

NEBRASKA TO THE FRONT

History of State Banking During the Past Two Years.

FIVE HUNDRED INSTITUTIONS ON THE LIST

This is Exclusive of the National Banks Doing Business in the State—Little Loss as the Result of the Panic.

LINCOLN, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The State Banking board has prepared its report from November 5, 1892, to date. The report shows that seventy-three banks have in that period, discontinued business. Of these seventy-three all but nineteen of them went into voluntary liquidation, for the purpose of retiring from business, and paid all creditors in full. Of the nineteen in hands of receivers, the report says that all but six will pay 100 cents on the dollar, and of the six it is believed that all but three will do likewise. There is, in round numbers, 500 banks now doing business in Nebraska exclusive of national banks. The report will say that no better showing of state banks is made by any other state in the union. The total capital stock of the seventy-three suspended banks is \$1,240,569. The total amount of deposits in the same banks was \$1,672,433.34.

CHIEFS OF POLICE AT WORK. The convention of chiefs of police and mayors of Nebraska cities to consider this afternoon at the city hall, the penitentiary and asylum, and a ride about the city. There was a parade of the Lincoln fire department at noon. At an executive session Chief Seavey of Omaha was re-elected president of the union, and E. E. Waterman of Holdrege secretary and treasurer. The following vice presidents were elected: Chief Brennan, South Omaha; Chief Acton, Wyoming; Chief Reed, Beatrice; and Chief Powers, Grand Island. The convention adjourned at noon to meet one year from date at Beatrice.

LINCOLN BREVITIES. The heirs of John D. Lottridge have filed exceptions in the county court to the report of N. B. Kendall, administrator of the estate of John D. Lottridge, who served in this capacity, but not until about a month ago did he file any report. The heirs complain that his administration of an estate of some value has been very disastrous to their interests. The German National bank has brought suit in the district court against the city of Lincoln in the sum of \$3,667.75. Years ago the city purchased a fire alarm system from the Gaynor company. The last payment was due October 1 last, but the city refused to include the amount in the tax levy. The bank is assignee of the company's claim, and has taken the above course to obtain its money. The city will confess judgment.

Twenty-seven of the insurance companies sued by J. A. Buckstaff for losses incurred in the burning of his brick yard, offered to settle at 55 cents on the dollar. The proposition is refused by Buckstaff, who is now engaged in suing the American of New York, one of the companies, for the full amount of his claim. So far every company he has tackled has disgraced to the amount of his policy.

The supreme court has adjourned until January 1. Another cranky letter has been received by Governor Crouse from Los Angeles, Santa Clara county, California. The subject treated is irrigation by means of artificial evaporation, and is an exhaustive, exhausting and meaningless paper, one that stamps the writer as one eminently fitted for some of the higher degrees in lunacy. The writer signs the name of Michael Cahill in this remarkable document.

INVOLVES HALF A MILLION. North Bend Beet Sugar Company Incorporated at Fremont. FREMONT, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Articles of incorporation of the North Bend Beet Sugar company were filed with the county clerk yesterday. The purpose is to build equip and conduct a beet sugar factory at North Bend. The capital stock is \$500,000, divided into shares of \$100 each. One hundred thousand shares of this stock is to be subscribed in sugar beets, to be paid in five annual installments at the market price. The company is to commence business when \$100,000 of the stock has been cash stock and subscribed and 10 per cent of the same is paid in. The highest amount of indebtedness allowed is \$150,000. The incorporators are all well known and successful business men and farmers, as follows: M. Dowling, C. Cusack, Thomas Killeen, Ernest Kern, William Nichol and C. N. Morse. The men at the head of the enterprise are very sanguine of success. They claim to have absolute assurance that plenty of capital can be secured for the erection of buildings and purchase of machinery, and to have the necessary amount of stock in beets has been subscribed; all that the capitalists require before investing in a plant is an absolute certainty that beet enough will be raised to keep a factory running.

The jewelry stock of Grant Strack, who made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors some time ago, was sold at mortgagee's sale today. The stock was sold in a lump and was bid in by C. Christensen, one of the creditors. The price realized was \$1,000.

Harry L. Markell has resigned as general secretary of the Fremont Young Men's Christian association, to take effect January 1. After that date H. E. Wells will have charge. One of the vagrants turned loose by the police yesterday was a boy who had in his possession a bunch of papers which apparently related to a prize of \$100,000 in the Douglas county court and might be of value. The papers were retained, to be delivered when called for by the owner.

Ashland People Indignant. ASHLAND, Neb., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Swift & Co.'s ice house trouble at this point is growing. At a mass meeting held Tuesday evening a committee was appointed to circulate a petition among the patrons of the Mill and Electric Light company, to be presented to A. B. Fuller, asking that he permit Swift & Co. to continue to operate the nature of the petition is somewhat on the boy-cott order, as they threaten to withdraw all their support if he persists in his refusal for a reasonable compensation. The meeting was called last evening, which was attended by a large number of laboring and a few business men, all of whom were exceedingly strong in their denunciation of Fuller. The speaker went so far as to suggest that they organize and open the creek and fill the pond by force, and this was discouraged, however, by the better class, who wished to do justice to all concerned. The deputy sheriff was present and was compelled to quiet the tumult by strong words in the name of the law. At a late hour the meeting adjourned awaiting further developments. At the same time a meeting of the business men was held, at which a committee was appointed to co-operate with the other committee, hoping the matter might be satisfactorily adjusted by arbitration and avoid as much delay as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Pickering gave a very delightful top night and one-half mile northwest of Ashland, last evening. There were eighteen couples present.

Court Closed at York. YORK, Neb., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The jury of this term of the district court were dismissed yesterday by Judge Wheeler, and this term of court will probably end tomorrow. While a great amount of work has been done this term, there are still many cases on the docket that were not reached. Many of these were waited with interest. Among them was the case of Hawkins et al. against Thomas J. Myers. This suit was brought by the firm doing business under the firm name of Hankins & Hitchcock. This is the third time the case has gone over a district court term.

Intended as a Joke. GRAND ISLAND, Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Thomas Connor, agent of the Burlington, has wholly recovered from his sickness which was reported to Bee readers December 4, and expects to be able to resume duties next week. That report was intended as a joke.

Will Not Contest Dockery's Seat. EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., Dec. 7.—Judge Overton announces that he will not contest for Congress-elect Dockery's seat. The investigating committee did not find sufficient fraud to justify it.

Seattle Newspapers Consolidate. SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 7.—A bill of sale of the Seattle Telegraph was filed with the auditor today to the Intelligencer. The consolidation is specified at one dollar and other valuable considerations. The Post-Intelligencer assumes a debt of \$10,284 on the transfer, but the Intelligencer agrees to carry out the Telegraph's city printing and advertising contracts as far as possible. The bill of sale was filed today by the Post-Intelligencer for \$11,000 to Jacob Furr, a banker, as trustee, on the Post-Intelligencer and Telegraph bills. The Post-Intelligencer will issue bonds for \$100,000. Publication of the Telegraph will cease.

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IOWA TRAVELING MEN MEET

Fourteenth Annual Convention of the State Association at Des Moines.

NINE HUNDRED MEMBERS PRESENT

President Mitchell Delivers His Address and Emphasizes the Advantages of the Organization—Important Amendments to the Constitution.

DES MOINES, Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—The fourteenth annual meeting of the Iowa State Traveling Men's association was held in this city today, with an attendance of about 900. President Mitchell in his annual address emphasized the advantages of the association as to social and protective features. He said: "The annual dues and assessments amounted to \$88,881.70; cost of management of every description, \$13,072.92; paid back in benefits, \$75,376.16, or, in other words, the association has for every dollar paid in returned \$1 cents in benefits, making the expense of doing the business of the association \$1.36 per member, and they can safely challenge any other company to show as low cost for carrying on the same volume of insurance." The report of P. E. Haley, secretary and treasurer, showed 681 weekly claims paid, eighty-six withdrawn, forty-seven rejected, nine forfeited and four death claims paid. New members admitted during the year, 1,321; delinquents, 48; dropped for nonpayment of dues and assessments, 1,221; deaths, 24; cancelled cards, 45; resignations, 24; total loss, 1,324; net gain, 60; present membership, 9,556.

The treasurer showed \$88,881.70 as receipts. Balance on hand, \$2,368.70. These officers were elected: President, W. W. Mitchell; vice president, E. C. Evans; secretary, P. E. Haley; treasurer, J. S. Thompson; W. A. Meyer, John Verran, E. W. K. Bailey, L. K. Wyman. Several amendments to the constitution were considered, but none adopted. The amendments adopted was one providing that no insurance shall be paid to the heirs of a member who has been killed accidentally while performing the duties of his office. A proposition to establish a sinking fund for the erection of a home for old and worn-out traveling men was defeated.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS' WORK. Vast Amount of Evidence in Recent Cases Considered. DES MOINES, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The State Board of Railway Commissioners is working away on the vast amount of evidence submitted in the rate controversy recently and is endeavoring to finish the investigation into the matter and render its decision before the term of Colonel Peter A. Dey expires on January 16, 1895, and he leaves the board so that the incoming member will not be obliged to pass upon this very complex question among the first of his official acts.

Colonel Dey is the only democratic member of the board, he has seen many years of service on the commission and he is perhaps better informed as to the railway rates and kindred matters than any other man in the state. Speaking of the probable action of the board in the matter and the work of the commission, the colonel said that though the commission had in reality been working on the question for some time it had accomplished but little, as several times when it seemed the matter had been sifted to the bottom, the final analysis reached, and they were ready to almost begin writing their decision, one party or the other would appear and had desired to file additional or supplemental evidence, and as it is the intention of the board to make the fullest investigation before writing its decision, then make it perfectly fair and just according to the best light the board has, the request was granted, delay of course ensuing.

But all the evidence is now in and the intention of the board, as stated above, is to finish up the case before Colonel Dey's retirement, so that a decision may be looked for within a month.

Latest Confidence Scheme. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—J. L. Oslas, a young man about 30 years of age and the son of a wealthy merchant here, was arrested by Postoffice Inspector George M. Christian on a charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes, was arraigned before Commissioner Francis and held in \$1,000 bail to appear at the April term of the United States court in this city. Oslas was working a very smooth scheme and is supposed to have procured several hundred dollars in the transactions. He advertised in Chicago papers for a wife. Upon receiving a reply to the advertisement he would answer, asking that the respondent send an evidence of her faith; that he would come at once and if all was satisfactory a marriage would be performed and the honeymoon would be spent in California. One lady at Arcadia, O., sent him \$50 and when she failed to hear from him wrote to a firm of lawyers at Independence, who referred the matter to the postoffice authorities, which led to his arrest today.

Event of the Year in Methodism. DES MOINES, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The greatest event of the year in Methodism in this city will be the meeting of the itinerants' club, which will be held one week, commencing Tuesday. Addresses will be made to the ministers each day and in the evening addresses made to the lay members. Among the noted divines who will be present and deliver one or more addresses, each may be noted: Dr. Jesse Bowman of Philadelphia; Dr. S. P. Upham, Dr. S. McCardell of Buffalo and Dr. J. M. Buckley. Bishop John H. Vincent will preside at all the meetings of the itinerants' club. Of greatest interest to the people will be discussed by this galaxy of Methodists, and the members of the church in this city are looking forward to the event as a time that shall be rarely enjoyed.

Fatal Mistake of an Officer. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—In attempting to arrest a tough at Lake Park this afternoon the town marshal accidentally shot John Hunt, an old resident of that place. It is believed his injuries will prove fatal.

Hearts are light and eyes shine bright when Dr. Price's Baking Powder is used.

AMERICAN GROW MORE ATHLETIC BY USING GOOD FOOD. Dr. Price's Baking Powder makes the best.

IRELAND REMOVES THE BAN. Catholics May Join Any Secret Society Except the Masons. ST. PAUL, Dec. 7.—The fact has just been published that in the archdiocese of St. Paul Catholics may join any secret society, except the Masonic order. This has been known for some time, but not generally. Judge Kelly of the district court has just joined the Knights of Pythias, although he has not yet taken the oath of initiation. This is the first time in America, and considerable talk among secret society members has resulted. Her prominent Catholics are also joining. One of these today, Archbishop Ireland, has decided that a Catholic may join any secret society, and he has decided that Catholics are at liberty to do as they please in that regard. The public announcement of the fact is the best of authority for the statement, and it is understood generally among Catholics that the ban on secret societies in the United States is now removed.

There can be no doubt of it, as those who are now joining the secret orders are Catholics. Mer. Favore's opinion is that the ban of the church has tended to bar Catholics from fellowships in secret societies, and some have held back for no cause, as there are many social and benevolent societies in the United States which would not be deemed in conflict with the policy of the holy see.

Another View of Montana. BILLINGS, Mont., Dec. 2.—To the Editor of the Bee: In one of your issues of the Omaha Bee I notice an article by J. E. Free which is supposed to be remarkably erudite and witty, and to knock into smithereens all claims the state of Montana in general, or the Yellowstone valley in particular, may have toward a salubrious climate or productive agriculture. The foliage of this country is about what the Lord intended for this latitude. The lands are certainly arid, but not barren. The soil is very productive alike the Yellowstone is very rapid stream, with abundance of water at all times, and makes irrigation of thousands of acres a simple matter.

In all Montana, from its eastern to its western limits, from north to south, she has no treasures for man, on the surface or underneath that he can dig or bring to work for and work hard. In her valleys and on her plateaus she offers him abundant growth of cereals and vegetables, but he must irrigate his crop and keep down the weeds. In the heart of her mountains she has hidden treasures of gold, silver, copper, tin, iron, coal and gypsum, but he must work for them, and while he works he sustains his strength by pure water to drink and pure air to breathe. The Indian has retired, the fastidious Anglo-American has followed him, and the law, the gambler has hidden behind his screen, and the law of the land is more and more respected. In agriculture the

WINTER REDUCTION SALE Of Men's, Boys' and Children's CLOTHING.

MEN'S OVERCOATS—Men's warranted all wool Melton and Beaver Overcoats, with or without velvet collars, formerly sold at \$9.50 and \$10.00, are now down to..... \$5.75

MEN'S SUITS—Men's double or single breasted cassimeres, worsted or chevrot suits, the handsome winter suit over sold in Omaha, for \$15.50 to \$18.00, reduced to..... \$10.50

BOYS' CLOTHING—Children's 2-piece suits, all wool chevrot and cassimeres which sold up to \$4.50, Now reduced to..... \$2.50

CHILDREN'S DOUBLE-BREADED REEFER COATS—Ages 3 to 10 years, always sold for \$3.50. Reduced to..... \$1.95

BOYS' CAPE OVERCOATS—Ages 4 to 14, in plain fabrics, well and durably made, dark shade, cheap for \$3.00. Reduced to..... \$1.95

BOYS' OVERCOATS—Ages 14 to 19, a durable garment with or without velvet collars, worth \$3.50. Reduced to..... \$1.95

PHENOMENAL SALE OF CLOAKS! Half Price!

An entire new stock of canes just opened at our hat and cap department, 2nd floor; ladies will find a cane one of the most useful and acceptable presents; come and have them laid by now; the prices will astonish you, particularly on the silver mounted canes.

Free wool and the lateness of the season has demoralized prices; cast. Our cash offers are accepted by manufacturers and importers who must convert their stock into money. BIG CROWDS, BIG SALES. The wool and the lateness of the season has demoralized prices; cast. Our cash offers are accepted by manufacturers and importers who must convert their stock into money.

LADIES' JACKET, \$1.98. Thursday morning we place on sale 340 ladies' heavy all wool jersey jackets, regular value from \$4.50 to \$9.00, all to be cleared out at \$1.98.

LADIES' NEWMARKETS, \$1.75. In order to make room for other goods we have taken table No. 2 ladies' newmarkets which were marked \$2.95 and put them on table No. 1, making 211 newmarkets worth from \$8.00 to \$15.00, colors black, dark blue, brown, drab; sizes 32 to 38, at \$1.75 each.

MISSES' LONG CLOAKS. Sizes 8 to 12 years in navy, cardinal and deep red, will be marked about 1/2 price Thursday morning. In our ladies' cloaks, 42 inches long, black, blue, brown and tan, at \$10.00 and \$12.50, other dealers charge \$15.00 to \$20.00 for same goods.

CLEVELAND IS CONSIDERING IT. Omaha Postoffice Case is Now in the Hands of the President. WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—The Omaha postoffice case was taken to the white house last night, and is presumed to have been taken out to the president this morning. It need not be surprising if the case should be decided today or tonight. Nobody can predict with certainty who will win the prize, but it looks like Conroyer just now.

Ex-Governor Boyd at Home. Ex-Governor James B. Boyd returned from the east last evening. A reporter learned that the governor denied the statement that he had been in Washington seeking office.

Prof. G. W. Shaw of the State Agricultural college at Corvallis, Ore., writes: "I have chemically examined Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder and find it highest in leavening power, and free from alum, ammonia and lime. Of all the powders on the market I have selected it for my family use."

Anti-Toxine Stays the Ravages of the Dread Disease at Kansas City. Kansas City Times, December 5: Health Officer Waring made two more applications of the anti-toxine, diphtheria cure, and will make several more today. Thus far the results obtained have been little short of marvelous. Even Johnnie Wilson, the little fellow in E. Leavelle who was treated on Monday and whose case was pronounced almost hopeless, is wonderfully improved. The membrane which had begun to form in the nose has disappeared, the pulse and temperature have both fallen to normal. The boy will now almost certainly recover.

Don't Want the Vota Recounted. SALT LAKE, Dec. 7.—A writ of injunction has been issued from the Third district court against the Utah canvassing board to prevent them from opening ballot boxes and recounting the vote of San Pete county for delegates to the constitutional convention. The writ is returnable December 17.

MAUS—Louis, aged 4 years, 6 months and 25 days, beloved wife of Frederick Maus, Friday at 12 o'clock, noon. Funeral from family residence, 233 Cass street, Sunday afternoon, December 9, at 2 o'clock. Interment at Forest Lawn cemetery. Friends invited.

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