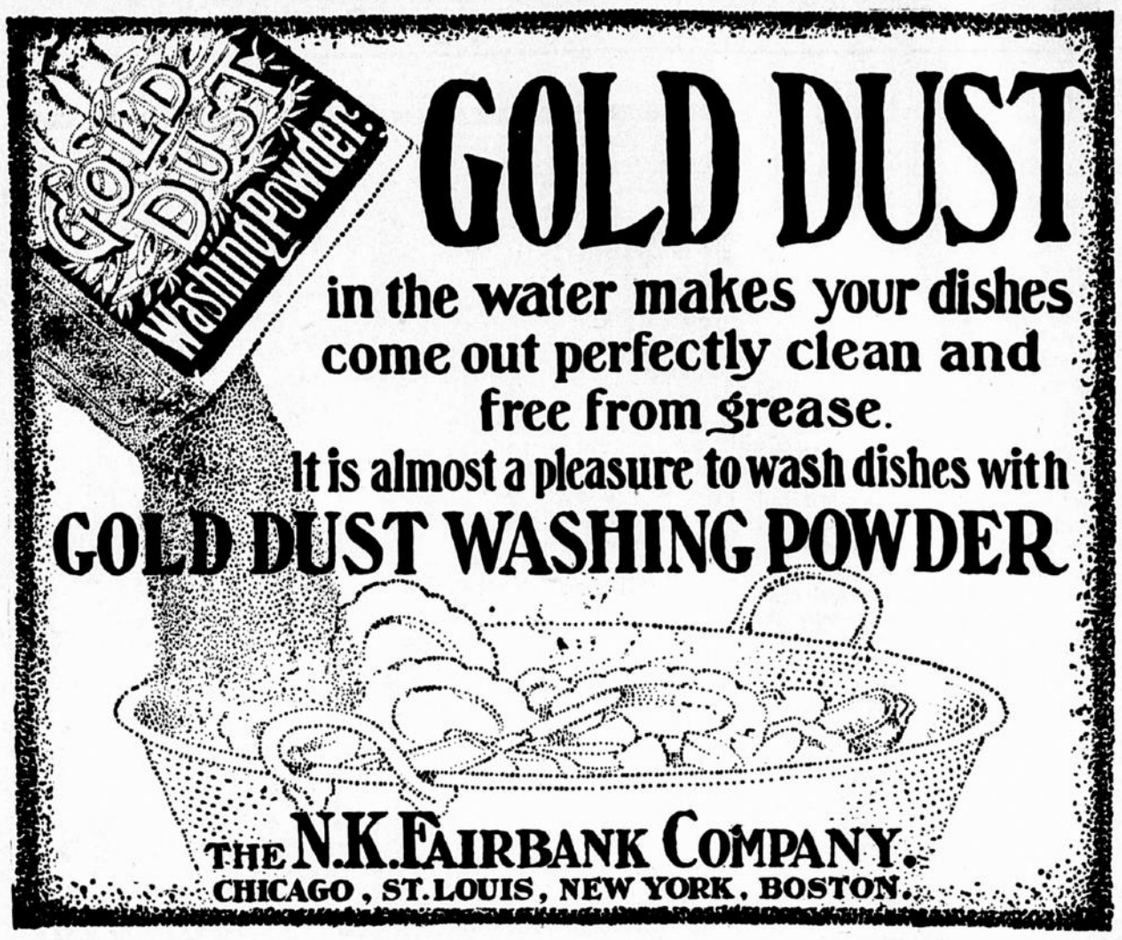

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Official

Board of county commissioners in session 10 a. m. Sept. 3. 1900. Present Geo. L. Severn, Peter Haas, absent C. R. Flint.

On motion made and carried Geo. L. Severn was elected chairman pro tem.

On motion minutes of meeting Aug. 6, 1900 read and approved.

Resolution, Whereas: The notice of expiration of redemption from the sale of lands under chapter 67 laws of 1897, bid in by the county is to be published at once.

Resolved: That the several publishers of newspapers in the county be requested to send in sealed bids by 2 o'clock p. m. this day to publish same in their weeklys at price per inch for same and that the lowest bidder be given same.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

On motion the following bills were audited and allowed:

E E Clark, motive power per contract for road grader	$ 561 00
Chas Schumacher, operating road grader per contract	61 00
Chas Ganzel, road work	12 00
Geo E Hambley, bridge work	10 05
Phoebe Remmington, board and care of poor, Aug	40 00
Peter Albrecht, board poor	5 00
L C L'Moore, trip to Melville as veterinarian	10 00
City Hospital, board and care sick	50 00
D Baldwin, quarantine residence H Cornwall	6 80
J J. Nierling, clerk county supt. schools office	54 00
Haas & Blewett, grader rep'rs	2 35
D E Hughes, grader repairs	3 75
Telephone Co. Sep rent	6 00
J McCulloch Lumber Co, fuel	5 25
D Baldwin, stationery	75
Mrs Fred Weber, care and board poor	12 00
The Capital, printing	21 83
H E White, stationery	9 00
Chenery & Anderson, 50 ft hose	5 00
Geo Lutz, Lumber for bridge	22 22
J H Severn, sheriff, jailor and board prisoners	70 60
J H Severn, sheriff fees and per diem various cases	134 25
The Alert, printing	58 63
Walker Bros, "	13 50
Road certificates amounting to	$62.15

on motion were allowed.

H C Hotchkiss, petit juror fees	12 10
H E White, " " "	8 10
F F Montgomery " " "	8 10
V C Zila, witness fees	2 40
Peter Stampka, witness fees	3 40
Louis Rudnick, " "	4 40
Chas Council, " "	4 20
D Baldwin, " "	4 10
A Kokett, " "	4 40
Mat Stritzer, " "	4 40
Dr J A Rankin, " "	4 10
Suwel Harrington, " "	4 10
Fred Burleson, petit juror fees	10 20
Fritz Sperner, " " "	3 80
M L Madsen, " " "	14 10
W P Shepperd, wolf cert	6 00
Geo Siebolt, " "	1 50
Theo Graf, " "	50
J E Spurling, agt, R. R. ticket from Jamestown to Duluth for Mrs Villers	9 95

On motion board adjourned at noon to meet at 2 p. m. Sept. 3, 1900.

Board met at 3 p. m. Sept, 3. Present Geo. L. Severn and Peter Haas absent C. R. Flint.

Sealed bids for fuel opened, read and awarded. The bid of Geo. Lutz being the lowest, on motion was accepted and the states attorney instructed to draw up a contract with Mr. Lutx as per bid now on file in the office of county auditor.

Sealed bids for publishing expiration of redemption opened, read and awarded. The bid signed Jamestown Alert per W. R. Kellogg being the lowest on motion was accepted and states attorney instructed to enter into contract to cover bid now on file in county auditor's office.

On motion Isaac Henrichs was appointed road overseer for twp 144 R 69 for year 1900.

On motion the tax judgments of Bayard T. Broughton and of Broughton & Dewey against them be satisfied on payment of $20 if paid in 30 days and when paid the clerk of court to satisfy same.

Petition signed S. F. Corwin to the Hon. board to pay all taxes, penalties and interest against lot 227 J. & V. addition by paying ¼ of same for all years due prior to 1899.

On motion petition accepted and treas. instructed to write receipt for same.

Petition signed Mary B. Hartwell, by F. L. Kellogg. agent, to the Hon. Board, asking that all unpaid taxes and in the name of the state and county against the following described lands in Stutsman county, viz: All section 3-11, and S ½ N W ¼ and S ½ section 21, all in Twp 141-66, be allowed to pay the face of the tax due on said lands, less the amount of penalties and interest due and charged against the same for reason that said lands are assessed too high.

On motion the petition was accepted and the county treasurer instructed to write receipts to cover the same for all years due.

Resolved, that the tax judgment Lots 1 to 12 in Blk 17, in Atkinson and Pannell's addition be set aside for reason that same show paid on tax list for year 1892.

On motion resolution adopted.

A petition to the Hon. Board County Commissioners, signed by W. B. Grobe and 21 others, to establish a voting precinct, viz: to consist of all Twp 139-67, 140-67, the E ½ of Twp 130. R. 68 and E ½ Twp 139, R. 68, to be known as the Cleveland voting precinct.

On motion petition was not granted for reason that no change of election precincts can be made at this time according to law, and states attorney so holds. Carried.

On motion board adjourned to meet Oct. 1, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m.

L. B. Niemeyer,
County Auditor.

Grain Yields.

A Mandan dispatch says regarding the yields of grain: With a somewhat decreased acreage of wheat and oats in this county, the yield is less than 50 per cent of an average yield. Some farmers have come to town with reports of 7 to 8 bushels to the acre, but they are the exceptions. Most yields are below five bushels. The flax yield is larger than usual, because of the increased acreage, and late rains helped out this crop. The farmers in this county are mostly engaged in mixed farming, and cattle and sheep are doing exceptionally well, and prices are good. There is an abundance of hay for everybody, and the price of this product is only a little higher than during ordinary years.

Devils Lake—The threshing of wheat, which commenced in this county Saturday, has been retarded somewhat by local showers. The yield is running from 8 to 20 bushels, but conservative estimates place the average for the county at 12 bushels. There is more acreage to flax in this county than to wheat, and it will average about 16 bushels.

Editor's Awful Plight

F. M. Higgins, editor Senaca (Ills.) News, was afflicted for years with piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world. He writes, two boxes wholly cured him. Infallible for piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by Wonnenberg & Avis, druggists.

NOT ENOUGH QUICKSILVER.

Fear That the World's Supply of the Metal May Prove Unequal to the Growing Demand.

Some fear is felt in the trade that the world's production of quicksilver is likely to prove unequal to the growing demand. The total supply in 1899 was about 95,000 flasks from Spain, Italy, Austria and California, the principal sources of supply. This was less than for quite a number of years, with an exception or two. The production of the Cinibar mines of California, the only large producers upon the American continent, has declined from 79,900 flasks in 1888 to only 28,100 in 1899. The principal mines of Spain and Austria, which have been producing for nearly 2,000 years, are the only other producers of importance, except Russia produced 8,700 flasks last year, none of which came out of that country. Spain produced 39,340 flasks in 1899 and Austria only 15,000. Hope for future increased supplies of quicksilver comes from New South Wales, where cinibа ore is said to be plentiful, and English capital is now turning in that direction with a view of testing the value of the ores there.

HYDROPHOBIA INCREASING.

The Annual Report in Paris Shows a Steady Gain in Madness of Dogs.

The annual report on the subject of hydrophobia, which has just been presented to the council of public hygiene by Prof. Poust, shows by statistics that the number of mad dogs in Paris and the department of the Seine is steadily increasing.

The Pasteur institute treated 294 persons who had been bitten by rabid animals between the first of the year and June 8.

The report cites the results of cases treated by inoculation and by other means. Among those mentioned is that of a young apprentice who in repulsing a mad dog got some saliva on his hand. This he raised to his eye, into which some dust had blown, and the virus was thus communicated to the blood, resulting in the death of the young man a fortnight later.

Mildness of Porto Ricans.

For tropical people the Porto Ricans are singularly mild, and the majority of them accept any state of affairs as a matter of course. A correspondent declares that he never heard but one Porto Rican make a protest of any kind. A merchant was walking along the street when he was attacked by a stray steer. The animal chased the man about a block and finally gave him a toss that landed him on the veranda of a house. The American hastened to his assistance, and was agreeably surprised to find that the merchant was not injured. But his feelings were hurt. "Senor," he said, "I like it not. The beast should have rolled me in the ditch, instead of tossing me here. Never before was I tossed upon this veranda, and I can't understand it."

Independent of the Iceman.

O. H. Howarth gives an account in a recent geographicical journal of the discovery of an interesting and flourishing ice industry in one of the highest valleys of Oaxaca, Mexico. The ground is covered with a large number of shallow wooden troughs, which are filled with water, and during the winter nights are covered with a thin film of ice of not more than one-eighth of an inch thick. This ice is removed in the morning, shoveled into holes in the ground and covered with earth. Under these conditions the ice consolidates and is then cut out in blocks and sent down by mules to the towns, where a ready market is found at all seasons.

Hint for Housewives.

In Peru it was once the custom for domestic servants to have two of their upper front teeth extracted. Their absence indicated their servitude.

GERMANY IS FIRM

Positively Refuses to Agree to Russia's Proposal to Evacuate Peking.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The attitude of the German government on the Russian proposal for the evacuation of Peking has been made known to the authorities here. It comes in a communication from the American charge d'affaires at Berlin, Mr. William Jackson, and with clearness sets forth the German position. In substance it states that Germany is desirous of avoiding friction between the powers, but that she considers the position such at Peking as to necessitate the retainment of the German forces there.

The statement of Germany's views is made in such form as to be taken as conclusive that it is Germany's purpose not to withdraw her troops from Peking, even though Russia should do so. It is said to be more in the line of a simple announcement than of argument or answer. It is presumed that it reflects the views made known by Germany to Russia.

Attitude of Other Countries.

While there is no definite information as to the attitude of most of the other countries, there is reason to believe the German position in favor of remaining at Peking finds strong sympathetic approval at other European capitals and that it will be the basis of like action from other powers if, indeed, they have not already made it known that they are in favor of remaining at Peking.

In this connection a new consideration has arisen, namely whether the ministers shall remain at Peking along with the troops, as it appears to be generally accepted that the troops of some, if not all of the powers, will remain at the Chinese capital. But this is on the ground that the military force is necessary to preserve order. There is no such necessity for continuing the presence of the foreign ministers, so that the negotiations are now taking into consideration the departure of the ministers to Tien Tsin even should the troops be retained.

MESSAGE FROM CHAFFEE.

Tells of the Formal Entry Into the Palace Grounds.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The war department has received the following cablegram from General Chaffee:

"Peking, Aug. 28.—The officers and soldiers of the China relief expedition send thanks to the president and secretary of war for message of congratulation.

"Formal entry of the palace grounds made today at 8 o'clock, salute of 21 guns being fired at the south and north gates. Troops of all nations participated, the United States by a battalion 350 strong composed of details from each organization present at taking of city. Palace vacant with exception of about 300 servants. Danish cable Shanghai to Taku opened for business; connect with our wire."

CONDITIONS SATISFACTORY.

War Department Receives a Dispatch From General Barry.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The war department has received the following cablegram from General Barry:

"All quiet Peking; supplies promptly unloaded, forwarded when dispositions determined. All supplies received; troops comfortable winter. No communication Chinese official after Aug. 28. James H. Wilson, brigadier general of volunteers, goes Peking tonight. Rockhill, Shanghai. Telegraphic communication Peking to Tien Tsin bad. Extreme heat ended. All conditions satisfactory. Go Nagasaki tomorrow take first transport Manila."

General Barry goes to Manila to assume the duties of chief of staff to General MacArthur.

BRITISH WERE THIRD.

Allied Troops March Through the Forbidden City Aug. 28.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—General Alfred Gasalee, commander of the British Indian troops at the Chinese capital, wires as follows from Peking, Aug. 29, to Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India:

"The allies marched through the Forbidden City yesterday (Aug. 28). The British had third place in the procession, the Russians and Japanese being in greater strength."

THROUGH THE PALACE.

Minister Conger Tells of the Military Parade.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The state department has made the following announcement:

"A telegram has been received from Minister Conger dated Peking, Sept. 1, stating that a military parade passed through the imperial palace on that day and that eunuchs and servants were the only occupants."

More British Land at Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, Tuesday, Sept. 4.—About 1,200 more British-Indian troops have been landed here, making altogether 2,000 of such troops and 1,000 camp followers at this port.

MAY DELAY WITHDRAWAL.

Russia Has a Plausible Reason For Remaining in Peking.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—What is now designated in some quarters as an attempt to establish a "Russian Monroe doctrine" in Asia seems doomed to modification. Hence the prospects of the continued concord of the powers are believed to be improving. It is thought that the announcement of the names of the four personages appointed by imperial edict as Chinese peace commissioners will furnish Russia with a plausible reason to join in the American demand for the appointment of a more satisfactory commission and give Russia ground for delaying the withdrawal of her troops from Peking until the Chinese imperial party shows a more conciliatory disposition.

According to a dispatch from Shanghai it is reported there that Prince Tuan is hiding within easy reach of Peking, awaiting the result of the present conference of the powers.

Undoubtedly Incorrect.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—A special dispatch from Hong Kong contains the remarkable statement that Li Hung Chang has received advices from Peking to the effect that the allied forces are gradually handing over the government of the capital to the Chinese and that Prince Ching (former president of the tsungli-yamen) has been placed in charge of the Imperial City.

OLD PEOPLE MAKING HAY.

Venerable Men and Women at Work on an Oregon Farm—Have Merry Time.

A. Mann, who has just come in from eastern Oregon over the Barlow road, ran across a party of old boys and girls the other day out at Lusted's place on the pipe line road on top of the Sandy bluff, who can double discount the billiard players for age. As he was driving by the farm he heard a great sound of merriment and laughter in a meadow and stopped to see what was going on. He found Mr. Radford, the lessee of the farm, aged 85, spinning a mowing machine around the meadow at a lively gait, while Mr. Lusted, aged 75; Mrs. Lusted, 73; Mr. Lusted's brother, aged 70; a brother-in-law of the Lusteds, aged 72, and his wife, aged 69, were at work in the field, some racking and ricking the hay mowed the day before, and others tedding the new-mown hay, and all laughing, joking, calling to one another and occasionally burying each other under the hay—in fact, "cutting up" like a lot of boys and girls, never dreaming that a "chiel," or, more properly, a "deil," was taking notes and that they would be printed.

Mr. Mann took steps to ascertain the ages of the old boys and girls and found that in years the six aggregated 444, an average of 74 years each. How is this for the Oregon climate, and who can produce a crowd of jolly haymakers to match them? The farmers in that region are all busy haying and the weather suits them to a T, for the hay harvest is immense and the ricks are so "thick" on the ground that one farmer said he did not know how he was going to get his team around among them.

INDIANA MAN OSSIFYING.

His Flesh Becomes Hard and Devoid of All Feeling and Death Is Not Far Off.

E. W. Green, of Logansport, Ind., whose body began ossifying about six months ago, is in a precarious condition, and death may come at any hour. His entire body, except the head, is as hard as a pine board and utterly devoid of feeling. No indentation can be made in the flesh with a finger-nail pressure, and a prick with a pin cannot be felt. A pin stuck into the flesh and withdrawn leaves a hole. His joints are dry and hard, and when he moves a squeaking noise can be heard. He suffers little pain.

The exact thickness of the stony crust which covers his body is not known, but when it reaches the heart and lungs death will ensue. Fifty physicians, specialists from Cincinnati and Chicago, visited him the past week and are puzzled over the case.

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PEPPERMINT OIL CROP.

Beet Sugar Is Now Being Largely Raised in New York Instead of the Mint.

The beet sugar industry is attaining wonderful proportions in various sections of this country. A few years ago in some sections of central New York the peppermint oil crop was the leading feature, and brought more money into the hands of the farmers than did the apple crop. But now the peppermint crop is mostly a thing of the past in that section and the mint stills are kept in operation by the crop of a few acres near them, says the Philadelphia Record.

The beet sugar crop has driven the mint crop westward, for the farmers find it more profitable to raise sugar beets. Ten years ago every community in central New York had a resident who was getting rich by stilling mint, but these same mills are now falling into disuse. Lyons, N. Y., was the center of the mint market of the world, but that honor is now among the claims of distant western cities. The fame of the Wayne county oils was known near and far and took the world's prize at the Columbian exposition in 1893. The Pan-American exposition will bring a new locality into similar prominence in all probability. Thus, the peppermint crop, like the march of civilization, has gone westward.

Light Threshing Returns.

J. B. Wescom has threshed what represents about 2,000 acres of wheat for his neighbors at Edmunds, and got only 1,700 bushels. He was five days at the job, with 8 teams. Those threshed for, whose acreage of cut grain made up the above amount, were Dr. Richmond, John Johnson, Will Bartholomew and Chas. Thompson. That comprises the bulk of the wheat around Edmunds.


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