

FOR THE STATE FAIR SITE

Nebraska Expedition Association Accepts the Offer for Old Grounds.

EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FROM THE BOARD

Private Subscriptions in Lincoln to Make Up the \$4,302 Difference—Warrant in Payment to Be Drawn Monday.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, June 8.—(Special Telegram)—By unanimous vote the stockholders of the Nebraska Expedition Association tonight agreed to accept the state offer of \$18,000 for the fair grounds northeast of the city.

The amount asked originally by the association was \$22,302, and the state's original offer was \$4,000. After several weeks of negotiating, the association added thirty acres to the land first under consideration, making 119 acres altogether, for which the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings made a compromise offer of \$18,000.

Tonight W. J. Fitzgerald and C. H. Rude gave guaranty that \$4,302 difference between the association's price and the state's offer would be raised by private or public subscription and paid to the stockholders in addition to the money paid by the state.

The action of the stockholders tonight practically closes the deal. The deed to the land will be submitted to the state board Monday and immediately upon its approval a state warrant for the purchase price will be issued.

The property involved in the transaction is the popularly known as the "old fair grounds." The state fair last year, and for many years before it removed to Omaha, was on this land.

The State Board of Agriculture will next week meet to arrange for permanent improvements of the grounds. For this purpose \$7,000, the remainder of the legislative appropriation, will be available.

Wants Solution of Mystery.

A letter carrying with it a tale of mysterious disappearance, desertion and suspicion of crime, was received by Chief of Police Headland today from H. J. Holmes, a dentist of Stanton, according to the communication William Planders and Frank Allen, two youths living in Stanton, started about two months ago to "hobo" their way to the Pacific coast, and ten days ago the Allen boy returned to Stanton alone.

The latter told the police of the city that he boarded a westbound train in Lincoln with his friend on the night of May 28. They were unable to keep together and hence they boarded different cars.

At the first stop Allen alighted and made an unsuccessful effort to find his comrade. Failing in this, and supposing that the boy had been killed along the road, Allen climbed a returning stock train and made his way back to Stanton. "It is evident," writes Dr. Holmes, "the Lincoln chief of police, that the Allen boy is not telling the truth. As a relative I am anxious to know the circumstances."

Chief Headland is of the opinion that Planders, the missing boy, kept on his way westward. So far as he knows no tramp has been killed anywhere near Lincoln within the last two months.

Pythian Memorial Day.

Members of fraternal societies will assemble at Knights of Pythias hall at 1:30 tomorrow afternoon, and from there march to Wyuka cemetery, where they will decorate the graves of deceased brothers. Rev. L. P. Lundberg will deliver an address at the cemetery. Captain F. James Cosgrave will be marshal of the parade.

Protest Against Sale.

Judge Cornish was presented this morning with vigorous objections upon the part of stockholders of the Lincoln Savings bank to the request of Receiver Hill for permission to sell certain judgments aggregating \$150,000 that he has secured against other stockholders on their stock liability.

As Judge Holmes has had the affairs of this bank particularly under his supervision it was noted to him and will be heard early Monday morning.

The protestants, with the amount of which they have been sued are: W. H. McCreery, \$3,500; O. P. Lambertson, \$23,750; G. M. Lambertson, \$19,000; A. M. Davis, \$4,750; G. W. Webster, \$1,900; J. B. Wright, \$19,000; H. J. Whitmett, \$2,800.

They insist that the request is premature and ought not to be granted until a final determination of the suit instituted by the receiver against all of the stockholders, the remainder being the case.

Years for Licenseless Traveler.

Friends of Lieutenant R. H. Towley of Lincoln, who, it is stated from unofficial sources, has been convicted by a Manila court-martial and sentenced to dismissal from the navy because of his connection with irregularities in the commissary department, fear that unless they can bring sufficient influence to bear at Washington, he will lose all of the emoluments he has hitherto received.

Through an act of congress Mr. Towley, during his residence in Lincoln, received half pay. When he sought an extension of his active list, the payment stopped. As dismissal from the navy usually cuts off everything, it is thought that he will lose this pay also.

Old Settlers of Lancaster.

The annual picnic of the Old Settlers' association of Lancaster county will be held at Lincoln on Wednesday, June 13. The committee having this entertainment in charge, with Mr. S. M. Melick as chairman, are working with a will to make this one of the best the association has ever held.

At a meeting of the Grand Army post to-night a stirring speech on "The Battle of Gettysburg" was made by Hon. E. J. Burkett.

Hon. E. J. Burkett's Speech.

In pursuance to orders I am here this evening to give you an interesting address that the battleground of Gettysburg made upon me.

I am glad that I have had an opportunity to visit the field of Gettysburg; that mighty cauldron of the civil war—a human festering pot, as it were, in which under the July sun went out the lives of 40,000 men, representing twenty-nine states of this union.

I have appreciated since that visit more of what it meant to be a soldier. I stood upon the spot where Reynolds fell, and from thence followed the course of the army through its three days of carnage and bloodshed, by the money that was being dealt along the way, I went in the night time, as our armies fought their way to the confused retreat, through the night in their moment's rest on Cemetery Ridge. I followed them across the wheat field and into the "Devil's Den." I slipped from the spring where the gray and the blue, at the end of the second day's fighting, mingled together and bathed their wounds in sympathy, which each had received at the hands of the other.

Where Sickles Gave a Leg.

I saw where Sickles gave a leg for a position of advantage on the Emmetsburg road, and where Captain Bigelow sacrificed six out of seven sergeants, four out of six privates, three out of four commissioned officers and eighty out of eighty-eight horses to hold it. I saw Little Round Top, as Warren did, where upon his own responsibility and unaided authority he saved from a group of rebels only ten minutes before their coming, the key to the situation and thus the battle of Gettysburg. I followed the course of the undaunted and omnipresent Hancock, as here and there and everywhere, from position to position, he wheeled his forces to save a critical moment, and thus the day to the union. I passed at the spot which history designates "the high water mark of the rebellion." The stone wall is there; the umbrella-shaped "Pickett's charge" is there; and I heard his stern shout and shell and shrapnel and men against men.

Guardians of Sacred Soil.

They remain there, mute guardians of the ground made sacred by the blood of

loyal and devoted men of the north, and courageous and determined rebels. They still live in the story of Hancock and Bigelow and Sickles. They remind us of the tragic death of Reynolds and Weed and Zook and Jamesworth and Cushing. They speak of the wounds of Butterfield, Barlow, Barnes, Chamberlayne, Graham and Warren. They enumerate the 20,000 dead, wounded and missing from northern ranks, as well as the 10,000 who perished from their own claim the endurance and determination of the American soldier. From the fighting and the hand-to-hand struggle on Cemetery Hill, to the heroic trips across the wheat field, and the final repulse of Pickett's charge, the struggle was appalling and the endurance heroic.

But, gentlemen, most of all those trees remind us of the hour when sounded the death knell of that great conspiracy against the republic, for at the moment when the army of the confederacy was picking the "Flower of the Confederacy" at Gettysburg, Grant and Sherman and Meade were in the west, and the roots at Vicksburg that left it a withering stem.

Beginning and the End.

There were other great battles before and after these. But Vicksburg and Gettysburg together mark the beginning of the end, as we know it. The foreign assistance abdicated the throne of reason. Lee had long ago decided that he would not fight a northern city of importance could be taken that Europe would recognize his southern empire. But he realized that the world understood the meaning of his attempted raid to the north and fully anticipated the result. He failed, and his failure, Vicksburg, upon the other hand, and the hope of a northern city of importance could be taken that Europe would recognize his southern empire.

Wants Sherman's Ground.

Within me I cherish one wish above others, that I may be permitted to walk the ground that the army of the west fought in its great days by Vicksburg. I want to see where Sherman stood and where McPherson was situated. I want to look over the ground on the left that McPherson and Lauman held, I want to see the spot where the corps of Sherman and McPherson touched, and that was Grant's headquarters. I want to see the hillside under a conditional order, and I want to see it. I want to stand on the spot where the heroic words he broke off the jockeying and parrying of Pemberton and dictated to his men.

I wish I could visit all those battlefields. I wish every man in America could see them. I wish every man in America could see the lesson learned beneficial. We would like to see the ground on which the fighting, we would better appreciate the cost of the republic.

DISTRICT COURT AT HASTINGS

Docket is Smallest Prepared Since Boom Days—Clara C. Tracy Case Decided.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 8.—(Special.)—District court was in session here this week. The docket was the smallest ever prepared for a term of the district court in Adams county since the boom days, as there were only sixty-four civil and two criminal cases on the docket.

Timers against Charles Hoffman for obtaining money under false pretenses and were continued until the next jury term, which convenes in October.

Use of the most important cases was the case of Clara C. Tracy against the Supreme Court of Honor, the trial of which was begun at the March term of court and was concluded this week and resulted in a victory for the defendant. This case has been of interest to those who are interested in fraternal insurance associations. The case was brought about by the plaintiff's husband, during his lifetime, participating in the organization of a local lodge at Roseland, Neb., as a charter member, but failed to pay up his initiatory fees and take up his share of the dues.

Christina A. Cole brought suit against Isaac Boyd to recover title to an eighty-acre farm. The parties to the case are among the oldest citizens of Adams county and they live near Quinora. After the evidence was all in and the arguments of counsel made, the court directed the attorneys to file written briefs, which will be read in court until the October term for a final decision.

Divorces were granted to the following: Ida C. Kessler from her husband, Preston B. Kessler, on the ground of non-support, and Mary A. Hagar from her husband, Henry Hagar, for the same cause. The children, Nettie E. Fitzpatrick obtained a decree of divorce from her husband, Albert P. Fitzpatrick, on the ground of cruel treatment.

Amanda Shaffer secured a divorce from her husband, Otto Shaffer, for cruel treatment, as did also Mildred Nevin, from her husband, Jerry Nevin, also Ella Vandorn from her husband, Abram D. Vandorn. Harry A. Wiles was granted a divorce from his wife, Ada Wiles, on the ground that she had abandoned him.

York's Largest Class.

YORK, Neb., June 8.—(Special.)—The graduating class of the York high school was one of the largest in the history of the school. The graduation exercises were last evening at the Auditorium. The graduates, twenty-five in number, were all in attendance except Miss Elsie White, who was absent on account of illness. Miss Bertha Marshall was awarded the scholarship in English for having the highest standing in her class.

The hall was decorated with potted plants, cut flowers, draperies of flowers and bunting of the high school colors. Nearly all of the graduates received their entire education at the York schools.

Railroad Surveyors at Oxford.

OXFORD, Neb., June 8.—(Special.)—A party of fourteen B. & M. surveyors have come into camp at this place. While they give out no information, their presence is conjectured to mean that a survey will be made for a cutoff from Oxford to Beaver City preparatory to the extension of the St. Francis line to Pueblo, which will be again aligned of late among railway circles. Some are inclined to believe that they are here to survey a line for a cutoff from Atlanta to Oxford to avoid a long curve and a steep hill.

Funeral of Young Veteran.

YORK, Neb., June 8.—(Special.)—The funeral of John McDaniell, who died of consumption in Custer county, was yesterday. He enlisted in Company A, United States volunteers, April 27, 1862, and was in twenty engagements. He was mustered out in San Francisco in 1869.

Deceased leaves a wife and baby. The funeral services was in charge of the members of Company A.

Joseph Oster in Precarious Condition.

GRANT, Neb., June 8.—(Special.)—Joseph Oster, the Madrid merchant who was assaulted by Emmet Stone at that place last Saturday, is in a precarious condition. Several pieces of bone have been removed from his jaw, also teeth, and malignant erysipelas has set in. Stone was arrested and brought before the county judge, but upon security bonds he was released, to appear again in twenty days for trial.

Class of Four at Wayne.

WAYNE, Neb., June 8.—(Special Telegram.)—The graduating exercises of the Wayne high school were in the opera house last night. The decorations were pretty. Each member of the class did well. The drills by pupils of the lower grades were exceptionally good. The class are: Lulu Cook, Marie Feather, Elsie Ringer and Robert Graham.

KELLEY, STIGER & CO.

We Invite Inspection. We Urge Comparison.

Silks and Dress Goods of the Moment.

Wash Silks 49c—White Wash Silk—corded.

Linen Silk 50c—A novelty—24-inch—silk and linen—unbleached cloth—very durable.

Pongee Armure 85c—A strong and stylish silk—24 inches wide—Persian and Turkish Printed Pongee—50c—24-inch.

49c—Closing Out Fancy Silks—49c—Miscellaneous styles—checks, stripes, jacquards.

Foulard Silks—50c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00. At \$1.00 the highest grade Foulards in exclusive dress patterns.

Three Bargains in Black Dress Silk at \$1.00—Peau de Soie (warranted)—regular price \$1.25—Louisiana and Peau de Cygne.

Black Taffeta Silk—Specials—65c and 85c—Swiss Taffeta (highly recommended to wear).

27-inch American Taffeta—\$1.00. 26-inch—\$1.00.

Colored Taffetas—27-inch—\$1.00. 19-inch—75c.

Special in Grenadine—Sewing Silk Grenadine—plain and fine—14-inch—\$1.25.

New stripes 44-inch—\$1.00. Jacquards—\$1.00—44-inch.

Corsets

Closing out the balance of Summer Net Corsets—\$1.25.

Shirt Waist Corset—linen batiste—erect form—\$1.00.

Summer Girdles—\$1.00—a splendid and pretty stay for warm weather—pink, blue and white.

Tape Corset—\$2.00—skeleton frame—well modeled—light weight—very effective.

Ready-to-Wear Skirts of Cloth

Silk, Linen and Cotton. Jackets of Silk and Cloth that will fit correctly.

Unlined Cloth Skirts—\$7.50—\$8.50—\$10.00—These well made latest modeled skirts—cheviots, venetian, vicoroux—plain stitched—pleated or taffeta bands.

Outing or Yachting Skirts—\$10.00 and \$12.50—Creme hard twisted worsted and chevot—flared skirts—lapped seams, stitched—twenty rows of stitching or battlement arrangement of taffeta and soutache.

Taffeta Silk Skirts—\$16.50—\$20.00 and \$25.00—Three special numbers of high grade taffeta silk skirts—latest models—fit assured.

A Novelty in Short Skirts—\$3.75 and \$4.00—Walking length—tailoring the best—most convenient and attractive skirt in market of pique and linen.

Golf Skirts—We have the most complete line in the city. Cloths of the best models and colors—\$4.50 to \$10.00.

Jackets of Cloth—Stems—silk lined—fine venetians, chevots, cords, etc.—black, mode and tan—\$6.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00.

Muslin Underclothing

Unusual prices for high grades.

Corset Cover 35c—Fine cambric—lace insertions and edgings—a splendid value.

Corset Cover 50c—There are three styles that we will sell at 50c of unusual merit—lace or embroidery trimmed.

Drawers 50c—Cambric of good quality—deep rounce with embroidery.

White Lawn Waists—\$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25—four popular priced and attractive white waists—high grade lawn—embroidered, tucked, hem-stitched, sailors, etc. Special attention should be given to the remarkable value we offer at \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$5.75.

Grass Linen Waists—Eru or unbleached effects are wonderfully in demand—\$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. We quote four strong features in very new Arabian trimmed solids, embroidery, polka dots, boleros, etc.

Silk Linen \$4.00—"As the name denotes," they are silk and linen united—handsome waists for style—ponges, gray, red and blue.

Mercerized Polka Dots in Waists \$3.00—Plain or polka dots—ponges, gray, red, blue and pink.

Shirt Waists of Zephyr \$1.75—New stripes in pretty effects—at \$2.00.

Black Lawn \$1.50—A comfort for warm days and very pretty modeled.

Silk and Summer Woolen Waists—are in complete assortment for sizes, colors and prices.

Drawers 60c

Very dainty effect—deep embroidery—hemstitched ruffe.

Drawers 90c—Nainsook—fine grade—deep rounce—many tucks and embroidery ruffe.

Skirt \$1.25—18-inch rounce—with three clusters of tucks—fine muslin skirt.

Skirt \$2.00—Cambric—deep rounce—tucked and embroidered ruffe.

Night Gown \$1.25—Very superior cambric dainty night gown—hemstitched and tucked yoke—embroidery ruffe.

Night Gown \$1.75—The surprise fine nainsook—embroidery insertion and edge.

Attractive Waists Attractive Prices

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Wash Goods Your Money's Worth.

"Just anything" is never admitted into Kelley-Stiger's wash goods department—the quality may always be relied upon, and experience has proven that the prices we name are never matched.

3c yard—Tomorrow we place on sale wash goods remnants—from 1c to 3c yard lengths. These include lawns, balises, dimities and madras that sold up to 27 1/2c yard—tomorrow 5c yard.

3c yard—Rijo Lawns—suitable for street or house apparel—good fast colors—10c yard.

12 1/2c yard—Colored Pique—all our 25c and 37 1/2c Colored Pique—your choice at 12 1/2c yard.

10c yard—Sheer Dimity—Queen Batiste, Pique Scotch Swiss and Crinkled Mull—5c yard.

15c yard—Sheer Chambray—36 in. wide—guaranteed fast colors—plain pink and light blue colors—15c yard.

25c yard—Pineapple Tissue—these are not rendered common by being on sale in every store—only time is exclusive and price the lowest—25c yard.

35c yard—Shirt Waist Linen—all our 25c in. Colored Shirt Waist Linen that sold at 60c yard—now 25c yard.

25c yard—Sheer Linen Batiste—this is a very popular fabric for shirt waists or direct costumes—we carry it in three qualities—40c, 50c and 25c yard.

White Goods Sale

Words are not needed to explain the special inducement in this line—no better logic than the following prices:

25c India Linen—special price 15c yard.

30c India Linen—special price 22c yard.

40c India Linen—special price 25c yard.

40c Persian Lawn—special price 25c yard.

80c 36-inch inches wide—white, cream or colored—45c yard.

Opera Batiste and Wash Chambray—25c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 70c and 80c yard.

Linen Dept.

How about your linen wants? We carry nothing but Irish and Scotch Linens of a guaranteed quality.

68 in. Bleached Irish Table Linen—our regular \$1.10 quality now 80c yard.

2 yards square Table Cloths—at \$2.25 each.

24 1/2 yd. Table Cloths—at \$5.00 each.

24 1/2 yd. Table Cloths—at \$3.50 each.

24 1/2 yd. Table Cloths—at \$4.00 each.

Extra fine quality large size Hemstitched Huck Towels—25c each.

All our \$3.00, \$2.25 and \$2.50 Dinner Napkins—sold one-half dozen lots—at 35c per half dozen.

Novelties in Laces, Embroideries, Veilings, Neckwear, Etc.

Black Chantilly Lace Gowns—very fashionable—extra values at 90c, 100c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 30c a yard.

Novelty Lace Gowns—white cream and ecru—extra values at 80c, 100c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c a yard.

Novelty Allover Laces—Point Paris, Moulin, Duchess effects, etc.—at 50c, 60c, 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00 a yard.

Point de Paris Laces—pretty new patterns—extra values at 7 1/2c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c a yard.

French Valenciennes Laces—extra values at 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 a bolt of 12 yards.

New Embroidered Dotted Chiffon Veilings—special—50c a yard.

New Tuxedo Mesh and Dotted Veilings—very latest styles—at 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c and 35c a yard.

42-inch French Chiffon—black, cream, blue and pink—special—48c, worth 65c a yard.

White Shirt Waist Materials. 42 inches wide—have the effect of high grade allover—1 1/2 yards will make a waist—at 60c, 70c, 80c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.65 a yard.

New Eru Batiste Embroideries—edges, insertions, gowns and allover to match. New Swiss and Nainsook Insertions—at 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 30c a yard.

New Swiss and Nainsook Headings—at 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c a yard.

Ladies' Washable Neckwear in endless variety.

Five Dimity and Lawn Neckers—highly printed hemmed width—special—35c each.

New Buckle Madras Stock—all colors—only 10c each.

New Golf Stocks—in pique, madras, shantung, silk, etc.—at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

New Embroidered Mull Ties—at 25c, 30c, 35c and \$1.00 each.

New Turb Over Embroidery Collars—special—10c and 12 1/2c each.

New Alexandra Tucked Collars—at 25c, 30c and 50c each.

Ladies' Cut Steel Beaded Chateleaines—at \$3.75, \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50 each.

Ladies' Blue Leather Chateleaines, in morning, walk, sea lion, walrus, etc.—at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.25 and \$3.00 each.

Ladies' Leather Belts—in all the fashionable leathers and latest shapes—at \$3.50, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 each.

Ladies' hand embroidered Sheer Irish Linen Handkerchiefs—very latest novelties—wide of values at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 each.

Ladies' Folding Japanese Fans—at 10c, 15c, 25c and 30c each.

Corner Farnam and Fifteenth.

BENEFITS OF IRRIGATION

Secretary Dobson Tells What Ditches Have Done for Nebraska.

SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY AN EXAMPLE

Aides Are Announced for Grand Army—Trouble Over Penitentiary Bids—Receiver for Gothenburg Bank.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)