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A MORNING BLAZE.

Supposed to Have Been the Work of an Incendiary.

At a little before 3 o'clock this morning, an alarm of fire was sounded by the fire bell, and was quickly taken up by the whistles. A representative of the EAGLE repaired to the scene and found the cause of the alarm to be the burning of a small, one story frame dwelling in the southeast part of the city. The reporter found upon investigation that the building was owned by Mr. Kramer, and one-half of it was occupied by Wm. Fullenlove and family, and the other by Mrs. Emma Howey, Fullerlove's sister-in-law. Mrs. Howey saved nearly all of her household effects, but Fullerlove lost everything. The house was moved to its present location last spring, and was valued at something over $200. We were unable to learn whether it was insured or not. The fire started in the part of the house occupied by Mrs. Howey and is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. Before the fire department arrived the house had burned to the ground.

YESTERDAY'S CONVENTION.

The Republican senatorial convention for this district assembled in the court room yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and was called to order by. T. B. Wall, chairman on the senatorial committee.

On motion D. A. Mitchell was selected temporary chairman and T. F. Brown, secretary.

John Exton, J. M. Allen, A. E. Johnson, A. Kats and J. H. Brown were appointed a committee on credentials.

W. H. Stanley, T. D. Phillips and E. A. Phillips were appointed a committee on permanent organization.

The committee on permanent organization reported for permanent chairman, D. A. Mitchell, and for secretary W.B. Hutchison. On motion the report was adopted.

The committee on credentials reported delegates present from the First, Second and Third wards of this city, and from Kechi, Wichita and Grant townships. On motion the report was adopted, and the delegates admitted to seats in the convention.

Col. T. D. Fonts moved that the convention endorse the action of the county convention. The motion was adopted.

J. M. Balderston moved that the delegates be instructed for Hon. John Kelley, which motion was adopted.

On motion the convention then adjourned.

CONVENTION IN WEST WICHITA.

The delegates to the Eighty-ninth representative convention convened as per announcement. F. M. Dofflemyer called the meeting to order and stated its object. On motion J. F. Irwin was elected chairman and S. L. Barrett secretary. On motion the convention endorsed the action of the county convention in selecting delegates to the senatorial convention. The convention then adjourned.

UNSQUELCHED.

Our pun-genius of Garden Plain seems to have accepted our review of his funny efforts and violation of confidence in the best possible spirit. He replies yesterday as follows:

DEAR EDITOR:—Scalping just received. Feel mortified, but worse, can fly a little, but cannot soar aloft. Will try and convalesce next year. Bought a garden hoe. Will work some.

You say that for several hours after a perusal of the wonderful productions, you were incapacitated and was only brought back to a normal condition by reading seventeen columns of the proceedings of the democratic convention in Chicago.

Glad you got back to your normal condition. Lucky you happened onto that Democratic convention business, or you might not have thought of the whisky at all.

Again you say, "This new star fails to send us his or her name but authorizes us to use the 'take-offs' as our own." If you remember, in that bit of polished rhetoric preceding this, I referred to my wife. I still have a wife and she is a woman. Her husband is a man. I am her husband and am, therefore, a man. This is logical enough, but to make it still plainer I will further state that we have a child. Still further we may have another, and so on to the end of the chapter.

Yes, I authorized you to use the "take-offs" as your own, but I didn't tell you to lick the literary wadding out of me. I didn't say for you to knock me down and trample my vitals out on the cold, cold ground. I only said to go in and make money out of the enterprise and I would remain in the back-ground.

But if you have wronged me I forgive you, and shall strictly adhere to the injunction of Bill Nye: Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.

If I have said anything in the above that is calculated to wither you or otherwise cut your feathers, I cheerfully take it back, so to speak.

I don't desire to humiliate you, I only want a position. I don't ask wages commensurate with my worth. I have asked for job after job at your hands and have been repulsed after repulsed. Hoping that you will do nothing rash I do fervently and at a white heat subscribe myself the people's own DUB RUSH.

Prefix:—Don't let our dear friend Alec. Butts set eyes on this little epic (see Webster), lest he turn more green with more envy.

If you hang about a grocery, don't go about the salt room, it catching.

LAND SLIDES.

The following are the real estate transfers recorded in the register of deeds' office July 12:

David Fox to D L Miller, 22 acres, in the nw cor of sec 14-27-1e	$ 800
Geo H Blueknelein to G W Saunder, 160 acres, the nw qr of sec 21-28-3w	2,000
Woodbury Howe to Wm C West, lots 5 and 6 on Mead ave in Howe & West's subdivision of lots 33 and 35 on Mead ave in East Wichita	250
Chas W Simmons to Roland C Parker the sw qr of sec 17-26-1e	4,600
Norman S Southwick to P E Chapbell lots 1 and 2 and the e hf of the nw qr and the ne qr of sec 30-27-3w	6,400
Mount Hope Town Co. to E. A. Hildebrand, lots 5 and 6 in block 29 in Mount Hope	140
Mount Hope Town Co. to Jacob Rupert, lots 7 and 8 in block 29, in Mount Hope	140
Franz Strauss to J. M. Leveridge, the s hf of lot 84 and all of lots 86 and 88 on market street in Griffinstein's add to Wichita	1,500
Wm Griffinstein to Mrs. J. R. Hartzell, lots 912, 914 and 916 on Waco street in Griffinstein's 7th add to Wichita	450
E. W. Dean to H. D. Heiserman, lots 9 and 10 in block 11, in town of Mount Hope	50
Ira M. Bishop to Henry C. Bishop, 80 acres the w hf of the sw qt of sec. 8-25-3west	1,200

A WHOLESALE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

The new dry goods jobbing house enterprise is a verity. Arrangements were consumated yesterday for a building. Mr. Allen, the St. Louis man, will open out at an early day with a stock large enough to supply every retail house in southwestern Kansas.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.—A serious accident is reported on the Baltimore & Ohio road within the city limits. The Chicago express collided with the Baltimore local express, and several lives are said to have been lost. The accident occurred at the junction near the depot.

LATER.—One train was late and the other failed to wait for it. Michael Rielly, engineer, was killed. Solomon Fogler, fireman, was badly hurt. Several others were badly bruised. The wreck of the rolling stock was complete.

KANSAS POLITICS.

PREPARING FOR THE STATE CONVENTION.

John A. Martin and Senator Ingalls

ENDORSED BY NEARLY ALL THE COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Other Political Items, State and National, of Interest.

INSTRUCTS FOR GILLETT.

Special Dispatch to the Eagle.

KINGMAN, Kan., July 12.—The Kingman county senatorial convention, held in this city to-day, instructed the delegates for Hon. F. E. Gillett.

M. B. KELLOGG.

SUMNER COUNTY.

WELLINGTON, July 12.—The Republican county convention met in this city to-day and elected the following delegates to the state convention: Hon. E. A. Hubbard, S. B. Elisha, Mr. Parker and Tell W. Walton. The following alternates were chosen: Hon. A. B. Mayhew, C. O. Marsh, O. P. Ringer, M. S. English, E.R.Thompson, J. R. Musgrove. The following resolutions were passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the delegates to the state convention are hereby instructed to cast the vote of Sumner county for Hon. John A. Martin for governor, and Hon. E. C. Torrence for associate justice of the supreme court.

Resolved, That we are opposed to re-submission of the prohibitory amendment and are in favor of a rigid enforcemnt of all our state laws.

Upon the adjournment of the county convention the convention of the ninety-first and ninety-second representative districts of this county met in separate bodies and selected delegates to the senatorial convention, which meets at Harper August 1. The delegates from the ninety-first district are for Col. J. W. Forney and those from the ninety-second district for Ben S. Miller.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

WASHINGTON, Kan., July 12.—The Republicans of Washington county, Kansas, assembled in convention today and passed resolutions as follows:

First—Approving the action of the national Republican convention.

Second—That we are opposed to a resubmission and instruct our delegates to the state convention to vote and work against it.

Third—That we instruct our delegates to the state convention to vote and work for the nomination of John A. Martin for governor.

Fourth—That we instruct our delegates to the senatorial convention not to support any man for state senator unless he is in favor of the re-election of the Hon. J. J. Ingalls for United States senator.

Fifth—That we instruct our delegates to the state convention to support Dr. Wm. Jacobs for the nomination to the office of state treasurer.

The following named gentlemen were elected delegates to the state convention: O. P. Beeson, C.S.Chapman, Thos. Groody, J. T. Fox, J. B. Campbell. The convention was large and harmonious and very enthusiastic for Blaine and Logan, and John A. Martin, and no resubmission of the prohibitory amendment.

AT SENECA.

SENECA, Kas., July 12.—At the county convention here to-day for the election of delegates to the eighteenth senatorial district convention, a solid delegation was chosen favoring the renomination of Hon. Ira F. Collins. Lenghthy series of resolutions were adopted endorsing and recommending the platform of the recent national Republican convention and declares that with Blaine and Logan as the national standard bearers, John A. Martin at the head of the state ticket, Ira F. Collins for state senator, and the subordinate positions represented by corresponding honesty and ability, Nemaha county will again take her place as one of the reliable Republican counties and Kansas will redeem her reputation from the strain of the election of such a Democratic shyster and political demagogue as Governor Glick. The resolutions conclude with instructions to the delegates to labor for the nomination of Hon. Ira F. Collins as state senator.

AT TROY.

TROY, Kan., July 12.—The Republican district convention for the nomination of a candidate for state senator for the district composed of Doniphan and Brown counties has been called to meet at Troy on Wednesday, the 27th of August. Each county is entitled to ten delegates. Upon the announcement of the nomination of Cleveland and in view of the fact that Ben Butler had pledged himself to support the Democratic nominee, the Butler club of Troy met and unanimously resolved to support Blaine and Logan. It is now common to hear Democrats express themselves to the effect that the Republicans have one of the best men in the nation as their candidate and that hereafter they shall pay no attention to poltics but pick their own candidates, and vote for such men as they consder the best.

SMITH COUNTY.

GAYLORD, Kan., July 12.—At the Smith county Republican convention this afternoon, Webb W. Nall was elected chairman, and L. C. Readly, secretary. The following delegates were elected to the state convention, instructed for John A Martin for governor, William Higgins for secretary of state, W. A. Johnson for associate justice, and E. P. McCabe for auditor. The delegates were Webb Nall, E. Stevens, J. A. Rossman and A. Johnston. Alternates, G. R. Parker, J. S. McDowell, N. T. Wiley and G. W. Thomas. The county convention also elected eleven delegates to attend the Gaylord senatorial convention, to be held July 23, instructed for Hon. R. M. Pickley first, last and all the time.

COWLEY COUNTY.

WINFIELD, Kan., July 12.—The Republican convention for Cowley county met here to-day and elected Hon. A. P. Hackney, Hon. J. C. Long, Rev. R. Kelly, J. W. Henthorn, Hon. C. R. Mitchell, J. D. Maurer and Rev. Campbell as delegates to the state convention. They were instructed for John A. Martin for governor and Judge Torrance for associate justice. Strong resolutions endorsing prohibition and opposing resubmission and a constitutional convention were passed. The convention was a large one and the most enthusiastic political body ever gathered together in the county. The names of Blaine and Logan were greeted with tremendous cheers

LABETTE COUNTY.

PARSONS, Kan., July 12.—The Republican convention for Labette county met at Oswego to-day and elected a solid delegation for Jno. A. Martin for governor, and a solid delegation against W. W. Higgins for secretary of state. Higgins claims this county as his home and feels greatly its repudiation of his candidacy. The delegation will probably support Henderson, of Neosho county, for secretary of state.

AT ABILENE.

ABILENE, Kansas;—The Republican county convention held in this city today elected C. Kohler, chairman, and R. J. Finley, secretary. The delegates to the state convention at Topeka, are as follows: V. P. Wilson, C. Kohler, D. W. Wilson, B. W. Peck and John Stewart. Alternates, J. R. Burton, Jno. Latta, Harry Whitley, P. Springle and C. L. Brenizer. The convention instructed for John A. Martin for governor, and endorsed Albert H. Horton for chief justice.

AT WAMEGO.

WAMEGO, Kan., July 12.—The Republican county convention met at Westmoreland to-day, and elected the following delegates to the state convention: L. H. Finney, Jno. M. Cotton, Golden Merril, E. A. Warthing, J. G. Strong and J. H. Shelva. As delegates to the county senatorial convention, John a Johnson, Dan Shelva, H. Grimm, Henry Hopkins, P. H. Demorias, J. L. Brown; also D. V. Sprague, and W. D. Beal were elected members of the Republican judicial central committee of the third district. Resolutions endorse Mr. John A. Martin for governor, Senator Ingalls, and opposes the resubmisssion of the prohibition amendment.

AT STERLING.

STERLING, Kan., July 12.—The Sterling Democrats are having a grand ratification to-night.. Fire works illuminate the city from one end to the other. The people are wild with enthusiasm, and all who are satisfied with the choice of the convention are warming things up generally for Cleveland and Hendricks. Speeches are being made by Hon. W. L. Brown, O. C. Cowgill, J. G. Burgess and others. The Sterling Bulletin band is in attendance in full uniform and furnished music for the occasion. Round after round of applause are going up in honor of their favored candidates.

BOURBON COUNTY.

FT. SCOTT, Kan., July 12.—The Republican county convention met here to-day and elected the following delegates to the state convention: J. J. Peasle, E. B. Roll, W. A. H. Tanner, Wiley Ballenger, Rev. J. Paulson, and Hon. J. J. Stewart. The convention unanimously instructed the delegates to use all honorable efforts to nominate Hon. J. H. Dawhead, of this county, for state superintendent of public instruction. The delegation is also solid for Col. John A. Martin for governor.

AT CLAY CENTER.

CLAY CENTER, July 12.—An enthusiastic ratification was held last night by the Democrats to endorse the nomination at Chicago. Anvils were fired, bon fires, etc. The band played popular pieces, and speeches were made by Mayor Gifford, Prof. L. Antz and Capt. Puyhe. The large number of citizens who were present were happy.

The wheat crop is all harvested and will average twenty-five bushels per acre. Corn is looking splendid.

LYON COUNTY.

EMPORIA, Kan., July 12.—The Republican county convention was held in this city to-day. The delegates to the state convention go uninstructed as to any choice for governor. The republicans of this (Lyon county,) through their delegates in this convention sat down on the ring of machine politicians in such an emphatic manner that boss rule is about ended. Only a few of the ringsters managed to slip into minor positions.

OTTAWA COUNTY.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 12.—The delegates to the State convention from Ottawa county are N. J. Hawley, P. C. Hull and H.H. Tucker. Alternates, W. C. Perdue, D. M. Dunn and L. A. Moore. The convention is unanimous for John A. Martin for governor, and W. A. Johnston for associate justice. A resolution against resubmission was adopted.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

OTTAWA, Kan., July 12.—There was a full attendance at the Franklin county republican convention this afternoon. The folllowing delegates to the state convention were elected: A. J. Thorpe, Judge A. Franklin, Dr. J. R. Thornburg, W. S. Brockway, Capt. J. M. Griffin.

AT JUNCTION CITY.

JUNCTION CITY, July 13.—The Republican county convention elected G. E. Benton, C. S. Linton, O. M. E. Clark, as delegates, and J. C. Caller, C. E. Murphy and W. S. Grant as alternates to the Republican state convention. The entire delegation is very enthusiastic and solid for Speer for superintendent of public instruction.

AT COLUMBUS.

COLUMBUS, Kansas:—The Republican county convention assembled here to-day and elected Col. Wm. March, Capt. J. H. Smith, Hon. S. O. McDowell, T. F. Anderson, L. C. Weldy and Rev. J. A. White as delegates to the state convention. The convention was addressed by Col. J. R. Hallowell.

ELK COUNTY.

HOWARD, Kan., July 12.—The Elk county republican convention here today elected Geo. W. McKey, W. H. Smithers and P. J. Cox as delegates to the state convention. They were instructed to support John A. Martin for governor and E. S. Torrance for the supreme bench. A resolution discountenancing a resubmission of the prohibition amendment was passed by a two-thirds majority.

DEMOCRATIC RATIFICATION.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 12.—A very largely attended Democratic meeting, to ratify the nomination of Cleveland and Hendricks., was held here tonight. Messrs. Hendricks and McDonald were escorted to the place of speaking by the new political labor organization, known as the "autocrats." The meeting was called to order by Austin H Brown, and Wm. H. English was made chairman. Mr. Hendricks was received with a burst of general enthusiasm, which seemed to inspire him and he spoke with more than his usual ease and fluency. His remarks were as follows:

My fellow citizens—You are almost as mad as they were at the convention at Chicago. [Great cheers.] I thought that they would not stop up their throats at all, and I thought there was no limit to the crowd there, but I find there is a larger one here. I am encouraged and delighted to meet you on this occasion You come to celebrate and to express your approval of nominations that were made at Chicago. I am glad that you are cordial in this expression. Every fourth year we elect two great officers of the government. This year is our great year and every man, whatever his party associations may be, is called upon to reconsider all questions upon which he is disposed to act, and having reconsidered to cast his vote in favor of what he believes to be right. The Democracy of Indiana appointed me as one of the delegates to the convention at Chicago. I spent nearly a week in attendance in that city and now I return to say a few things to you and only a few things in regard to that convention. It was the largest convention ever held the America. Never has such an assembly of people been seen before. It was a convention marked in its character for sobriety, deliberation and purposes it elected two men to carry the banner and leaving that convention and going out before people, the question is, will you help carry the banner? [Great cheering, and cries of "We will do it.] I do not expect that I have any right to expect that I will escape the criticism and it may be the slander of the opposite party. I have never in my life suffered very much from that, but I am before you, Democrats, Conservatives, Independendents, and all men who wish to restore the government to the position it occupied before these corrupt times and to all such men I make appeal for your support for the high office for which I have been nominated by the Democracy at Chicago. [Great cheers.] Governor Cleveland is the nominee for president. A man promoted to that high office by the largest majority ever decided at an election in that state. He is a man of established honesty of character, and if you will elect him to the presidency of the United States, you will not hear of star routes in the postal service in the country under his administration. (cheers.)

The speaker then proceeded to discuss the Republican administration, declaring it full of evils and corruptions in office; that reform is needed, and Gov. Cleveland has shown himself fitted for such a task. Referring to the convention he said: The convention at Chicago did not realize all that we expected. For myself I had no expectations in any respect. In no sense was I a candidate for any office what ever. We did not realize all that we expected, but I believe that is fate of humanity almost every where and under almost every circumstance; but have we realized that that should encourage us to make an effort for good government? (Cries of "that is not a beginning.") Not that I want the office to which I was nominated, for you know that I did not desire that; but somebody must be nominated for vice-president to run on the ticket with the candidate for president. When the ticket is presented to you, you are called upon to pass judgment upon it in respect to its merits throughout. [Cheers are cries of yes, and we will support it.] That is the question, will you support it? [Cheers and cries of we will.] In conclusion Governor Hendricks said the political signs show that the people intend to have reform, [cheers] and that is the Democrat's watch-word. It was the word on the Democratic banner eight years ago and Tilden and Hendricks carried that banner. [Cheering.] But reform was defeated by defeating the right of the people to elect their ruler and in consequence there had not been a reduction of public expenditures; he believed if Cleveland is elected he will bring expenditures down to the last dollar that will support the government economically administered. Classing he exhorted the Democrats to rally under the principles of reform and cheap government and carry them on to victory. [Cheers.]

At the close of Hendrick's speech ex-senator McDonald was introduced and spoke briefly, being followed by other local speakers and the meeting adjourned.

JUST AFTER THE FIGHT.

CHICAGO, July 11.—A prominent Georgia delegate said they were not well satisfied with Cleveland. Bayard or Randall would have suited them better.

"We are entirely satisfied with the nomination of Cleveland," said Judge Savage, of Tennessee, who was an ardent Tilden man early in the convention. "All we asked was a good Democrat and we will give him 60,000 majority in Tennessee."

"We are well pleased with Cleveland," said a Missouri delegate. "Personally I preferred Bayard, but it is something to have squelched Tammany." The Tammany delegation left the Palmer house at 5 p. m., marching to their special train and turning their faces eastward without waiting to take any hand in nominating the vice-president. John Kelly seemed thoroughly exhausted and not in good health. He stated that he would go home and work for the ticket. He believed Cleveland would carry New York by a fair majority. Gen. Butler declared he would support the ticket. His own nomination he does not as a very serious matter. Capt. John Tripp, representing the second Georgia district, said their delegation was satisfied with the ticket. Georgia would give it 50,000 majority and the South would go solid for it as usual.

Governor Grant, of Colorado, said the ticket was entirely satisfactory to the Democracy of the Centennial state. No candidate they could have put up would have polled more votes there. He had a dispatch stating that one hundred guns were fired at Pueblo in honor of the ticket.

"Oh, Lord! I hain't got time," said Mr. Morrison, of Illinois, "I'm too busy making the ticket to talk about it, but you can say its strong at both ends and will win." "No ticket could suit me better," was the enthusiastic expression of R. A. Jones, chairman of the Minnesota delegation. Our whole delegation is immensely pleased with it. It is worth two-thirds of the German vote of the state to us. The Republicans need not count upon 40,000 majority here this fall.

"I've been too busy to think about it," replied Gen. Butler, when asked for his opinion of the ticket.

Col. Vilas was found hoarse and exhausted, but apparently gratified with the honors bestowed upon him, and satisfied with the work of the convention. He said he was too busy to talk, but remarked that the ticket would bring out a tremendous vote in Wisconsin, and he believed Cleveland and Hendricks would carry Ohio and Indiana.

Senator Voorhees was found in a happy frame of mind. He said, "I was a Cleveland man from the outset. Between McDonald and Hendricks for the second place I had no choice. You can say Indiana will give the Democratic ticket a large majority in November."

KELLY AND BUTLER.

CHICAGO, July 11.—John Kelly and Butler had a conference this afternoon which lasted for an hour. The subject of the talk was not made public, nor was it possible to secure authoritative statements of its character. Tammany left Chicago to return home at 5 o'clock. Several members of the organization declared that they would support Cleveland, and the opinion is general that they will not oppose him, though they may not work for him with as much zeal as would have characterized their efforts in behalf of some other candidate.

John Kelly is said to have told Butler that under the circumstances Tammany could not be expected to take off their hats for Cleveland. "Still," said he, "we made a good fight and were fairly beaten."

BEECHER ENDORSES THE TICKET.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher says the nomination of Governor Cleveland is one of the best, if not the best, that could have been made. I propose to vote for Governor Cleveland for the presidency. You must remember, however, when I say this what my position is. I claim to be an independent member of the Republican party, and as I am not an office seeker, I claim the right to exercise my judgment, and as I do as I like, I profess to vote as I please. You must remember also that my remarks apply only to the presidential office. Further than that I do not care to go. I am a Republican, and as there is to be a meeting of the Independent Republicans, I prefer to await their action before I decide what to do. I certainly do not propose to vote for Mr. Blaine under any circumstances, nor can I at present state my reasons for not so doing. The matter is simply this, I am a Republican and always have been, but I propose to vote for the man whom I think best fitted for the office, and that man is Governor Cleveland. I certainly believe that he will be elected.

RATIFYING AT TERRE HAUTE.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., July 12.—A very large and enthusiastic ratification meeting was held by the Democrats to-night. Speeches were made by Senator Voorhees, Congressman Lamb and others. Every allusion to the ticket was enthusiastically cheered.

CHICAGO RACES.

CHICAGO, July 12:—The Washingpark races attracted a very large attendance. The weather is very warm and the track fast. First race, all ages, one mile won by Saunterer, Templehof second; Marc Stuart third; time 144 1-2. Second race Woodlawn stakes, three year olds foals of 1881, 1 5-8 mile. Starters, Modesty, Kosciusko, Freda, Strickland and Jim Carlisle. There was a terrific finish between Modesty and Freda. Modesty won by four inches; Freda second; Kosciusko, third. Time, 2:56.

HEAVY FAILURE.

ST. PAUL, July 11.—James M. Smith & Co., wholesale canned goods dealers, failed this afternoon. Armsby, of the firm of J. Armsby & Co., of Chicago, made his appearance here this morning and a short time afterwards, a new sign was hung out stating that Armsby & Co. were successors to the old firm. It seems Smith transferred the stock to Armsby in consideration of the amount he owed the Chicago firms. Other firms objected to being left in the cold, so the place is now left in the hands of the sheriff. The indebtedness is believed to be $40,000. The assets are unknown.

THE WALKING MATCH.

CHICAGO, July 12.—The six days go-as-you-please match closed to-night with only a fair attendance. The final scores were: Panchot, 460 miles; Vint, 446; Schoch, 437; Gillis, 431, Krohn, 402. The affair was not a financial success, as the mania appears to have died out in Chicago.

INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.—Indications for the upper Missouri and Arkansas river valleys:—Fair weather in the northern portion; clearing weather in the southern portion; northeasterly winds in the northern portion; east to south winds in southern portion; stationary temperature.

NEW WHEAT.

ATCHISON, Kan., July 12.—The first car of new wheat was received by Cain Bros. to-day from Neal Walker, of Douglas, Kan. It passed inspection as first-class.

A QUEER CASE IN CANADA.

M. Leban, the sexton of the Catholic church of St. Laurent, in Montreal, had an old grudge against a Mr. Turcotte, a prominent member of the congregation, He wished to insult him, and he took a novel method of doing it. One Sunday while he was taking up a collection he omitted to present his enemy with the plate, although the latter had his money in his hand. The sexton passed him by with a contemptuous glance, and Mr. Turcotte was obliged to put his money back again into his pocket. However, he determined to get even with the sexton.

For having thus "wickedly and deliberately" omitted to present him with the plate he sued him and laid his damages at $100. The case was tried before the superior court of Montreal, and resulted in a judgment against the wicked sexton, who was compelled to pay over to Mr. Purcotte the sum of $5 to indemnify him for the injury he had caused.

A KISS NOT A LEGAL CONSIDERATION.

What is a kiss? The question can only be answered by experience; solvitur osculauda. But it is easy after a decision in the Lambeth county court yesterday to say what a kiss is not. It is not a legal "consideration." A surgeon in Lambeth kissed a workingman's wife, the husband valued the kiss at £5, and the surgeon gave him an I O U for the amount. A month after date an action was brought on this document, but the judge promptly ruled there was no considration and gave a verdict for the defendant. Perhaps the lady was in court, and the judge may have been influenced by that. For even the poets admit that there are "kisses and kisses;" the interesting question is whether yesterday's judgment was meant to lay down a general principle or whether every case must be decided on its own merits.

POKER AT THE BRANCH.

Poker is to be the favorite game at Long Branch this summer; and therein lies a valuable lesson for amateur gamblers, if they will but stop to learn it. There are two big and gorgeous gambling houses there, representing each an investment of not less than $100,000 in property and a proportionately heavy outlet for maintenance. The pretence has always been that the faro-banker had no material advantage over the player except in steadiness, coolness and capital. Now that the gamester prefers poker, played in a party of real or pretended amateurs, the fact comes out clearly that the spider of a costly web does not let the flies buzz cheaply therein. The charges for a private room, the use of cards and a customary quantity of refreshments for four poker players, amounts for a long evening in a Long Branch club house to never less than $20.

"Fly loo" is the name of a new gambling game that is played in cheap liquor saloons. The players sit around a table, each one having a lump of sugar in front of him. Then each player puts a dime or quarter into the pool, and the man on whose sugar a fly first alights rakes in the wealth.

In the Howells-Henschel operetta, an introduction takes the place of an overture, and there are a march, a hornpipe, and a ballot made up of a minuet and polonaise. The usual orchestra is supplemented by a steam whistle and a bell. There are forty-eight numbers in the score.

Marion Guld Walport, who recited the beautiful poem, "The Nation's Dead," at the memorial services at Danbury, Conn., is the wife of Chas. Tobias Walport of Michigan. She is a lady of fine personal appearance, a natural elocutionist and author. Her new book, a Scottish romance, which is to be brought out this season, is looked forward to with much interest.

NATIONAL NOTES.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Appointed to Examine the Chicago and St. Louis Postoffices.

COLLECTING THE TAX ON FRUIT BRANDY.

Other News Notes of Interest From Various Sources.

THE CHICAGO POSTOFFICE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.—The chief of the postoffice inspectors, A. J. Sharpe, and Inspector Camp, appointed a committee to examine the condition of the Chicago postoffice, have made their report to the postmaster-general. They find the postmaster has devoted his time to the office and possesses a good general knowledge of the details of the service. The assistant postmaster is experienced and efficient and well fitted for the position. His duties, however, are somewhat limited under the present organization of the office, some of the most important duties usually performed by the assistant postmaster-at-large postoffices having been delegated or absorbed by what is termed an auditor. The commission says:

We have carefully examined the work now performed by the auditor and are of the opinion that his duties can be added to those now performed by the assistant postmaster without detriment to the service. We recommend this consolidation to be made, and that the $3,000 per annum now paid the auditor be suspended from the allowance. A private secretary of the postmaster is carried on the roster at $2,500 per annum. In our judgment this position is unnecessary and as a matter of fact very little service has ever been performed by the party now holding the position, we therefore recommend that the office be abolished. The commissioners believe that two clerks in the weighing division can be dispensed with. The superintendent of divisions we found to be an efficient and experienced man. The mailing and city delivery divisions are especially well managed. Some additional force is regarded as necessary before the beginning of the heavy work of fall and winter. The stations we found in good condition with the exception of fixtures and furniture, which is worn and shabby from long service. The commission recommend the discontinuance of the postoffices at Wright's Grove, Bandow and Humboldt park, their places being supplied by substitutions. The also recommend an inspector to be charged with the duty of investigating the delivery service with a view to its extension, if deemed advisable, to outlying stations. Altogether the report recommends an allowance for thirty-one additional clerks, at an aggregate salary of $20,120, and provides for a reduction of $7,460, leaving a net increase of $12,660.

AT ST. LOUIS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.—The Postmaster General has read the report or Messrs. French, Burt and Dice, commissioners to investigate the condition of the St. Louis office. They report the assistant postmaster, although young, and inexperienced, is active and energetic and will make an efficient official. The cashier from old age is unable to perform the duties which the cashier of an office like St. Louis should perform. The auditor is relied upon to perform the duties which devolved upon him and should be performed by the cashier and assistant cashier and in the opening of the commission the last named officer are too old to fill the position, which they hold, and should be assigned to other duties, and their positions filled by younger men. If this is done there is clearly no necessity for an auditor. The office of local inspector is found to be wholly unnecessary, and should be abolished. Four additional clerks are required on the mailing division. The reconmendation in the report, if carried into effect, would involve an increase in the office force of eight clerks and an additional allowance of $3,860.

TAX ON BRANDY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July, 12.—The following circular relative to the collection of tax on fruit brandy has been sent to the collector of internal revenue by the treasury department. It is decided to continue the system of supervising the operations of fruit distilleries which has prevailed in the past two seasons. To this end collectors are instructed to give prompt attention to all notices and bonds that distilleries may not be delayed in beginning work, nor have to protest for commencing work before they are notified of the approval of their paper. The practices where they exist in delaying to return monthly reports and carrying singlings over from month to month without doubling, until towards the end of the season, should be requested to be given up and collectors will insist upon more strict compliance with the regular method of procedure with the regulations provided.

Earnest measures should be taken to secure prompt and faithful entries in the distillery record of material purchased and used, days and hours of operation, number of boilings made and quantities produced. Doubling should be required each month and arrangements made which, will enable gauging to be done promptly and as often each month as circumstances demand. Serial numbers of packages must be continuous at the same distillery, with the same proprietor, and must not be changed each year for the purpose of frequent visitation to the distilleries. You will again, when necessary, lay off your districts into suitable divisions, and arrange for a force of competent officers sufficient to effect the purpose of maintaining the supervision of these distilleries, which shall afford the distillers every facility for compliance with the law, and shall limit the opportunities for its evasion.

The treasury department to-day paid the following claims for expense incurred by the state government during the war of the rebellion: Ohio, $90,206; New York, 54,946; Michigan, $42,346; Massachusetts, 28,619.

SUICIDE.

ATCHISON, July 12.—A crazy jeweler, lately of Circleville, Kansas, committed suicide at 11:30 last night by throwing himself from the bridge into the Missouri river. He was formerly in business in Circleville for seventeen years, but a short time ago failed and had to leave in search of work. He had trouble with his wife several years ago, and the worry over his troubles had driven him crazy.

SHOT HIS WIFE.

DETROIT, Mich., July 12.—Paul Lascher shot and killed his wife at Montague, yesterday, and then shot himself, but the wound is not necessarily fatal. His wife had separated from him.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

WICHITA MARKETS.

Live Stock.

Shipping steers	$5 00@6 00
Butchers' steers	3 25@5 00
Fat cows and heifers	3 25@4 00
Fat shipping hogs, best	4 00@4 50
Stock and feeding hogs	4 00@4 40
Sheep	2 50@3 50

Produce.

	Wholesale.	Retail.
Potatoes, per bu	50@60	60@75
Eggs	12½	15
Butter	10@12	12@15
Cheese	15	20
Chickens, per lb	6	8
Chickens, per dozen	2 00@2 50	each, 25
S. C. Hams	13½	16½
S. C. Bk. Bacon	12	15
Bacon sides	10½	12½
D. S. Sides	9½	12
Shoulders	8	10
Lard	9½	12½
Corn meal	1 00	1 20
Flour, high patent		3 50
Flour, patent		3 05
Flour, XXXX		2 75
Flour XXX		2 50
Chop feed		80@1 00
Bran		80
Shorts		90

Grain.

Milling wheat	55@60
Shipping wheat	45@55
Corn	25@
Oats	17@
Corn, pure white	27@

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, July 12, 1884.

MONEY—Easy at ½@1 ⅌ cents; closing offered at 1 ⅌ cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm; strong at 4.85½; demand, $4.85¾.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Firm.

I WAY BONDS—Strong; Texas Pacific rose closed 45½.

STATE SECURITIES—Quiet.

STOCKS—Share speculation opened weak and lower on continued talk of embarrassment in the dry goods trade.

U. S. 3-per-cents	100¼@
U. S. 4½-per-cents	112¼@
U. S. 4-per-cents	119¼@
Missouri Pacific 6's bonds	102
Hannibal & St. Joseph bonds	106
Central Pacific stocks	35¾
Chicago & Alton	125
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	112¾
Denver & Rio Grande	8¾
Hannibal & St. Joseph	38¾
Hannibal & St. Joseph preferred (asked)	88¼
Missouri Pacific	96¾
Northern Pacific	17
Northwestern	89¾
New York Central	101¾
Rock Island	107
Union Pacific	33¼
Wabash	8
Western Union	54¼

Kansas City Grain and Produce.

KANSAS CITY, July 12, 1884.

The Daily Indicator reports:

WHEAT—Rechipts 870; shipments 2,000; in store 129,581; market about steady; No 2 red, cash, 69½ bid, 70¼ asked; July 70, August 7[illegible], Septe[illegible]ber 72, No. 3 soft, cash, 71¼ bidp 73¼ asked; July 72.

OATS—No. 2, cash, 24 bid.

RYE—No. 2, cash, 44 bid.

EGGS—Unchanged;

BUTTER—Unchanged.

HAY—Unchanged.

PROVISIONS—Unchanged.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, July 12, 1884.

The *Live-Stock Indicator* reports:

CATTLE—Receipts, 873; market firm and active and 5c higher; nativesteers 1200 to 1500 lb, $5.40@6.25; 950 to 1100 lb, $4.75@5.20; stockers $3.50@4.50; cows $2.00@3.75; grass fed Texas steers $3.75@4.50; cows $2.75@3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 650; market stronger and 10c higher; lots averaging 213 to 268 sold at 5.05@5.30; bulk at $5.10@5.15

SHEEP—Receipts, 250; steady; natives averaging 95lbs, sold at $3.00.

St. Louis Grain and Produce.

ST. LOUIS, July 12, 1884.

FLOUR—Market unchanged.

WHEAT—Market unsettled and lower; No. 2 red 83½@84; new; 90 asked; old, cash, 83⅝@84¼; closing 84; July, 83⅛@83¾, closing 83¾; August, 84⅝@85⅛, closing 85⅛; September, 86¼@86⅞, closing 86⅞; October, No 2 red, 73½.

CORN—Market lower and very slow 46@46⅝; cash, 46⅛@46⅜; July, 46⅛@47; August 47⅛.

OATS—Market lower and dull, 50@50½ bid; cash 26¼ bid; July 23¾ bid.

PROVISIONS—Market dull and lower; only a job trade.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 barrels; wheat 78,000 bushels; corn, 36,000 bushels; oats, 3,000 b