

TO TEST AMERICAN TIMBER

Senator Paddock's Idea of Preventing a Waste of Material.

IT WILL ALSO AVOID MANY ACCIDENTS

He Seeks to Appropriate Sufficient Funds to Have the Subject Thoroughly Investigated by the Forestry Division of the Department.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE, APRIL 2, 1892.

Senator Paddock has introduced a bill which is intended to be a great advantage to builders everywhere. It appropriates \$40,000 for the purpose of making investigations and tests of American timber under the direction of the forestry division of the Agricultural Department.

In a timber culture contest of Eddie Johnson against Edward R. Still from Chadron, the assistant secretary of the interior today affirmed the decision of the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

E. R. Hutchins of Des Moines is at the Willard.

Hon. E. Rosewater of Omaha is at the Shoreham for a day or two on his way to New York.

M. M. Kline was today appointed postmaster at Colfax, in Lawrence county, Neb. Vice George Banta, resigned, and C. H. Talbot at Fairbank, Sully county, S. D., vice D. C. Nicol, removed; B. W. Henderson at Rodney, Monmouth county, N. J., vice H. T. Sweet at Willow Creek, Clay county, Ia., and R. A. Gallagher at Goldburg, Custer county, Idaho.

Dr. Harkin has been recommended for appointment on the pension board at Rushville, Sheridan county.

The commissioner of Indian affairs has determined to build a new school house for the Winnebago Indians to take the place of the one recently burned.

Senator Paddock called upon the president again today and urged the immediate issuance of the proclamation granting amnesty to the Mormons in Utah. Tomorrow is the jubilee day for the Mormons and the senator thought that the president should issue the proclamation for the granting of the promised amnesty.

J. G. Nickerson has been recommended for promotion to the rank of major general. Through the intercession of Senator Manderson today the United States marshal will be allowed the money necessary for court expenses at Omaha during the months of April and May.

Representative Pickler called upon the secretary of the interior this morning with reference to the appointment of H. H. H. to the Cheyenne agency and the registration of the land office at Watertown, but accomplished nothing. The South Dakota election have decided upon Mr. Lillaboye as the agent, but the register at the Watertown office has not yet been recommended.

General Herold, a well known Iowa who claims for an extension of his patents will come up before the commissioner of patents on Monday, will in Mr. Hamilton's opinion not have much chance of getting a favorable report.

Mrs. Butler, wife of the congressman, who has been sick for several days past is convalescent.

The Indian appropriation bill has gone over until Monday, when it comes up again. Much of interest in the bill is the discussion of the bill in the senate revolved around the position taken by the Nebraska and Dakota senators upon the question of the extension of the contest.

Senator Manderson advocated the house amendment to that effect and Senators Paddock and H. H. H. opposed it. The senate finally adopted an amendment proposed by Senator Hawley, making civilian appointments optional with the president.

Assistant Secretary Chandler today affirmed the decision of the commissioner in the timber culture entry contest of Thomas M. Freeman against Peter Nosland, from North Platte, claiming the contest also in the timber culture entry of William K. Morrow against Henry Johnson, from Sidney, dismissing the contest.

Senator Paddock called yesterday and again today at the supervising architect's office to hurry up the Fremont public building matter. The sketch and plans were finished by next Wednesday noon. Immediately thereafter the proposal will be advertised for and contract let as soon as possible for excavation.

The supervising architect promises the best special efforts of the office in pushing the construction to completion at the earliest possible date.

The explanation of greater expedition in the case of Beatrice is that Fremont used up a good deal of time in determining what site to offer and in preparing the title. The Beatrice site and title were presented without any delay whatever, and in this way got ahead of other buildings.

Harry F. Clark, who was today appointed special agent on the internal revenue force with headquarters at Bellevue, Sarpy county, upon the recommendation of Nebraska senators.

The assistant secretary of the interior has affirmed the commissioner's decision in the desert land entry of Charles B. Kea from Blackfoot, cancelling so much as exceeds 50 acres.

Assistant Secretary Chandler has reversed the decision of the commissioner in the pre-emption contest of George A. Vanhook against John Kube, from Mitchell, S. D., and directs in favor of the claimant.

NEWS FOR THE ARMY

List of the Orders of a Day in the Regular Service. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following army orders were issued today:

The leave of absence granted First Lieutenant Arthur W. Dunning, Sixteenth infantry, March 24, Fort Leavenworth, is extended seven days. First Lieutenant William E. Furvellance, assistant surgeon recently appointed, will proceed from Los Angeles, Ill., to Fort Riley, Kas., and report in person to the commanding officer for duty at that station.

The general court-martial appointed to meet at West Point February 24, is dissolved, and another is appointed to meet at West Point, New York, at 11 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, April 5, or as soon as possible thereafter for the trial of such prisoners as may be brought before it. Detail for the court—Captain William F. Spurgin, Twenty-first infantry; Captain George McC. Dertney, corps of engineers; Captain William H. Miller, assistant quartermaster; Captain Louis A. Craig, Sixth cavalry; Captain James S. Pettit, First infantry; First Lieutenant John A. Lundeen, Fourth artillery; First Lieutenant John D. C. Hoskins, Third artillery; First Lieutenant P. E. Forney, Second artillery; First Lieutenant Harry F. Hodges, corps of engineers; First Lieutenant Samuel W. Dunning, Sixteenth infantry; First Lieutenant Frank S. Harlow, First artillery; First Lieutenant Samuel D. Freeman, Tenth cavalry; First Lieutenant Daniel L. Tate, Third cavalry; First Lieutenant Charles H. Noyes, Ninth infantry judge advocate. Leave of absence for two months is granted Captain John S. Witcher, paymaster.

The following transfers in the First cavalry are ordered: Captain Charles Morton, from troop A to troop M; Captain James O. Mackay, from troop M to troop A; Second Lieutenant Cecil Stewart, from troop M to troop M; Second Lieutenant Charles A. Herndon, from troop M to troop A; Lieutenant Colonel John P. Wilson, First cavalry, will proceed to his home, where he is authorized to await retirement at his own request.

Major James W. Scully, quartermaster, will proceed from Atlanta to the Barrancas, Florida, national cemetery on public business connected with the quartermaster's department.

Western Penitentiaries.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following list of penitentiaries is reported by THE BEE and Examiner Bureau of Claims:

Nebraska: Chief—George W. Burnap, George Dilzer, John Heppner, Abraham Revere, Albert H. Brundage,

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Plain colors genuine Shanghai silks, 27 inches wide, 85c YARD.

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New and beautiful henriettes, all pure wool, new spring colorings, soft and lustrous, 85c Yard; Worth \$1.25 elsewhere.

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FOR POLITICAL EFFECT ONLY

Why the Democrats Desire an Early Vote on Springer's Free Wool Bill.

ANOTHER ANTI-OPTION BILL REPORTED It is a Substitute for the Hatch Measure—Causes for Outbreaks on the Mexican Border—An Important Decision by Secretary Noble.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—The general discussion on the tariff bills closed today. If the program, as agreed upon by the leaders, is carried out the consideration of the free wool bill under the five minutes rule, will begin Monday. It is generally believed that it will be passed later in the week. It is desired to pass Mr. Springer's bill before the Rhode Island election on Wednesday for the political effect that it may have in that state, and unless the republicans make a vigorous opposition and insist upon the consideration of the various amendments under the five minutes rule, the final vote on the passage of the measure will probably be taken not later than Tuesday.

The first speaker today was Mr. McKinley of New Hampshire, who favored the bill and attacked the protective tariff system. Mr. Wilson of Nevada, in the few minutes accorded him, and in those few minutes he made an interesting speech in favor of the bill.

Mr. Cummings advocated the bill. Mr. Burrows of Michigan, a member of the committee on ways and means, followed in opposition to the bill. Mr. Hyran of Wisconsin and Mr. De Armond of Missouri favored the bill. The house then adjourned.

FUTURES AND OPTIONS.

Another Bill to Regulate Dealings Therein Reported from Committee. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—A bill was reported from the committee on agriculture as a substitute for the Hatch bill and other measures before the committee defining laws on dealers therein. The bill is a voluminous document, comprising fifteen sections. Its provisions may be briefly stated as follows:

The words "options" is to be understood to mean any contract under which a party acquires the right or privilege, but is not thereby obligated, to deliver at a future time or within a designated period, raw or unmanufactured cotton, hops, wheat, corn, oats, rye, barley, grass seed, flax seed, pork, lard, bacon and other edible products of swine.

The word "futures" is understood to mean a contract whereby a party agrees to sell or deliver at a future time or within a designated period any of the above named articles when he is not the owner of the articles or has not acquired by purchase the right of their future possession, provided that this is not to apply to a government, state or municipal contract, nor to a contract made by a

farmer for future delivery of articles belonging to him or in course of growth.

The difference between this bill and the Washburn bill, already described, up to this point is to be found in the inclusion in the present bill of cotton and hops among the articles which may not be dealt in through futures and options. The remainder of this bill is substantially similar to the Washburn measure. It provides for the same tax upon dealers in futures and options, of a \$1,000 fee and 5 cents per pound, or 20 cents per bushel, upon each of the articles dealt in, and also provides the necessary machinery for the collection of the taxes, the publicity of the records of transactions, and the enforcement of the law in other respects in even greater detail than the Washburn bill.

The report submitted recites the well known objects sought by the proposed legislation, "to protect the people's property and dealers in puts and calls, and asserts that the bill, if made a law, will add to the general prosperity."

ON THE MEXICAN BORDER.

General Stanley's Estimate of a Portion of the Population There. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—General Stanley in forwarding to the War department the report of Captain Chase in regard to the Garza campaign, says: "It must be remembered that a very large percentage of the population along the Texas border is made up of escaped convicts and murderers from Mexico and of Mexican citizens, who have no regard for law and order, and who readily join in any excitement in opposition to the government. A singular feature is that the rich Mexicans who own and control large ranches in southern Texas and claim every protection of the American laws, give their aid and assistance in their various enterprises to support almost any measure against our government or that of Mexico."

In conclusion General Stanley says: "All hands or organized forces in violation of the neutrality laws have been wholly dispersed. The supporters who reside in the district affected by the revolutionary movements have been ferreted out and they are now under bond to answer charges made against them for aiding and abetting the revolution. The work that remains is wholly in the province of alfalfa and marshals in their various counties and districts, but the presence of as many troops as possible along the Rio Grande is of very essential and will be for some time to come."

Reunions Investigation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—In the pension office investigation today Commissioner Reunions said that he knew of one case, and there might be more, in which relatives of pension attorneys were employed in the pension office. Whenever he knew of such relationship he would keep the claims of the attorney from his relative, though this kinship might perhaps cause trouble in the office in days in the last two years and four months.

Mr. Enloe having asked a question implying that the pension office had at one time had an unknown negro yesterday, hanging him to a tree. He had been about the town a few weeks and had been ordered to leave. He had hungers about the people's doorsteps and annoyed them in various ways.

Recognized by the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—The president has recognized Peter Hering Nelson as vice consul of Denmark at Racine, for the state of Wisconsin.

Lynched Because He Was a Vagrant.

MILLERSBURG, O., April 2.—A mob lynched an unknown negro yesterday, hanging him to a tree. He had been about the town a few weeks and had been ordered to leave. He had hungers about the people's doorsteps and annoyed them in various ways.

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IT WAS ENTIRELY TOO DAMP

Mr. Smith Tried the Missouri for a Winding Sheet, but Weakened.

DESIRE FOR ANGELIC HONORS COOLED After Leaping into the Cold Embrace of Death as Represented by the Dark Waters, He Quickly Swam Ashore.

H. E. Smith, a young man well known in police circles, attempted to commit suicide about 8 o'clock last evening by jumping from the center of the Douglas street bridge into the river.

About fifteen minutes before 8 Smith appeared at the watchman's house, and after talking a moment, coolly remarked that he was going to jump into the river in order to end his life.

The guards on duty merely laughed at the remark and paid no attention to it, as they saw that Smith was considerably under the influence of liquor. After a few moments' conversation on other subjects Smith started across the big bridge, and sure enough when the center span was reached he quickly cast aside his coat and hat and climbed upon the iron railing.

Just a moment did he hesitate, and then, clasping his hands above his head, he gave a leap into the air and shot straight downward into the sluggish waters of the muddy Missouri.

It was quite warm enough for comfort, and when Smith arose to the surface he struck out good and hard for the shore.

The watchman in the lumber yards near the bridge heard the splash and assisted the would-be self-murderer to the shore. He was taken into a shanty near the foot of Howard street and the police station notified. The patrol wagon went down and conveyed the young man and his dripping garments to the city jail.

When asked the cause for such an attempt on his life, Smith said that luck was against him and he wanted to go up with the angels and help push clouds.

After being registered and charged with being drunk and attempting to commit suicide, Smith laid down on a bench, wrapped himself in blankets and went to sleep as if nothing had happened.

District Convention Tuesday.

A district convention of the Boys and Girls National Home and Employment association will meet at 9:30 Tuesday morning at the Union Christian mission in Council Bluffs. The pastors of Council Bluffs churches are urged to appoint two ladies and two gentlemen to act with each pastor as delegates to the convention.

Colonel Alexander Hoagland, president of the association, will address a meeting to be held this evening at the First Methodist church in Council Bluffs.