THE OMAHA DAILY BEE.

ESTABLISHED JUNE 19, 1871. OMAHA, WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 5, 1901—TWELVE PAGES. SINGLE COPY FIVE CENTS.

NOT THE SAME DRAFT

Convention Had Root's Approval, but Not of Amendment as Altered.

CUBANS CONTENT WITH PLATT WORDING

Politicians There Are Ones Who Held Out for the Ohan

EXTRA SESSION FOUND UNNECESSARY

Cabinet Decides that Congress Need Not Reconvene.

SPOONER CLAUSE COVERS THE CASE

Provides the President with Authority Sufficient to Govern Philippines Without Special Legislation.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Inside information concerning the action of the Cuban convention on the Platt amendment has been received in Washington. It appears that the first draft of the amendment as interpreted by the majority of the committee on relations with the United States was submitted to General Wood and by him sent to Washington. This draft was approved by Secretary Root and his approval was made known to the Cuban convention. When the matter came up for discussion, however, it was found that there were a number of delegates whose votes could only be obtained by the extended alterations, amendments and interpretations which finally were adopted by the convention and rejected by Secretary Root.

It is stated officially that the people of Cuba believed at first that the Platt amendment had been adopted and that they were satisfied. Such was the belief of the people of the United States until the draft of the adopted amendment was received here. The belief is expressed in official circles here that the Cuban people as a whole are perfectly satisfied with the Platt amendment and that it will finally be adopted.

No Extra Session Necessary.

The cabinet today unanimously decided that existing conditions do not warrant calling of an extra session of congress. Secretary Root and Attorney General Knox both rendered legal opinions to the effect that the authority to govern the Philippines vested in the president by the Spooner amendment was ample. The reports were concurred in by all the members of the cabinet. The decision of the cabinet was announced after the meeting in the following statement, issued by Secretary Cortelyou:

"The president has determined that existing conditions do not require or warrant calling congress together during the present summer or making any change in the policy hitherto pursued and announced in regard to the Philippine islands."

It can be positively stated that the Dingley rates upon goods from the Philippines entering the United States will remain in force as heretofore. The president will put into effect such changes in the tariff duties on goods going into the Philippines as the Taft commission may recommend. The establishment of civil government in the archipelago can proceed without interruption as soon as the military authorities consider the time ripe for its establishment.

The supreme court decision as viewed by the administration settles, first that the Foraker act is constitutional, second that the collection of duties on Porto Rico imports between the time of the cession of the island of Porto Rico and the passage of the Foraker act was illegal and must be refunded.

These are held to be the main essential points of the decisions. Nothing in them is construed to apply to the tariff situation, as between the United States and the Philippines. The conclusions of the cabinet are not based on any knowledge as to the prospective Philippine decision of the supreme court, though it is declared there is little apprehension as to the findings of that decision. If the present system is upset in that decision, which it not likely, there is little likelihood of difficulty in collecting the amounts in the meantime under protest.

STRIKERS MAY BE DOUBLED

Much Dissatisfaction Shown Over Compromises Reached by Chicago Machinists.

CHICAGO, June 4.—At the headquarters of the striking machinists here today it was said that dissatisfaction over compromises reached with a number of firms was likely to result in increasing the number of strikers from 1,800 to 3,000 or more. Many men who continued at work after a slight advance in wages had been granted, are now demanding the full advance of 12½ cents. They claim that the compromises with employers are hampering the settlement of the general situation. Employes aggregating 100 men quit work at various shops in Austin today, but in other portions of the city an equal number returned to work, after compromising the matter of wages.

BOWLBY GOES TO ECUADOR

Nebraska Cadet Hopes West Point Tables May Some Day Be Turned.

NEW YORK, June 4.—(Special Telegram.)—H. L. Bowlby of Nebraska, who was recently expelled from West Point, sailed today on the steamer City of Rome for Ecuador. Three of his companions, B. O. Mahaffey, R. A. Linton and T. F. Keller, accompanied him. They will join an engineering corps of the Guayaquil & Quinto railway, now under construction in the Andes mountains. Before sailing young Bowlby said: "My dismissal was an injustice, but good friends are working in my interests and some day the tables will be turned."

HERDERS CANNOT PREVENT

Visiting Mob Makes Them Prisoners Before Slaughtering Several Thousand of Their Sheep.

DENVER, June 4.—A special to the Republican from Gunnison, Colo., says: Hugh Colburn, a sheepherder, arrived in town today and reported that twenty masked men attacked the camp where he was employed, six miles from Spencer, Gunnison county, made prisoners of the herders and slaughtered 2,500 of the 5,000 sheep in the herd. The sheep were recently driven over from Utah. The mob is supposed to have been composed of cattlemen of the vicinity.

THAT CONCERT MAY BE SPARED

Those Interested in Chinese Affairs Try to Settle on General Agreement as to Indemnities.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The plan of a modus vivendi on the subject of the Chinese indemnities is now receiving the earnest attention of those interested in the Chinese negotiations, the purpose being to prevent the indemnity question from causing an interruption in the concert of the powers and at the same time to remove the indemnity issue itself, so that progress can be made on the remaining subjects of negotiation. Since the return of the president and Secretary Hay from the west the indemnity question has been thoroughly gone over with the foreign representatives chiefly concerned, including the British, Russian and French ambassadors and Japanese minister. Several of the ambassadors who had intended to leave for Europe have now deferred their departure for a month.

As a result of the exchanges of the last few days the question has resolved itself to about the following basis:

There is no further issue as to the total of indemnity, that being agreed upon by all the powers at $337,000,000. But there remains the question of how this amount shall be paid. The Russian suggestion, which appears to have the approval of a majority of the powers, is that China issue bonds for the full amount and that all the powers then unite in giving a joint endorsement, or guaranty, of the payment of them. The desire has not been to secure the assent of a majority of the powers to this scheme, but the unanimous approval of all of them. This, however, has not been accomplished up to the present time and it is for this reason that the modus vivendi is now being considered as a possible means of bringing about united action.

The British government is not favorable to the Russian proposition and the British view has taken form in a plan to have China issue its own bonds to the several governments, each government therefore adopting its own course as to an individual guaranty.

The policy of the United States concerning the Russian proposition was made known in part during the president's western trip, although the final course of this government is still considered open and is the cause for the extended conference between the ambassadors and Secretary Hay which have been in progress since Mr. Hay's return. The chief difficulty which the United States finds as to a joint guaranty is that the constitution does not authorize the executive to guarantee bonds in the absence of the approval of congress. As to the attitude of congress, it has been stated during the negotiations that it is doubtful whether the legislative branch would approve a joint guaranty of such a vast total of bonds. Moreover, the American view has been that 4 per cent bonds, as contemplated by Russia, would not be a prudent investment for the United States, since the United States readily sells bonds at 2½ per cent, whereas Russia 4 per cent securities sell at 98 cents on the dollar.

When this indemnity issue is settled it is believed that fully 80 per cent of the Chinese negotiations will be disposed of. The next question will be permanent treaties with China, and on this point it is expected that each of the powers will suggest certain bases of a treaty and that these ultimately will take form in a common form of treaty action.

REPORT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Net Income and Expenditures of Road is Announced at Shareholders' Meeting.

PITTSBURG, June 4.—The annual meeting of stockholders of the Pennsylvania was held in this city today. The annual report for the year ended December 31, 1900, was submitted, showing the following results on all lines directly operated by the Pennsylvania company: Gross earnings, $25,407,562.28; expenses, $18,005,963; net earnings from operation, $7,401,598, to which add dividends and interest received from investment, $2,316,008, making gross income of $9,717,606; deduct payments for interest on funded debt, rental, car trust, etc., $7,598,004, leaving net income for the year of $2,119,602 From this net income there was transferred to extraordinary expenditure, $1,000,000, leaving surplus for the year, $1,119,602.

The following persons were elected as directors: A. J. Cassatt of Philadelphia, James McCrea, J. T. Brooks, Joseph Wood and James J. Turner of Pittsburg; John P. Green, W. H. Barnes, N. P. Shotridge, Samuel Rea, George Wood, C. Stuart Patterson and Effingham B. Morris of Philadelphia. A meeting of the board for the election of officers will be held at an early date.

WILLARD GIVEN THE ERIE

As Assistant to the President He Will Have Charge of Its Affairs.

NEW YORK, June 4.—The title of Daniel Willard, late assistant general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, under Mr. Underwood, will be assistant to the president on the Erie railway. His appointment to this office was announced today. Mr. Willard will be practically in charge of the Erie's operations, under Mr. Underwood, with whom he has long been associated, just as he was on the Baltimore & Ohio railway.

General Passenger Agent Duncan I. Roberts of the Erie announced his resignation today. Delos W. Cooke, assistant general passenger agent, has been decided upon as his successor. The resignation probably will take effect July 1 and F. W. Buskirk, assistant general passenger agent at Chicago, will probably be brought east to succeed Mr. Cooke as assistant general passenger agent in this city. There is a report that Mr. Roberts will accept a position with another eastern road.

ORIENT LINE IS LOOMING UP

Vice President Declares Trains Will Be Operating to Port Stilwell Within Two Years.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 4.—H. H. Melville of Boston, vice president of the Great Northern railroad, and holding a similar position in the projected Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railway, returned today from Mexico with a party of capitalists, who have traversed most of the line of the new road. He said:

"Trains will be running over the rails of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railway between Kansas City and Port Stilwell on the Pacific coast of Mexico within two years. More than 700 miles of the road between Kansas City and Chihuahua, Mexico, will be finished and in operation within a year."

Rock Island Clerk Transfers.

TOPEKA, Kan., June 4.—Joseph Myers, chief clerk in the office of General Freight Agent Embry of the Rock Island, has been made general freight and passenger agent of the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexican railroad.

POSSIBLY GAINING SLOWLY

Dr. Rixey's Last Report of the Condition of Mrs. McKinley.

OTHERS FAIL TO NOTE MUCH IMPROVEMENT

Among the Last Visitors of the Night is One Who Says There Is But Very Slender Hope.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Dr. Rixey was at the White House an hour and a half this evening and on leaving, at 10:30, in answer to inquiries concerning Mrs. McKinley's condition, said: "There has been no important change in Mrs. McKinley's condition, since we gave out our bulletin this morning. She is resting very comfortably. Of course, there are fluctuations in her condition; at times she is better and at times is worse; but she is certainly not losing any ground. In fact, she is possibly gaining very slowly. There is no more immediate danger now than there has been for some time.

While Dr. Rixey was slightly more hopeful tonight, the patient's condition cannot be said to show any material change. It has been decided not to hold afternoon consultations, unless a material change for the worse should occur, and the only bulletin to be issued shall be one following the usual forenoon consultation.

Surgeon General Sternberg called at the White House during the evening. Among those who called to manifest their sympathy and make personal inquiries as to Mrs. McKinley's condition were: Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, General Miles, Miss Wilson, daughter of the secretary of agriculture, who spent some time with the president, and Miss Barber, Postmaster General Smith and Mrs. Smith, Pay Director and Mrs. Rand of the Navy, Miss Hitchcock, daughter of the secretary of the interior, Mrs. A. W. Greeley, A. B. White of Kansas City, and Mrs. J. Stanley Brown. No one was admitted at the White House after 9 o'clock, an hour earlier than the usual time for closing the doors to personal friends.

One of the president's visitors tonight said it was conceded that Mrs. McKinley was in a grave condition. There was hope of the outcome, he said, but it was a very slender hope.

CREDITS SCHOOL SYSTEM

President of National Association of Manufacturers Says It Produces Energy.

DETROIT, Mich., June 4.—The sixth annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers of the United States was called to order here today with an attendance of 250 business men, representing the leading manufacturing institution of the United States. Mayor William C. Maybury welcomed the visitors to Detroit and President Theodore C. Search responded to the mayor's welcome. During the course of his remarks he said that the great energy manifested in the United States was due to the public school system, by means of which the children in America were taught to think for themselves independently.

Following the president's address came the appointment of committees and then President Search read his annual report. The treasurer's report was read by Secretary Wilson, Treasurer Scheiren not being present.

Treasurer Scheiren reported the organization to be in excellent condition. The expenditures during the past year were $82,985, which were covered by the receipts. The income from the Shanghai warehouse in China, which is maintained by the association for the purpose of exhibiting the products of the members, was $13,624 and the expenditures $8,400. Treasurer Scheiren reported that $3,300 had been raised as a fund to test the validity of the Russian sugar tax, imposed by Secretary Gage, of which $200 has been expended. The total membership of the association, as shown by the receipts from membership fees, is $1,450, scattered among thirty-four states. Pennsylvania leads the states in membership, with New York second and Ohio third.

Reports of committees on patent legislation and parcels posts closed the afternoon session.

MRS. KENNEDY IN GOOD HEART

Trial of Case Expected to Commence Thursday Morning—Both Sides Ready.

KANSAS CITY, June 4.—Examination of witnesses in the trial of Lulu Prince-Kennedy for the murder of her husband, Philip H. Kennedy, contracting agent of the Merchants' Dispatch Transportation company, will, it is said, begin on Thursday morning. The panel of forty-seven veniremen from which will be selected the jury of twelve has been selected and the case postponed until tomorrow. At that time the state will strike off fifteen names from the list of forty-seven and the defense twenty. It is believed that twelve men will be accepted promptly and that the opening statements will be begun before court adjourns Wednesday. Prosecutor Hadley says the state will finish its case by Friday noon and the counsel for defense profess to believe that it will be given to the jury no later than Saturday night. Other court officials, however, taking into consideration the fact that nearly 200 witnesses have been subpoenaed and the care which each side has exercised in preparing for the case, say the trial will last well into next week. Mrs. Kennedy appeared light-hearted today and expressed a desire to see the trial finished quickly.

SHIP ENDS RECORD VOYAGE

Northman is First Steamer to Sail from Chicago to Hamburg.

NEW YORK, June 4.—The cable today announced the arrival of the American steamer Northman at Hamburg today from Chicago, after a passage of thirty-five days, of which nineteen days had been occupied in traversing the great lakes and canals before leaving Quebec for the ocean voyage. The Northman is the first steamer in the new Chicago-Hamburg service to cross the ocean, and its voyage has been watched with interest as a test of the probable success of the undertaking. It was preceded by the Northwestern, a sister ship, but that vessel was detained by a mishap and lost the honor of being the first ship to make the voyage in the new service. The Northman, which is a steamer of 1,496 tons net, sailed from Chicago April 20 in command of Captain Ross with a general cargo. It sailed from Montreal May 17 and Quebec two days later. On May 22 it sailed from Sydney after coaling. The scheme of going through the canals was to give the vessel the maximum cargo to Buffalo, there partially unload and then after passing through the canals reload at Montreal. The round trip is expected to take sixty days.

OFFICES FOR THE DOCTORS

Different Associations of the M. D.'s Now at St. Paul Choose Executives.

ST. PAUL, June 4.—Fifteen hundred doctors occupied seats in the Metropolitan opera house when the convention of the American Medical association was called to order today and paid close attention to the proceedings. The liveliest interest centered in the discussion of the report on reorganization. There was a suspicion among the Pennsylvania delegates that the New York delegation was trying to sidetrack and thereby defeat the proposed new constitution. However, all seemed peaceable when a sudden recess was taken after the matter had been referred to a committee which will hear arguments.

The general meeting was called to order today by President Charles A. L. Reed of Cincinnati. Bishop Whipple of the Protestant Episcopal church delivered the opening prayer. Mayor Robert A. Smith expressed the city's welcome to the convention, after preliminary reports of the committee on arrangements and of the executive committee were read. President Reed read his annual report.

During the morning session Dr. J. R. Pennington of Chicago presented to the association a picture of the father of the association, Dr. N. S. Davis of Chicago, who is 85 years of age and unable to attend this convention. The picture will probably be held in the custody of the Chicago society.

After the recess Dr. Simmons, secretary of the association, presented a report showing that the association now had a membership of 106,000, an increase of 1,500 in the last year.

Dr. T. J. Happell of Tennessee gave the report of the board of trustees, showing that the total receipts, including the amount taken in at the Medical Journal office, membership fees, cash on hand, etc., for the year were $131,787.45. The total expenditures were $110,735.

This afternoon thirteen sectional meetings were held for the better hearing and discussion of technical papers on special lines of practice or research. This evening was given up to social recreation and receptions.

The division in the ranks of the Association of American Medical colleges has been healed, after lasting for ten years. Harmony was secured by the admission of twelve southern medical colleges, increasing the membership to seventy-seven colleges.

The following officers were elected: President, Victor C. Vaughn, University of Michigan; first vice president, William M. Rodman, Philadelphia; second vice president, H. P. Ellis, Los Angeles; secretary, Bayard Holmes, Chicago; Judicial council, Thomas Hawkins, Denver; E. C. Dudley, Chicago, and W. J. Means, Columbus, O.

The Kansas College of Medicine and the University Medical college of Kansas City were reinstated, after having been suspended for infractions of the rules.

The new officers of the American Academy of Medicine are: President, Dr. V. C. Vaughan, Ann Arbor, Mich.; vice presidents, J. I. Taylor, Wheelersburg, O.; W. A. N. Harland, Philadelphia; H. T. Ritchie, St. Paul; M. Bert Ellis, Los Angeles; secretary, Charles McIntyre, Easton, Pa., reelected for the twelfth term; assistant secretary, A. R. Crain, Columbia, Pa., also reelected.

The State Medical Examiners' association elected the following officers: President, N. R. Coleman, Columbus, O.; vice presidents, Henry Beates, Philadelphia and James A. Egan, Springfield, Ill.; secretary-treasurer, S. A. Suiter of Herkimer, N. Y.

FEARS SIEGE WILL BE LONG

International Machinists' President Disturbed by the Actions of the Employers.

TORONTO, June 4.—President O'Connell of the International Machinists' association stated this evening that it looked very much as if the opposing forces in the machinists' strike had settled down for a long siege. Mr. Connell sent out $25,000 this afternoon to localities where the men have been on protracted strike.

CHICAGO, June 4.—The first time in the history of Chicago unionists a labor body is about to present the unique demand that its employers' organization shall disband. The International Association of Machinists, through its local officers, will insist on the dissolution of the Chicago Association of Machinery Manufacturers after Thursday, unless the members of that organization show some disposition to settle with their striking machinists. More than 2,000 of the latter now are out and are supported by the working union members, who are determined to compel the local employers to come to terms.

Five large manufacturing concerns, employing nearly 300 members of the Machinists' union, have withdrawn from the Chicago Machinery Manufacturers' association. Four of the firms included have already signed agreements with the officers of the union, despite the resolutions passed by the association binding them to refrain from arbitrating with their employes.

NO ADVICE OF THE OUTBREAK

General Merriam at Denver Has No News of Reported Indian Troubles.

DENVER, Colo., June 4.—General Merriam, commander of the Department of the Colorado, today received the following telegram from Lieutenant Colonel Lee, in command at Fort Washakie, Wyo.:

FORT WASHAKIE, Wyo., June 4.—It is reported today that an Arapahoe sheep herder was killed last Friday on the reservation thirty miles north of the agency, by a white sheep herder. This, if true, has no connection with the reported disturbances, though it might incense some of the Arapahoes. Agent of the reservation has heard nothing of the matter and everything is apparently quiet. J. M. LEE.

Lieutenant Colonel Sixth Infantry.

This is the only advice that has yet reached General Merriam regarding the threatened outbreak of the Arapahoes against the settlers in the Lander valley. Troop E, First cavalry, is stationed at Fort Washakie and General Merriam believes they will be sufficient to meet any emergency. No orders have been issued to send any other troops to the scene of the reported trouble. General Merriam said that the ill-feeling among the Indians is due to the presence of "sooners," who have gone into that country in anticipation of the opening of a portion of the reservation to settlers.

PEAVEY MANAGER SUSPENDED

Chicago Board of Trade Directors Reprimand Him for Action During Corn Squeeze.

CHICAGO, June 4.—James Pettit, general manager of the Peavey Elevator company, was suspended today by the directors of the Board of Trade. The Peavey company was charged with unmerchantlike conduct during the corner in May corn, engineered by George H. Phillips. T. H. Peavey, head of the company, and D. F. Johnson, secretary, were acquitted.

FOR NEBRASKA'S WELFARE

Senator Dietrich Makes the Round of the Departments.

INSPECTOR FOR LINCOLN POSTOFFICE

Captain Thomas A. Swobe to Retire from Quartermaster's Department June 30—Wyoming Girl Prepares Indian Exhibit.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, June 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Dietrich made the round of the departments today on matters connected with Nebraska. He had a conference with Supervising Architect Taylor and asked that an inspector be detailed to look over the Lincoln postoffice, believing that considerable work was necessary to put the building in permanent repair. Mr. Taylor said that an inspector would be sent on request of the senator.

Captain Thomas A. Swobe will retire from the quartermaster's department of the army June 30, unless influence can convey him into a permanent establishment. Although the reorganization of the army bill did not provide for physical examination in the pay, commissary or quartermaster's departments of the army, Secretary Root ordered that a physical examination should be made in order to weed out men not capable of taking detail service and this has been done. Captain Swobe, it is understood, has not come up to the requirements and he will be dropped June 30, unless the senators from Nebraska can change the program.

Exhibit of Indian Work.

Miss Estelle Reel of Wyoming, superintendent of the Indian schools, is preparing an exhibit illustrative of the industrial skill and educational progress of the younger generation of North American Indians. The exhibit is composed of articles contributed by the pupils who are receiving instruction at the 300 Indian schools maintained by the general government. It will be shown at the convention of the National Educational Association in Detroit, Mich., July 8 to 12. One of the features of the exhibit is a collection of essays written by the young Indians on subjects relative to agriculture, stock raising and housekeeping. The bulk of the exhibit consists of conventional Indian wares, including beadwork, baskets and fancy articles wrought of buckskin and birds' feathers.

Iowa Free Delivery.

The following rural free delivery routes have been ordered established in Iowa July 1:

At Arlington, Fayette County—Route embraces eighty-one square miles and contains a population of 2,235; John Gladwin, sr.; R. N. Hibbard and S. M. Wellman are appointed carriers; postoffice at Scott to be supplied by rural carrier from Arlington.

At Brooklyn, Poweshiek County, Additional Service—Area covered, thirty-one square miles; population served, 675; Elver Gauley is appointed carrier.

At Fairfield, Jefferson County—Area covered, sixty-five square miles; population served, 1,215; John Hammans and C. B. McPeek are appointed carriers; postoffice at Baker and Glasgow to be discontinued, mail to Fairfield.

Hawarden, Sioux County, Additional Service—Area covered, forty-three square miles; population, 600; J. W. Eastman is appointed carrier.

At Logan, Harrison County—Area covered, thirty-five square miles; population, 500; G. E. Mintun is appointed carrier; postoffice at Magnolia to be supplied by rural carrier from Logan.

At Nashua, Chickasaw County—Area covered, twenty-nine square miles; population, 702; S. W. Putney is appointed carrier.

New Postmasters.

Postmasters appointed:

Nebraska—Hildreth, Franklin county, G. H. Sheldon; vice A. J. Watson, resigned.

Iowa—Foote, Iowa county, T. P. Shipley; Freeport, Winneshiek county, C. B. Robinson.

Reserve agents approved: Citizens National bank of Des Moines and Corn Exchange National bank of Chicago for Farmers' National bank of Odebolt, Ia.; Northwestern National bank of Minneapolis for First National bank of Dubuque.

Salaries Raised.

These changes were made today in the salaries of Iowa postmasters: Shenandoah, increased $200; Des Moines, Sioux City, Wapello and Washington, increased $100.

Mail contracts awarded today: Greene to Vilmon, Ia., to George W. McDonnell of Greene; Merino to Sheldon, Wyo., to C. R. Sheldon of Sheldon.

The application of C. E. Richards, Frank Corey, Pat Daly, J. T. Cheney and J. C. Cheney to organize the First National bank of Lehigh, Ia., has been approved by the comptroller of the currency.

Substation No. 2 will be established July 1 at East Sixteenth street and Grand avenue, Des Moines, Ia.

Appointments by the President.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The president today made the following appointments:

Interior—Simon Michalet, agent White Earth Indian agency, Minnesota; Francis M. Elsey, Indian Territory, chairman of referees to assess and appraise the damages for right-of-way of the Arkansas & Choctaw railway through the Choctaw and Chickasaw nation in the Indian Territory; Arthur W. Heeley, Kansas, townsite commissioner and appraiser for the Chickasaw nation, Indian Territory.

R. F. LOPER'S TRIAL BEGINS

Charged with Conspiracy to Defraud the People's Bank at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, June 4.—The trial of Richard F. Loper, formerly manager of the Guarantors' Finance company, for conspiracy to defraud the People's bank, which failed in 1898, began today before Judge Marlin. The suicide of John F. Hopkins, cashier of the bank, disclosed the fact that both institutions were insolvent. Hopkins left a letter accusing Loper of being the cause of his ruin and charging him with wrecking the Guarantors' company and the People's bank. Loper was arrested and indicted. His trial was postponed six times.

FIRE SWEEPS OVER MATTOON

Destroys Several Poultry Refrigerating Plants and Threatens Residence Portion of City.

MATTOON, Ill., June 4.—Fire started today in the large plant of the Arthur Jordan Poultry company and after destroying it spread to the Kingsolver and Duncan warehouses and several dwellings, which were also destroyed. Most of the aristocratic residence portion of the city is in jeopardy. It is feared the Legget Poultry house and the Mattoon refrigerating plant will go. The loss at noon amounted to about $50,000, with the fire still raging.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Showers and Cooler with Probably Thunder Showers Wednesday; Thursday Fair in Western, Showers and Cooler in Eastern Portion; Southerly Winds, Shifting to Northwesterly.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Hour.	Deg.	Hour.	Deg.
5 a. m.	60	1 p. m.	77
6 a. m.	61	2 p. m.	80
7 a. m.	63	3 p. m.	82
8 a. m.	64	4 p. m.	81
9 a. m.	69	5 p. m.	83
10 a. m.	71	6 p. m.	84
11 a. m.	72	7 p. m.	74
12 m.	76	8 p. m.	73
		9 p. m.	70

IMPORTANT TO CATTLEMEN

Meeting in Chicago to Prepare for Invading South America with Beef Cattle.

CHICAGO, June 4.—A meeting of international importance took place tonight at the Transit house at the Chicago Union stock yards, when representatives of all the national cattle-breeding associations of the United States and Canada gathered in conference with the officials of the International Live Stock exposition to discuss and arrange plans for opening a regular trade with Mexico and South America, and especially Argentina, in pure bred cattle of the beef grades.

England's recent embargo on South American cattle has had the effect of stopping the purchase of English pure bred cattle by the South American breeders, and the breeders of the United States and Canada look upon the present as a most favorable opportunity to secure the South American market for this class of stock.

The meeting tonight authorized General Manager W. E. Stanner of the International Live Stock exposition and the joint executive committee of the National Breeding Record Cattle associations of the United States and Canada to select representatives to go to South America and prepare the way for shipments of pure bred cattle and horses.

FORSHAY HELD WITHOUT BAIL

Kansas City Actor Who Killed Edna Stokes Must Answer—Has Relatives Insane.

CHICAGO, June 4.—Edward Forshay, the Kansas City actor who killed Edna Stokes in the Vernon hotel last night, was held to the grand jury without bail by a coroner's jury today. Forshay said it had been his intention to kill Vernon Jones, proprietor of the hotel.

KANSAS CITY, June 4.—Mrs. W. H. Ferguson of this city, sister of Edward Forshay, who shot and killed Edna Stokes, an actress, in Chicago last night, said today: "We have insanity in our family. My grandmother was in the insane asylum twenty-three years in Fulton and in Topeka, and I had an aunt who was insane."

Mrs. Ferguson believes that her brother was crazed by jealousy. Forshay's mother, Mrs. J. W. Forshay, has lived in Kansas City twenty years.

HAWARDEN HERD SELLS WELL

Indianola and Cherokee Stockmen Among High Bidders on Iowa Shorthorns.

CHICAGO, June 4.—Exceptionally high prices were realized at the combination sale of shorthorn cattle which began at the Union stock yards today, when the consignment from the herd of George E. Ward of Hawarden, Ia., was disposed of. Forty cows sold for the sum of $30,260, or an average of $756.50 each, and four bulls for $1,640, or $410 each, making a total of forty-four animals for $31,900, a general average of $725 per head. The highest priced cow was Duchess of Gloster XXXIV, calved January 5, 1898, which sold to Randolph Bros & Brown of Indianola, Ia., for $2,500, and the highest-priced bull was a yearling, Mary's Valentine, which sold for $725 to Archie Cochran of Cherokee, Ia.

The offerings tomorrow will be Canadian shorthorns from several herds in Ontario and Quebec.

SWIFTS' FORT WORTH PROJECT

It is to Erect Packing House Near the Texas Town at Cost of $3,300,000.

CHICAGO, June 4.—Swift & Co. are contemplating the erection of a big packing house near Fort Worth, Tex., that will cost in the neighborhood of $3,300,000.

Edward F. Swift and E. R. Fay, a confidential man of the firm, are now in Fort Worth conferring with business men of the city regarding the venture.

INDIAN POLICE KILL HERDER

Colonel Lee Goes to Investigate Death of Man Who Killed Frank Armajo.

DENVER, June 4.—A special to the Republican from Lander, Wyo., says: Word was brought in tonight of the killing of the sheepherder who killed Frank Armajo, the Indian, on the reservation Sunday, by the Indian police this morning, thirty miles from the Muddy. Colonel Lee has gone to investigate the affair.

AGAINST DENVER STRIKERS

Building Trades Council Tells the Hodcarriers Their Action is Unfair.

DENVER, Colo., June 4.—The Building Trades' council tonight declared the hodcarriers' strike irregular and ordered the strikers back to work. The Hodcarriers' union will act upon the matter. The strike has stopped all building in the city.

LEAPS OFF BROOKLYN BRIDGE

Robert Bidwell Makes Fatal Jump with American Flag in Each Hand.

NEW YORK, June 4.—Robert G. Bidwell, a young man who recently came to New York from Jacksonville, Fla., leaped to death from the Brooklyn bridge this afternoon. He had an American flag in each hand. His body was recovered.

Movements of Ocean Vessels June 4.

At New York—Arrived—Steamer Friedrich der Grosse, from Bremen and Southampton. Sailed—Cymric, for Liverpool.

At Kinsale—Passed—Ultonia, from Boston, for Queenstown and Liverpool.

At Moville—Arrived—Steamer Numidian, from Montreal and Quebec, for Liverpool, and proceeded.

At Sydney, N. S. W.—Arrived—Previously: Steamer Sierra, from San Francisco, via Honolulu, Apia and Auckland.

At Liverpool—Sailed—Cufic, for New York.

At Havre—Arrived—Susoris, from San Francisco, for Hamburg.

At Hamburg—Arrived—Northman, from Chicago, via Montreal and Sydney, C. B.; August Korff, from New York.

At Antwerp—Arrived—Pennland, from New York.

At Glasgow—Arrived—Astoria, from New York; Samaritan, from Montreal.

At Bremen—Arrived—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York, via Cherbourg and Southampton.

At Moville—Arrived—Astoria, from New York, for Glasgow.

BOERS STRIKE AGAIN

London Receives Reports of Their Vigorous Renewal of Hostilities.

ENEMY TAKES JAMESTOWN, CAPE COLONY

Kritzinger's Command Received Its Surrender Sunday Morning.

FIERCEST ATTACK AT VLAKFONTEIN

Kitchener Sends Dixon's Account of the Hard Fight.

BRITISH AGAIN TAKEN BY SURPRISE

Their Antagonists Keep Under Cover Until Favorable Moment, Then Fire and Make Charge that Costs Hundred Lives.

LONDON, June 4.—The War office tonight published the following from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, June 4:

"Jamestown (Cape Colony) surrendered to Kritzinger's command on the morning of June 2, after four hours' fighting. The town guard and local volunteers were overpowered before our pursuing columns could come up. Our casualties were three killed and two wounded. The Boer loss is said to have been greater. The stores were looted, but the garrison was released. Have placed General French in charge of the operations in Cape Colony."

Lord Kitchener's dispatch from Pretoria, dated June 4, says:

"Dixon's report (of the fighting at Vlakfontein, forty miles from Johannesburg, May 29) just received. On our side 1,450 men with seven guns were engaged. The force was returning to camp at Vlakfontein when the enemy, under cover of a veldt, fired, rushed the rear guard, consisting of two guns of the Twenty-eighth battery and 330 men of the Derbyshires and the Yeomanry. They temporarily captured two guns. When the remainder of the force came into action the Boers were driven over and the guns recaptured.

Our casualties were six officers and fifty-one men killed, six officers and 115 men wounded and one officer and seven men missing. One officer and four men have since died of wounds. Forty-one Boers were killed on the ground. The further Boer casualties are not known. Reinforcements are being sent."

Details received regarding the fighting at Vlakfontein show that it was one of the most desperate engagements of the war.

How It Occurred.

General Dixon's column was traversing the district establishing posts, when it was attacked by 1,200 Boers, under Commander Kemp. The Boers were so close that fifty British fell at the first volley. The Yeomanry held the position, protecting the guns until they were nearly decimated and then, finding it impossible to save the guns, the artillerymen shot the gun horses to prevent the Boers moving the guns.

The column quickly recovered from the shock of the unexpected attack. The Derbyshires charged with bayonets and after a short, desperate fight drove off the Boers and recovered the guns. The Derbyshires and Yeomanry both lost heavily.

It is asserted that while the Boers held temporary possession of the guns, they shot two artillerymen in cold blood for refusing to work them against their own comrades.

The appointment of General French, who has been recruiting his health in Capetown, to command the operations in Cape Colony, indicates that Lord Kitchener attaches considerable importance to the invasion.

The recrudescence of such fighting brings further demands for the sending out of reinforcements. The surrender of Jamestown is regarded as a disagreeable incident because it has provided Commandant Kritzinger with a fresh supply of the sinews of war.

MRS. MAYBRICK YET IN PRISON

No Truth in Rumors that King Edward Has Pardoned the Alleged Poisoner.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.)

LONDON, June 4.—New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Miss Maybrick has not been released. The World correspondent was informed at the American embassy today that the report cabled to the United States that King Edward VII had pardoned the alleged poisoner is entirely without foundation.

WALDERSEE TO INVESTIGATE

Delays Departure from Tien Tsin to Examine Into Affray at Taku.

BERLIN, June 4.—Count von Waldersee has postponed his departure from Tien Tsin pending an investigation of the military affray on the Taku road.

Von Buelow is Hopeful.

BERLIN, June 4.—Count von Buelow presided at the conference between the representatives of the imperial government and the federal states, called to discuss the customs tariff. In a brief speech the chancellor expressed his conviction that a complete agreement will be reached on the most important points of the new tariff bill. The proceedings of the conference were secret.

Russian Casualties in China.

LONDON, June 4.—The Exchange Telegraph company has published a dispatch from St. Petersburg saying the Russian casualty list in China, including the storming of Pekin, shows thirty-one officers and 682 men killed or died of wounds.

Boer Prisoners for Bermuda.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, June 4.—The governor has received notification that the transport Armenian will arrive here July 3 with 900 Boer prisoners and that two companies of the Royal Warwickshire regiment will act as their guards.

SUNDAY DROUGHTS RULED OUT

Kansas City Police Board Persuaded that Saloons May Keep Open Unmolested.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 4.—Former Judge F. M. Black today handed down a decision to the effect that the police board has no power to revoke licenses of saloon keepers who keep their places open on Sunday, and holding that the courts alone can deal with the question.

Judge Black's opinion was asked for the benefit of the police board, and its members stated today that saloons might open Sunday hereafter.