

ECONOMY LEAVES SURPLUS

Comparison of Results of Republican and Fusion Management.

SAVE MONEY IN STATE INSTITUTIONS

School of Instruction of Modern Woodmen Discusses the Realities of Insurance Rates.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Nothing has done more toward exposing the extravagance of the fusionists in managing the affairs of the state than the economy and business-like methods of the republican officials. An examination of the records discloses the fact that there now remains of the total sum appropriated for the maintenance of the various departments of the state institutions a surplus of \$180,225.65, and an unexpended balance of \$455,000.

How different is this from the condition of affairs when the fusionists went out of power! The fusionists entirely exhausted the appropriation and had a shortage of \$149,000 in the form of unpaid bills.

The difference in favor of the republican administration is the difference between a surplus of \$180,225.65 and a deficiency of \$149,000, or \$329,225.65. This difference, so large as to be almost startling, is due to economy on the part of the republican officials, and to the reckless extravagance and waste on the part of the fusionists. The principal saving has been made in connection with the state institutions. These were the principal spoils of the fusion leaders. Into them more than 200 relatives and friends of fusion leaders were clandestinely smuggled, there to be housed, fed and often clothed at the expense of the state. When the fusionists turned over the institutions there were 227 people being fed and sheltered in them who were neither employed nor inmates. At one institution two separate tables were being maintained for twenty-seven fusion parasites. At another, one-quarter of the accommodations was monopolized by relatives and friends of the officials in charge. At another outsiders were taken in and boarded at the state's expense and for which the state received no compensation. And still at another private house rent and office rent were paid in coal and groceries stolen from the state, while at another a fusion newspaper plant was given three rooms with light, heat, power and a monopoly of the job printing, for all of which the dear taxpayers had to go down into their pockets and settle.

Records Are Destroyed.

At the Beatrice institution a fusion superintendent, after having made away with nearly everything that was not riveted down, destroyed the records to conceal his crime. There are yet warrants in the hands of the present superintendent of that institution that were issued against appropriations made by the last legislature that have never been called for. The presumption is that the claims, which were filed before the fusionists went out of power, were fraudulent and the best evidence of this is that the warrants, though issued nearly two years ago, have not as yet been claimed by the individuals in whose name the claims were filed and the warrants drawn.

These and other fusion raids on the treasury wiped out the appropriations and brought about the largest deficiency in connection with current expenses the state has ever been called on to pay.

Possibly the most remarkable showing for economy is made by two superintendents of the institutions for the insane. More than a year ago the hospital at Norfolk was destroyed by fire, and shortly thereafter the 288 inmates of that institution were divided between the hospital at Lincoln and the asylum at Hastings. Notwithstanding this large and sudden increase in the number of inmates at these institutions, Superintendents Greene and Kern have succeeded in managing the affairs of their respective institutions so economically as to have a large surplus at this time. The unexpended balance of the appropriation for the Norfolk hospital is \$11,885.65, and the surplus in the appropriation for the Hastings asylum is \$50,261.57, and in the Lincoln hospital \$3,264.53. This is the best showing for economy that has ever been made since these two institutions were established, and that, too, in face of unprecedented prices for provisions and fuel of crops which compelled the state to go into the market for potatoes and other articles of food usually grown on its own land.

The institution for Feeble Minded Youth at Beatrice has a large surplus to its credit. Though the number of inmates has increased, and though the institution has been brought up to a very high standard, Superintendents have conducted it so that the surplus in the funds at this time is \$23,483.23.

The term "surplus" in this connection means that the institutions have been managed for that much less than the cost estimated by the legislature, the unexpended balance of the total appropriation for the departments and institutions being \$483,000.

Where Did Money Go?

The question has been asked repeatedly, "What did the fusionists do with the money appropriated, and how did it happen that when they went out of office they left behind them \$180,000 unexpended?"

That question no one but those who dissipated the funds can answer. The money was not expended for improvements, for the buildings were in a sadly dilapidated condition. At the Kearney Reform school the buildings were so far from being in good shape that they had to be propped up until pairs could be made. The money was not expended for current needs beyond an ordinary degree. It took a large part of it to support the 227 fusion guests, and it took a large part of it to make up the bank accounts of those who were holding office. Some of it went to "Your Uncle Jake" Wolfe for pigs, which he sold at the state at prices ranging as high as \$124 each. Some of it went for drugs that were never delivered, and for linen, lace and fancy dress goods that were charged to the state as groceries, but that were for the private

Pale. Thin

Pale cheeks, white lips, and languid step tell the story of thin blood, impure blood. Doctors call it "anemia." They recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Ask them and they will tell you just why it makes the blood so rich and red.

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use of wives, daughters and daughters-in-law of fusion officials.

In a thousand ways the money of the taxpayers was scattered with a recklessness that would make the prodigal "Coal Oil Johnny" look to his laurels.

Modern Woodmen Meet.

The school of instruction of the Modern Woodmen is in full swing. Head Consul Northcott, along with Head Physician Blair N. Wayne, and other officials, are in attendance.

At this morning's session Mr. Northcott complimented A. R. Talbot on the excellence of his work as a director and pledged his support to the Lincoln man for the position of head consul. A successor to Northcott is expected next June, and Mr. Talbot is one of the leading candidates for the place.

The principal feature of the school so far has been the discussion of the readjustment of the rates. Mr. Northcott and some of his friends are insistent upon a revision, claiming that a breakdown is certain unless the premium rate is made higher.

Some opposition has developed to any change on the ground that it would alienate too many younger members, while some twenty or thirty plans of readjustment, modifications in some way another of the original plan, are suggested.

This evening John Sullivan of Kansas City delivered an address on "Natural and Level Premiums—Are Optional Plans Desirable?" Alb Landis, assistant attorney general, speaks tomorrow morning on "Insurance Cost." W. H. Thompson, one of the state lecturers, is also down for a talk.

Just a Little Romance.

Rev. C. E. Mason officiated last evening at a runaway marriage. The parties to the ceremony were both colored. Miss Mary Parker Johnson, a belle of Del Rio, Tex., society, was the bride. The groom was Sergeant H. L. Conwell of the Twenty-fifth infantry, stationed at Fort Nichols, whose home is in Charleston, Mo. Miss Johnson met and loved Conwell while he was on a recent southern detail, but the soldier's attentions were frowned upon by the parents of the young woman. Monday morning Johnson took a sudden farewell of her Texas home and headed for Lincoln. Here she met, in pursuance to a pre-arranged plan, the soldier, who had secured the requisite leave of absence, and the two were wedded.

Only a Trace Left.

Although a pretty strong suspicion exists as to who the man is who fired the asylum barn yesterday morning, no steps have been taken to arrest him. Boot tracks were found in the mud leading both to and away from the barn, the latter showing that the man was in great haste in leaving. Other testimony pointing to the identity of the man has been placed in the possession of the local police, and it is believed that an arrest will follow unless the suspect can make up a good alibi.

Burke Hall, captain of Company A last year, has been appointed temporary commandant at the State university. The War department has made no detail as yet, to Lincoln, and Mr. Hall will continue for several weeks at least. The first turning of cadets occurred last evening, and only setting-up exercises engage present attention.

Crop Harvest for the Year.

Deputy Labor Commissioner Watson and his office force today completed the compilation of the acreage for the crop season of 1902 in all the counties of the state, as follows: Winter wheat, 1,964,939 acres; spring wheat, 647,828 acres; corn, 5,516,801 acres; oats, 1,638,647 acres; barley, 78,514 acres; rye, 482,554 acres.

The labor commissioner's figures are based upon official returns from the assessors in all but a few counties. The missing ones were estimated, but are believed to be fairly accurate.

Figures for the yield have been estimated by the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association on all but corn, which cannot be compiled accurately before the end of October, or perhaps later. The other cereals, however, show a very satisfactory increase over the year of 1901. The estimate of the yields of the various crops, with the average per acre are:

Winter wheat, 14,735,963 bushels, 23½ per acre; spring wheat, 647,828 bushels, 19 per acre; oats, 52,144,119 bushels, 35 per acre; rye, 8,672,820 bushels, 19 per acre.

Surplus Live Stock Shipments.

The figures have also been compiled by the labor commissioner giving the surplus live stock shipments in 1901 from all of the counties in the state. The totals indicate only a small, falling off from the previous year, a remarkable showing in view of the drought in 1901, which cut off forage and naturally curtailed the live stock holdings within the state. The official figures read:

Cattle, 813,675; horses and mules, 38,771; hogs, 2,587,660; sheep, 629,041.

Hitchcock Nomination Fitted.

The nomination of Gilbert M. Hitchcock as the democratic and populist nominee for congress in the Second district was certified to the secretary of state today by Clark O'Hanlon of Blair, chairman of the democratic convention, and Charles Nowne, of Papillion, the populist chairman.

A previous affidavit was on file in which Mr. Hitchcock averred that the nomination came to him without the expenditure of any of the coin of the realm. The affidavit of Mr. Mercer detailing the expense to which he was put in pursuing a re-nomination has not yet been filed.

The State Bank of Anoka of Anoka, Boyd county, has applied to Secretary Royce of the State Banking Board for a charter. The capital stock is fixed at \$15,000. G. W. Short and H. A. Oelrich are certified as the incorporators. Anoka is a new town on the branch which the Elkhorn railroad is building into Boyd county.

N. S. G. Officers Will Go to Fort Riley.

N. S. G. will be represented after all at the military maneuvers at Fort Riley, Kan., in which the National guard of several western states will participate. A commission of officers has been assigned by Adjutant General Colby to make the trip to Kansas. The expenses, because of a threatened overdraw in the National Guard fund, must for the present be borne by the officers, but if the coming legislative session should see fit to reimburse the members of the Fort Riley commission it is the belief that the National guard would not be disrupted by a refusal to accept the ordered appropriation.

They are assigned as follows: General Barry, Colonel Bills, Colonel Hayward and Colonel Archer to the department of military organization and tactics, including encampments, outpost duties and exercises, attack and defense of convoys, extractions, troops in campaign, etc.; Colonel Evans to the department of military sanitation and hygiene; Captain Brooke to the department of military engineering and signals; Captain Yoder to the department of military engineering, Captain Holland, to the department of mounted military service.

The Star Publishing company of this city was organized this afternoon with a capital stock of \$50,000, fully paid in, and 100 stockholders residing in all parts of the state. The company will publish the Lincoln Daily Star, the first number of which will appear October 2, unless some unexpected trouble arises in the installation of the machinery. The directors of the company are: W. H. Ferguson, Hastings; J. H. Miles, Falls City; J. T. Brestler, Wayne; G. M. Murphy, Crest; J. N.

McKean, Pawnee City; H. C. Andrews, Kearney; J. B. Dimmore, Sutton; E. B. Stephenson and D. E. Thompson, Lincoln.

The manager will be E. P. Mickle and A. L. Gale will be the managing editor.

METHODISTS AT GRAND ISLAND

Twenty-first Annual Meeting of the North Nebraska Conference.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The twenty-first annual conference of the north Nebraska conference of the Methodist Episcopal church was opened in this city by the conference sermons by Rev. H. M. Main, who chose as his text psalm 57, 3.

The speaker commented on the psalmist singing the praises of Mount Zion. It was a favorite theme with the Jewish bard and prophet. Glorious things were spoken of that ancient city, and glorious things appear certain to our Zion, the church of Jesus Christ.

This morning at the opening conference session between ninety-five and one hundred visiting clergymen were enrolled. The session took place at Trinity M. E. church, and it was comfortably filled by the attending clergymen, their wives, laymen and audience.

The opening exercises were the communion, conducted by Bishop Fowler and the four elders—Millard of the Grand Island district, Jennings of the Omaha district, Sisson of the Norfolk and Gost of the North district. Then took place the calling of the conference roll card, showing an attendance at the very opening session, which was all more than had been expected.

The election of officers of the session was then held. Bishop Fowler presided, and there were elected Rev. J. B. Priest of Randolph as secretary, Rev. J. P. Yost of Schuyler, as statistical secretary, and Rev. G. A. Luce of Columbus as treasurer. The closing of the standing committee was the next order of business. The organization, Rev. Dr. Millard, presiding elder of the Grand Island district, then read his report, after which the characters of the traveling elders were passed and reports given, which was followed by similar report by Rev. Gost of the North district. The various visitors are being entertained by the members of the Trinity and First M. E. churches of the city, and all seem well provided for.

Yesterday afternoon the old veterans' service took place and was one of the most interesting sessions so far held. There were addresses by Rev. Jaber Charles, who has been in the active ministry for the last thirty years, with a vacation of only two weeks in all of that time; Rev. David Marquette, who was appointed to the Grand Island circuit thirty-three years ago, at a time when the circuit was seventy-five miles long; by Rev. J. B. Leonard, who began his work in the state twenty-five years ago, and by Rev. Jacob Adrians, who was given work in the eastern part of the state as early as 1857, the same year Hall county saw its first white settlers.

The educational session was held in the evening. Field Secretary Isham of the Wesleyan university, at University Place, Lincoln, reported the finances of the school to be in most satisfactory condition.

The regular work of the conference was taken up this morning. A report of the Methodist hospital at Omaha was made by Rev. J. W. Jennings, showing that in this line of work, as in the other departments, the church had, during the last year, been most progressive. The sum of \$40,000 in cash and subscriptions has been raised for a new hospital building at the metropolis. Fremont was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting of the conference. This evening there was a missionary anniversary, with an address by Dr. Homer Stutz of Manila, P. I.

JOYCE MURDER CASE IS ON

First Day Entirely Taken Up with the Work of Securing a Jury.

PAPILLION, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The trial of Thomas Joyce, who is held for the murder of Edward Wood, is being held today. The greater part of the day was taken up in examining the jury. The other man held—John Clark—will not have his trial until Joyce's case is finished.

Jury Fails to Agree.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The damage case of Otto Hoffman versus John Boatman et al., was given to the jury in the district court here last Monday night, and the jury returned this morning at 9 o'clock without reaching a verdict. Judge Jensen dismissed them. Hoffman sought to obtain damages in the sum of \$1,000 and costs from Mr. Boatman for alleged false prosecution and arrest. Mr. Hoffman removed some farm machinery from the property of his brother-in-law, John Faust, to his store, claiming to be looking out for his store interests, as her husband had left the county. Mr. Boatman says he held a mortgage on the property. Hoffman was arrested and taken before a justice of the peace, and Boatman failed to appear at the trial. The damage case in the district court followed.

Warm Contest Is Expected.

GRAND ISLAND, Sept. 25.—(Special.)—An interesting contest is likely to take place in the republican convention next Saturday. W. A. Prince, formerly a member of the legislature, and H. S. Ferrar, manager of the American Beet Sugar company, of this point, contesting for the nomination as one of the representatives. George S. Rouse, for several years a member of the legislature, is a candidate for the other nomination, having no opposition whatever, and whose election is already practically conceded by the fusionists.

Wilsonville Harvest Home Opens.

WILSONVILLE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The Wilsonville Harvest Home opened today. Notwithstanding the heavy rains during the first three days of the week, the attendance was quite large. Indications point to a large crowd of people on Thursday and Friday. In the ball game today, McCook and Aurora playing, McCook won, the score being 9 to 5. Batteries: McCook, Doan and Jones; Aurora, Weigardt and Klumb. Umpire: Walters.

Placed in Beatrice Jail.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Fred Oida, charged with being one of the slayers of David Jones of Wyoming, was brought here from Lincoln yesterday by Sheriff Waddington and placed in the county jail. Eph J. Herrod, whom Oida implicated in the murder by making a confession, will also be brought here for trial.

Struck in Eye with Scissors.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Pearl, the 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Reynolds, residing near this city, was accidentally struck in the right eye by a pair of scissors, and will probably lose the sight. She is under the care of an oculist, who has little hopes for her.

Social Function at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. G. H. Gill entertained a company of twenty-five young ladies yesterday at a high school in honor of Miss Etta Bates of Tacoma, Wash. The affair was one of the most pleasant social events of the season.

BACK SEAT FOR POPULISTS

One Minor Place All Allowed Them on Johnson County Ticket.

OTOE DEMOCRATS SEARCH FOR TIMBER

Legislative Nominations Tended to Several Who Decline and Committee Searches for Victims.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The fusionists of Johnson county met in convention in Tecumseh this afternoon. The weather was bad, roads heavy and this, together with a lack of enthusiasm, was the cause of a poorly attended meeting. Some prominent local delegates were absent. A pretense was made at holding two conventions, both in the same room, at the same hour, but the gathering really was of but one head. In the nominations, the democrats got the lion's share, the populists coming in but for commissionaire, and it was comfortably filled by the delegates. Judson B. Douglas of Tecumseh was made the fusion nominee for county attorney. John Boatman of Sterling secured that of representative for the Fourth district, and the delegations to the state senatorial convention, which will be held here Monday, September 29, were instructed for Dr. A. P. Fitzsimmons of Tecumseh for senator. For county commissioner, Third district, W. H. Borse of Spring Creek was the nominee. The democrats selected the following delegates to the state convention: Al Dufosse, Herman Ernst, C. A. Phelan, William Conway, Thomas Sandusky, P. J. Murphy, John Costello, John Boatman, J. W. Hammond, Dr. E. M. Cramb, E. H. Grist, Dan Martin. The populists elected W. B. Green, E. G. Jury, Grant Sherman, P. F. Webster, G. W. Grimes, Dr. W. P. Brooks, W. G. Swan, C. J. Canon, Frank Redmond and C. W. Williams. H. H. Hanks, fusion nominee for congress from this district, was advertised for a speech at the convention. He was present, but there was so few out that he deferred his talking until tonight, when a fair-sized audience of men of all political beliefs heard him.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The democratic county convention met at Syracuse today to nominate a legislative ticket, county attorney and one commissioner. Interest centered about the commissioner, and it was on this office that a bitter fight pivoted. The meeting was called to order by Hon. H. H. Hanks, who addressed the convention, during the absence of the committee on credentials. After the permanent organization had been perfected and nominations for senator declared in order seven names were presented, but in each case they refused to allow their names to go on the ticket. In the case of the two representatives it was nearly as bad, and finally a committee was appointed to select candidates, who were ready and willing to take the nomination. They selected John Mattes, Jr., for senator, and B. P. Davis and F. C. Easley for representatives. W. F. Moran was chosen candidate for county attorney on the first ballot. After taking a recess until 4 o'clock a fight for commissioner was on in the open. It was J. G. Stroble, who is seeking a second term, against the field. Most of the work had been done during the recess with the strike supporters very active. The first ballot settled matters, and he received the nomination.

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION CLOSES

Election of Officers, the Principal Business of the Last Day.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Today was the closing day of the W. C. T. U. convention, which has been in session here for the past three days. Aside from the reports of officers and various committees, the principal business transacted this afternoon was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Mrs. D. V. Wheelock of Superior; vice president, Mrs. Medora Nickell of Beatrice; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. D. Russell of Lincoln; recording secretary, Miss Anna Goudy of Pawnee City; treasurer, Mrs. C. V. Blewett of Fremont. Delegates to the national convention in foreign Mrs. P. M. Bentley, Mrs. S. K. Daily, and Mrs. A. S. Monagan of Lincoln. Rev. A. J. Wheeler of New York City addressed a large audience in Centenary church tonight. The convention will be held next year at Lexington.

Give Pastor a Vacation.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Rev. F. A. Colony, pastor of St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal church of this city, has been given a three months' vacation by his congregation, and accompanied by James Bell, will leave next Monday for an extended tour in Europe. Mr. Colony will be joined at New York by about twelve companions from eastern states. They will sail from New York on October 4 for London, thence to Paris, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, Constantinople, Smyrna in Asia Minor, Damascus, Palestine, Beirut, Cairo, Suez, thence to Joppa and Jerusalem. They will spend about one week in Egypt, and will visit Naples and Rome. From there they will sail for home, touching the coasts of Africa. They will return to New York about January 7, 1903.

Druggist Seriously Burned.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Otto Pohl, a Sixth street druggist, met with a serious accident this noon, burning his face badly. He was unpacking and marking some metallic sodium, when from some cause or other it exploded. His face and neck were burned, his collar being completely burned off. His eye lids were injured considerably, but it is not thought that his eye sight is in any way impaired. It is not known what caused the explosion, but it is supposed that the sodium in some way came in contact with some water. He will probably be confined to a dark room for some time.

Balloons Drop Into River.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Fred Butler, who does the parachute drop act for the Superior street fair, had a rather unpleasant experience yesterday afternoon. The balloon ascension was a pretty one and the drop perfect, except that the parachute dropped him in the middle of the Mississippi river, which is now at flood. Butler could not swim a lick. He drifted onto a flooded island, and remained there with the cold water up about his neck for over an hour while a boat was secured in which to rescue him. He lost his parachute. Butler is now in the hospital in some manner at Lake Manawa this summer.

Wilsonville Fair a Success.

WILSONVILLE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The second day of the Wilsonville Harvest Home drew a large crowd of people. McCook and Aurora played the second game of ball of a series. The two games tomorrow promises to be interesting. The meeting has been a success throughout.

Attempt to Wreck Train.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—It has just developed that an attempt was made to wreck a northbound train on the Santa Fe road, eight miles south of Superior, near the village of Weber, Kan. The attempt was made by a man named...

Alleged Murderer in Jail.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special)

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27-inch Wool Elderdown, all the popular shades, both light and dark colors, worth 30c a yard, at a yard.....	19c
27-inch Fancy Flannellette, in light and dark colors, figures and stripes, worth 75c, at a yard.....	5c
27-inch Pile Back Wrapper Cloth, all new patterns and colors, special at.....	7c
45-36 Bleached Pillow Cases, good quality, worth 12c, at.....	8c
63-90 good heavy quality Bleached Sheets, made from long thread cotton, worth 50c, at, each.....	39c
Full size heavy bed comforts, nice patterns, good cotton filling and knotted, worth \$1.50, at, each.....	1.25
10-4 Sheet Blankets, good quality, in white, gray and tans, worth 90c, at pair.....	48c
11-4 extra heavy good quality Sheet Blankets, in white, gray and tan, worth \$1.25, at per pair.....	98c
3½ lb. Bed Pillows, good quality, feathers, size 21x27, worth 95c, at, each.....	68c
18x18 Fancy Covered Couch Pillows, nice patterns, worth 65c, each, at, each.....	39c

Big Flyer on Fine Colored Dress Goods

100 pieces more of those fine Tailor Suits, Covert Cloths, Venetian, Canvas Cloths, Chevrons and Serges—values up to 95c a yd., on Friday at yd., 48c

Big snap in nice Nobby Waistings, about 50 pieces—nice, nobby waistings, in light dark and medium coloring—values up to 35c yard—on sale in bargain circle, dress goods aisle, main floor, at a yard.....

12c, 18c

Furniture Specials for Friday and Saturday



Dressing Table
(Exactly like cut. Made of bird-eye maple, with polished, serpentine front, drawers in trim with dainty brass, hand shaped, French beveled, oval shaped mirror, sharply light, worth \$11.50—sale price.....

\$11.50



Rocking Chair
(Exactly like cut. Handmade and seat design—workmanship and finish of this beautiful piece are of the very highest order. It is constructed of the very best of red, white pine—sale price.....

\$1.85



Combination Bookcase and Desk
Made of selected quarter-sawn oak, gold-leaf oak finish, piano polish, nicely carved, has a French beveled plate mirror—worth \$16.00—sale price.....

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Style 1.....	\$2.75
Style 2.....	\$3.75

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In Bennett's Busy Basement.

Crystallized Stove Boards up from.....	40c
Coal Hods, up from.....	22c
6-inch Dampers.....	6c
Elbows.....	7c
50-foot Braided Clothes Line, regular price 14c, for.....	10c
No. 1 Side Lift Lantern.....	48c
26-in. Guarantee D A Capital Saw.....	\$1.24

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planned upon the track, but the obstruction was discovered in time to prevent damage. The road has kept the matter quiet, and is working on the case.

BIG DAY AT THE SIDNEY FAIR

Over Four Thousand People Attended and the Midway Does Big Business.

SIDNEY, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The third day of the carnival and street fair was the biggest yet, more than 4,000 people being in attendance. The midway was the center of attraction, and the booths are liberally patronized. Moskwia, the snake queen, was attacked this afternoon by a large snake during her act. The scene of the wreck something got wrong with the brake beam on one of the box cars, and it slipped down until it touched the track. Two cars were overturned and some track torn up. By a fortunate chance the brakeman who was on the train had gone forward a few minutes before, and thus escaped being killed. A flagman was at once sent back and stopped the passenger train, which was sent around by the B. & M. transfer track, and was not greatly delayed by the wreck. A wrecking crew was sent from Auburn, and had the line clear before the arrival of the regular trains in the morning.

Old Settlers in Colfax Picnic.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The first annual picnic of the Colfax county Old Settlers association was held here today in court house park. Heavy rains of the early week were discouraging, but yesterday's fine weather dried the roads and gave an opportunity for a large attendance that greatly pleased those in charge. Six to eight hundred were in attendance, and it was very apparent that all had a good time. The principal speakers were Judge J. A. Grimsion, C. J. Phelps, C. F. Phelps, C. F. Brown, C. A. Moran, followed by numerous short responses from both men and women. A ball was given in the evening in Janesville opera house.

Colfax Republicans Nominate.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—At republican county convention held at Howells, V. W. Graves of Leigh was nominated for representative from this county; George Werts of Schuyler for county attorney and Fred C. Egerton of Schuyler for commissioner of range three. Delegates to senatorial convention selected as follows: August Miller, B. R. Cowdery, Martin Colman, J. M. Mundell, Thomas Walker, H. S. Wells and D. M. Leach. Congressional candidate, McCarthy of Ponca, was present and delivered an address in the evening.

Chinese Carpenters Strike.

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 25.—Three thousand Chinese carpenters, employed in the great dock yards at Puget Sound, struck just before the steamship Tacoma left that port four weeks ago. Many vessels were being built and repaired, and the work on all of them has stopped until the labor difficulties can be adjusted. The strike started at the dock of the Wapcom County company, which is the largest in the city. The Chinese carpenters association was held here today in court house park. Heavy rains of the early week were discouraging, but yesterday's fine weather dried the roads and gave an opportunity for a large attendance that greatly pleased those in charge. Six to eight hundred were in attendance, and it was very apparent that all had a good time. The principal speakers were Judge J. A. Grimsion, C. J. Phelps, C. F. Phelps, C. F. Brown, C. A. Moran, followed by numerous short responses from both men and women. A ball was given in the evening in Janesville opera house.