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WAR ON BEEF TRUST

RETAILERS PREPARING TO WAGE A BIG FIGHT.

A National Movement on the Part of Retail Butchers Is Being Planned—Admiral Dewey Is at Gibraltar—Other Items.

Beef War Not Abandoned.

NEW YORK: There has been no abandonment by the retail butchers of Manhattan of their intention to fight the beef trust. Louis J. Wagner, president of the Greater New York Retail Butchers' Association, says: "We are preparing for a national movement on the part of the retail butchers to fight the trust. This will be effected through the National Retail Butchers' Mutual Protective Association, which has members in every city in the United States, and which has, therefore, much influence and can command large capital. It is splendidly organized and will not be at all afraid to try issues with the beef trust when the proper time comes."

"We are now considering the question of buying a large slaughter house plant in Kansas City, one of the largest and most successful establishments of the kind in the west. How much will it cost to acquire this property? A committee from the Greater New York Retail Butchers' Association will leave here next week for Kansas City to examine the plant. In the matter of supplying beef to stockholders we would expect to ship beef from the Kansas City establishment direct to other cities in the southwest and northwest. A slaughter house which is intended to be located in New York City, Hoboken or somewhere else near New York will supply cities in this part of the country."

STORY OF LEAKAGE.

American Who Knows How French Secrets Reached Germany.

ATLANTA, Ga.: The person who claims to know how the French war office secrets reached Germany, and the names of those instrumental in their transfer, was seen Monday evening by the Associated Press. All the matter given in the Jewish Sentiment story sent out last week was gone over and substantiated, and the additional and interesting information was elicited that the letterheads, envelopes and consular seals of the United States government were used as a safeguard in transmitting the French war office documents from that country to Germany, and also that one of the chief actors held the position of United States vice consul in a little German city. The informant gives his name as Charles E. Pennington. His discharge papers, which are regular and duly signed, show that he was a private in Company M, Two Hundred and Second New York Volunteers, during the war with Spain, and accompanied the regiment to Cuba. Since he left the service of the United States he has been traveling over the south and is at present on his way from Montgomery to Washington, where he has no interest in the matter and wished no notoriety. His story was not told with that evasive dening rehearsal, and he says that although he has known these things for a long time he has never made public the information of which he is possessed.

DEWEY AT GIBRALTAR.

Admiral Is Slightly Indisposed—To Sail for Home Sept. 11.

GIBRALTAR: The Olympia with Dewey on board arrived here Monday, fired the usual salute in honor of the garrison, and the compliment was returned by the British battleship Devastation and the shore batteries. Dewey is slightly indisposed at present and intends to live on shore during his stay here.

I. L. Sprague, United States consul at Gibraltar, an old friend of the admiral, warmly welcomed him. At noon the American commander landed, the batteries again saluting. With the Second battalion of the Grenadier Guards in attendance, Dewey drove in the carriage of Gen. Sir Robert Hiddulph, governor and commander-in-chief, to the palace for the purpose of paying Gen. Hiddulph an official visit. The Olympia is expected to sail Sept. 11 direct for New York. The crew are all well.

SEVEN PERSONS DROWNED.

Capizing of a Sloopboat Near Mouth of Halifax Harbor.

HALIFAX, N. S.: A sloopboat was sunk near the mouth of Halifax Harbor, and seven lives lost, the victims all belonging to this city. There were eleven persons in the boat and four were saved. These were drowned:

ROBERT DAVIDSON, plumber.
WIFE and three unmarried sisters.
W. H. HAMILTON, clerk.
JOHN E. HANCOCK, clerk.

Murder and Suicide.

KOKOMO, Ind.: Early Tuesday at Green-ton James Ball, a laborer, shot his father-in-law, Henry Murden, a well known real estate and insurance man, fatally wounding him. Two bullets from a revolver entered Murden's forehead. He can survive but a short time. Ball then blew out his own brains with a shot gun. It is alleged that family trouble is responsible for the attempted murder and suicide.

Chicago Germans Honor Goethe.

CHICAGO: Over 35,000 persons and more than 100 Chicago German societies, having 12,000 members, Sunday celebrated the 60th anniversary of the birth of Goethe at Sunny Side Park. A special selected orchestra of 100 pieces played selections from Goethe's poems. The festival netted \$15,000 for a Goethe monument.

Denied that Watson Would Retire
WASHINGTON: The statement that Rear Admiral Watson, commanding the naval forces at Manila, has asked to be relieved of his command, because of ill health, is denied in official circles here. He has not, it is stated, made any such request.

A Mysterious Murder.

CHICAGO: Walter Koeller, a young man whose home is in Herman, Mo., was recently graduated at Dixon, Ill., was stabbed to death in his boarding house by two unknown men, who so far have eluded arrest.

FALL OF A STRONGHOLD.

Byrne's Men Scale Height and Dislodge Insurgents.

MANILA: Argogula, the most inaccessible stronghold of the bands which have been destroying plantations and levying tribute on the people of Negros, has been taken by the Sixth Infantry, under Lieut. Col. Byrne. The only means of reaching the town was up an almost perpendicular hill, covered with dense shrubbery and 1,000 feet high. The Americans accomplished this under fire, although an officer and several men were hit and rocks were rolled down upon them. The native strength was estimated at 400. Many of the rebels were wounded and captured and twenty-one were killed. The American forces captured a quantity of stores and destroyed the fortifications.

The shipping commissioner at Malina, a Filipino hitherto in high standing, has been arrested, charged with appropriating half of the first month's salary and levying monthly thereafter an assessment from all the native sailors shipped from that port. It is reported that he held a commission in the insurgent army and was raising funds for the insurrection. But it is suspected that his operations were merely private blackmail.

The Official Gazette, published at Tarlac, which has been received here, contains an order by Aguinaldo assembling the Spanish civil prisoners and sick soldiers at the ports of San Fernando, Union and Dugan for repatriation. The order stipulates that vessels calling must fly the Spanish or Red Cross flags. Juncilla, the Spanish commissioner, intends to ask Gen. Otis for permission to send ships.

TUG RED CLOUD WRECKED.

It Is Believed that Three Lives Have Been Lost.

SANDUSKY, Ohio: The tug Red Cloud of Lorain was wrecked off Cedar Point Sunday night and it is believed that three lives were lost. A strong east wind was blowing and a heavy sea running. The tug lost her bearings early in the evening and struck against the government jetty off Cedar Point, tearing a hole in her side. She filled rapidly and the crew was forced to leave on rafts. Engineer John O'Donnell and Fireman James McDonald managed to reach shore after a hard battle with the waves. Capt. Fred Hale, an extra fireman, and a small boy are believed to have been drowned. Two tugs were in the vicinity when the Red Cloud was wrecked, but the shallow water, heavy sea and darkness prevented them doing anything.

HAWAII AND NEXT CONGRESS

William O. Smith Will Represent the Islands at Washington.

SAN FRANCISCO: The steamer Nippon Maru arrived Sunday night from Hong Kong and Yokohama via Honolulu. A press representative at Honolulu sends the following advice under date of Aug. 29: At the coming session of congress Hawaii will be represented by William O. Smith, formerly attorney general of this country. He will be appointed by President Dole. The Senator arrived from San Francisco on the 22d. After taking coal she sailed for Manila. The vessel's departure was hastened owing to a row between some drunken soldiers and the police. Mrs. Inez S. Cowles of Galena, Ill., met with a street accident on the 22d and received injuries from which she died twenty-four hours later.

FATHER CLUSE RESIGNS.

Asserted to Mean Bishop Janssen Has Backed Down.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.: Father Cluse, the German-American priest appointed rector of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in East St. Louis, despite the protests of his members, who are now resting under the ban of excommunication, has resigned, and Bishop Janssen has accepted his resignation. Pending a decision by Mgr. Martinielli, in Washington, to whom the trouble in the disaffected parish has been referred, Bishop Janssen appointed Father Harkins of St. Mary's parish administrator of St. Patrick's. To those who know the affairs of the church, it is a relief that the Bishop Janssen, who persisted in appointing a German priest over an Irish parish, has stepped into the river.

Two Train Accidents.

FERRIS FALLS, Minn.: A northern Pacific freight train broke in two and several cars were demolished near Clithero. The passengers in the rear coach were shaken up and I. L. Ferris and G. A. Erickson, traveling men, were somewhat injured. The night passenger train on the same road struck a horse which was down in the high bridge, just west of the city. The animal was killed and the train narrowly escaped going into the river.

Richest Camp on Earth.

SEATTLE: W. B. Dean, who has just returned from Cape Nome, claims that that district will become the richest mining camp on earth. He said: "Cape Nome beach has been prospected and demarcated to certain pay dirt for a distance of thirty-five miles. By the time the season closes this fall two or three creeks which are being developed, together with beach diggings, will have, in my opinion, produced about \$1,000,000."

Jeffries and Sharkey Matched.

NEW YORK: Jim Jeffries of California, and Tom Sharkey of Dundalk, Ireland, will fight for the heavyweight championship of the world at the Coney Island Sporting club on Oct. 23. This was decided at a meeting of the managers of the pugilists. The club offered \$2-3 per cent. of the gate receipts with a guarantee of \$30,000.

Relieved of Command.

WASHINGTON: Commander Edward B. Taussig has been relieved of the command of the gunboat Benjamin by order of Admiral Watson and ordered home from Manila. He is said to have differed with the admiral as to the management of the fleet, and his criticisms led to the action noted.

Dreyer Jury Disgraced.

CHICAGO: The jury in the case of Edward Dreyer, a former banker, charged with failing to turn over to his successor as treasurer of the West Park board \$319,000 of the board's funds, failed to agree.

Circus in a Wreck.

TOLEDO, Ohio: A special train bearing Cooper's circus was wrecked here. Twelve persons were injured, none fatally, and circus property and animals scattered in all directions.

Five Children Drowned.

BRIDGEPORT: Five children, four girls and one boy, whose parents brought them for a day's outing from Easton, were drowned at Black Rock while sea bathing.

New Cases of the Plague.

OPORTO: Three new cases of the bubonic plague are reported here.

THE WEEK IN TRADE.

The Business World as Seen by R. G. Dun & Co.

NEW YORK: R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: The astonishing feature is the magnitude of demand, notwithstanding prices which would ordinarily check it. In products directly consumed by individuals the larger employment and better wages of the working forces gives explanation. Demand exceeds the supply of Bessemer pig again, raising the price for that and anthracite to \$22.50 and southern foundry to \$18.20 at Pittsburg, with heavy sales. Recent advances in boots and shoes and leather do not prevent large business, and hides have slightly risen at Chicago. Shipments of boots and shoes from Boston, 5.7 per cent. larger than in any other year to date, were 14.1 per cent. larger in August than in any other year. Buyers press for early delivery, manufacturers refuse many orders and some already have contracts further ahead than they wish. Leather is a little stronger, with a heavy business. Sales of wool have been moderate, 6,828,700 pounds for the week. Mills have strong demands for goods and the Clay worsteds have further advanced. In cotton goods demand exceeds supply and many kinds have advanced, although the material has declined. Wheat has declined, mainly because reports of injury in the northwest have been discredited. Failures for the week have been 141 in the United States, against 171 last year, and 25 in Canada, against 32 last year.

STRIKE AT CRAMPS' IS ON.

About Two Thousand Men Are Out—Cause of the Trouble.

PHILADELPHIA: The William Cramps Ship Building Company has closed down its extensive plant in this city. Recently there have been reports of difficulties between the Cramps and their employees, and a few days ago the machinists and blacksmiths presented to the Cramps resolutions demanding a nine-hour work day and requesting the re-employment of discharged workmen. They named Sept. 1 as the date on which a reply would be expected. The action of the firm in closing the plant was regarded by the men as an effort to intimidate and prevent them from striking. The blacksmiths, numbering about 800, were laid off Sept. 1, and the machinists were notified that a similar action would be taken in their case. This greatly incensed the men and they decided to strike. There are about 1,500 machinists employed at Cramps.

BOILER EXPLOSION.

Killing of Three and Injuring Four at Copemish, Mich.

MANISTEE, Mich.: The boiler in Chapman & Sargent's bow factory at Copemish, thirty miles north of here, exploded Friday, killing three men and fatally injuring four others. The dead:

CHARLES HANDY.
PERRY MELAFONT.
GEORGE ESTABROOK.

Fatally injured:

Oliver Sanders.
Robert Peterson.
Charles Taylor.
Howard Ketcham.

George Rice was severely, but not fatally scalded. The building was totally wrecked, debris being scattered for eighty rods around.

Killed His Brother-in-Law.

TEXARKANA, Ark.: News has reached here of a shocking killing at Atlanta, Texas, thirty miles south of here. Capt. R. E. Boyle shot and killed A. L. Culberson, his brother-in-law. Culberson was a prominent lawyer and a nephew of Congressman David Culberson, and a cousin to United States Senator Charles A. Culberson, and Boyle is mayor of the town. They met in front of the postoffice and the killing occurred. After the shooting Capt. Boyle surrendered to the officers and refused to discuss the affair.

Big Swindle Checked.

CHICAGO: What is believed to be an extensive swindling scheme was checked by the arrest of Geo. E. Shippey and Henry Schueck, who were charged with using the mails to defraud hundreds of business men throughout the country. The men were arraigned before United States Commissioner Humphrey and held in \$2,000 bonds each, pending the hearing of the case Sept. 9.

Shot While Hunting.

WILLMAR, Minn.: Harry Williams, son of President John Williams of the local telephone exchange, was accidentally shot and instantly killed near Raymond. The young man was hunting in company with his father and President Tallman, of the Minnesota Central Telephone Company.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$6.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 70c to 71c; corn, No. 2, 30c to 32c; oats, No. 2, 24c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 53c to 55c; butter, choice creamery, 19c to 21c; eggs, fresh, 13c to 15c; potatoes, choice, 27c to 35c per bushel.
Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$6.25; hogs, choice light, \$2.75 to \$5.00; sheep, common to prime, \$3.25 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 66c to 68c; corn, No. 2 white, 32c to 33c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 24c.
St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$6.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 69c to 71c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 30c to 32c; oats, No. 2, 22c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 54c to 56c.
Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$6.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 69c to 71c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 33c to 35c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 22c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 57c to 59c.
Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$6.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 71c to 72c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 34c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 25c; rye, 58c to 59c.
Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 70c to 71c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 32c to 34c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 20c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 55c to 57c; clover seed, new, \$4.50 to \$4.60.
Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 69c to 71c; corn, No. 3, 31c to 32c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c; rye, No. 1, 64c to 65c; barley, No. 2, 41c to 43c; pork, mess, \$8.00 to \$8.50.
Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.25 to \$5.00; hogs, common to choice, \$3.50 to \$4.50; sheep, fair to choice, wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.50; lambs, common to extra, \$4.50 to \$5.75.
New York—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$6.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 73c to 75c; corn, No. 2, 38c to 40c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 29c; butter, creamery, 17c to 22c; eggs, West-ern, 12c to 16c.

WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

SOUTH DAKOTA EVENTS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Committee in Charge of Raising Funds to Bring the First Regiment Home Believes Amount Will Soon Be in the Hands of Treasurer.

\$30,000 Will Be Needed.

There appearing to be no probability that Gov. Lee intends to call a special session of the Legislature to appropriate money for paying the expenses of the First Regiment from San Francisco, the committee appointed by the Huron convention has entered upon the work of raising money. The committee consists of sixteen members, and the State has been divided into that number of districts, each member of the committee being in charge of a district. It is estimated that the cost will be \$30,000, which has been apportioned by the committee among the different counties. Committees have been appointed in each county to raise the amount apportioned to it. Different committees will differ in the method adopted for securing the money. In some the county commissioners already declare their willingness to appropriate the money from county funds. In others, public spirited citizens will lend their credit by signing notes, which notes will be carried by banks until such time as the Legislature may have an opportunity to reimburse the parties advancing the money. In still other counties the popular subscription plan will be resorted to. F. A. Brown of Aberdeen, chairman of the committee, has already received word from the committee from Hughes County that the amount apportioned to that county has been raised. From all parts of the State Chairman Brown has received expressions of the warmest approval of the plans adopted for raising the money and pledging the counties to immediate compliance with the request of the committee. It is confidently expected that within the next two weeks the full amount required will be in the hands of State Treasurer Schamber, who was made the custodian of the fund.

SOUTH DAKOTA OFFICERS.

List of Appointments in the New Volunteer Regiments.

The following appointments in the volunteer army were announced this week, the numbers following each name indicating the officers' regiment:
To be captain, Charles A. Howard, major First South Dakota Volunteer Infantry, Forty-First Infantry; to be first lieutenant, Paul D. McClellan, captain Company I, First South Dakota Volunteers, Forty-Second Infantry; to be second lieutenant, Charles L. Builer, sergeant Company B, First South Dakota Volunteers, Forty-Third Infantry. This fills the quota from South Dakota.

Stole Silk and Satin.

Two strangers entered Freeman Bros.' store at Elk Point, and while one purchased some small articles from N. A. Kirk on the west side, the second stole thirty yards of silk and satin on the east side, secreting the articles under his coat. Persons across the street saw the act and informed Mr. Hasson, the bookkeeper, who was in the counting room in the rear of the store at the time the theft took place. Chase was immediately given and the thief was captured, but not until he had secreted the articles in an outbuilding in the rear of Fred Strohle's meat market and somewhat damaged them.

Talk of Free Delivery.

Business at the postoffice in Vermillion has been increasing very fast during the past two years and if the present rate continues it will not be long before Vermillion residents will be enjoying free mail delivery. From July 1, 1897, to July 1, 1898, an increase of over 30 per cent. was announced, and since July, 1898, up to the present time, an increase of more than 33 per cent. over last year has been made. The citizens of Vermillion anxiously await the time when the free delivery of mail can be had. And with the rapidly increasing population of the city it is believed the time is not far distant.

Watertown Goes Wild.

Five boys of Company H, First South Dakota, have returned to Watertown. They are Sergeant Schull, Corporals Smith, Whaley and Jenkins, and Private Morrison. Twenty-five hundred people cheered themselves hoarse at the depot. Bells were rung and whistles blown. A procession marched the length of the street to the depot. There was a public reception at the Arcade Hotel, with speeches by prominent citizens, band music and handshaking.

A Peculiar Aliment.

A peculiar ailment is reported to be troubling some of the cattle in the vicinity of Hecla, Brown county. The animals while in an apparently healthy and thriving condition become totally blind. The eyes first become bloodshot, then a white film covers the pupils. This remains about two weeks when the animal regains its eyesight. A peculiar feature is that this blindness attacks only one breed of cattle, the Herefords. Other kinds in the same field apparently are not affected.

Injured in a Runaway.

Oscar Jameson of Huron was thrown from his wagon by his team, which had become frightened, and for a distance of a block or more was dragged at fearful speed down the street by one of the lines that had become entangled about one of his feet. The sight was witnessed by a large number of people who expected every moment to see the man's brains dashed out by striking against sidewalks, street crossings, etc. He is seriously injured, but will recover.

Improvements at Pierre.

While Pierre is not booming by any means, the erection of several fine residences, putting in a new water pumping station, laying new water mains, building new stock yards, and preparing to open up the new Catholic hospital, all go to indicate that the city is not stagnating by any means, and that the improvements of the year will be substantial.

Pleads Guilty and Pays Fine.

Charles Harrigan of Clark County appeared before Judge Carland of the Sioux Falls Federal Court and pleaded guilty to two informations charging him with selling liquor without posting a license. He was fined \$50 for each case, which he paid.

Child Dies of Injuries.

Grace, the little daughter of Dr. Franklin Carpenter, general superintendent of the Rolden Reward smelter in Deadwood, fell down a number of steps at her home and sustained injuries in the head from which she died.

ONLY 80 DAKOTANS WELL.

Returning Members of First Tell of Ravages by Battle and Hardship.

Another detachment of soldiers of South Dakota's brave regiment has arrived home from the Philippine Islands, where they were discharged from the service because of sickness. There were eighteen members of the little band: Christ L. Myhre, Corporal E. Company, Volga; H. A. Thompson, H. Company, Watertown; C. B. Palmer, G. Company, Marshall, Minn.; A. C. Cayse, F. Company, Vermillion; D. P. Ryan, F. Company, Howard; E. O. Sloan, G. Company, Clark; H. C. Brees, F. Company, Meekling; Walter Jettis and Arthur Spaw, G. Company, Dell Rapids; Corporal John W. Wilson, A. Company, Pierre; Horace A. Chase and W. H. Hoover, A. Company, Blunt; Clyde Butcher, G. Company, Ellsworth, Minn.; Isaac Johnson and John Christand, D. Company, Armour; A. Johnson, A. Company, Webster; E. J. Parsons, G. Company, Yankton; I. E. Bab, C. Company, Mitchell.

Every man of the seven served with the regiment through all of its hard fighting until the day they were relieved from duty because of Sickness at San Fernando. Only one of the men received any wounds, however, Corporal Christ B. Myhre, whose body was pierced by a bullet at Calumpit that entered the right side of the back, passed through his left lung, his left side and his left arm. The other men were taken sick with typhoid fever and rendered unfit for service.

"When we left the Philippines," stated Corporal Myhre, "the condition of the regiment was pretty bad. Out of 980 men who started out to fight when the war opened there were only eighty men fit for service on the day we left. The heat was awful and the rains wet the men to the skin every day. These things couldn't help but make us sick."

Rests with Gov. Lee.

In regard to the calling of an extra session of the Legislature to appropriate money to bring the soldier boys home from San Francisco, Attorney General Pyle holds that the Governor is the sole judge of what he considers sufficient legal notice, and what is an extraordinary occasion; that the Legislature may, upon assembling, agree with the Governor on this point, or not, but if it does agree, then its acts are legal ground beyond doubt as to the legality of an appropriation. The Attorney General holds that such appropriation would be constitutional, citing many authorities in the affirmative on this question. The Pierre Populist announces that the governor will refuse to call a special session of the legislature to provide means to bring the troops from San Francisco. Gov. Lee, in his refusal to call an extra session, takes the position that no emergency exists which would justify a special session. He believes the money can be raised by popular subscription, and he desires to allow the committee appointed at Huron to carry its work to a successful termination and will give his encouragement.

Romance of the War.

There was a romantic wedding in Lead August 23 in which a returned soldier of Fort Meade took the important part. Ernest Bender is first sergeant of Troop I, First Cavalry, and in one of the severe battles in Cuba he received a dangerous bullet wound through the lungs. As soon as he was able to be moved he was sent to the Bellevue hospital, where he was nursed to life by Miss Christina Neff of Brooklyn. A mutual regard sprang up between the sick soldier and the nurse. Miss Neff arrived from the East August 27, and was taken to a friend's place in Lead by the devoted soldier and a happy wedding was the result. The first sergeant and his wife will live at Fort Meade.

Robbers Captured.

Sheriff Wm. Olesen has captured the two parties who burglarized the store of Sever Anderson at Clark and who also blew open the safe in the postoffice. He tracked them to within two miles of Naples. He deputized a resident there, Bob Harney, to accompany him, and overtook the couple. One of the criminals threw up his hands, the other who was in advance some rods opened fire with a revolver, and was shot in the right arm by Harney, who carried a shotgun. The money and jewelry was found on their persons.

National Guard Cavalry.

The first order relative to the organization of the troop of cavalry in Deadwood has been received by Capt. Bestwick. The troop is to be known as Troop A, of the South Dakota National Guard. It is agreed by those entering the troop that nothing shall be paid by the State for the maintenance of the organization until such a time when the legislature makes a special appropriation for the support of the National Guard.

Serious Timber Fire.

A timber fire started in some unaccountable manner about a mile west of Hot Springs the other day, and as but for the energetic efforts of the veterans of the Soldiers' Home, much damage to the timber, the range and the beauty of the landscape would have resulted. Two or three sections were burned over before the fire was put out. Timber Inspector Green promises to make it interesting for vandals who set the fire, if he can succeed in locating them.

Ask Pardon for Henry Schroeder.

Attorney J. E. House of Chamberlain appeared before the Board of Pardons in Pierre to ask for a pardon for Henry Schroeder, who was sent from Lyman County on a life sentence for murder. States Attorney Auld of Lyman County opposed the recommendation for a pardon, but said he would not oppose a recommendation for commutation of sentence at some future time.

Work at Fort Meade.

Work will commence on the new barracks buildings at Fort Meade just as soon as the old building can be removed. The old structure will be sold for old lumber at auction, and by September 10 everything is to be out of the way for the new building.

Back from Alaska.

Capt. B. F. Horne, who has had charge of a steamer on the Yukon River for the past season, has returned to his home in Pierre.

Will Have Four Elevators.

Lily is only a hamlet, but will have four grain elevators in operation this fall and it is expected that all of them will be taxed to their utmost capacity taking care of the great amount of grain which will be marketed there this fall.

Probably Killed by Bad Air.

The dead body of George Jensen, an old-timer in the Bear Gulch mining district, was found in the bottom of a shaft on Beaver Creek. It is supposed that the man descended the shaft before the bad air had been driven out.

BUSINESS SITUATION.

Chicago Correspondence:

Commercial reports continue of an optimistic character. The demand for merchandise seems to increase with each passing week. Consumption in nearly every line of industry seems still ahead of production, notwithstanding the fact that production is increasing at a good rate. The mills of this country are crowded with orders. In the steel and iron trade commitments have been placed as far ahead as the middle of next year. Railroads are complaining of a scarcity of cars with which to handle the business which is being thrust upon them, while the outlook in the farming sections is good.

In the security markets there is no great public participation. The professional talent, however, is more in evidence than has been the case in a long time. Pools continue to bid up their specialties without acquiring any great amount of stock.

The week's speculative business in grain was to some extent curtailed by the approach of the time of delivery on contracts for September. At such times there is an unavoidable excess of purchases over requirements of the buyers, and the endeavor to find others willing to assume the surplus almost invariably results in a decline before those having the necessary facilities and capital can be persuaded to assume the risk of carrying the grain until it shall be wanted for consumption. That is the opportunity of the bear speculators, who, understanding the situation, aggravate it to the advantage of the ultimate buyers and themselves.

A decline of not quite 1 cent a bushel in wheat during the week was chiefly due to such a state of affairs, there having been nothing meantime to suggest that foreign or domestic requirements would be less or supplies greater than had previously been calculated. Correspondents of the Chicago Tribune, however, are of the opinion that a trifle in value during the week from further evidence of the moderate stocks of old corn in the country, together with an unabated demand for both foreign and domestic consumption and some lessening of the previous prospect for the late-sown portion of the growing crop.

The speculative condition of the provision market was somewhat similar to that of wheat and prices suffered a moderate decline on that account. There were, however, other reasons for the decline in prices of hog products. The demand from abroad was much less urgent than it had been, and a few cases of yellow fever in the South created the usual alarm among those who see in it a possible stoppage of the Southern demand.

FOE USES BIG GUNS.

Krupp Cannon Fired by Filipinos.

The Filipino insurgents made an unsuccessful attempt early Saturday morning to drive Col. Smith's command out of Angeles with artillery,