CURRENT NEWS OF IOWA

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MOYER DIES OF INJURIES

Never Recovers Consciousness After Being Found on the Sidewalk.

POLICE HAVE ONE SUSPECT UNDER ARREST

Postmortem Examination Shows He Was Not Shot, but Died as Result of a Fracture of the Skull.

Railway Clerk Moyer, found Saturday at midnight lying in an unconscious condition on the sidewalk in front of the Creston house saloon on South Main street, suffering from a fractured skull and with blood pouring from a wound under his right eye, died shortly after 8 o'clock yesterday morning at St. Bernard's hospital without regaining consciousness. Death was primarily due to concussion of the brain resulting from the fracture of the skull.

A postmortem examination was held yesterday afternoon by Coroner Treynor, who was assisted by Drs. F. T. Seybert, F. W. Houghton, J. M. Barstow and W. P. Hombach. The autopsy disclosed the fact that the wound under the right eye had not been caused by a gunshot and that it was merely a superficial injury and by itself was not sufficient to have caused death. How Moyer received the wound under the eye or what caused it the physicians making the examination were unable to determine, although they each expressed their theories.

At the back of the head and slightly over the left ear was a contusion such as might have been caused by a blow with some heavy, blunt instrument. The skull was found to have been fractured at the base of the brain, the fracture extending clear around the head.

Coroner Treynor gave instructions for an inquest to be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The body of the unfortunate victim of the mysterious assault is lying at Cutler's undertaking rooms on Pearl street.

Theories Regarding Injury.

Dr. Seybert is of the opinion that Moyer was struck a heavy blow by someone armed with a blunt instrument and that in falling he struck the pavement with such force as to fracture the skull. As to the injury under the eye he said it might have been caused by a thrust from an umbrella or a cane, but as the injury was superficial, it might have been caused by any kind of a weapon.

Dr. Hombach advanced the theory that Moyer had been ejected from the saloon by force and had stumbled or been thrown against an iron hitching post which is directly in front of the saloon door on the curbing. There is an irregular cap on the top of the post through which runs an iron ring. Dr. Hombach thinks it very likely that Moyer struck his face against the top of the post, thus causing the wound under the eye, and that the intense pain of the injury caused him to stagger and fall backwards, striking his head on the sidewalk. He is of the opinion also that the contusion over the left ear was caused by a blow from some blunt instrument, possibly a bottle.

The peculiar fracture of the skull is evidence that Moyer must have struck the sidewalk with terrific force. There are two lineal fractures extending all the way around the head at the base of the brain. The physicians making the autopsy said this was a most unusual fracture.

Mortensen Sticks to Story.

Martin Mortensen, the bartender at the Creston house saloon, where Moyer and several companions were drinking Saturday night, was taken to police headquarters yesterday and placed in the sweat-box by Chief Tibbits, but it is said nothing further was learned from him beyond what he had stated Saturday night. He adhered to his statement that Moyer and his three companions left the saloon at about 11:40, when he locked the front doors and started to clean up the place and count the receipts of the night. He knew nothing about Moyer being injured until Moyer's unconscious form was found by former Alderman Brown and County Surveyor Cook. He positively asserted that he had heard no fight or quarreling outside the saloon after he had locked the front door and supposed that Moyer and his companions had gone to their homes. He denied knowing the names of the three young men with Moyer, but admitted that he knew them by sight and that they frequently patronized his saloon.

Harry Gregory and Adam Miller, two young fellows who were said to have been in the Creston house saloon at the same time Moyer was there, were taken to police headquarters yesterday and questioned, but the police declined to give any particulars as to whether any information which might throw light on the murder was secured from them. They were not detained.

It was reported yesterday that shortly after Moyer was found lying on the sidewalk young Miller made a statement to the effect that he had seen a certain person strike Moyer in the face. It is believed that some clue was obtained by the police from Miller, as shortly after he was at police headquarters Chief Tibbits left for Omaha in search, it was said, of a person supposed to have been implicated in the assault.

One Man Under Arrest.

The first suspect to be arrested was O. W. Roderick, who was taken into custody last night by Constable Alberti and Detective Murphy. It is alleged that Roderick was one of the three men who were drinking with Moyer in the Creston house saloon and who left the saloon at the same time he did. According to the description furnished the police two of the men with Moyer were of medium height, while the third was considerably taller. Roderick is said to be the tall man of the three.

Roderick evinced no surprise when arrested and the police say that he had been hiding from them all day and was making preparations to leave the city when taken into custody. He denied being implicated in the assault on Moyer, or being in any way connected with his death and says that he has not been in the Creston house saloon for several weeks. The police claim they have ample evidence to show that he was in the saloon Saturday night with Moyer and was ordered out by Martin Mortensen, the bartender, with Moyer and the other two men.

Roderick makes his home between South Omaha and this city. His wife lives in South Omaha, but he has three sisters in Council Bluffs and frequently stays with one or the other of them. He was arrested at the home of one of his sisters. Until a few days ago he had been working on the Great Western grade near the city limits, but had drawn his pay and came to the city to spend it.

No charge was placed against him last night, as the police decided to await the result of the inquest this afternoon.

Little is known about Moyer's family here. It was said that he had a sister in Fairfield, Ia., and a message was sent there yesterday morning. Up to last night no answer had been received from her.

Davis sells paint.

Davis sells glass.

Bluffs Elks Select Team.

City Engineer Etnyre, who will captain the team, has selected his men for the Fourth of July ball game between the Council Bluffs and Omaha Elks. Each team will have three pitchers and Captain Etnyre, B. O. Bruington and Andrew Brewick will be the twirlers for the Council Bluffs aggregation. William Children and Fred Williams will alternate behind the bat. The balance of the lineup will be as follows: H. A. Searle, first base; Lloyd Griffith, second base; Thad Edwards, short stop; T. Bruington, third base; Frank Zurmuehlen, left field; A. Brewick, center field, and J. J. Hess right field. Winn Jacobs, W. S. Rigdon, Hill Hollands, W. P. Gilbert, Painter Knox and Karl Mayne will adorn the benches until called upon as substitutes. Dr. V. L. Treynor of Council Bluffs will act as one of the umpires and coroner if necessary. The team will be under the management of Colonel W. J. Davenport.

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Last Week of Institute.

The second week of the Pottawattamie County Normal institute will open this morning with an enrollment of 282 teachers, which County Superintendent McManus expects will reach the 300 mark before the close of the day. The institute will close Thursday noon to enable the teachers attending to reach their homes for the Fourth of July.

The instructors in charge of the institute this week will be: Dr. I. W. Howerth, dean of the college for teachers, University of Chicago; Miss Maude Summers, formerly principal of the Goethe school, Chicago, and Prof. E. L. Philbrook, supervisor of music in the public schools of Rock Island, Ill.

Ink sale in DeLong's stationery department this week.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., telephone 250.

New Church Nearing Completion.

The pastor, Rev. W. H. Cable, announces that the program for the dedication of the new Trinity Methodist church will soon be completed and ready for announcement. The new building, located on the corner of Fourth and Worth streets, is rapidly nearing completion and will be dedicated by a series of services, beginning Sunday, July 13, and extending throughout the following week. Several eminent divines from Des Moines and adjacent conferences will assist in the services during the week. There will be special music at each service and the choir will be assisted by some of the best musical talent in Council Bluffs and Omaha.

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Newspaper Man Weds.

Daniel M. Carr of Fremont, Neb., and Miss Edna K. Walker of Elmwood, Neb., were married yesterday morning in this city, the ceremony being performed by Rev. George Edward Walk at St. Paul's Episcopal rectory. Mr. Carr is a former newspaper man of Council Bluffs and several years ago was part owner of the Council Bluffs Herald. He is at present associated with Hammond Brothers in Fremont in the publishing business. Mr. and Mrs. Carr left in the afternoon for Kansas City, where they will spend their honeymoon. They will make their home in Fremont.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ferrand are home from a visit with relatives in Columbus, Mo.

Miss Edith Sherraden of Salt Lake City, a former resident of this city, is visiting Council Bluffs relatives.

Mrs. William Herron of Boone, Ia., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Williams, 1406 Avenue J.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Beebe, Mrs. F. W. Houghton and Mrs. Tinsley will leave Tuesday for a trip to the Yellowstone park.

The downpour of rain yesterday prevented the base ball game at Lake Manawa between the Smith & Bradleys and the Cyclery Blues.

Miss Bessie Shea of Washington avenue has gone to Des Moines, where she will spend the summer with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fenlon.

Willie Celly, living at Thirty-fourth street and Sixteenth avenue, was kicked in the face by a horse Saturday and seriously injured. One eye was nearly torn from its socket.

The funeral of Mrs. S. Nicholson, a pioneer settler of Council Bluffs, was held yesterday afternoon from the Scandinavian Baptist church, the services being conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. Reichenbach. Burial was in Fairview cemetery.

With the exception of two prisoners from Page county held here for safe keeping while the jail at Clarinda is being repaired, James N. Casady, jr., is the only occupant of the county jail. Friends have offered to furnish bail, but Casady has persistently declined to accept their offers.

There was a large gathering of relatives and friends at the funeral of Miss Anna L. Bowman, held yesterday afternoon at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Woodford Allen, on Fifth avenue. The services of the Episcopal church, of which deceased was a lifelong member, were conducted by Rev. George Edward Walk of St. Paul's church. The floral offerings were many and unusually beautiful. Interment was in the family lot in Fairview cemetery.

Dakota Man is Promoted.

HURON, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—Walter Hubbard of this city, who with his wife went to Manila some months ago to become teachers in the government schools, has been promoted to the position of deputy treasurer of the province of Cebu, and has removed to that city and entered upon his new duties, which are said to be very responsible. This is an unlooked-for promotion and very gratifying to his numerous friends here and in this state and Minnesota, where he is well known.

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LAWLESSNESS VERY COMMON

Several Towns in Iowa Suffering from an Era of Law-Breaking.

NEW LAW FOR DES MOINES POLICEMEN

Will Go Under Civil Service This Week—Another Hitch in the Water Works Case—Newspaper Merger Comes as a Surprise.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, June 29.—(Special.)—An unusual amount of lawlessness is reported from various parts of the state of Iowa this year, and in a number of places it has been found necessary for the people to organize to put an end to conditions they cannot tolerate. At Estherville an attempt was made to burn a house with intent to murder. It was the residence of R. E. Ridley, a prominent citizen. His wife was in the house very ill at the time and about 1:30 o'clock in the morning she smelled smoke and awakened Mr. Ridley who found the kitchen was ablaze. Next door was another residence very close and another sick woman was lying therein unable to be moved. It was felt that the incendiary had tried to cause the death of both women. An indignation meeting was held and an organization formed to help in ferreting out the crime. The people added $700 to the reward of $300 offered by Mr. Ridley. It is believed the trouble arose over temperance agitation.

The people of the town of Hamilton, in Marion county, have organized to put a stop to similar lawlessness. A drug store was blown to atoms in that town by a charge of dynamite and there is no doubt that the outrage came because of the refusal of the druggist to sell liquor to someone. Investigation is being made and it is believed some arrests will follow.

At Chariton the murder of Belden Cook in a district of the town notorious for liquor joints has aroused the people and they have been making raids on the illegal liquor sellers in an attempt to clean up the town. There is much indignation among the people and a desire to prevent further trouble.

At Corydon a similar state of affairs exists. A public meeting was held to take steps to stop the illegal sale of liquor and an organization formed to carry on the work of prosecuting bootleggers. Nearly $1,000 was contributed off hand for the work, and the agents of the railroads and express companies were notified not to receive liquor and a committee was named to warn all liquor salesmen to leave the town.

Police Under Civil Service.

It is expected that tomorrow Mayor Brenton will appoint a Board of Police and Fire Commissioners for Des Moines. The legislature authorized such a board and the city council has passed an ordinance in accordance with the law. The board will take charge next week and hereafter all appointments to positions on the city police force or the fire department will be made by a nonpartisan board operating under stringent civil service rules. It is not known who will be on the board, a number of names having been considered. The fire department has been under civil service rule for a long time and is very efficient, but the police force has always been political in character. Nearly all the present members of the police force are candidates for retention.

Failed to Get a Bond.

Another slight hitch, one of many in the last three years, has occurred in the arrangements for the laying of water mains to the site of the army post. The company had planned to give a surety bond to indemnify city officials from damage suits on account of the alleged illegal action in turning over $50,000 of the city funds to the company, but at the last moment the fidelity companies refused to furnish the bonds. It was regarded as entirely too doubtful to be undertaken by the companies and if any bond is given it will have to be a personal one furnished by the citizens of Des Moines. An effort is to be made by officials of the water company to furnish such a bond. The work of the contractors has been commenced at the site of the army post and other contracts have been let, but not much more work can be done until water is furnished on the ground and there is no considerable amount of water to be had.

Routes for the Encampments.

The adjutant general is engaged in arranging routes for the encampments of the National guard. Nearly all the companies of the Fifty-first regiment from southern Iowa will go to Atlantic by way of Council Bluffs except those near Des Moines. It will not be necessary to have special trains, but in the northern part of the state the companies will be provided with special trains in a number of cases. The new companies at Sheldon, Independence and Cresco will be ready to go into camp this year, a special examining board being ready to examine the officers for commissions. The signal company, located in this city, which is not attached to any regiment, will go into camp with the Fiftieth regiment at Oskaloosa.

Laboring Men Assist Girls.

A largely attended meeting of the laboring men of Des Moines was held at Trades Assembly hall today to take action toward assisting the telephone girls in their contest. Much time was spent in the general meeting considering resolutions demanding of the city that it buy and operate the mutual telephone system, but no definite action was taken. The telephone operators who are in the strike were present. The meeting was enthusiastic in support of the strike and the operators were given every possible assurance of support. Afterward a meeting of the officials and committees of the Trades Assembly was held and it was decided that other strikes will be inaugurated this week, but the exact program will not be decided on until later.

Rain Continues in Iowa.

A heavy rain was falling practically all day today over central Iowa, increasing the danger and loss to crops and inconveniencing the public. More than an inch of rain has come down here on Saturday and Sunday.

The Burlington road today changed 125 miles of narrow to standard gauge track. The entire work was completed in nine hours by having gangs of men strung out all along the line. The road was one recently acquired, running northwest from Burlington.

Prohibitionists Reorganizing.

CRESTON, Ia., June 29.—(Special.)—The prohibitionists of Union county held a mass convention in the courthouse today for the purpose of reorganizing the party in the county as a political body. There has always been a number of prohibitionists in the county and last year they polled enough votes to entitle them to a place on the official ballot without a petition, but there has been no party organization. The meeting today, though slimly attended, elected the following officers of the county committee: Chairman, George S. Frazier; secretary, Rev. J. H. Perry of Afton; treasurer, H. S. Perry. A committee was appointed to determine the number of delegates Union county is entitled to in the state convention and to select those delegates.

NEW QUESTION IN BALLOT LAW

Legality of Stamping Names on Ticket to Be Tested in the Courts.

CRESTON, Ia., June 29.—(Special.)—Six cases were filed with the county clerk of Union county last evening which will prove of much interest when they come to trial on account of the question involved. The city of Lorimer held its usual election this spring for city officers, in which the officers to be elected were a mayor, city treasurer, recorder and three aldermen, assessor and some minor officers. The election was non-partisan, but two tickets were in the field. All the old officers were candidates for re-election and the contest was to oust them from control. The election was under the Australian ballot system and the ticket containing the names of the men in office was duly filed, as provided by law, with the city clerk, but by some misunderstanding the opposing candidates failed to get their names printed on the ticket, although they claim they filed them in sufficient time as required by the statutes. At any rate, when it became known that the ballot was to appear with only one set of names on the ticket the question arose as how to get the names of the opposing candidates on the ticket. Finally on the day before the election a man was sent to Des Moines and had nine rubber stamps made with the names of the other candidates on them. On election day each voter was instructed properly and sent into the booth with nine rubber stamps in his pocket and stamped the names of his candidates on the ballot and marked them with the cross as required. When the votes were counted it was found that the rubber-stamp candidates had received the most votes. The judges and clerks of election decided that the votes were legal and issued certificates of election to those men, who duly qualified for their respective offices. The men who were in office refused to turn over their offices to the newly-elected officials on the grounds that the rubber-stamp names were illegal. There is now two sets of city officers, both of whom hold certificates of election and are duly qualified, but only one of whom is performing the duties of the offices. The men who were elected at the last election, as shown by the returns of the judges and clerks of elections, have gone before Judge Towner and asked permission to begin proceedings in quo warranto to test the rights of their opponents to hold the offices. Judge Towner granted this permission. The cases will be tried in the August term of the Union county district court and will be watched with much interest not only by the citizens of Lorimer and Union county, but by many all over the state, as some interesting points of law will be involved. It is quite possible that the cases will be carried to the supreme court, as much local feeling has developed and both sides are determined and obstinate.

Sues Editor for Libel.

CRESTON, Ia., June 29.—(Special.)—Editor C. O. Hall of the Conway Journal, a paper published in a little town south of here, is defendant in a $10,000 libel suit. The suit is brought against Hall and L. J. Meyers, a hotel keeper of the same town, by Ed Cheeseboro, the mayor of Conway, for the publication by Hall of an alleged libelous article.

About Iowa People.

Davenport Republican: H. S. Kneedler, for four years in the newspaper business in Boone, is now in the restaurant business in Los Angeles. Reports were generally circulated as to his change of avocations, and his old friends in Boone wanted to know the facts, so the editor of the Boone News wrote Mr. Kneedler and got the following suggestive reply:

"I am in receipt of your letter of May 4, saying there exists in Boone a good deal of curiosity as to my present avocation, and that it is reported I am engaged in the restaurant business. The report is perfectly correct. Just two months ago I bought a restaurant here which feeds something like 1,000 business men in the course of twenty-four hours, and I am sure the old friends you refer to will be glad to know that I have made more money in the two months than I did during the four years I was in Boone. I opened a branch restaurant at one of our fashionable beach resorts, Santa Monica, about a month ago and it is also highly prosperous, although the season is just opening. I am so genuinely delighted with the results of this enterprise that I sincerely hope that I shall never see the inside of a newspaper office again.

"Both myself and my wife recall with pleasure the real friends made in Boone and I shall always be delighted to serve them should the opportunity afford. And in fact at any time that anyone from there comes this way, and has the price, I'll be delighted to feed him.

"Recalling twenty-five years spent in newspaper offices, wearing out nerves and brain, with small reward financially, I am, yours sympathetically."

Secretary Shaw is reported to be crazed over the subject of horseback riding and the newspaper stories which drift back to Iowa concerning his equestrian feats are not altogether without foundation.

Newman and Pickell of Des Moines called upon the secretary and almost the first thing the latter did was to offer them the use of his two splendid saddle horses for the forenoon. Then, remembering that one of them was a trifle skittish at the cars, and that the other had his own peculiar traits, the secretary shook his head doubtfully and said:

"I wish I could go along with you, though."

Then came some more words of caution and advice regarding the way to handle the animals. Captain Pickell, chafing under the restraint, said:

"You must remember, Mr. Secretary, that we were both in the cavalry."

"True enough," declared the secretary, but added that he wished he could go along.

Then it was suggested that the trip be put off until afternoon so that the secretary could be one of the party. But before the time arrived the president called up the secretary of the treasury and requested that he go horseback riding with him, so that Newman and Pickell did not have the opportunity to see the former governor of Iowa at his best in the saddle.

The two Iowans took dinner with Captain Hull, saw Speaker Henderson and other members of the delegation, besides a large number of Iowans who are employed in the different departments.

Davenport Times: Nearly every member of the Iowa delegation in congress has the land fever. Colonel Hepburn says Iowa land will go to $100 an acre, because it is actually worth that sum as a business proposition; there is no speculation in it. The soil will produce vegetation selling at prices making land a profitable investment at that figure. Congressman Haugen has such confidence in Iowa land that he takes in everything he can get hold of at prevailing prices and let's go of not an acre.

Senator Dolliver is perhaps the most enthusiastic "Iowa land" man in Washington. He has talked hundred-dollar land for two years and says now that price is almost in sight. The senator owns a fine farm in Webster county and he says no man can buy it. Said he: "If I should sell those broad acres at $100 per acre it would give me quite a sum of money. I might invest the money in some apparently safe and profitable enterprise; the enterprise might fail and I should be penniless. With that farm in my possession poverty can have no terrors for me. There will always be a good living for myself and family upon that farm. It cannot be bought."

The Des Moines Leader prints a letter telling how Mrs. Conger, wife of the American minister, upset all Chinese precedent when she gave her unique reception not long ago at the legation in Pekin. Eleven Manchu women of the highest rank were asked to be present. It was a daring thing to invite them, because intercourse with foreigners is frowned upon by such aristocrats, and for them to go visiting in the homes of outsiders was unheard of. But Mrs. Conger, with rare enterprise, steered through the web of old customs and carried out her idea. The remarkable event is cleverly described by Katherine M. Lowry, who was present as one of the guests.

Army Anecdotes of Hubbard.

Des Moines Leader: "Yes, I was in the Twentieth Iowa," said Captain James Parmelee, chief of police at the state house, recently. "That was the regiment Judge Hubbard was in. He was captain of Company F. Five companies of the regiment were from Linn county and five companies were from the vicinity of Davenport. I enlisted from Davenport, and was in Company D. Seth Cummings, now of Oklahoma, and I were the tallest men in Company D, and marched at the head of the company. This frequently brought us near Captain Hubbard, and I knew him very well. He was an excellent officer and did good service during the war. He looked after his men well. He was of course pretty strict, but that was discipline, you know, and he was a strict disciplinarian.

"Judge Hubbard was always ready for a march or a fight, and stayed right by his company from first to last. The Twentieth campaigned first in Missouri. It fought at Prairie Grove, which was one of the hardest of the minor engagements of the war. Later it was in the campaign about Vicksburg. It was then sent to Port Hudson, and saw hard service in Louisiana and at various points in Texas. Towards the close of the war it took part in the Mobile campaign, and was in one of the last engagements of the war, the charge on Fort Blakely. Captain Hubbard was in the campaigning to the last, and was in the fight at Fort Blakely.

"I remember one incident of him in particular. It was on one of the regiment's forced marches. The order to halt had been given to allow the men a rest. Captain Hubbard supposed the regiment would stop long enough to allow him to boil some coffee. He got out his old coffee-boiler, put some water in it and some sticks under it and started a fire. He had just got nicely under way when the order to fall in was given. Well, you know how he could swear. He swore and 'cussed' around there at a great rate for a little while, and then, walking up to the fire, he gave that coffee-boiler a kick that sent it spinning ten feet away. It was laughable. Then came the command, 'Company F, fall in!' and he started singing 'John Brown's Body' with all his might as the column moved on."

Mr. Cummins, alluded to above, was at the state house yesterday, and was with Captain Parmelee while the latter was speaking of Judge Hubbard. Mr. Cummins is now a wealthy citizen of Oklahoma. He, as well as Captain Parmelee, gave testimony to the soldierly qualities of Judge Hubbard. The Twentieth regiment is now planning a reunion. It will be held at Davenport in September. The exact date is not yet fixed. It is customary to have a reunion every two years, first at Davenport and then at Cedar Rapids.

POLICEMEN UNDER ARREST

Charged with Shooting a Man During Mixup with Striking Miners.

SCRANTON, Pa., June 29.—Five of the men employed as policemen at the Glenwood colliery of the Erie company at Mayfield were taken into custody this morning on the charge of shooting Joseph Quinn during a strike melee which occurred there at midnight. The prisoners were given a hearing today and held in $500 bail each. General Manager May of the Erie company became their bondsman. The defendants claim they were attacked by a big crowd and fired to frighten off their assailants. They deny having shot at the crowd. Quinn was emerging from a barber shop across the way when a stray bullet struck him in the leg. The wound is not serious.

PENSION COMES TOO LATE

Captain Van Houten of First South Dakota Dies Before Bill is Signed.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—Captain C. P. VanHouten, who served so faithfully with the First South Dakotas in the Philippines, where he contracted consumption, died here yesterday. He had spent the last year here, hoping to be benefited, but the disease had become too deep-seated. In fact, he overdid himself while serving in the Philippines and his physicians declared upon his return to the United States that he had broken himself down and had cut short his life. He made a gallant fight for life, as he did for his country, and but for his wonderful constitution and great will power he would have died months ago. His wife, child and parents were with him at death. The remains will be taken to his old home at Canton, S. D., for burial.

A bill passed congress only a few days ago granting a pension of $50 per month to Captain VanHouten, and is now awaiting the signature of the president.

Underhill Probably a Dupe.

HURON, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—Ray Underhill, who was discharged from custody Friday by Judge Van Dalsem, because there was no evidence produced by the prosecution to substantiate the charge of adultery with Mrs. George E. McEathron, is believed to have been made a "dupe" by the woman to enable her to abandon her home, husband and children for some other purpose than her infatuation for Underhill. The case against him was dismissed at the request of Mr. McEathron, who had sworn out the warrant for the arrest of his wife and Underhill. The former is in Buffalo, N. Y., and no further effort is likely to be made to return her to this city.

Miss One Most Wanted.

CASPER, Wyo., June 29.—(Special.)—Chief Detective Falke of St. Joseph, Mo., arrived here yesterday for Mabel Baker, who was arrested by Sheriff Tubbs a few days ago. The woman is wanted in St. Joseph on the charge of grand larceny, she having stolen, it is alleged, $100 from her landlady. The detective says she came to Casper with James D. Pile, who is wanted in St. Joseph on the charge of murder. On the night of June 2 a man named Tays was murdered in a saloon on the outskirts of St. Joseph and Pile is charged with the crime. After the murder he got Mabel Baker to accompany him and they came west together.

Catching Too Many Fish.

SARATOGA, Wyo., June 29.—(Special.)—Complaints are being made that local fishermen are in the habit of going out and catching from fifty to one hundred and fifty pounds of trout in a day. The fishing in the streams in this section is excellent and it is no trouble to make a big catch, but the law places a limit upon the number of fish that can be caught, and several arrests may be made and the law-breakers fined in order to put a stop to the destruction of the fish in such large numbers.

Grand Lodge of Red Men.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—Tomorrow members of the Improved Order of Red Men will gather in this city for a meeting which will continue until Tuesday night. The occasion will be the holding of the first great council of the tribes of South Dakota. Edwin D. Wiley of Des Moines, Ia., great incohonee of the order, and Wilson Brooks of Chicago, great chief of the records, and other great chiefs of the order will be present.

Rain Helps Range Grass.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—A steady rain has been falling for the last twenty-four hours, greatly to the delight of stockmen. The grass began to dry out considerably, but this rain will freshen it up and cause it to put on a fine growth. Cattle have been doing finely, notwithstanding it has been dry, and will be in excellent condition for fall shipments.

Reducing South Dakota Debt.

PIERRE, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—With the taking up of $125,000 of 1890 refunding bonds of the state, Treasurer Schamber has made a record for his term of office, having taken up every bonded security when due and at the same time secured the surrender of $275,000 of bonds not yet due, and thus saved the state a large amount of interest. The total reduction in bonded indebtedness of the state the last three years has been $315,500, leaving at present bonds outstanding to the amount of $427,500. None of this is due before 1905, but it is possible that the state can secure the surrender of $92,000 of bonds not due until 1910.

Big Attendance at Horse Sale.

PIERRE, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—The horse sale for this month continued through two days and over 500 horses were disposed of at good prices. Buyers were present from points in this state and Iowa, as well as from Sioux City, Minneapolis and Chicago. The indications are for even a larger attendance of both buyers and sellers at the sale next month.

Nebraska Indian to Serve a Year.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 29.—(Special.)—Among the latest prisoners to be lodged in the Sioux Falls penitentiary is William Walker, a fullblood Indian, who was brought from Nebraska by a deputy United States marshal. The prisoner will serve a year and a day, having been convicted of criminal assault.

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