officials were in the city yesterday on important business.

Miss Edith McClay of Chicago and Miss Katie McClay of Auburn, Neb., arrived yesterday for a visit with the family of H. H. Foss.

#### Domestic Difficulty at York.

YORK, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Some time ago Mrs. W. T. Brown of this city became convinced that W. T. Brown, her husband, was entirely too fond of his mother, and subsequently slighted her, and therefore left his roof.

Commencing Monday, the priests of the Catholic church of this diocese will have a "retreat" in York, which will last for five or six days, and will be attended by at least forty priests. The "retreats" had prior to this always been held in Omaha.

The York County institute, which convened here Monday, has, since its organization, steadily increased in numbers, until the number enrolled is 140, with new members coming in each day.

Candidates for political positions are already pushing themselves into public view in this county. The republican candidates for the offices of county clerk, county treasurer, clerk of the district court and county judge are already canvassing the county in their own behalf for the coming county convention. For the offices of sheriff, county superintendent of public instruction, etc., there will be but little, if any, opposition, and the chances are the candidates for these offices will be nominated by acclamation.

#### Falls City Notes and Personals.

FALLS CITY, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Miss F. O. Edgecombe of Geneva is visiting friends.

A. J. Wilhite of New York City is visiting his cousin, Judge J. R. Wilhite.

Judge A. R. Keim shipped the last installments of the legislative journals to York Wednesday. The books will be ready for delivery about September.

Rev. Mr. Remaga of Hiawatha, Kan., was in the city yesterday visiting friends.

E. J. Hicks returned Wednesday from a two weeks' visit in Kansas City.

W. H. Stowell, editor of the Verdon Vidette, was transacting business in this city yesterday.

Mrs. Mattie Chapman of Trenton, Mo., is visiting her sister in this city, Mrs. Kate Bell.

Mr. Irvin Bode and Miss Ada Brannin of this city were married last night, Rev. Mr. Baxter officiating.

#### Ashland Brevities.

ASHLAND, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Miss White of Lincoln is visiting at the home of Dr. Mansfeld.

There was an interesting game of ball between Greenwood and Summer School. Score, 33 to 15 in favor of Summer School.

Miss Nellie Tulmer left today for Wyoming.

Mrs. William Shofstall and son from Kansas returned home today.

The summer school has fifty-eight scholars.

Miss Verd Oppenheimer has gone to Shenandoah, Ia., to spend the summer.

Mrs. H. M. Boydston returned home this evening from Boston.

The doctors report considerable sickness in this locality.

Myrtle and Jessie Boydston will return home to Nebraska City tomorrow.

#### Entertained Horticulturists.

BLUE SPRINGS, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—The State Horticultural society meeting, which was called at Wymore July 23, was well attended and quite interesting. A large and varied exhibition of fruits were shown. Yesterday the society adjourned to the big peach orchard of J. M. Russell, about ten miles south of here. About 500 visitors improved the opportunity to inspect the 140 acres of peach trees, and the occasion was made especially attractive by a picnic, gotten up at the orchard by the Woman's Christian Temperance union of Blue Springs and Wymore. The meeting closed last night with a banquet at Wymore, which was largely attended.

#### Crop Situation Around Genoa.

GENOA, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—The oat crop is the largest ever produced in this part of the county. Nearly all is harvested. Wheat is very good, yielding fifteen to twenty-five bushels per acre, oats thirty to fifty bushels. Corn is looking fine, but is beginning to need rain. With a rain at an early day the crop will be immense.

The Genoa State bank paid a first dividend to depositors a few days ago of 10 per cent. It is the general opinion that about 20 per cent more will about exhaust the available resources of that institution, so far as general depositors are concerned.

#### Sherman County's Fair.

LOUP CITY, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—The Sherman county fair will be held on October 1, 2 and 3. The association was late in deciding on holding their fair, but now they are going to join with the Sherman County Irrigation company, who will hold their formal opening of the canal October 1, and it is expected that greater crowds will gather here at that time than have ever been here before. The attractions will consist of exhibits of the irrigation company, farm products, speed ring, athletic sports and bicycle races. Each day will have a splendid program of a variety of events.

#### Pierce County Teachers.

PIERCE, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—The Pierce County Teachers' institute, which is to be held in this city from August 5 to 16 inclusive, promises to be one of the most successful sessions ever held in the county. The instructors are Prof. C. C. Hurly, J. K. Stableton, A. M., Miss Edith Batchelor and County Superintendent Turner. A series of lectures will be given, those engaged thus far being Senator W. V. Allen, Prof. U. S. Conn, Prof. J. E. Mannix and J. K. Stableton.

#### Crooks Quickly Disposed Of.

COLUMBUS, Neb., July 25.—(Special Telegram.)—At 3 a. m. Tuesday Fred Willis, a negro of Camden, S. D., and Robert Harris of Mexico broke into a merchandise car in the Union Pacific yards, where they were caught by J. C. Vizzard, a Union Pacific detective. They were tried and sentenced by District Judge Sullivan at 11 o'clock today to one year in the penitentiary at hard labor. They will dine at Lincoln tonight. Both are young men, but old offenders. Willis is an ex-Wisconsin convict.

#### Annual Cedar County Fair.

HARTINGTON, July 25.—(Special.)—The dates for the fourteenth annual Cedar county fair are September 10, 11 and 12. The magnificent harvest insures a good agricultural display, and the race program will be unusually good. Another feature calculated to "draw" is a series of ball games between Hartington, Coleridge and Randolph.

#### New Oats on the Market.

STANTON, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—The first new oats brought to market were grown by Louis Godeker, in the south side of the county, and threshed eighty bushels per acre and are of excellent quality. Stanton county has never had such an immense crop of small grain as is now in shock and stack and corn is very promising.

#### Events at La Platte.

LA PLATTE, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Berd Holman was attending the annual campmeeting at Elk City this week.

Mr. Duncan McKinzie, who was injured by the running away of his team while returning from Omaha Wednesday, died at the residence of Mr. O'Leary in La Platte Thursday noon.

#### Hastings Wedding Bells.

HASTINGS, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Miss Mabel Miles of this city was married yesterday to Henry A. Fitch of Genoa. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Healey of the Congregational church at the home of the bride's brother, Will Snyder.

#### Telephone Line Completed.

OXFORD, Neb., July 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Oxford is now connected with Beaver City by telephone, the line having been completed today. The circuit takes in Edison and covers a distance of twenty miles.

#### Inspected North Platte Militia.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Adjutant General Barry last evening inspected the militia company of this place. He found the company well drilled and in good condition.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Hon. J. H. McColl is at the Millard.

J. H. Rushton of Fairmont is a Paxton guest.

C. A. Love, a Malvern, Ia., resident, is at the Arcade.

N. B. Friesen is registered at the Arcade from Jansen.

D. C. Adams of Salt Lake is registered at the Millard.

N. C. Pratt of Albion is one of the Arcade's guests.

L. A. Bowes of Shenandoah was at the Millard yesterday.

A. G. Evans, a Lincoln man, is on the Millard's register.

H. S. Manville, a stock raiser of Fremont, is at the Paxton.

Frank S. Burkhard of Shenandoah, Ia., is at the Dellone.

N. H. Brown of Fremont was a Paxton guest yesterday.

T. H. L. Martin of Louisville was at the Paxton yesterday.

J. H. Lowrey of Neola, Ia., is an arrival registered at the Arcade.

J. A. Tulleys, postmaster of Red Cloud, is on the Dellone's register.

Frank A. Beebe, a postoffice inspector of St. Louis, is at the Dellone.

James Cowgill, a stockman registering from Kansas City, is at the Paxton.

W. M. Boyle and J. Koontz, both of Lincoln, were at the Dellone yesterday.

William B. Kirby, a Lincoln capitalist, and his wife are registered at the Paxton.

Hon. O. M. Kem of Broken Bow spent a few hours at the Merchants yesterday.

Ex-Congressman McKeighan of Red Cloud was another of the Dellone's guests yesterday.

Mrs. R. D. Burns and child of Papillion were at the Millard for a short time yesterday.

Postoffice Inspector D. J. Sinclair of Nebraska City is among the guests at the Dellone.

Mrs. L. W. Russell and son were registered at the Dellone from Glenwood, Ia., yesterday.

F. B. Choate, general freight agent of the Union Pacific at Portland, is stopping at the Paxton.

E. A. Brown of the Nebraska City Daily Press dropped in at the Dellone yesterday morning.

State Bank Examiners C. F. McGrew of Hastings and James A. Cline of Minden are stopping at the Dellone.

Ben L. Crosby, assistant chief engineer of the Burlington, stationed at St. Louis, is one of the guests at the Millard.

Ed Lehmkuil, Grace Beebe and Lylian Schofield constituted a Wahoo party who were at the Millard yesterday.

A. F. Linton of Philadelphia, a heavy property holder in Omaha, who, with his wife, has been in the city and at the Millard for the last month, was unexpectedly called home yesterday.

At the Mercer: C. O. Carpenter, Abilene, Kan.; C. A. Randall, Newman Grove, Neb.; S. H. Risley, Arlington, Neb.; George Smith, Milwaukee, Wis.; P. H. Rulter, Philadelphia; M. Schwartz, L. N. Gonden, New York; A. J. Champin, Denver; W. L. Sly, St. Louis; C. E. Raymond, J. L. Mahin, Chicago; C. E. Cord, Norfolk, Va.; W. H. Korm, Tekamah, Neb.; O. E. Bartlett, Westfield, Mass.; W. M. Meek, Denver; J. R. Hirsdam, Morhed Tree, Ark.; J. M. Buck, R. St. Clair, Holdrege, Neb.; W. B. Kinnaman, John Barsby, Fairmont, Neb.; G. C. Wooster, Dr. S. Dailey, Lincoln; L. D. Hanady, Chicago.

#### Nebraskans at the Hotels.

At the Dellone—Thomas Whitehill, Nebraska City; G. W. Fox, Lexington; H. B. Tomson, Lincoln; R. B. Gammel, Tekamah.

At the Merchants—G. G. Going, Fremont; T. H. Doran, Burwell; J. T. Armstrong, Beatrice; P. J. Cunningham, Lincoln; J. W. Tamplin, St. Paul; E. G. Wells, Arlington.

# NEW YORK SHOWED UP WELL

## Crack Cruiser Made Good Time Against Head Winds and High Seas.

## COAL CONSUMPTION UNUSUALLY SMALL

### Her Commander Gives an Interesting Account of the German Emperor's Visit to the Ship—Crew Complimented for Quickness.

NEW YORK, July 25.—After an absence of nearly ten weeks the United States cruiser New York arrived here today and anchored in North river. Captain Evans, when seen by the reporters of the Associated press, expressed himself as being higaly pleased with the ship, and said with no little show of pride that she was the boss of her class. Of the average speed Captain Evans said: "We had moderate to fresh gales nearly all the time, and, although we only had three-fourths boiler power for six days and half boiler power three days, we made the trip from Land's End to Sandy Hook in the excellent time of nine days and four hours. We had heavy head seas and the wind, which was in the beginning northwest, veered around. We encountered a heavy swell from east northeast, and it seemed to me we were to the southward of a circular storm. I gave the ship a full speed trial of eight hours' duration in a head sea, and with 122 pounds of steam the engines developed 103½ revolutions per minute under natural draught, and the cruiser averaged a speed of seventeen and a half knots an hour, with 9,500 tons displacement. Her horse power was developed with the consumption of 1.87 pounds of coal, which is the lowest on record.

"I also gave her a good fair trial in a head sea with a speed of fourteen knots, and there was not one moment during that time when we could not have brought the guns on the upper deck and all those on the gun deck, with the exception of the two forward guns, into action."

"How about the visit of the German emperor?" asked the reporter, "and what did he think about the ship?"

"Well, now," said the captain, laughing, "I don't propose to tell the German emperor's secrets, but I can tell you I never met a man like him in my life. He seems to know a great deal about everything. His knowledge of naval architecture, particularly, surprised me very much, and you can't fool him in a single detail from the keel to the truck. The night that he and his suite dined with us on board he gave me a sample of his technical knowledge about a man-of-war.

"About 1 o'clock in the morning, although he had been already shown over the ship, he expressed a desire to see the engine room and dynamo. After going through the engine room, where he made a close examination of the machinery, he asked me how long it would take to uncouple an engine. I informed him I did not exactly know, but I would have it done for him. This seemed to please him very much, and, taking his watch in his hand, he said:

"'Very well, I will time you.'

"The men set to work with a will, and when the task was completed the emperor looked at his watch and said: 'Two hundred and forty seconds.' He expressed himself as being very well satisfied with the quickness of the Americans, and then he tried the reversing gear to see that it was in proper shape.

"When he came on deck again the ship was almost perfectly still, and most of the men, with the exception of the watch, had turned in. It was then nearly 2 o'clock in the morning, and while passing through from the engine room and from where he stood on the quarter deck he saw the men curled up in their hammocks. Turning quickly to me, he said: 'How long will it take to close your water tight doors?'

"The men did it in ninety seconds after the signal was given. He said that was wonderfully quick work, considering the fact that the men were nearly all asleep when the order was issued, and that he had no doubt as to our being able to do the same work in one-third of the time in daylight, when everything was favorable. When the emperor was leaving us he stood on the quarter deck, and, in bidding me goodbye, he said: 'I have never imagined that a vessel of war could be in the condition of the New York.'"

### GRAND JURY TAKING A HAND.

#### Possibility that Dr. Hearne May Be Indicted for Murder.

ST. LOUIS, July 25.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Hannibal says: R. H. Stillwell and wife arrived here today from Chicago, accompanied by Mrs. Susie Hayward, and it is thought Mrs. Hayward's mission here is to go before the grand jury and tell all she knows about the Stillwell murder and the relations existing between Dr. Hearne and the widow of the murdered man prior to and after the murder.

Mr. Mahan, counsel for the San Francisco paper, says they have plenty of good evidence to defeat the libel suit.

Dr. Hearne and wife are still in the city, and will remain here until after the grand jury reports. It is generally believed that Dr. Hearne wants the grand jury to return an indictment against him, as he feels confident that he cannot be convicted of the murder of Amos J. Stillwell. A committee composed of three grand jurors is investigating the evidence brought out in the depositions, and a report is expected soon.

#### Fatal End of a Kentucky Feud.

BRANDENBURG, Ky., July 25.—George Robison, keeper of the poor house in Meade county, was shot and killed this morning by Bland Chacklet, one of the commissioners of that institution. They met on the turnpike and Robison began firing on Chacklet, one ball hitting him in the mouth. He rushed upon Robison and took the pistol away from him and shot him through the heart. Chacklet is not seriously wounded. He is a prominent farmer.

#### Eastern Star Chapter Instituted.

SIDNEY, Neb., July 25.—(Special.)—Providence chapter Order Eastern Star was instituted here last night with twenty-five charter members. Eighteen ladies of Signet chapter of North Platte were present. Rev. J. G. Pinkham of Grand Island and Hon. George H. Jewett and wife of Arlington rendered excellent assistance. After the organization a banquet was given in the Oberfelder building, where plates were served for sixty people.

#### Kansas Town Half Under Water.

LARNED, Kan., July 25.—High water in the Arkansas river has done a great deal of damage at this point. The flood came down last night six inches higher than ever known before, and the south and east part of town is now under water. About half a mile of track is washed out a short distance east of here. The loss to market gardeners and to property in the overflowed district will aggregate several thousand dollars.

### IT WAS ONLY A YEAR AGO.

#### Anniversary of the Terrible Simoon that Baked Nebraska's Crops.

One hundred and six above.

Wind blowing forty-eight miles an hour from the south.

Corn blades shriveling in the blast like grass in a furnace.

Nebraska farmers standing helpless while the harvest was swept away by the relentless breath of the devastating simoon.

All the hope of a season dissipated in a day.

These are outlines of the picture presented by Nebraska one year ago today. July 26, 1894, will be remembered in Nebraska after July 4 and Christmas are forgotten. All the dreadful destitution and suffering that followed the total destruction of the crops of the state in a single day will never be known. All that has been told of it is but a little of the real facts.

Today broad fields of growing corn, great stalks of ripened grain stand monuments to the anniversary, and people talk more freely of the dreadful day, now "only a year ago."

It was just before midnight on the night of July 25 that the wind began to blow from the south. By 1 o'clock it had freshened to a stiff breeze and by daylight it was blowing a gale. It is difficult to write so as to give one who did not experience it an idea of that awful wind. It fairly blistered, scorched, withered everything endowed with life. All day the sun shone with fierce intensity, and all day that terrible wind bore clouds of dust and bits of rubbish along, making outdoor life impossible and existence indoors all but intolerable. At daylight the heat was intense, but it steadily increased until the local record at least was broken. From the government records figures are obtained showing it was above 100 from noon till after sundown. At 7 o'clock on the morning of July 26 the government thermometer registered 85; at 10 o'clock, 95; at noon, 101; at 1 o'clock, 102; at 2:30, 105; at 3 o'clock, 106, the hottest ever known in Omaha. From this time the heat slowly receded till shortly before 8 o'clock in the evening the mercury had dropped below the century mark.

But all that night the dreadful gale continued, and diminution in the temperature seemed so slight as to be scarcely noticed. One thing remarkable in the day's experience was that there were but few cases of prostration. This was remarked at the time, and was then ascribed to the lack of moisture in the atmosphere, the relative humidity being extremely low, a result of the drouth that had so long prevailed.

Omaha and Nebraska were not alone in their misery. Kansas, western Missouri and Iowa, eastern Colorado, South Dakota, Montana and Minnesota received their full share of the awful visitation. Dispatches printed in The Bee at the time give details of the terrible suffering immediately resulting from the hot blast and destruction of the crops that followed.

### TO GET AT THE BOTTOM FACTS.

#### Assault of the McCartys on the Dawsons to Be Investigated.

Next Monday afternoon at South Omaha and in police court an investigation of the Dawson-McCarty affair will be had. The queen of England has become so anxious to get to the bottom of the affair wherein Dawson and his family were assaulted near South Omaha on July 31, 1893, by the McCarty gang, according to the story which is current, that the United States has concluded it can put off her majesty no longer. The British lion will wait no longer on ceremony. The secretary of state has requested the investigation.

Orders to proceed with the inquiry were received by W. W. Slabaugh yesterday from Governor Holcomb, directing him to take the testimony in shorthand of all the witnesses he can get to testify concerning the affair. Mr. Slabaugh has invited more than twenty-five to be present and tell what they know of the case, even if it results in Uncle Sam's being forced to beg the queen's pardon for having had citizens so bad that they would not hesitate to give British subjects a trouncing while migrating on American soil.

Governor Holcomb expresses the hope that the investigation will be thorough, as he has heard it intimated that the South Omaha authorities have been lax in getting at the true story.

The peculiar part of the Dawson story lies in the fact that after they claim that their property was destroyed and they had been beaten and detained on their westward journey the Dawson family accepted an invitation from the McCarty people, went to Vic McCarty's house and joined in merrymaking at the nuptials of their daughter, which were celebrated there. This occurred after the alleged assault. Some lengthy depositions have been sent Mr. Slabaugh, trying to explain away the fact.

#### Invited Along to Explain.

A. G. Compton, a hack driver, was arrested yesterday by Detectives Dunn and Donahue as a suspicious character. Compton owns the hack in which Mrs. Tom Falconer rode home from the depot on Saturday night when returning from the Clan Gordon picnic. She left a valise containing $10 worth of Scottish paraphernalia in the hack and heard nothing from it thereafter. The loss was reported to the police and yesterday the detectives succeeded in recovering the lost property, which was in Compton's possession. They also took Compton along to explain why he did not return the valise to its owner.

#### Met and Elected Officers.

The Omaha Paid Firemen's Benevolent association met at the city hall yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers: G. T. Anderson, president; Gus Williams, vice president; J. J. Ormsby, treasurer; D. P. Bland, secretary. It was decided to prosecute Ed Hamsher, who has been charged with the sequestration of the association funds.

#### School District Funds.

Yesterday afternoon Secretary Gillan of the Board of Education received the money that comes to the Omaha school district from the state apportionment. It amounted to $18,803.42 and was at once turned over to Treasurer Dumont. This amount is nearly $4,000 less than that for the first six months of 1894, but is nearly that amount in excess of the last apportionment.

#### Germanic Beats Her Record.

NEW YORK, July 25.—The White Star liner Germanic, which was recently overhauled and newly engined at Belfast, arrived today from Liverpool and Queenstown with a record passage of 6 days, 23 hours and 27 minutes. Her best previous passage was 7 days, 6 hours and 10 minutes.

#### Big Coast Exhibit for Atlanta.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 25.—The permanent exhibit of the state board of trade, valued at $100,000 and considered thoroughly representative of the products and industries of California, will be transported to the Atlanta exposition.

### LOCAL BREVITIES.

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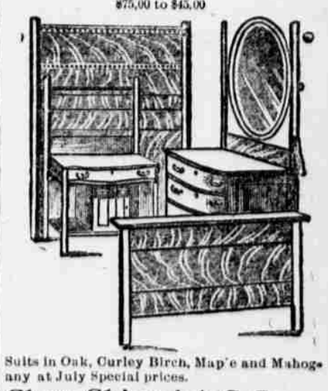

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