IRRIGATION IN NEBRASKA

Some Facts and Figures Concerning the Extent of the Industry.

MANY MILES OF DITCH ARE BEING USED

Thousands More Are Under Way of Construction—Total Cost of the Work Compared with Total Value of the Land.

LINCOLN, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—If all the irrigation canals in Nebraska were stretched out in a straight line they would reach from Omaha to Boston, and the canals now being constructed, if attached to the west end of the line would reach from Omaha to Ogden. The projected ditches, permits for which applications have been filed, if added to the canal would stretch from Boston to San Francisco and then many miles north toward Alaska. The increase in the value of the land now under irrigation, if converted into money and divided up among the people of Nebraska would give each man, woman and child $9 apiece, with an odd $750,000 over and above. Most of the canals now in use or being constructed were established by permits secured under the old irrigation law. The law was changed in 1895, but practically all of the water permits up to the present time have been secured under this law. The applications made under the new law since 1895 have mostly been compelled to wait until it could be ascertained that there would be water to spare after the ditches under the old permits had been put in. Thus the following showing of the irrigation ditches constructed or in course of construction, up to December 30, 1897, are all from permits secured under the old law:

County.	Miles constructed.	Miles in course of construc'n.	Total Miles.
Adams	0.50	....	0.50
Antelope	1.75	0.40	2.15
Banner	9.95	2.25	12.20
Blaine	4.65	2.25	6.90
Box Butte	3.50	....	3.50
Boyd	1.25	0.50	1.75
Brown	3.60	14.90	18.50
Buffalo	16.65	34.95	51.60
Boone	0.75	3.75	4.50
Chase	51.35	16.50	67.85
Cherry	6.50	10.90	17.40
Cheyenne	161.68	60.91	222.59
Custer	48.25	51.65	99.90
Dawes	90.20	76.65	166.85
Dawson	128.75	125.00	253.75
Deuel	75.10	145.40	220.50
Dundy	68.39	20.40	88.79
Franklin	2.88	2.75	5.63
Frontier	2.06	1.56	3.62
Furnas	18.80	17.00	35.80
Garfield	8.00	1.75	9.75
Hayes	1.45	0.80	2.25
Hitchcock	57.25	84.90	142.15
Holt	125.65	12.60	138.25
Kearney	4.10	0.40	4.50
Keith	73.90	39.31	113.21
Keya Paha	27.96	15.70	43.66
Kimball	20.85	0.60	21.45
Loup	8.00	34.75	42.75
Lincoln	158.65	102.55	261.20
Platte	1.60	3.50	5.10
Red Willow	18.58	11.50	30.08
Rock	1.00	15.00	16.00
Scotts Bluff	91.25	26.75	118.00
Sheridan	4.20	33.70	37.90
Sherman	15.00	11.00	26.00
Sioux	59.33	13.91	73.24
Thomas	5.50	36.50	42.00
Valley	48.55	35.00	83.55
Grand total	1,430.38	1,067.94	2,498.32

AMOUNT OF MONEY INVESTED.

In the thirty-nine counties 1,216,524 acres of land have been placed under irrigation, and the estimated increase in the value of the land on account of the irrigation is $9,732,192, or at the rate of $8 per acre. The cost of the irrigation work up to date has been $1,576,383.44, and the estimated cost of the total mileage when the ditches now in course of construction are completed, reaches $3,140,385.54. The largest amount expended in any one county has been in Dawson, where up to date the 253.75 miles of ditches, completed and in course of construction, have cost $474,813.23, and almost as much more will be needed to complete the work. The number of acres in this county receiving water from these ditches is 257,720, and the estimated increase in the value of the land is $2,061,760. Next to Dawson the county having already expended the most money is Hitchcock, where it has cost $160,290.79 to prepare ditches for the watering of 42,480 acres, it being estimated that the completion of all the works in this county will cost $225,027. In point of number of acres watered Deuel county comes next to Dawson, having 166,333 acres of watered lands, the cost up to date being $45,844.25, and the estimated cost to complete all works, $358,045.35. Adams county comes for the smallest cost, its one-half mile of ditch having been put in at an expense of $250, watering seventy acres of land and increasing the value of the watered lands $560, or over double the cost of the ditch. Taking into consideration the small mileage the most expensive works are in Franklin county, where the 5.63 miles of ditch will cost $23,803, watering 345 acres of land, the value of which is increased $2,760.

Under the law the applications filed with the State Board of Irrigation between April 4, 1895, and December 20, 1897, from 415 persons and companies who desire to appropriate the public waters of the state are distributed over fifty-two counties and foot up to the following totals: Miles of ditch, 2,770.95; estimated cost, $6,573,351.55; number of acres to be watered, 3,159,797; estimated increase in the value of the land when placed under irrigation, $25,278,376.

DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICTS.

The act of 1895 authorized the establishment of irrigation districts so that a territory occupying a common watershed could vote bonds to establish a common ditch. Some of the districts mentioned were formed for the purpose of purchasing the old ditches, so that where necessary they could be lengthened and strengthened so as to be more accessable and more valuable to the people within the confines of the district. The irrigation districts organized previous to December 30, 1897, were as follows:

Custer county, three: Douglas Grove, Lillian and Middle Loup; bonds, voted, $157,000; lands to be covered, 53,000 acres.

Garfield county, two: Forks and Willow Springs; bonds voted, $39,800; lands to be covered, 15,000 acres.

Keith county, one: Alfalfa; bonds voted, $32,000; lands to be covered, 5,500 acres.

Keith and Deuel counties, one: Western; bonds voted, $25,000; lands to be covered, 14,000 acres.

Lincoln county, three: Maxwell and Brady Island, Gaslin and Suburban; bonds voted, $133,000; lands to be covered, 32,300 acres.

Lincoln and Dawson counties, one: Lincoln and Dawson county irrigation district; bonds voted, $275,000; lands to be covered, 32,000 acres.

Scotts Bluff county, one; Gering; bonds voted, $115,000; lands to be covered, 20,000 acres.

Scotts Bluff and Cheyenne counties, one: Farmers' irrigation district; amount of bonds voted and lands to be covered not yet reported.

GOSSIP FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

Applications from Nebraska Schools for Space at the Exposition.

LINCOLN, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The applications from the schools of Nebraska for space in the educational exhibit at the exposition are now all in and on file at the office of the state superintendent. Schools employing a total of 2,239 teachers have applied for space. These applications come from 293 rural districts, 178 graded schools, 8 state institutions, 5 private schools, 4 denominational schools and 1 Chautauqua. The rural schools employ 293 teachers; graded schools, 1,696; the state institutions, 165, and the private and denominational, 85.

Although the applications for space can no longer be received, interest in the educational exhibit is increasing in all parts of the state, and a large number of schools are sending representatives to Lincoln to get pointers and personal instructions as to how to collect and arrange the exhibits. Today a delegation came down from Friend, consisting of Superintendent Sams of the city schools, the entire corps of teachers and over fifty pupils. They spent the day in examining into the plans of exhibits, and in visiting the state institutions. The Friend schools will try for one of the pennants at the exposition.

Prof. Clark of the Peru Normal school was at the state house today on educational business.

The Cuban Relief commission has received a donation of $6.75 from the Epworth league of Loup City. The leaguers there held a debate on the Cuban question, charged admission at the door, and gave the commission one-half of the door receipts.

The following notaries were commissioned today: Jessie B. Burness, Omaha; S. L. Stichter, Hastings; W. W. Wood, Lincoln; R. H. James, Wayne; L. M. Graham, Stockville; James C. Manley, Lincoln; J. C. Faught, Phillips; W. H. Wallace, Exeter.

Requisition papers have been issued for H. Bennett Woodson, alias E. H. Wilma, who is under arrest at Milwaukee, and is wanted in Omaha for forgery.

The Hugh McCaffrey real estate company of Omaha filed articles of incorporation today, with a capital stock of $100,000. The incorporators are Hugh McCaffrey, Owen McCaffrey and W. M. Bushman.

The Epworth League assembly is to be held at Lincoln this year providing $1,500 is raised to cover the expenses of fitting up the grounds. The local committee of the league has already raised $750, and at a meeting of the Young Men's Board of Trade last night the other $750 was pledged.

In the suit wherein Mrs. Amanda Snyder asked $15,000 damages against the city of Lincoln, the jury returned a verdict late last night, finding that the plaintiff was a resident of Nebraska and not of Kansas as stated in her petition, and that therefore the proper place for her suit is in the district court of Lancaster county. Mrs. Snyder was in Kansas sixteen days last fall, but having retained her rooms in this city, the jury decided that she was still a citizen of Nebraska.

A match shoot occurred at the grounds of the Lincoln Gun club yesterday afternoon between George B. Simpkins and George L. Carter. The match for $25 a side was won by Mr. Carter in both the contest for live birds and for targets. He got nineteen live birds out of twenty-five to Mr. Simpkins' ten, and out of fifty targets he hit forty against Mr. Simpkin's twenty-seven.

In federal court today Judge Munger rendered a decision in the demurrer in the case of J. B. Meserve against K. K. Hayden, receiver of the Capitol National bank. The suit was originally begun by J. S. Bartley when he was state treasurer to compel the receiver to file the claim of the state against the bank. Attorney General Smyth last year filed an amended petition substituting the name of Meserve for that of Bartley. The demurrer was to the effect that the action could not be brought in the name of the state treasurer. Judge Munger sustained the demurrer. The attorney general will file a new petition, bringing the suit in the name of the state of Nebraska. The receiver has in his hands about $25,000 to be turned over to the state when the claim is finally adjudicated, being a dividend on the original deposit of state money in the bank when the failure took place.

Omaha people at the hotels: At the Lindell—C. M. Wilcox, E. J. Anderson, Ed. W. Wrag, H. O. Frederickson, F. L. Crone, F. L. Lewis. At the Lincoln—M. F. Kling, W. C. Brooks, I. M. Campbell, W. D. Eck, M. A. Hall, John L. Webster, Mrs. W. C. Brooks.

TO CLEAN UP CITY POLITICS.

Lincoln Republicans Organize with that End in View.

LINCOLN, Feb. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—About 100 prominent republicans, representing the better element of the party in this city, met at republican headquarters tonight and organized a new club to be known as the "Hamilton club." The object of the new organization is to clear up the corruption that exists in the politics of this city and to place the party in better hands. It is also expected to have the club extend over the whole state. Seventy-eight charter members signed the constitution, paying $10 each as admission fee. Many speeches were made condemning the men who, in the name of republicanism, have got control of the municipal affairs, and a determination was expressed to have a general house cleaning within the party in this county. The officers of the new club are: C. H. Gere, president; E. P. Holmes, first vice president; J. P. Maule, second vice president; E. R. Sizer, secretary; A. W. Field, treasurer. Executive committee: Charles O. Whedon, John P. Maule, A. W. Field, J. W. Johnson, G. M. Lambertson, Roscoe Pound and E. P. Holmes. A public meeting will be called some time next week for a full discussion of the present sad condition of municipal affairs.

High School Stands Well.

WEST POINT, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—J. W. Crabtree, state inspector of the high schools on the State university accredited list, examined the West Point High school last Friday, and was well pleased with its condition and standing.

The Merchants' carnival, to be presented next Thursday night, February 10, in Krause's hall, promises to be the most novel entertainment ever presented by local talent. Over forty-four different business firms are represented, and the program abounds in original novelties.

Several farmers living in the vicinity of western Bismarck township received the forepart of the week five pedigreed Hereford bulls. The fine animals were divided among Messrs. Wiechman, Clatanoff and Stigge.

West Point Court Notes.

WEST POINT, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Judge Evans on Monday opened a term of district court here. The case against Fritz Elsanger resulted in Elsanger being found guilty, and the judge sentenced him to sixty days' imprisonment, with every fifth day to subsist on bread and water, and to pay all costs of prosecution. The case against Bar-

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ney Lampe was nollied because the complaining witness had left the country. Lampe is now free again. In the case of McKiraban against Sonnenschein and Koch, the jury was out all last Wednesday night and all Thursday. About 5 o'clock last evening the judge called the jury in and ascertained that a verdict was impossible to be arrived at and discharged the jury. In the case of Baer against Leisy, the jury brought in a verdict of $2,300 for the plaintiff. In the case of James W. Shearer against Cuming County, Shearer's attorney made application for a continuance, which was granted upon certain affidavits. The case of Cuming County against Shearer will come up next week. Court will adjourn tonight until next Monday to clear the docket.

Doings at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Mayor Evans has appointed a Cuban relief committee to secure food and clothing to send to the Cuban sufferers. The committee is composed of Messrs. A. H. Cramer, W. M. Lowman and C. P. Sheaff.

Postmaster Halm has placed Edward W. Bexten in the postoffice as mailing clerk to succeed Adna McDonald.

Judge Burton addressed the students of Hastings college Thursday morning in the college chapel. He spoke for nearly an hour upon "The Indian Policy of the United States and that of Great Britain Contrasted."

There will be a big railroad men's meeting tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at Germania hall. W. H. Waterman of Lincoln will address the meeting. His subject will be "Mind Your Own Business."

The work on the two fourteen-inch wells at the city water works is completed, as they have been put down to a depth of 360 feet. The engine and air-lifting machines have arrived and are being put in place. It will only be a few days until everything will be in running order and first-class shape at the water works.

Litigation at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—A suit has been brought by the city of Hastings against Charles H. Dietrich to compel the defendant to pay paving taxes on lot 13, block 18. The reason Mr. Dietrich has refused to pay paving taxes on the lot is because he notified the city council when the pavement was being put in that the brick used were inferior to those the city had contracted for and he demanded that the contractor be compelled to use the brick that the contract called for. Mr. Dietrich's demands were not heeded and, therefore, he refuses to pay his paving taxes.

Mrs. Hattie Christensen has filed suit in the district court praying for a divorce from her husband, Christopher Christensen, who was sentenced to the penitentiary about a year ago on the charge of embezzlement from the Deering Harvesting company.

Bootleggers Sentenced.

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Harry Rasdall, William Brown, William Phillips and a man giving his name as "Dutchy," all of Homer, were placed under arrest by Deputy United States Marshal Allan yesterday, and taken before United States Commissioner Sloan to answer to the charge of selling liquor to the Indians. Rasdall gave bonds and continued his case. Brown was adjudged not guilty and Phillips and "Dutchy" were given sixty days each in the jail at Omaha.

Rome Summers is serving out a ten days' sentence in the county jail, imposed upon him by County Judge Ryan on complaint of C. Austin, charging him with stealing several bushels of sweet potatoes last summer. The parties interested are all residents of Walker's island.

Emerson Notes.

EMERSON, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The Swedish Lutherans have organized a society here. Regular services are conducted by Rev. Swanburg of Oakland.

A. Morseman, living north of town, is the first farmer living near here to experiment with alfalfa. He made three cuttings and the crop averaged four tons to the acre.

Parties from Norfolk trying to make contracts for sugar beets for this season are finding that the farmers are strenuously objecting to the clause in which the sugar company says it will pay 50 cents a ton less in case Hawaii is annexed.

S. E. Cobb of this place, chairman of the executive committee of the North Nebraska Editorial association, has made elaborate arrangements for entertaining that body, which meets here this month.

Grand Island News.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Fifteen men were discharged at the local Union Pacific shops last night.

Frank Knoffke, a saloon keeper of Republican City, was brought here this morning by Deputy United States Marshal Barber and arraigned before United States Commissioner Bode on the charge of selling liquor without a license. Knoffke was bound over under $1,500 bond, failing to secure which he has been taken to the Douglas county jail to await trial at Omaha.

A pleasant family reunion will take place tomorrow at the home of E. Sorenson of this city, his father, P. M. H. Sorenson of Omaha, coming out to spend the day and celebrate his 80th birthday anniversary.

Osceola Woodmen Entertain.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Thursday evening the Modern Woodmen of America gave their annual banquet to members and friends and their families. Each member of the order was permitted to invite two friends and the spacious court room was taxed to its utmost capacity to accommodate all who availed themselves of the invitation extended. A bountiful repast had been prepared and covers were laid for 350 diners. After the supper a fine musical program was rendered by the Stromsburg Mandolin club, followed by a highly interesting and instructive talk on woodcraft by Hon. C. A. Atkinson of Lincoln.

Wakefield Notes

WAKEFIELD, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The Golden Rod creamery at this place will begin taking cream about March 1.

A movement is being made to have the school board call an election to vote bonds for the purpose of erecting a new school building.

Several republican papers have brought out the name of Hon. H. P. Shumway of this place as a candidate for the nomination for governor.

Messrs. L. Diltz and Almond Anderson have purchased the Crane farm near here for $5,000, or $31.25 per acre.

Pleasant Family Reunion.

AUBURN, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harmon of this city celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of Mr. Harmon's birth yesterday with a public reception and family reunion. From 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Harmon, assisted by the other members of the family, held a public reception and met their friends and neighbors at their residence in this city. There are living thirteen children and twenty grand-children, all of whom were present at this reunion.

New Woodmen of the World Camp

WESTON, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Joseph Wolfe of Omaha, deputy organizer, organized a camp of Woodmen of the World at this place this week officered as follows: John Engler, C. C.; James Paser, A. L.; John Brich, B.; Louis Bilan, C.; Arthur Mack, E.

Kenesaw Items.

KENESAW, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The entertainment given by the Christian Endeavor society here last night was a success financially.

This is probably the only town in the state that has not had a case of Klondike fever.

Sheriff Will Use Bloodhounds.

BLAIR, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff Meninke received two bloodhounds from Homesville, O., today by express. Hereafter he proposes to use them in tracking thieves and criminals in Washington and the adjoining counties.

Examiner Wilson Sent to Crawford.

LINCOLN, Feb. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—The Grable bank at Crawford failed to open its doors yesterday. The State Banking board sent Examiner Wilson there last night and he now has the institution in charge.

Hearing Set for Monday.

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—H. Herman, who was arrested yesterday for negotiating a fictitious draft, will have his hearing Monday before County Judge Bowen.

SCOTS' ROARIN' WINTER GAME

Curling Takes Firm Hold on Omaha's Exiled Scotchmen.

COLD DAYS PUT IN WI' STANE AND BESOM

Brief Description of the Pastime that Holds Men All Day on the Ice Despite of Cold or Hunger.

The game of curling was so entirely new to this locality on its introduction a few months ago that it was looked upon as a strange and curious thing, the terms and purposes of which were hidden from the understanding of the average American. The attraction of it was acknowledged, however, when it was observed that men were willing to stand on the ice all day, dinnerless, without thought of hunger or cold. The game has been played so constantly on the lagoon since that time that it has come to be an object of an intelligent public interest and people are beginning to understand what is meant by channel stones, crampets (flat pieces of iron with spurs to brace the feet) and the "besoms so green," with which the rink is swept.

The Omaha Curling club was organized about two months ago and has grown to an organization of about forty members. It has an abundant supply of stones and other equipment and is in the habit of meeting for play on Saturday afternoons and often during the week if there has been "cauld, cauld, frosty weather," sufficient for their purpose. The membership is made up entirely of natives of the land of cakes and curlers and for the most part of Gordon clansmen. All of them are enthusiastic and many experts, and all unite in the praise of the game as a promoter of mental enjoyment, bodily health and the best of good fellowship. The club has lately begun negotiations for a charter from the Royal Caledonian Curling club, with headquarters at Edinburgh, Scotland. The only member of that international body at present in the city is P. L. Forgan, vice president of the Omaha club, who has the grip and password of the Caledonian club as well as four medals won at different contests.

DATA OF THE GAME.

The Caledonian Curling club is an extensive organization with branches all over the world. In all there are not less than 500 societies which are affiliated with the central body, fifty of which are in the province of Ontario, Canada. In Scotland almost every parish has its club, which meets in occasional contests, and annually there is a great game, semi-national in character, between teams north and south of the River Forth. An annual is published under the direction of the club giving the rules of the game and lists of members, together with curling songs and other literature connected with the game.

As outlined in the rules, the game is played on a rink a few yards wide and forty-two yards long. The engines are round stones, which weigh about forty pounds and are fitted with handles for their better propulsion. The stones are hurled along the ice, and it is the object of each player to cover the goal, or tee, or to lie as close as possible. Frequently he may consider that his stone is a "winner" when a rival missile "up the rink like Jehu roars" and ruins the results of his care and skill. About the tee are circles to a radius of seven feet and a stone must lie within the outermost in order to have a chance of counting. One-sixth of the distance from each tee is marked a hog line, which denotes the division beyond which stones exhibiting a pig-like laggardness are cast aside as obstructions to the game. Curling may be played by two participants, but ordinarily there are four on each side, two hurling at either end for a total score of 21. Each side is in charge of a skip, who keeps the score and gives advice, directing when to "soop it up," by the vigorous application of a broom in front of the approaching stone and warning the sweeper to desist when "it will be too soon here."

There are a number of difficult plays in the game, the accomplishment of which go to distinguish a player as a master and sometimes as "the king o' a' the core." Among these "wicking" or "inringing" takes the first rank. It is adopted when an opponent's winning stone is hedged about by others. "This play," wrote Sir Richard Broun, bart., "the prettiest and most scientific point in the game, is to take the spot and leave yourself behind the rampart when to all appearance the winner was impregnable. It is done by taking an inner angle off a side shot in such a manner as to change and direct the course of your stone upon the one to be projected." Another difficult play is termed "rebutting." On an occasion when an opponent's stone is so securely protected that it is impossible to dislodge it by ordinary means the skip directs his man to "put plenty of powder in your horn," and the stone is sent along the rinks with tremendous force, dislodging everything in its path and occasionally ending a "winner."

ALMOST AS OLD AS GOLF.

Curling in its present maturity is the result of a long evolution. There is a record of its existence for many hundred years. In a description by Camden of the Orkney Isles in 1607 he says that one of the islands supplies "plenty of excellent stones for the game called curling." The game has been so closely interwoven with Scotch history since that time that it is as much a Scottish pastime as the "rough bur thistle" is the national emblem. In the old days before Bannockburn the stones were misshapen granite blocks bored to let in the thumb of the primitive curler. Ossian, who flourished about the second century, is even quoted as cognizant of the ancient game, and the quotation is made half seriously, "Fly, son of Morven, fly, amid the circle of stones. Swaren bends at the stone of might." Some excellent curling verse has been written by Scottish bards, principally by Burns and the Ettrick Shepherd. One spirited curling song is written to the air of "Come Under My Plaidie," and is as follows:

A' nicht it was freezin', a' nicht I was sneezin';
"Tak care," quo' the wife, "gudeman, o' your cough."
A fig for the sneezin', hurrah for the freezin',
For the day we're to play the bonspiel on the loch!
Then get up, my braw leddy, the breakfast mak' ready,
For the sun on the snaw drift's beginnin' to blink;
Gie me bannocks or brochan I'm aff to the lochan
To mak' the stanes flee to the "T" o' the rink.

Then hurrah for the curling frae Girvan to Stirling—
Hurrah for the lads o' the besom and stane.
Ready, noo! Soop it up! Clap a guard! Steady, noo!
Oh curling abune a' the games stands alane!

The ice it is splendid, it canna be mended;
Like a glass ye can glow'r in 't an' shave aff your beard.

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An' see how they gaither, comin' owre the brown haither—
The maister and servants, the tenant and laird,
There's braw J. O. Fairlie, he's there late and early,
Better curlers than he or Hugh Conn canna be,
Wi' the lads frae Kilwinnin' they'll send the stanes spinnin'
Wi' a whurr and a curr, till they sit roun' the "T."

SCHAEFER DEFEATS SLOSSON.

Wizard Wins a Pretty Game of Balk-Line Billiards.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—With the victory of the American championship game at eighteen-inch balk line billiards almost within his grasp George Slosson was defeated tonight by Jake Schaefer of Chicago by a score of 600 points to 596 points at Madison Square Garden concert hall. Score:

Schaefer—0, 2, 0, 0, 11, 23, 0, 0, 11, 24, 19, 0, 0, 42, 1 14, 56, 0, 0, 5, 3, 0, 7, 20, 16, 11, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 7, 5, 14, 1, 3, 7, 2, 1, 6, 3, 1, 0, 14, 3, 0, 5, 0, 0, 0, 1, 9, 0, 1, 0, 12, 1, 1, 0, 58, 0, 4, 25, 0, 0, 0, 6, 1, 11, 11, 8, 3, 2, 1, 0, 78, 3, 0, 3, 24—600.

Average, 7 11-27. Total, 600.

Slosson—0, 2, 5, 0, 26, 5, 5, 1, 0, 1, 2, 1, 2, 19, 0, 9, 20, 7, 0, 1, 4, 0, 6, 2, 2, 0, 16, 7, 0, 28, 6, 5, 9, 12, 15, 7, 0, 0, 8, 23, 2, 0, 21, 1, 20, 8, 4, 10, 0, 2, 1, 4, 2, 23, 20, 9, 3, 6, 19, 6, 2, 7, 16, 3, 0, 19, 1, 1, 25, 2, 17, 25, 22, 1, 0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 34—596.

Average, 7 9-20. Total, 596.

ANSON PUTS A STOP TO BENEFITS.

Says the Public Owes Him Nothing and He is Not a Pauper.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—"I refuse to accept anything in the shape of a gift. The public owes me nothing. I am not old, and am no pauper. I can earn my own living. Besides that, I am by no means out of base ball."

Such is the declaration made by former Captain-Manager Adrian C. Anson today. Part of it came in the form of a letter to A. G. Spalding, and was read at the meeting at the Chicago Athletic association to establish an Anson testimonial. Unless Anson can be induced to reconsider, which is not likely, the matter is at an end.

Amateur Billiard Tournament.

An amateur handicap billiard tournament for the championship of Nebraska will be an attraction at Foley's rooms on Douglas street this week. W. A. Travers, John A. Murphy and Fred Peyton will play 150 points each, J. K. Berry and Arthur Hoffman, 125 points each, and Homer Kirk, 115 points. The first game will be Monday afternoon, with Murphy and Peyton as the contestants. Hoffman and Berry will play Monday night, and in addition Fred Peyton will give an exhibition of fancy pool. The winner of the tournament will receive a handsome gold medal, emblematic of the state championship, and a fancy cue will go to the second man.

Tigers Elect a Captain.

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 5.—At a meeting of the men who participated in the Yale-Princeton foot ball game last November Addison W. Kelly of New York was elected captain of the Princeton eleven for the coming year. This action was taken in view of the fact that John Baird, who was recently elected to the position, owing to ill health was compelled to resign.

Harvard Base Ball Schedule.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 5.—The revised schedule of games for the Harvard base ball team has been completed and the southern tour has been so arranged that beginning with the game with the University of North Carolina the team will have a game with some college nine every week day that it is away from home. The Yale dates are undecided.

Tommy Ryan to Meet McCoy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5.—Tommy Ryan of Syracuse, who is here to meet George Green (Young Corbett) on February 25, in a twenty-round contest, signed articles today at the instance of the National Athletic club for a twenty-round go with Kid McCoy for the middleweight championship and a purse of $7,500.

Meeting to Award Quincy Franchise.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 5.—There will be a meeting of the Western Association of Base Ball clubs at Burlington, Ia., next Tuesday for the purpose of selecting a member to fill the vacancy made by the withdrawal of Quincy. The applicants are Sioux City, Rock Island and Ottumwa.

Basket Ball at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—A hotly contested game of basket ball was played this afternoon at the college athletic grounds. The Juniors defeated the Sophomores by a score of 3 to 4. There was a large attendance.

Confines Books to the Race Track.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 5.—The Bronston pool room bill passed the senate today and was sent to the house. The bill not only makes pool selling a felony except on race courses but excludes foreign books even from there.

LEGAL QUARREL OVER PROPERTY.

Struggle for Possession of Valuable Envelope Machines.

The participants to the suit of the Carpenter Paper Company against the Western Envelope Company spent an uneasy night in the effort to get the contested property out of the city and in the serving of restraining orders for the prevention thereof. The property consists of a considerable quantity of machinery for the manufacture of envelopes and has been the object of a prolonged litigation.

The machines were originally bought by the Western Envelope company under a chattel mortgage for $3,700, which was held by the Carpenter Paper company. Payments became due and it is claimed were not met, for which cause the Carpenter Paper company brought a replevin suit to regain possession of the property. The Western Envelope company obtained a writ preventing the plaintiffs from foreclosing, and as the company was observed to be packing the machinery preparatory to shipment another order was obtained by the Carpenter Paper company restraining the defendants from in any way making over or transferring the property to other parties. The next move on the part of the defendants was to offer in court the amount of the mortgage with interest, praying for a release of the goods.

This was granted and permission was given to Frank R. Nollman of Centralia, Ill., to load the goods on cars. This was attempted shortly after midnight this morning and a gang of twenty men were put to work. In this extremity the Carpenter Paper company was not found without a weapon and an order was served by Attorney Burbanks annulling the order of release and leaving the property still tied up. The matter will be brought up in Judge Scott's court tomorrow.

HELD FOR PASSING A BAD BILL

Mrs. Clifford Worked a Canceled Warrant on a Grocery Store Clerk.

The capture was made in South Omaha yesterday of a woman named Clifford, who is charged with passing a canceled state warrant for $10 upon the Munro Grocery company about a week ago. The woman was identified by the clerk upon whom the bill had been passed, and who was able to give the description that resulted in her capture. Mrs. Clifford's husband was arrested in her company, and will be held pending an investigation. The Cliffords are strangers in this vicinity, and say they have recently come from Louisville, Ky., and more latterly from Chicago. Mrs. Clifford claims to be in the theatrical business. She was placed in the county jail on the charge of passing counterfeit money, and her husband, James Clifford, is in the city jail at South Omaha.

The woman entered the store of the Munro Grocery company at noon when the clerk was left alone and was engaged with several customers. She hurriedly made some small purchases and left, receiving $9.40 in change. The bill had been issued by the state of Tennessee and had been canceled a number of years ago. The five holes made by the canceling punch had been carefully covered over with paper of a similar material, and the warrant presented the appearance of a good $10 bill.

Electric Lighting at Hartington.

HARTINGTON, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Last night the contract for a $3,000 electric light plant was let to E. C. Largess. Operations will be commenced at once.

Sheep for Omaha.

DUNCAN, Neb., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Otto Kohler will ship part of his sheep to the Omaha market Sunday evening.

Coat Goes with the Man.

John Carlson of 1914 Webster street reported last night that he had befriended a young man who had proved untrue to the trust. The latter appealed to Carlson for aid, and he sheltered him in his home and lent the stranger an overcoat when he expressed a desire to go down town. The young man never came back.

Veterans' Monument Association.

A meeting of the association will be held tomorrow evening at the usual place to consider matters of importance regarding the erection of the proposed soldiers' monument in the Forest Lawn cemetery. A full attendance is requested.

Robbed of Fourteen Dollars.

Bartholomew Quesnoy, a miner from Weir City, Kan., was assaulted and robbed of $14 last night on the railroad tracks a short distance south of the city.

FORECAST FOR TODAY'S WEATHER.

Partly Cloudy and Warmer, with Northerly Winds

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Forecast for Sunday:

For Nebraska—Partly cloudy weather; warmer in eastern portion; southerly winds.

For Iowa—Fair, followed by increasing cloudiness; warmer, southerly winds.

For South Dakota—Threatening weather; colder in western portion; variable winds.

For Missouri—Fair; warmer; variable winds, becoming southerly.

For Kansas—Fair; warmer; southrly winds.

DON'T LET PREJUDICE KILL YOU

There should be no prejudice against genuine physicians who employ business methods in their practice—Legitimate advertising in medicines protects the people against shams and humbugs.

There is a vast difference between "advertising doctors" and physicians who advertise. Under the head of "advertising doctors" are included all that class of unprincipled and unscrupulous men—usually uneducated and ignorant—who prey upon the sick and unfortunate. Their ways are only too well known to need description. They are, as a rule, often transient, traveling from place to place, irresponsible and unprincipled. They promise miracles, and by their plausibility and cunning extort large sums of money from the poorer classes and those who can least afford to be robbed.

There are physicians who advertise, genuine physicians and specialists, who have fulfilled all the regular requirments of medical study and practice, who have passed through the usual course of medical college and hospital study, and who have devoted their lives to certain lines of practice—confining themselves to these special lines. Their experience and their study has given them special and pre-eminent skill in them, and they choose the daily papers as a means of letting the public know their specialties and their success. As conscientious physicians, and as honorable men, they believe in advertising.

The legitimate advertising of genuine and skillful physicians and specialists is the most effective safeguard the public has against medical frauds and humbugs.

Standing in contrast with the advertisments of physicians and specialists, who give their names, their credentials, their record, who offer fair and plain evidence of their responsibility, their training, their skill, the advertising of fakirs and medical adventurers is almost a printed confession of their lack of responsibility and their bogus character. By their very contrast may the public judge between the genuine and the pretended.

Dr. Shepard and his associates believe that if every physician put his name and credentials in the papers, stating where he graduated, how long he studied, where and how he practiced, and to whom he can refer as to having cured, there would be less humbug in the practice of medicine, fewer malpractice cases.

Again we say: don't let prejudice kill you.

Broken-down Women and the Home Treatment.

MRS. JULIA PARKS, PROSSER, NEB., WRITING TO DR. SHEPARD OF HER RESTORATION TO HEALTH BY THE MAIL TREATMENT SAYS:

MRS. JULIA PARKS, Prosser, Neb.

"I wish to state here that my case seemed to be a hopeless one owing to female weakness and a complete breaking down of the whole nervous system. I also contracted a bad catarrhal disorder that seemed to

Center Its Poison on the Stomach,

killing all digestion and nourishment of the body. The doctors said I had ulcers and some went so far as to call it cancer of the stomach. Anyhow, I was a great sufferer, and through starvation and pain became reduced to a skeleton. About this time I began reading about the help women were getting from the Shepard Home Treatment. I decided to put myself upon a course at once. I had been under different doctors' care for 15 years, but thought I'd try again. The result is that I am better than I've been for 30 years. I've discharged my hired girl and am doing my own work. In health, strength and comfort I'm all right and am entirely cured of my nervous disease, dyspepsia and local trouble."

Way Down in Indiana.

W. H. Cason, La Fayette, Ind., in the shoe business at 71 South Side Square, writes:

"I am free to say from my own personal experience and

Of My Own Personal Knowledge

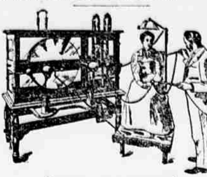
that the Shepard home treatment will not only cure catarrh—in its worst and most offensive chronic form—but that it will root the disease so thoroughly out of the system as to make the cure permanent.

"I was afflicted with the abominable malady for years, until my head and throat were in a most frightful condition and till my stomach seemed ruined and till my whole system seemed

Going Completely to Pieces

under its fearful rot and poison.

"That was my condition when I wrote for a Shepard symptom blank and began the home treatment. Seeing that I was rapidly mending and strengthening under it, I continued the course till I felt that I was really cured and that the catarrh was really gone clean out of my system."



Announcement

In bringing the notice of the public to my Static Electric Machine, I do not want it to be understood that I use Electricity as a cure-all. It should only be considered that the different forms of static electricity as administered by me, are as a rule curative in chronic rheumatism, wasted muscle and nerve, nervous twitchings, shaking palsy, paralysis, contracted muscle, general weakness, neuralgias in all forms, pains, heart failure, lumbago, nervous headache, numbness and coldness of parts, neurasthenia, weakness from La Grippe, and many other physical ailments.

C. S. SHEPARD, M. D.

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Bronchial Catarrh—Might Have Passed Into Consumption

MRS. E. M. ERSKINE, 332 CHARLES STREET, WHOSE HUSBAND IS CITY SALESMAN FOR S. F. GILMAN, WHOLESALE FLOUR:

"As far back as I can remember I was never able to take a full breath of air into my lungs, and was never free from a sense of heaviness and obstruction in my chest. I frequently coughed and spat up matter streaked with blood. My father's family was consumptive. My lungs were always sore, and my breath so short that I couldn't sweep a floor, nor use my arms to knead bread. I was miserably thin and poorly nourished.

"As soon as I bathed my lungs in the Medicated Vapors administered by Dr. Shepard and took the constitutional remedies that the doctor prescribed, I gained right along, even from my first treatment. It is a good while since I finished the course, and I am safe in saying that my health and strength are all I can desire. I was never so well and strong before in my life."

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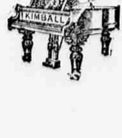

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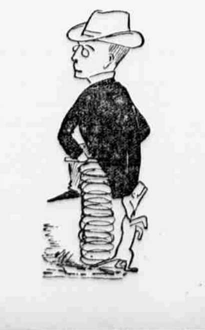

It isn't so bad if you are obliged to have artificial teeth—for we furnish a set—thin elastic plate—that look like your natural teeth—no one else can furnish these plates—These thin elastic plates are different from any others—they are light—yet strong—feel comfortable and the action is perfect—while your most intimate friends would never guess they were not natural teeth—We put a guarantee upon these teeth that relieves you of any chances—all this for $10—We make the ordinary kind for $5.00—better ones for $7.50—You've probably paid $10 for the same thing—Lady attendant.

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