

THE DROUGHT IN THE WEST. ITS BAD EFFECT ON WINTER WHEAT.

MUCH OF THE LATE-SOWN GRAIN NOT YET UP-GATHERING THE CORN CORP. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—General crop reports from all sections today are not encouraging. Texas reports that it is two months since it has had any rain to put the ground in condition for ploughing or seeding, and the reports show that there will not be half the wheat crop that would have been if the conditions had been favorable.

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In Northern Missouri not more than 50 per cent of the crop is up to-day. There has not been a good rain for nearly two months, and considerable wheat lies in the ground as dry as when it was put out. It is impossible to get the coming crop in good condition for seeding, consequently the stand is poor.

In Southern Missouri the ground is as dry as powder, and a few warm days would help the crop greatly. The danger is that when it will go into winter with not enough root to stand the cold months. Mills do not carry large stocks of wheat, and the flour demand is only fair.

The reports from Southern Illinois show that the growing condition of wheat in that section of the State is anything but flattering. It is simply no comparison to last year, some of the late-sown wheat is not up yet. The weather this week has been very unfavorable, cold winds and no moisture. Central Illinois reports that unless rain comes soon the damage to the crop of winter wheat will be serious. Wheat is very late, and some not up yet. If the ground freezes up before rain the prospects for the coming crop will be poor.

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THE CALIFORNIA BREWERY CASE. EX-ASSEMBLYMAN BRUNER ARGUES HIS OWN CASE—A WRIT OF PROHIBITION GRANTED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 7.—Ex-Assemblyman Bruner, of Sacramento, who has been indicted by the Grand Jury of this county for making a false statement, for accepting a bribe, and for having been indicted for perjury in connection with testimony which he gave before the Grand Jury, appeared in the Superior Court yesterday to argue the case on his own behalf.

GOVERNOR HILL'S THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION. Albany, Nov. 7.—Governor Hill to-day issued the following proclamation: State of New York, Executive Chamber.

A NEW CHARITY FOR MOUNT VERNON. Albany, Nov. 7.—With objects to provide a permanent home for respectable aged and indigent women of the Protestant religion, but without regard to religious denomination, the Wilson Home of Mount Vernon has been incorporated.

LANDS BOUGHT BY A BARLEY SYNDICATE. St. Paul, Nov. 7.—The Edgemoor land syndicate, best known as the barley syndicate of Chicago, has succeeded in securing 250,000 acres of land in North Dakota, on which it is proposed to place German farmers to raise barley for malt purposes.

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at the nearest house, and one of the inmates, a girl, rushed to the shore, loosed a boat from its moorings, rowed to the drowning boy, rescued and returned with him to land.

PETITIONING FOR DOCKS AT CHICAGO. Chicago, Nov. 7.—Special Captain William Harmon, of the Chicago Towing Company, has sent to the Mayor and the Common Council a petition for increasing the capacity of the river before winter.

HOW MR. JEFFERSON'S DEER WENT TO PATERSON. Boston, Nov. 7.—Joseph Allen, Joseph Jefferson's chief sponsor and keeper of the elegant house and grounds at "The Crow's Nest," Buzzard's Bay, laughs heartily over the announcement of the pet deer which have been presented to the Park Commissioners of Paterson, N. J., by the veteran actor.

CHARGED WITH FRAUDULATING A RAILROAD. St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 7.—The United States Grand Jury, which has been investigating the dealings of the Howell Lumber Company, which failed several months ago, returned six indictments against S. R. Howell and George W. Howell yesterday afternoon.

PERMISSION REFUSED TO DO BUSINESS. Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 7.—At a meeting of the State Banking Board yesterday the applications for certificates of authority to transact business in Nebraska made by the following associations were rejected: North American Saving Loan and Building Association of Minnesota; Granite Savings and Loan Association of Minnesota; Granite State Providence Association of Manchester; Chicago Universal Investment and Loan Association; Interstate Building and Loan Association of Minneapolis; People's Loan and Savings Association, of St. Paul; Building and Loan Association, of Dakota; National Fraternity Building and Loan Association, of Butte City, Mont.

A BIG IRON PIERM REORGANIZED. Elgin, Ill., Nov. 7.—Special—O. W. Potter, the great Chicago rolling mill capitalist, has bought a half-interest in the iron-manufacturing firm of Woodruff & Co., of this city. The C. H. Woodruff Company has been organized with Mr. Woodruff president, and Julius Clarke Daniels secretary and treasurer. The business will be largely extended.

SERIOUS INJURY TO A CAR INSPECTOR. Saratoga, N. Y., Nov. 7.—William A. Mundy, of this village, employed as night car inspector in the Pithsburg Railway's freight yard, at Mechanicville, had both legs crushed below the knees this morning at that place by falling under the wheels of a north-bound Delaware and Hudson freight train.

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MR. DEBEVOISE IS READY. HE WILL DEFEND HIS OFFICIAL ACTS. CHARGES MADE AGAINST HIM BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Rumors have been in circulation for more than a month among the teachers of the public schools and the Commissioners of the Board of Education that the Committee on Buildings intended to prefer charges against George W. Debevoise, who was up to July 1 Superintendent of School Buildings, and to ask him to explain certain transactions alleged to have taken place during his incumbency of office.

It was alleged that Mr. Debevoise, while superintendent, had used materials of a quality inferior to those called for in the specifications in several buildings erected or repaired under his supervision. Among these schools was said to be Grammar school No. 37, at No. 113 East Eighty-seventh-st., in the Twelfth Ward. The specifications for that school had called for lead pipes, it was said, but that in their stead, cheap galvanized iron pipes had been used throughout the building.

But other reflections, it is said, were also cast upon Mr. Debevoise's administration. He was held responsible by several Commissioners for the condition of Grammar Schools Nos. 35 and 7 and Primary School No. 22, which had been closed several weeks ago because they were unsafe and dangerous. He should have reported their condition to the Board, it was said, and thus have prevented the condemnation to which the Commissioners had been subjected on account of the compulsory abandonment of the schools. He had been in a position to know of the condition of the schools, and it had been his duty to report such facts to the Board. He had been remiss, therefore, in his duty in failing to attend to such matters.

MENTION WAS ALSO MADE OF THE FACT THAT MR. DEBEVOISE'S NAME HAD BEEN MENTIONED AS A POSSIBLE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. The Mayor was obliged to appoint the new members before the third Wednesday of the present month, it was necessary that the charges against Mr. Debevoise should be investigated at once, according to the Commissioners. Mr. Debevoise himself, when seen yesterday by a Tribune reporter, was not at all disconcerted by the action of the Board of Education. He denied the charges emphatically. "I deny specifically," he added, "all the allegations. All allegations, if there were any, are in writing, among the records of the Board. The inspector of buildings, whose duty it was to examine the buildings, was appointed by the Board of Education, and not by me. I had also the advantage of the examination of the Board of Health made upon all buildings which I 1890, and 361, involving \$4,685,194 in 1890. There were only thirty buildings projected, at an estimated cost of \$303,200, compared with thirty-three at a cost of \$1,919,460 in 1890, and forty-five at a cost of \$717,275 in 1889. "The Record and Guide" makes the following observations upon the market: The quiet real estate market is common to practically every district of New-York, and it is asserted nearly everywhere to high prices which prohibit ready and prudent buyers from purchasing, and altogether discourage the present investors should remember that this week matters have been quiet as during mid-summer, and it is not all explained by the fact that election day broke in upon the market work that was going on. Those very closely interested and related to the real estate market, and many of them are owners of election day broke in upon the market work that was going on. Those very closely interested and related to the real estate market, and many of them are owners of election day broke in upon the market work that was going on.

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simply on account of my health, and because I had the offer of a better place, I did not propose to sacrifice myself. My old trouble caused me to leave the board. I had a doctor's certificate at the time saying that I was not fit to work.

It is impossible to forget the result of the next meeting of the Committee on Buildings. Eugene S. O'Neil, the inspector who is said to have been remiss in his duties, has been suspended pending an inquiry into his actions by the Board.

THE DEADLOCK IN REAL ESTATE. TAMMANY'S VICTORY DOES NOT IMPROVE THE MARKET.

The real estate market has shown some improvement in the last week, but the gain has been below expectations. The testimony of most dealers favors the idea that the underlying cause for the dullness which prevails is the extravagant price which most holders ask for their property.

The market is in a sort of deadlock and the political developments of the week have not been encouraging to investors. The triumph secured by Tammany Hall has caused a discussion of possible manipulations of realty, which disheartens investors who are looking for an honest and able administration of city affairs vitally connected with the property possibilities of New-York. Real estate holders who are favored by Tammany Hall may see a possible advantage in certain investments, but the buyers who make the legitimate demand that give life to real estate transactions are chilled by the political possibilities which come on the heels of tighter money market and the long-sustained idea that values are held on an extravagant level.

IN AID OF THE TWO-CENT DIET KITCHEN. The Amaranth Dramatic Society of Brooklyn will present "The Private Secretary" at the Lyceum Theatre on Monday evening, November 23, for the benefit of the New-York Two-Cent Diet Kitchen. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used to defray the expenses of a Thanksgiving dinner, and to help to maintain the kitchen. The price of tickets is 25 cents. Contributions are repaired it is somewhat difficult to remember what was done in each, or in any particular one. But whatever was done the certificates on file will show. Nothing was done in any way which would be in any school, without placing it upon the records.

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Bodine, the young man who boarded with the girl, was taken before Coroner Schuitze and remanded to the Tombs for examination. Mrs. Bertha Schroeder, the midwife, who is believed to have been implicated in the girl's death, was admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,500.

DAMAGING EVIDENCE AGAINST CAMPO. HIS HANDBAG CONTAINED ARTICLES THAT HAD BELONGED TO MRS. TRAITTNER.

William Ladd, of No. 28 Orange-st., Brooklyn, walked into the office of Inspector Byrnes at Police Headquarters on Friday with a small black hand satchel, and told the inspector that it had been left at his house by Julia Campo, the man accused of robbing the dead body of Mrs. C. H. Traittner. He said that he believed it contained stolen property. Mr. Traittner was sent for, and in his presence the bag was opened and found to contain articles which her husband identified as formerly belonging to Mrs. Traittner. There were twenty-five yards of lace, which had been purchased by Mrs. Traittner the day before her death; her glove bag, containing two pairs of gloves, one pair of which had been worn; her private card case; her fan and comb and brush. All of these articles had been seen by Mr. Traittner on the dressing case in his wife's room when he left her on the morning of her death. Besides these things was also a silver cup belonging to Mr. Traittner. The black bag was also the property of Mr. Traittner. It was marked with the initials "L. P." and had formerly belonged to Judge Levi Parsons, who lived with the Traittners for years before his death. The bag and contents were taken to the Tombs Court yesterday morning by Detective Heideberg, and another complaint was made against Campo.

Campo was seen to leave the Traittner house on the morning after the funeral with a small satchel, and when arrested on the following day he was asked what this had contained. Campo said that it had contained his dress suit. "I think this evidence will disprove the idea of infatuation the part of my wife for Campo," she could hardly have been so enamored of him as to give him these things." The Tombs Court yesterday morning on a new charge of grand larceny, he pleaded not guilty, and was held in \$1,000 bail for examination next Thursday.

INDUSTRY OF POSTOFFICE EMPLOYEES. One reward which the Postoffice employees received for their extra diligence in handling campaign documents just before the election, is that they have been cleared with partial discrimination. The statement is made that the Democratic circulars were delayed until all the Republican ones had been delivered. Postmaster Cornelius Van Cott yesterday denied the charge. All the election mail matter, he said, was delivered by 10 o'clock on Monday morning. Any discrimination was impossible for the simple reason that there was no party of distinguishing between the letters of the two parties. Each used exactly the same kind of an envelope, and the packages were tied up in the same way. There were more than 1,200,000 pieces in all sent out by the two parties.

The clerks worked about two hours and a half overtime on Saturday, and thus were able to get all the election mail of their hands on Monday morning. There was no delay. The force in the Post-Office here has long been too small, and Mr. Van Cott and Assistant Postmaster James Gayler are confident that Postmaster-General Wainwright will soon come to their relief with an additional appropriation. The men are overworked now, but the mail matter is all handled as rapidly as the size of the force will permit.

AN ALLEGED RIFLER OF LETTER-BOXES. Harry Armstrong, who is charged with stealing a letter from a street letter-box in St. Louis, was arrested here yesterday by Postoffice Inspector Jacobs. The warrant charges that on December 12, Armstrong stole a letter addressed to Charles Nelson, St. Louis, containing a draft on the State Bank of St. Louis for \$210.52, payable to Nelson. The draft was drawn by E. J. Monks & Son Distillers Company, by Samuel V. Monks, vice-president. Armstrong had a confession, for whom the Postoffice Inspector is searching. The price of \$210.52 was for the purpose of securing a check on extradition proceedings.