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Weather Indications. CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Forecast for Kansas: Fair and warmer tonight; Friday fair; southwesterly winds.

The leading press of Kansas are evidently not lacking in wants. George W. Martin wanted to be governor, J. K. Hudson and ex-Gov. Felt want to be state printer, and E. W. Hoch want to be senator.

Our idea of a baronage is a man who has no visible means of support except politics, and who has never demonstrated his ability to earn a living out of office.

THE TOPEKA JOURNAL says it is only the ignorant northern Republican editors who do not sympathize with the Populists in the southern states.

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KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

"Quiet weddings" are considered just the proper thing at Emporia. The Missouri river is so low at Leavenworth that you can wade across—if you want to.

part of the population is in a fever of excitement. Most of the people at Burlington have taken the fences around their yards down and the people who have hitherto been too stingy to have their cows herded in the summer time, will have to get milk of the milkmen.

A Wichita man saw the present czar of Russia in London once, but didn't get to speak to him. The czar was so thankful he immediately refunded the debts of the peasants when he ascended the throne.

The people in south Dickinson county are full of wonder because water has suddenly appeared in the creeks without there being rain. They could hardly have been more surprised if it had rained.

MASONIC.

Prominent Member of the Order in Missouri—Temple Chips. Thomas R. Morrow, grand commander of Missouri Knights Templars, began his Masonic career in Kansas City ten years ago, being initiated, passed and raised in Kansas City lodge, No. 229.



He has the honor of being a member of the supreme council, southern jurisdiction, United States of America, thirty-third degree, and also of the royal order of Scotland.

A worshipful master should never have any compunction of conscience in refusing to pass or raise a candidate who is ignorant of the required knowledge for advancement or manifests an indifference for and determination not to acquire such knowledge.

A recent fire in Indianapolis destroyed the Scottish Rite building, valued at \$125,000, and also consumed valuable documents, which can never be replaced.

Bro. Franklin Lawrence of lodge 463, Philadelphia, has been a regular attendant for a quarter of a century. He has never missed a meeting, either stated or special, during this time.

They have a union of Knights Templars commanders in Massachusetts. At a recent session 102 were seated at banquet.

The Masonic grand lodge of Illinois, at its recent session in Chicago, appropriated \$5,000 for additional room for the Masonic Orphans' home.

Kalamazoo Masons dedicated a new temple recently.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Certificates Rejected by the Board of Control—Helmets Glint.

There has been much criticism on the legislation of the supreme lodge in regard to suicides and drunkards in the endowment rank. The following, taken from the report of the board of control seems sufficient reason for the action taken.

No meeting for the transaction of business or work shall be held and no excursion or entertainment shall be had by a subordinate lodge on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday.

Deputy Doton has a charter list of 225 names for a new lodge in Canaan, Mass., to be instituted in January.

National Proviident Union.

The national convention of the National Proviident union was held in New York city recently. This convention convenes biennially for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of president and vice president of the order.

The candidates nominated are all well known and active citizens. Edward S. Peck of No. 1 is the present attorney general of the union, Thomas H. Tunison has been a worker in the cause since the early days, is president of No. 4 and has been the N. P. U. governor of the state of New Jersey; George N. Marter is president of Council No. 128 of Philadelphia and took an active part in the last session of congress, and C. J. Monstave is vice president of No. 20 and has been well known in congress and as a delegate to several conventions.

A Heretofore County Attorney. County Surveyor J. Burton of Jamestown, Cloud county, has applied to Attorney General Little asking that an assistant attorney general be appointed for Cloud county on the grounds that the county attorney is neglecting his duty.

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A HOTEL EXHIBITION

INTERESTING WORLD'S EXPOSITION PROJECTED AT AMSTERDAM.

The Northern Venice, Her Picturesque Canals, Her Houses Built Upon Piles and Her Treasures of Old Dutch Art—Built Upon Land Wrested From the Ocean.

The great success of the World's Columbian exposition seems to have inoculated the peoples of the earth with the world's fair fever. It inspired the California Midwinter fair, the exhibitions in Milan, Antwerp and Madrid, and was doubtless instrumental in inspiring the Cotton States and International exposition that opens in Atlas a next fall, the International Exhibition of Hotel and Traveling Accommodation which the good burghers of Amsterdam, Holland, will give beginning May 1, 1895, and the International exhibition that will be held in Montreal in 1896.

The International Exhibition of Hotel and Traveling Accommodation on has rather a dry and uninteresting sound, but the prospectus indicates that the Northern Venice will give anything but an uninteresting exhibit. Among the subjects to be illustrated by displays are



architecture, means of transportation, general industry, industry of articles of food, river and sea fishery, health, machinery, lighting, art industry, teaching, geography, complete furniture, safety, gardening, insurance, etc. As each of these subjects as well as all of its adjuncts is to be treated exhaustively, it will be readily seen that the scope of the exposition will be a broad one, and one that cannot fail to be interesting to lovers of world's fairs.

The exhibition will be held on a large tract of land near the National museum in Amsterdam, and exhibits will be received from March 15 to April 20, 1895. One big railway company has granted free transportation for all goods to and from the exhibition, and awards will be granted by an international jury, as at previous exhibitions of the kind.

The World's bazaar will be a sort of Midway pleasure, and one of its numerous interesting features will be a reproduction of old Holland in Amsterdam. In the center of the grounds will be a large basin, in which an immense steamer will be moored. It will be fitted up exactly like the modern hotel of the high seas—the ocean greyhound—and there will be room on the decks for the accommodation of 2,000 people.

American cook stoves, typewriters, telephones, electric light paraphernalia and other appliances are extensively used in Amsterdam, and the coming exhibition seems an excellent opportunity for American manufacturers to widen their trade with the Dutch.

Holland has of late become a favorite with tourists from all parts of the world, and next to the exhibition itself the city of Amsterdam will prove a magnet that will draw many visitors. The Northern Venice, as Amsterdam is called, is built upon some 90 islands, and the houses stand upon a vast forest of piles. The city is literally built upon land wrested from old ocean's embrace and is bound together by over 300 bridges, which span the numerous canals.

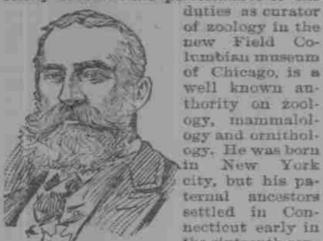
The most imposing edifice is the palace of Amsterdam, which was formerly the city hall. It was begun in 1648, is built of stone and rests upon 13,659 piles driven 70 feet into the soft, marshy ground. One of its features is a grand ballroom 111 feet long, 53 feet wide and 90 feet high, which is lined throughout with white Italian marble.

Amsterdam is the largest city in Holland and is the capital of the Netherlands. It is situated on an arm of the Zuyder Zee and was a mere fishing village in the thirteenth century. It was strongly fortified ten years before America was discovered, and after the ruin of Antwerp in 1648 by the closing of the Scheldt it became very large and prosperous.

A SHARP ON BIRDS AND BEASTS.

Professor Daniel G. Elliott, Curator of Zoology at Field Columbian Museum, Chicago.

Professor Daniel G. Elliott, who recently assumed the performance of his duties as curator of zoology in the new Field Columbian museum of Chicago, is a well known authority on zoology, mammalogy and ornithology.



DANIEL G. ELLIOTT. One of them was named as a patentee in the royal charter granted by Charles II. In 1852 Mr. Elliott prepared to enter Columbia college, but delicate health compelled him to abandon the project and travel. He visited Alaska, the greater portion of North America, the West Indies, South America, Europe and the orient.

His first published work on the subject that had now become a passion with him was a monograph on a family of birds and appeared in 1869. It was illustrated by 31 plates, the majority of which were drawn by himself. Two volumes, describing the birds of North America not contained in Audubon's great work, soon followed, and in all Mr. Elliott has published 11 books. He has also written over 100 papers on various zoological subjects and has won wide fame as one of the leading authorities on zoology and ornithology.

His contributions to scientific knowledge have won him many honorable recognitions, and he has been decorated by several European governments.

A BLASTED HICKORY.

It Marks the Last Resting Place of James G. Blaine.

Many visitors every day pay pilgrimage to a blasted hickory tree that stands on a retired slope in Oak Hill cemetery, Washington. They may well regard with mournful interest the bit of ground beneath it, for there repose the mortal remains of James G. Blaine. The blasted hickory is his only monument. A scarcely perceptible mound marks the grave, and at its foot stands a small stone, with the initials "J. G. B." Adjoining are the graves of Walker Blaine and of Mr. Blaine's daughter, Mrs. Alice Stan-



THE GRAVE OF JAMES G. BLAINE. wood Coppinger. The grave next to Mr. Blaine's is marked by a plain round topped slab of marble, with the inscription:

WALKER BLAINE. Born Augusta, Me., May 18, 1855. Died Washington, Jan. 15, 1890.

The grave of Mrs. Coppinger has a Celtic cross about four feet high, inscribed as follows:

ALICE STANWOOD. Daughter of James G. Blaine and wife of Colonel J. J. Coppinger, U. S. A. Born Augusta, Me., March 18, 1859. Died Washington, Feb. 9, 1890.

The humble appearance of Mr. Blaine's last resting place is not due to neglect, but in accordance with his expressed wish. When his son, Walker Blaine, died, Mr. Blaine selected a lot in Oak Hill overlooking Rock creek. There Walker and Mrs. Coppinger were buried, and Mr. Blaine expressed a desire to be buried next his favorite son at the foot of the old hickory tree.

"Everybody wants to see Blaine's grave," said J. T. Motter, superintendent of the cemetery. "I point it out and tell them about it till I get tired and worn out. It is more visited than any grave in the cemetery. I don't think the body will ever be moved. I am sure it was not his wish that it should, for when he selected that lot he pointed out the old tree and asked me to see that it was never destroyed, as he wanted it for his only monument."

Three other cabinet officers besides Mr. Blaine were also buried at Oak Hill—namely, Edwin M. Stanton, the great war secretary; Secretary of War John H. Eaton and Secretary of the Navy W. H. Hunt. W. W. Corcoran, the founder of the cemetery, is also buried there, as are John Howard Payne, author of "Home, Sweet Home"; Lorenzo Dow, the eccentric evangelist, and many others famous in their day. But none of these interesting tombs attracts so many visitors as the blasted hickory that marks the last resting place of James G. Blaine.

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POPULISTS EXPLAIN. Mr. Allen Tells Why He and Peffer Voted Against Taking Up Sugar. WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Senator Allen in commenting upon the fact that he and Senators Peffer and Kyle voted against taking up the sugar bill and the Vest cloture resolution, said that they had taken this position on the sugar bill because they considered the movement to get it up one in the interest of the speculators and in no wise an effort at serious legislation.

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