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ELECTRIC FLASHES

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

THE WEEK IN TRADE

THE BUSINESS WORLD AS SEEN BY BRADSTREET'S.

Scarcity of Tonnage Begins to Interfere with Our Export Trade—Anti-Imperialists Protest to President McKinley—Other Items.

Bradstreet's Review.

NEW YORK: Bradstreet's says: Winter shipments and a holiday have interferred with wholesale demands and distribution, but later, clear, cold weather was a compensating feature, inducing heavy rail business in serviceable goods. In general business circles most developments have been favorable, notable among which might be mentioned general advance in price of cereals, provisions, groceries, cotton, steel and pig iron, the latter chiefly at eastern and southern points, continued heavy general export trade, a better tone in the market in hides and leather, more firmness in cotton goods, and active stock speculation, all of which are reflected in heavy bank clearing totals. The unfavorable features are few, prominent among which is the continued dullness at wholesale of wool and woolen goods. The situation as to the country's export trade is a flattering one, except for the scarcity of freight tonnage, which is really becoming serious, tending to check shipments of goods contracted for, and thus to seriously hamper the development of American trade abroad. This is particularly felt in the iron and steel industry. Business failures in the United States for the week number 178 against 229 last week, and 233 last year.

PROTESTS TO THE PRESIDENT

Anti-Imperialist League Wants No Extension of Soveignty.

WASHINGTON: The Anti-Imperialist League, an organization originating in Massachusetts and of which ex-Gov. Boutell is president, through its secretary, Ewing Winslow of Boston, presented President McKinley a "protest against any extension of the soverignty of the United States over the Philippine Islands in any event, and over any other foreign territory without the free consent of the people therein, believing such action to be disastrous to our republic, wasteful of its resources, in violation of constitutional principles, and fraught with moral and physical evils to our people." The president informed Mr. Winslow of his willingness to receive from the league any plan it might offer, short of the surrender of the islands to Spain.

ANOTHER PANIC IN PARIS.

Forty Girls Badly Trampled After Lights Went Out in Church.

PARIS: There was a very narrow escape Saturday from a repetition of the terrible disaster of the charity bazaar fire. While a religious ceremony was in progress in the vestry rooms of the Church of St. Germain des Pros, where many girls from the schools were in attendance, the cinematograph lamps were suddenly extinguished and a fearful panic ensued, everybody instantly recalling the charity bazaar fire. The priests finally succeeded in allaying the panic, but not before forty girls were more or less seriously injured by trampling.

MILLION DOLLAR FAILURE.

Grant C. Gillett of Woodbine, Kan., Gives Up the Struggle.

ABILENE, Kan.: A failure involving cattle interests throughout the southwest was precipitated here Saturday when an attachment suit for $40,000 was filed against Grant C. Gillett of Woodbine by the Gillespie Commission Company of Kansas City. Some idea of the extent of Gillett's liability may be had at the county register's office here, where $1,000,000 of his paper is recorded.

Illinois Man Dies in California.

PASADENA, Cal.: James Power, a prominent resident of central Illinois, who came to Pasadena a short time ago with the hope of regaining his shattered health, died Saturday. Mr. Power had large banking interests in Springfield and other points in Illinois, besides several thousand acres of farming lands in that portion of the state.

Two Killed and Two Hurt.

ELKHART, Ind.: While a party of twelve was returning from a ball at Otis early Friday morning, on two hand cars, they were struck by a Lake Shore fast mail train. William Seabenski and William Kempter were killed outright, and Seabenski's two daughters, 7 and 15 years old, probably fatally injured.

Earthquake in the South.

RICHMOND, Va.: Many points in south and southwest Virginia report having experienced an earthquake shock about 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

RALEIGH, N. C.: A very distinct earthquake shock was felt at Franklinville and at Winston, N. C. The largest buildings were shaken.

Two Hangings.

EDDYVILLE, Ky.: Wm. Cato, who killed Charles Askew a year ago, was hanged Friday afternoon.

CLEBURNE, Texas: John R. Shaw was hanged at noon Friday for the murder of Thomas Craine, a year ago.

France to Build Roads in China

PARIS: The cabinet has decided to authorize a loan of 270,000,000 francs for the purpose of establishing and Indo-Chinese railroad system in connection with the Chinese railroads.

SOAP FACTORY BURNS.

Works of the Allen B. Wrisley Company in Chicago Destroyed.

CHICAGO: The factory of the Allen B. Wrisley Company, makers of soap, was completely destroyed by fire. It is generally supposed that spontaneous combustion was the cause of the fire, which broke out upon the second floor of the building, which is six stories in height. Owing to the immense amount of oils, tallow, glycerine and other inflammable articles in the building it was impossible for the firemen to stop the progress of the fire, and they were obliged to content themselves with keeping the flames confined to the Wrisley building. The structure burned with great rapidity and inside of forty minutes from the outbreak of the flames it was a mass of ruins. The loss is estimated at $105,000, of which amount $75,000 is lost on stock and machinery and the balance on the building. The loss is almost protected by insurance.

A VICTIM OF LUMPY JAW.

Inspector Grafton Believed to Have Contracted it from Cattle.

CHICAGO: George Grafton, who died in this city and whose funeral was held at St. Joseph, Mich., succumbed, in all probability to the cattle disease actinomycosis, or lumpy jaw. He was a government inspector of cattle and meats at the stock yards and during eight years of service had prevented the slaughter for food of hundreds of afflicted animals. For four months Inspector Grafton was indisposed and the symptoms were those of actinomycosis. Of the two doctors who attended him, Dr. E. M. Hill thinks that the disease might have been a maligrant growth, while Dr. Evans Hyde leans to the lumpy jaw theory. They agree that the growth may have been complicated with the animal ailment.

HAVE SAILED FROM RIO.

Battleships Iowa and Oregon Resume Their Long Voyage.

WASHINGTON: The battleships Oregon and Iowa have resumed their long cruise to Honolulu. Capt. Barker, the senior officer of the expedition, has notified the navy department that his little squadron sailed last Saturday from Rio de Janeiro for Montevideo, at which place another stop will be made for coal. After leaving that port the ships will head for Punta Arenas, in the straits of Magellan, almost at the extremity of South America, which will mark the accomplishment of about one-half of their voyage, unless they are ordered at Honolulu to proceed to Manila.

LOCOMOTIVE BLOWS UP.

Explosion Causes a Wreck with Probable Casualties.

CINCINNATI: A locomotive on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, at Jones station, near Hamilton, Ohio, exploded, wrecking five freight cars, tearing up the road and entirely destroying the locomotive. Engineer James Dayer and Fireman Ranadson are missing. A wrecking train and a passenger train for the purpose of transferring passengers on incoming trains went to the shene. No other known fatalities.

Abolishes Island Duties.

WASHINGTON: The following circular was issued Wednesday: "By direction of the president it is hereby ordered that all articles, the product or manufacture of Cuba, may be brought into any port or place in the island of Cuba in the possession of the military forces of the United States from any other port or place in said island without payment of duty thereon."

Will Not Enlarge Monitors.

WASHINGTON: The board of naval bureau chiefs has been obliged to abandon the proposed enlargement of the four monitors recently contracted for into double turreted monitors. It was decided that the limit of cost fixed by congress would not permit the construction of the double turreted craft, so the department will revert to the original plans.

Tied Watchman to a Tree.

ELLSBURY, Mo.: An attempt was made to rob the Lincoln County bank here, The town watchman was tied to a tree by four robbers, who broke into the bank and attempted to enter the safe. It is not known that they got anything, for the officials themselves cannot open the safe, the time lock of which has been tampered with.

Fire Leaves a Town in Darkness

OCONTO, Wis.: The electric light plant and the planing mills of the Citizens' Water, Light and Fuel Company burned at a loss of $60,000. The insurance on the plant was only $18,000 and it will probably not be rebuilt. This leaves the city in total darkness.

Star Pointer Sold.

NEW YORK: Star Pointer, the famous pacer, with the world's record of 1:59¼ for a mile, was sold Monday at Madison Square Garden to W. J. White of Cleveland, Ohio, for $15,000, $600 less than he was sold for in 1897 to James A. Murphy of Chicago.

First Troops Sent to Havana.

SAVANNAH, Ga.: The First battalion of the Second volunteer engineers left here Wednesday night by the Plant system for Port Tampa, and will sail from there for Havana. These will be the first troops sent from the United States to Havana.

Twenty-Four Hours in a Drift.

MANKATO, Minn.: After being stuck in a snow drift a mile east of Madison Lake for twenty-four hours, the Minneapolis and St. Louis train, arrived with thirty-three passengers. All trains are now again running, and no further trouble is expected.

Political Quarrel Ends in Murder

GREENSBURG, Ind.: George Newman, a contractor, was shot and killed by Robert McCoy, a prominent and wealthy farmer. The shooting was the result of a political quarrel instituted during the recent campaign.

3,000 Cotton Mill Hands Strike.

AUGUSTA, Ga.: Three thousand operatives in the cotton mills here have struck on account of a reduction in wages.

LIVED A LIFE OF DECEIT.

Cross, the Suicidal Bank President, Leaves a Confession.

EMPORIA, Kan.: Since the sensational failure of the First National Bank, which was followed by the suicide of Chas. S. Cross, president of the bank and owner of the famous Sunnyside Stock Farm, there have been rumors of a written confession left behind by the suicide. The letter follows:

"Emporia, Kan., May 12, 1898, 12 m.—I desire to state that the misfortunes of myself and the bank have been caused through my fault and errors. I inherited a large debt, which I endeavored to meet by going into other schemes, which have all been practical failures and only got me deeper into the mire. As to the bank matters, I desire to say that I have carefully laid to deceive the board of directors, the cashier and the employes. Mr. Martindale will now learn for the first time how I have carefully deceived him, principally by way of substituted paper, of which he has no knowledge. The reports and letter written the comptroller have been by me misrepresented to the board, they having signed on the last page and I having sent other letters than the ones read to them, changing every one but the last sheet. I have had a hard luck story most of my life time, the only pleasant feature being that of my present wife, who has been a good and true woman. Mr. Davis, our cashier, has never made an improper entry on the books, and knows nothing of this whole miserable business. Death I do not fear; it is preferable to the agony of the past year. I know of nothing further to add, except to Mr. Martindale. This is a terrible thing for him. He has trusted me without reserve. I have given him a bill of sale of all my personal property.

(Signed) "C. S. CROSS."

SPANIARDS FIRE A SHELL.

Gunboats Visit a Philippine Town and Shoot at Flag.

MANILA, Philippine Islands: Passengers arriving by the steamer Adelante report that two Spanish gunboats recently visited Sorsogon and fired three shells into the town, claiming that the insurgents here refused to lower their flag when ordered to do so. On the insurgents showing fight, it is added, the gunboats left hurriedly. The shells did little damage.

Confessed Defaulter Sentenced.

MILWAUKEE: John Harvey Myers former secretary of the defunct Home Building and Loan Association of this city, and who was arrested several months ago on complaint of having embezzled $10,000 of that institution's funds, pleaded guilty and was sentenced by Judge Wallber in the municipal court to four years in the state prison at Waupun.

Silverware Trust Incorporated.

TRENTON, N. J.: Articles of incorporation of the International Silver Company, the silverware trust, have been filed with the secretary of state. The company has an authorized capital stock of $20,000,000, of which $9,000,000 is preferred stock, to receive 7 per cent. cumulative dividends, and the remaining $11,000,000 to be common stock.

Baptismal at St. James.

LONDON: The son recently born to the duke and duchess of Marlborough was baptised in the chapel royal, St. James palace, Tuesday afternoon in the presence of a fashionable congregation. The sponsors were the marquis of Londonderry, the marquis of Camden and Lady Blandford.

Sewing Introduced in Schools.

CHICAGO: Instruction in sewing has been added to the curriculum of the Chicago public schools. Tuesday in over seventy grammar schools the girls of the seventh and eighth grades were given lessons in simple sewing and it will hereafter be part of the regular school work.

Shoots His Wife and Himself.

MARINETTE, Wis.: A fellow workman told Wm. Monrose, a cedar worker, that his wife, from whom he had separated, was about to marry again. This incensed him and he broke into her home and shot her, inflicting a dangerous wound in the breast. Menose then shot himself dead.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, $3.00 to $6.00; hogs, shipping grades, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, fair to choice, $2.50 to $4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 66c to 68c; corn, No. 2, 33c to 34c; oats, No. 2, 26c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 51c to 53c; butter, choice creamery, 21c to 22c; eggs, fresh, 20c to 23c; potatoes, choice, 30c to 40c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, $3.00 to $5.50; hogs, choice light, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, common to choice, $3.00 to $4.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 68c to 69c; corn, No. 2 white, 32c to 34c; oats, No. 2 white, 28c to 29c.

St. Louis—Cattle, $3.00 to $5.50; hogs, $3.50 to $3.75; sheep, $3.50 to $4.50; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 32c to 33c; oats, No. 2, 26c to 28c; rye, No. 2, 51c to 52c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, $2.50 to $5.25; hogs, $3.00 to $3.75; sheep, $2.50 to $4.25; wheat, No. 2, 68c to 69c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 34c to 36c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 28c to 29c; rye, No. 2, 55c to 57c.

Detroit—Cattle, $2.50 to $5.50; hogs, $3.25 to $3.50; sheep and lambs, $3.00 to $5.25; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 34c to 36c; oats, No. 2 white, 29c to 30c; rye, 55c to 56c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 72c to 73c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 34c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 52c to 54c; clover seed, old, $4.30 to $4.40.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 66c to 67c; corn, No. 3, 33c to 34c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 28c; rye, No. 1, 52c to 53c; barley, No. 2, 40c to 49c; pork, mess, $7.75 to $8.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, $3.00 to $5.75; hogs, common to choice, $3.50 to $3.75; sheep, fair to choice wethers, $3.50 to $4.75; lambs, common to extra, $5.00 to $5.50.

New York—Cattle, $3.00 to $5.75; hogs, $3.00 to $4.00; sheep, $3.00 to $4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 78c; corn, No. 2, 40c to 41c; oats, No. 2, 30c to 31c; butter, creamery, 16c to 24c; eggs, Western, 23c to 24c.

PERISHED IN THE FLAMES.

Lives Lost by Baldwin Hotel Horror at San Francisco.

The Baldwin Hotel, on the corner of Market and Powell streets, San Francisco, was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning. The Baldwin Hotel was one of the finest hostelries in the city. The Baldwin Theater also took fire, and it, with all the properties of the William Gillette company, will also be a total loss.

Many panic-stricken guests jumped from the hotel windows and it is known that a number perished in the flames. Fire started at 3:15 in the morning. An alarm was given and the sleeping guests aroused so far as possible. They crowded in the smoke-filled hallways in their night clothes and soon there was the wildest excitement. A number were cut off by the flames, and many jumped to the street. Loss by the fire will run into the millions.

The Baldwin Hotel was built by F. J. ("Lucky") Baldwin, the well-known turfman. He expended $1,500,000 in erecting and fitting out the hostelry. At the time it was built it was said to be the finest hotel in the country.

GOLD SEEKERS ARE SLAIN.

Indians in Alaska Massacre a Party of Prospectors.

A report has reached San Francisco that a party of fifteen gold seekers, including Rev. Mr. Webber, a Moravian missionary, were murdered by Indians while they slept. The Indians, after the massacre, held a dance, getting drunk, and then indulging in a fight among themselves over the division of the spoils. This party was reported drowned by the wrecking of the schooner Jessie some time ago, at the mouth of the Kuskowi river, in Alaska. P. Malakoff, a Russian, states, however, that the party reached shore in safety. The Indians rendered assistance in saving their tents and supplies, and then murdered the entire party.

Malakoff says he learned from a squaw that after the prospectors were killed the bodies were placed in canvas, taken out to sea and sunk. The squaw saw the Indians wearing the clothing and jewelry of the murdered men. Two bodies, which were washed ashore, were identified by an agent of the Alaska Commercial Company. Both bodies were mutilated, and were buried on the beach.

SHARKEY WINS ON FOUL.

Fight in New York Ends in Peculiar Manner

The glove fight between James J. Corbett and Tom Sharkey at the Lenox Athletic Club in New York City Tuesday night resulted in a victory for the sailor pugilist after one minute and forty-eight seconds of fighting in the ninth round. Corbett was not knocked out, nor was the bout stopped because of distress on his part, but it was brought to a close abruptly by a violation of the rules by Corbett's second and trainer, Jim McVey, who jumped into the ring before time was up and thereby lost the fight.

McVey has trained Corbett and been behind him in every fight in which the ex-champion has indulged, and the unanimous opinion was that either McVey lost his head or he made the break intentionally. The referee was compelled to give the decision to Sharkey, but he made a most popular rubag by declaring all bets off. Thousands of dollars had been wagered on this fight, and, as Kelly said after it was over, it would have been manifestly unfair to decide away so much money on such a piece of unsportsmanlike behavior.

There were rumors throughout the crowd, and they would not down, that McVey's break was part of a scheme to save Corbett. There were also statements by unknown persons that the whole thing was preconcerted and was known by both sides before the fight.

FLEET READY FOR ACTION.

Warships Could Be Quickly Sent Into Service Again.

Though confident that hostilities will not be resumed, Secretary Long has made it a point since the peace protocol was signed to put the men-of-war of the service in the best possible condition. It would not take long to mobilize a strong fleet. The New York is now at Hampton Roads fully coaled and ready for sea; the armored cruiser Brooklyn and the battle ship Massachusetts, which are at New York, can sail within a short time, and the second-class battleship Texas is having her propeller sleeve repaired.

Besides these vessels, the department would probably attach to a fleet sent abroad the cruiser New Orleans, which will be ready for service in a few weeks, several gunboats and a fleet of colliers. The battleships Iowa and Oregon, which are at Rio, are also available for operations in Spanish waters.

FAST TRAIN KILLS SOLDIERS.

Wholesale Slaughter of Black Immunes in Georgia.

A fatal accident occurred on the Southern Railway at Silver Creek, Ga., early Tuesday morning. While running at a high rate of speed Engineer Waters suddenly discovered a crowd of negro soldiers walking on the track, but before he could check his train it had struck the soldiers. Waters stopped his train and found that at least three of the men had been killed, but the negroes swarmed about him and talked so strongly of lynching him that he hastily pulled out for Chattanooga. Parts of the remains of the victims were found hanging to the locomotive when it arrived there. The soldiers were members of the Seventh Immune regiment, who were en route from Lexington to Macon.

Officers Shoot a Soldier.

At Knoxville, Tenn., Zeb Patton, a private of the Third North Carolina, colored, was shot and instantly killed by a squad of officers of that regiment. Patton, with other soldiers of Company C, became engaged in a difficulty. A guard was turned out under Lieut. Powell and attempted to disarm Patton, when he fired at them. Then the officers took deliberate aim and fired at Patton. His body was riddled with bullets.

SPAIN HAS CHOICE.

MUST DECIDE WHETHER IT BE PEACE OR WAR.

Demands of the United States Are in the Nature of an Ultimatum—Philippines in Exchange for War Indemnity and $20,000,000.

Whether it be peace on the terms fixed by the United States or war in which Spain's destruction is certain must be decided by the Madrid Government. A proposition that was practically an ultimatum was made by the American peace commission at Paris at Monday's joint session. The terms of the proposition are summarized as follows:

1. The Spanish proposal to arbitrate the meaning of the third article of the peace protocol is rejected.

2. The United States demands the cession of the entire Philippine archipelago, and offers Spain an indemnity of $20,000,000 for her pacific expenditures in the islands.

3. The United States declares a policy of "open door" in the Philippines to the world's commerce, and offers Spain for a series of years the same trading terms in the islands as shall be enjoyed by American ships.

4. The United States proposes, on the terms heretofore named, a mutual relinquishment of all public and private claims between Spain and the United States arising since the beginning of the Cuban insurrection.

5. The United States insists that the religious freedom of the Caroline Islands be considered as settled by the treaty of 1886.

Nothing to Arbitrate.

The American commissioners hold that the meaning of the peace protocol is plain and contains nothing calling for arbitration. An arbitration would also be a virtual surrender of the functions of the peace commission, and is, therefore, absolutely rejected.

The American commissioners call attention to the fact that no cash indemnity for the expenses of the war has been asked by the United States. The Spaniards having neglected the former proposal of the United States for the cession of the Philippines, the Americans now present proposals embodying all concessions which, for the sake of peace, the United States is willing to offer, deeming it essential that the negotiations, already greatly protracted, should be brought to an early and definite conclusion.

The Government of the United States refuses to modify the proposal heretofore made for the cession of the entire archipelago of the Philippines; but the American commissioners are authorized to offer to Spain, in case the cession should be amicably agreed to, the sum of $20,000,000, to be paid in accordance with the terms to be fixed in the treaty of peace.

The mutual relinquishment of all public and private claims between Spain and the United States since the beginning of the Cuban insurrection is intended to imply that each Government will settle the claims of its own citizens against the other country, and includes the re-establishment of the treaties which have lapsed by war. The proposal to renounce all claims for indemnity includes, of course, compensation for the destruction of the Maine.

Imports of Gold Are Large.

The importatnon of gold into the United States in the year 1898 are by far the largest in the history of the country, and the exportations the smallest in many years, while the production of gold from our own mines will prove the largest in many years, if not the largest in the history of the country.

Predicts Carlist Revolt.

A dispatch from Madrid gives an interview with a leading Carlist, who predicted that there would be a formidable uprising in Spain within a month of the signing of the treaty of peace. He added that everything was ready, and that the Carlists had an abundance of money in Paris and elsewhere.

CURRENT COMMENT

The Chicago streets were so sloppy that the bicycle parade had to go down on the Chicago river.—St. Paul Dispatch.

"Who owns America?" asks a Colorado paper. Admiral Dewey will just as soon as he comes home.—Salt Lake Herald.

If Spain thinks we are going to pay for the fun of whipping her she must first show where the fun came in.—Philadelphia Ledger.

While the Philippines are this side the equator, Spain is acting over our demand for them as though struck below the belt.—Philadelphia Times.

The singular thing about that gas explosion in the capitol at Washington was that Congress was not in session.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

The motive of the Supreme Court's anti-combination decision appears to be that when railroads fall out the public gets a chance.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The congregation of the Gospel Tabernacle, New York, swept by emotion, gave $112,000 for missionary work. Surely that was a great sweepstakes.—Salt Lake Herald.

Now they say that Emperor William went to the Holy Land merely because he wished to go. That is a reason worthy of a good American citizen.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Much as they think of the sex, many men not too well off are less interested in American girls growing taller than in being generally so short themselves.—Philadelphia Times.

DEATH IN THE CORN STALKS

The Farmers of Cedar County Are Losing Many Cattle.

Farmers of Cedar County are being greatly annoyed and in many cases alarmed over the death of large numbers of cattle which seems to result from the animals feeding on corn stalks. Three years ago the trouble first made its appearance and since then the loss of stock has been considerable. Each year the poisonous corn stalks appear to cover a greater area. A section of the country that is affected the most lies along one side of a small stream called Beaver Creek, a curious feature being that just across the stream death does not follow the eating of the corn stalks. As is customary, after husking is finished the cattle are turned into the field and for the first few days, or as long as there is corn for them to select and eat, all is well, but when they begin eating the dried stalks and leaves the disease makes its appearance and from three to five of them will be found in the field dead. Stock that have eaten of the poisonous stalk suddenly become unsteady on their feet and stagger about in a bewildered way, their eyes roll and tongues swell rapidly, death that always follows is not violent. Several of the animals have been dissected for the purpose of discovering, if possible, the poison in the stalks, but so far all efforts have been without avail.

Barn and Horses Destroyed.

A small barn, two horses, harness and feed, belonging to O. S. Stephenson, were destroyed by fire at Beatrice. It is not known how the fire started. Mr. Stephenson and family were visiting in Wymore at the time. While going to the fire the horse which was ridden by Chief J. L. Schiek fell and pinned Shiek under him, breaking several small bones in his foot. The member swelled rapidly and the attending surgeon says it will be a day or two before the extent of the injury can be ascertained.

After Robinson's Place.

And who will be Judge Robinson's successor on the district bench is the burning question of the hour now interesting the people of the ninth judicial district since his election to congress. Upon Robinson's resignation it becomes the duty of the governor to appoint. So far there are three candidates rustling for the nomination, viz: Douglas Jones, Democrat, of Pierce; O. A. Williams, Populist, of Neligh, and J. H. Berryman of Creighton, with other counties yet to hear from.

City and County Fall Out.

The city of Tecumseh has brought suit in the district court against the county commissioners of Johnson County for $50,000. The city contends the commissioners have misappropriated city road funds which passed through its hands. Just why the damage is placed so high by the city officers is not understood, for it is claimed but from $1,200 to $1,400 is involved.

Closing Up Bank Affairs.

Receiver Westervelt of the Citizens' Bank of Grand Island is rapidly closing up the affairs of the trust. A sale of the remaining assets of the bank is advertised for the 12th day of December. Receiver Edwards of the Bank of Commerce has just been directed to pay another dividend of 10 per cent.

Arrested for Cattle Stealing.

James W. Hogan, who has been farming on the reservation, southeast of Emerson, was arrested in Omaha the other day charged with stealing thirty-five head of cattle from George Hayes and Patrick Hogan, farmers, who live near Hubbard. Young Hogan has heretofore borne a good reputation.

Sugar Factory to Open.

The Oxnard Beet Sugar Company of Grand Island expects to open the campaign at the local factory at once. As the acreage in the vicinity of Norfolk is comparatively smaller than in the former city, some of the beets raised for the local factory are being shipped to Norfolk.

Teachers' Gathering Postponed.

The meeting of the Northwestern Nebraska Teachers' Association, which was to have been held at Wayne November 25 and 26, has been postponed to the last Friday and Saturday of January. This action was taken on account of the diphtheria scare at Wayne.

Church Starts Free from Debt.

The Brownell extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Grafton, recently completed at an expense of about $800, has been dedicated. Chancellor Huntington of the Nebraska Wesleyan University preached the dedicatory sermon. The church is clear of debt.

Carbolic Acid by Mistake.

J. Neumann, a young man employed at the Burlington and Missouri shops in Wymore, swallowed a dose of carbolic acid which he had mistaken for cough medicine. Prompt medical assistance relieved him of his suffering.

It Was Loaded.

While hunting two miles south of Syracuse Mr. Walters, a son-in-law of Jonas Sugden of Lincoln, was quite seriously shot by the youngest son of Mr. Sugden, the load taking effect in the side from the shoulder down.

Nebraska Short Notes.

Crawford now has a creamery in operation.

Postmaster Wilson of Dunbar has purchased a new outfit for the office in that city.

The amount of delinquent taxes offered for sale in Colfax County this year was but a trifle over $1,000.

A Holbrook blacksmith was badly burned by pounding hot babbit metal into a frozen boxing. The hot metal caused an explosion and flew in his face.

The people of Hendley have begun to build a Methodist Church to cost about $1,200, and the people of Wilsonville have subscribed $1,400 to build a Methodist Church.

Two very smooth crooks were captured at Dakota City a few days ago. They with a third man buncoed a young South Dakota farmer out of $25 in Sioux City on the padlock game.