MODERN WOODMEN PICNIC

Lincoln the Scene of the Annual Log-Rolling of the Order.

OMAHA MEMBERS FAILED TO APPEAR

They Remained at Home Because Rates Were Not Satisfactory—Delegations from Other Cities Well Entertained.

LINCOLN, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Owing to the fact that rates have not been provided by the railroads the 200 people expected from Omaha to attend the annual log-rolling of the Modern Woodmen of Nebraska at Lincoln park today did not put in an appearance. Consequently the meeting is not what had been expected in point of attendance. There were scattering delegations from Beatrice, Cortland and a number of neighboring towns, but the local attendance was good. Trains to the park were crowded all day with picknickers bearing baskets and hampers of provisions. The motors were all supplied with trailers and ten-minute trips were made. At 10:30 a. m. the parade occurred, starting from the Lincoln hotel and headed by the Nebraska State band. The band was followed by Lincoln camp No. 969, Banner City camp No. 1332 and Capital City camp No. 190. Visiting delegations were sandwiched in at convenient intervals. The principal officers did not arrive until noon, and Head Consul W. A. Northcott failed to arrive at all, being detained at home by illness. At 2 p. m. began the exercises at the park. They were preceded by a concert by the band, after which W. H. Woodward delivered the address of welcome. This was responded to by J. W. Houder on behalf of the Modern Woodmen and by Mrs. Susie Helwig on behalf of the Royal Neighbors. The officers of the head camp present were Dr. A. O. Faulkner of this city, medical examiner, J. Gilmore Johnson, attorney, and Directors A. R. Talbot, C. W. Hames, J. N. Reece, W. White, M. Quackenbush and B. D. Smith.

KEARNEY'S NEW ENTERPRISE.

Today articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state for the Kearney Cycle Manufacturing company, to be located at Kearney. The authorized capital stock is $50,000, and H. H. Hake, M. M. Hake and M. C. Walker are the incorporators. This company has been making wheels at Kearney for several months, but is now enlarging.

This morning a liveryman named Reese sought out Sheriff Miller and said to him that Tuesday morning a well dressed young fellow, whom he has since learned was W. S. Taylor, had stolen a team and buggy from him. Taylor had told Reese that he worked at the Globe clothing house and wanted the rig to make some collections out in Havelock and would return at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and possibly not until 3. He never came back. Taylor is a young fellow, light complexion, six feet tall and weighs 160 pounds. He was inclined to drink, but was not vicious. He has been employed by the Globe establishment for several months. Previously he worked two years for the Continental clothing house, Omaha. Sheriff Miller has sent out cards offering $50 reward for Taylor's capture.

PAID THE REWARD TWICE.

The Akerson murder reward case has got into the county court. Thomas Akerson asks judgment against P. H. Cooper for $406.40. He relates in his petition that a reward of $300 was offered for the apprehension of the murderers of his father, and that Cooper, then chief of police at Lincoln, took the money and signed an agreement to pay it back if he were not rightfully entitled to it. Akerson says he has not been protected against the claim; that he was obliged to pay it to another party, together with $100 for an attorney and $6.40 for railroad fare.

Thomas W. Draper has begun suit in district court for $5,000 against the George Tucker estate and heirs. April 2 the 5-year-old son of Draper was playing near an open well, flush with the surface of the earth, on the Tucker property, and falling into it was instantly killed.

At 1:15 this afternoon George R. Wolf and son, Robert, accompanied by Herman Woltemade, returned from Denver, bringing with them the remains of Mrs. Wolf and her baby daughter, who were killed in the Gumry hotel explosion. The casket was met at the depot by several hundred sorrowing friends of the family. Among them was a large delegation of the Daughters of Rebekah, who will have charge of the obsequies. Both the bodies were in one casket, and they lay just as they were found in the ruins, the babe clasped in the mother's arms. The funeral ceremonies will occur tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

DRAW THE LINE ON CIRCUSES.

The city of Lincoln is just at present distracted over the action of the city council in passing an ordinance providing that no circus can exhibit in the city on any day on which is held a county fair. Consequently September 11 bids fair to be lively, as there is every prospect now in sight that there will be a fair, a circus and a lawsuit going on at the same time. The agent for the Ringlings says the circus will come, the city council says it will not, and the citizens generally, who believe that two attractions will induce more people to come to Lincoln on the 11th proximo than one, are trying to find out what ails the councilmen.

Omaha people in Lincoln: At the Lindell—James E. Van Littler, Thomas B. Doolittle, A. S. Churchill and daughter. At the Capital—E. P. Roggen, J. T. Hogan, S. A. Shanduff. At the Lincoln—F. T. Ransom, J. I. Watt, Mrs. E. D. Watt, A. H. Vosburg, E. T. Pardee, W. H. Wheeler, J. W. Houder.

FILED PAPERS WITH THE COURT.

Fire and Police Commission Case Ready for Final Adjudication.

LINCOLN, Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Chief Justice Norval, and Justice Harrison of the supreme court were at the consultation room today, but it was not thought likely that Justice Post would put in an appearance. All the briefs and papers in the Omaha Fire and Police Commission case are lodged with the clerk of the supreme court, and will probably soon be technically filed by order of Chief Justice Norval. The court will not be in session today, and it is stated will not meet to consider the case until the first of next week.

By attorneys who have read the brief on the part of Commissioners Bemis, Brown and Deaver, it is pronounced a strong legal document. The brief, in answer, deposited by the attorneys for Broatch, Vandervoort and Foster, is short, and states a condition of facts upon which is placed a construction based only on the most radical special pleadings. Few authorities are quoted. It is not believed that oral argument will be heard, but until the court meets this question will not be definitely decided.

Week of Picnics at Exeter.

EXETER, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—This has been a week of picnics for this place. Tuesday a select party of young people from this town took a day's outing on the Blue. Wednesday the bible classes of the Methodist Sunday school enjoyed an outing on the Blue. Thursday the Baptist Sunday school picnicked in Babcock's grove.

The Modern Woodmen lodge of this place has notices out for a grand rally and picnic August 29, in Clem's grove, two and a half miles southeast of town. Several noted speakers are expected to be present.

Mrs. A. C. Downing of Iowa arrived here Tuesday to spend this fall with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hafer.

Grandma Wilson, who has been visiting friends at her old home in Illinois the past six months, returned this week.

Grafton Brevities.

GRAFTON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Robert Stevens of Marshalltown, Ia., is here for a ten days' visit with his mother.

Miss Mary Purcell left Monday for Chicago, where she will teach in the city schools.

The Grafton Courier is edited this week by W. M. Sheppard and W. Bosserman, Editor Shoff being engaged in nursing a sick family.

The Catholic church gave a supper last night, which was largely attended. Receipts were about $40.

The Grafton Cornet band has just received its new uniform of red coats, white trousers and metal helmets.

Death of Mrs. J. N. Rickards.

BEATRICE, Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. J. N. Rickards died at 6 o'clock this morning after a long struggle with consumption. She leaves a husband and a 3-year-old child. The funeral occurs at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the residence on East Ella street.

SPLENDID RAINS IN NEBRASKA.

Many Points in the State Report a Heavy Fall.

WAYNE, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—A splendid rain fell here this morning, and although not particularly needed, will aid the rapidly maturing corn and sugar beet crops, which are in fine condition. According to information obtained from farmers who have threshed, The Bee correspondent finds that the average yield of wheat in the county will be about twenty-four or twenty-five bushels per acre, and oats sixty-five to sixty-eight. The Wayne County Commercial club of this city will make an exhibit of agricultural products and fruits at the state fair.

WAHOO, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—An inch of rain fell here at an early hour this morning.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—This vicinity was visited by a rain last night that was more copious than many thought upon arising this morning, the fall being forty-seven-hundredths of an inch.

FREMONT, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—There was a fine shower here this morning about 5 o'clock, lasting an hour. It was the heaviest rain for the past two months. There was another light shower this afternoon.

RANDOLPH, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Yesterday this section was visited with a heavy wind, but not of the hot variety. Between midnight and morning the county had a good shower. It was good corn weather last night, and today it is jumping right along. Small grain is nearly all stacked and threshing going on daily. Yields are above the average, quality from fair to good. Corn was not injured, as this section had plenty of rain the past month. If frost keeps off three weeks the yield will be large. It is cloudy and may rain tonight.

LYONS, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—A good shower of rain passed over this county (Burt) this morning between 3 and 4 o'clock. The rain was accompanied with considerable electricity, but no wind. Late corn will be benefited.

ENDEAVOR CONVENTION CLOSED.

Valley Christian Workers Conclude a Three Days' Convention.

VALLEY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The three days' session of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor district convention closed tonight. During the meeting, in which over 100 delegates participated, many visitors were present.

In the morning session Miss Carrie Fairchilds read a paper on the "Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor; Its Aims and Objects." An interesting address on "Christian Duty" was delivered by Rev. George R. Lunn. Rev. James E. Currens spoke on "Sabbath Work." Miss Kate Singaco read a paper entitled "What Are We as Endeavorers Doing?" The forenoon's session was concluded with an address, "What Relation Does the Christian Endeavor Society Bear to the Church?"

The afternoon meeting was opened by Rev. D. R. Karr, in an address on "Hungering and Thirsting After Righteousness," followed by Rev. George Williamson on "Young Men Wanted." N. R. Mills was interesting in the "Boston Convention," and the afternoon session was concluded by Rev. James D. Kerr in an address entitled "Growth."

In the evening the convention work ended with an address, "Loyalty to One Church," by Rev. S. C. McCormick.

MORE FEED THAN CAN BE USED.

Cheyenne County's Crop of Grain and Hay Unusually Heavy.

SIDNEY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The country is full of cattle buyers, and good prices are being paid for stock. It has always been said that the best cattle came from the ranges between the rivers. The grass this season cannot be excelled, and there is enough feed going to waste to feed fully 50,000 head of cattle. The people of eastern Nebraska are not aware of the magnificence of western Nebraska's grazing lands and the nutritious quality of the hay. Alfalfa has been raised in large quantities and will be fed principally to hogs and cattle. Its fattening qualities are simply immense.

There will be considerable grain in this county. The binder and threshing machines are kept on the jump continually. Corn will be only fair. The crops in the irrigated sections are excellent. One farmer threshed thirty-five bushels of wheat to the acre and eighty bushels of oats. Wind mill irrigation and stream irrigation are the two problems of this country, and from now on will be strictly adhered to.

BOOKS IN VERY BAD SHAPE.

Every Day Brings Additional Developments in Beatrice Defalcation.

BEATRICE, Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Tomorrow is the date fixed for the preliminary hearing in the cases of City Clerk Phillips and Water Commissioner Hawkins, but it is altogether probable that the hearings will be continued, as the attorney for the accused is out of the city and the prosecution expects further testimony to be developed by the expert, A. E. Fowlie of Grand Island, who has been placed in charge of the accused officials' books. Each day brings to light more city warrants that have either been raised or issued in duplicate.

Had a Narrow Escape.

NORTH LOUP, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Prof. Horace Davis of this place, who has been absent attending the educational convention at Denver, returned home yesterday. He ran a narrow escape from having been a victim in the Gumry hotel horror. Sunday night he and a friend took meals within a block of the now ruined building, and after supper, as the hour was late, they began to discuss the question as to where they should go to seek lodging for the night, and the Gumry, being so near, was suggested and discussed, but for some reason their choice was made elsewhere. Very shortly after the Gumry was in ruins over the bodies of its mutilated victims.

Crawford Gets the Tournament.

CHADRON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—At the meeting of the representatives of the Northwestern Volunteer Firemen's association, whose membership consists of the towns of Chadron, Crawford, Alliance, Gordon, Hay Springs and Rushville, Crawford, through George Uhl, made the largest bid and the annual tournament will be held there October 3 and 4. Much interest is displayed and it will doubtless be a great success.

Advantages of Irrigation.

ORD, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—William Burris, a prominent farmer, who irrigated 450 acres this year, threshed forty bushels of wheat to the acre, while his land which had not been irrigated only produced eighteen bushels to the acre. Corn on irrigated land here promises to yield from seventy-five to 100 bushels per acre.

Eastern Star Chapter Work.

SIDNEY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The ladies of the Eastern Star chapter recently organized here are becoming proficient in the work, and from the number of petitions already received they will have their hands full.

The Methodists held an old-time picnic today at Bordwell's ranch.

Good Range Near Ericson.

ERICSON, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Five hundred and sixty-one head of cattle were driven through Ericson this week. This section, with its irrigated valley and limitless range, will prove the paradise of the cattle men.

Declared the Law Unconstitutional.

KEARNEY, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The Board of Supervisors met in special session today for the purpose of redistricting the county under the new law, but refused to recognize it as constitutional by a vote of 26 to 6.

Burglars at Red Cloud.

RED CLOUD, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The hardware store of W. W. Wright was burglarized last night, entrance being effected by breaking a rear window. Six dozen knives, two revolvers and some silver spoons were taken. No clew.

Hayden Bros. sell everything in music.

OSCEOLA BADLY SCORCHED

Fifty Thousand Dollars Worth of Property Destroyed by Fire.

MANY BUSINESS HOUSES CONSUMED

One Side of the Square, with the Exception of Two Buildings, Completely Wiped Out.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The whole south side of the square was burned today, with the exception of the Osceola bank and A. P. Mickey's hardware store. The loss is over $50,000 and less than $5,000 insurance.

Losses: C. M. Pulver, $3,000; H. W. Kennard, $3,000; H. A. Scott, $15,000, about $2,000 insurance; G. G. Blau, $1,500; Gus Weber, $500; Charles Jones, $50; Joe Karrer, $1,500; West & Gushee, $4,000, $500 insurance; R. Hazelwood, $9,000, $1,500 insurance; C. D. Morse, $750; Judge Wheeler, $1,200; J. J. Hurst, $500; A. P. Mickey, $1,500.

The Osceola bank was slightly damaged by heat. There were no accidents. The Stromsburg and Shelby fire companies responded to a call for assistance, and although arriving late did good work.

CURTIS SUFFERS SEVERELY.

CURTIS, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—A fire broke out at 1 o'clock this morning in the store of W. W. Keith. A fierce wind from the southeast rapidly swept the fire northward, and in less than an hour the whole block was in ashes. Nothing was saved from any of the buildings save what may come through in the safes. The loss is a bad one, and only a small amount of insurance on any of the concerns.

The loss stands as follows: W. W. Keith, merchandise, $4,000, no insurance; Reese Heaton, $700, insurance, $100; J. L. White, law office, $1,000, no insurance; P. A. Harris, general merchandise and store, $6,500, insurance, $4,800; Callahan & Norwood, two buildings and stock of goods, $1,100, no insurance; F. P. Hill, restaurant and fruit store, $2,400, insurance, $1,000. A. F. & A. M. Johnson, bankers, lose about $300. The fire was undoubtedly the work of a firebug. The loss is a severe one for Curtis, but the sufferers expect soon to rebuild and resume business. The Frontier bank opens in one of their buildings tomorrow for active operations.

Incendiary Fire at Munden, Kan.

NARKA, Kan., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—An incendiary fire at Munden, west of here, early this morning destroyed John Washichek's general store, O. A. Allen's grocery, Jerry Steinad's restaurant, A. M. Canfield's residence and an empty store building. Washichek had $1,000 insurance on his building and some on the stock.

Degree of Honor Organized.

RANDOLPH, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—A Degree of Honor was organized here last night, auxiliary to the Ancient Order of United Workmen, by Mrs. Harding of Hebron, grand past chief of honor, and Miss Meyers of Neligh, grand chief guide. There were sixty-seven charter members.

Horrible Injuries to a Farmer.

FRIEND, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—While Hugh Stewart was cutting corn today with a sled cutter his horse ran away, throwing him in front of the knife. A fearful gash was cut in the side nine inches long, so that the heart could be seen. He will recover.

Cuming County Teachers.

WEST POINT, Neb., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The Cuming County Teachers' institute is now in session with a full corps of teachers and instructors. The standard of teachers is noticeably higher, due to the persistent efforts of County Superintendent Collins.

WILL BE LYNCHED IF CAUGHT.

While Under Arrest He Shot Two Officers and Then Escaped.

LINCOLN, Ill., Aug. 22.—While under arrest last night a negro, supposed to be Albert Phoenix, a hotel waiter, shot his companion, Frank Phoenix, colored, and also shot Private Watchman G. W. Blackford and Mat Rodgers, sergeant of company G, Illinois National Guards, who was called to the watchman's assistance. The shooter escaped. The two negroes were arrested in the railway yards and were being taken to the police station, when one whirled and the other hugged the wall, and the shooting began. Five shots were fired and every one took effect. The officers were completely surprised. They held one prisoner, but were too weak to pursue the others, who gained the corn fields. The fugitives will be lynched if caught. The officers are badly wounded and will probably each lose a limb by amputation.

Queer Benevolent Organization.

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 22.—Today the Knights of the Silver Cross, claiming to be a benevolent association from Missouri, asked the commissioner of insurance to give them permission to do business in the state. A peculiarity of the order is that all members are required to pledge themselves as fearless advocates of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, independent of the advice or opinion of the rest of the world. It is believed here that it is a scheme to get their money and organize clubs in the interest of silver, though its by-laws are drafted with a benevolent and insurance clause and provisions throughout.

Investigating the Indian Trouble.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Aug. 22.—Rev. W. J. Cleveland has left South Dakota for the scene of the recent Indian trouble at Jackson's Hole, Wyo., to investigate the causes leading up to the difficulty. He goes at the request of the Indian Rights association of Philadelphia.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows available cash balance, $181,936,954; gold reserve, $101,718,527.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The People's Loan and Savings association of Minneapolis has assigned.

Thursday there were large crowds in Colorado Springs to participate in the annual flower festival.

Seventeen of the Winston, N. C., rioters have been convicted and sentenced to from four to eleven months' work on the roads.

The glass workers and manufacturers are in session at Pittsburg, endeavoring to settle their differences, with fair prospects of success.

The colored Pythians, in session at Chicago, have decided to settle their differences out of court and the cases have been withdrawn.

It is reported that Bond Forger Lewis of Urbana, O., has been seen near his old home in Adams county. It is supposed he is concealed by friends.

The express officials admit that there were four valuable packages taken in the New Richmond, Mich., train robbery, but decline to state their value.

The district attorney at Los Angeles has instructed the board of supervisors to proceed with the Wright irrigation district case, irrespective of the decision of Judge Ross.

The bequest of J. C. Wilmerding to the University of California, amounting to $400,000, was turned over Thursday. It is for the founding of a school to teach boys a trade.

Frank A. Magowan, the bankrupt Trenton, N. J., rubber manufacturer, has been arrested at the instance of his former superintendent, on the charge of alienating his wife's affections.

The Keeley league convention Thursday considered the question of erecting a home for old and infirm Keeleyites, but took no definite action. After electing officers the league adjourned, to meet next year at Indianapolis.

A suit involving $2,000,000 has been commenced at San Francisco. It is for an accounting against J. W. Mackay, Senator John P. Jones and the Comstock Mining and Milling company. It is brought by Theodore Fox on a charge that by reason of a fraudulent contract made with the milling company the stockholders of the Virginia Consolidated Mining company were overcharged that amount.

Pianos sold, rented, tuned, moved. Haydens.

AFTER THE OVERLAND'S LAND.

United States Attorney Vigorously Preparing to Prosecute the Suit.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—In a letter to the attorney general, the United States attorney for Nebraska, A. J. Sawyer, states that he is now actively engaged in the preparation of data for use in the case of the United States against the Union Pacific Railway company, involving lands in Nebraska. Attorney Sawyer asked for information in regard to lands in Nebraska, and it has been procured for him from the general land office by the attorney general. The information desired is contained in a report made by the acting commissioner of the general land office to the secretary of the interior, which contains a description of the lands embraced in list "D." The report says that the lands in this list were patented to the company under the act of June 22, 1874, as indemnity. The list shows the tracts in even numbered sections that have been patented to the company under this act.

This report from the land office states that the lands relinquished in Nebraska as far as range 1, west, are opposite to the first 100 miles of the company's roads and the company filed two maps of definite location for that distance—one October 24, 1864, and the other November 4, 1864. The latter was accepted by the president and transmitted to the general land office in a letter which enclosed instructions to use this map as the basis for the definite adjustment of the grant of adjacent lands. It is therefore held that the right of the company for the first 100 miles attached November 4, 1864, the date of filing in the department. The map was finally accepted.

Continuing, the report says: "The right of the company attached April 28, 1869, in Utah opposite to the lands there relinquished and for which lieu lands were patented in Nebraska. From the records of the general land office the company has no claim or right to the lands relinquished, hence was not entitled to lieu lands under the act of June 22, 1874."

In his communication to the attorney general Attorney Sawyer says that he would like the information asked for as soon as possible, as he is now actively engaged in this work and wishes to complete it before the beginning of the next term of court. He says that abstracts have been ordered and obtained and that he is getting together data to draw the bill. He says, however, that the abstracts will have to be brought down to the date of filing the bill, and that in order to do this the abstracts will have to be returned to the persons who made them.

Besides obtaining this information for Attorney Sawyer, the Department of Justice has secured from the Interior department for Nebraska's attorney a very valuable gift. Attorney Sawyer made a request for a complete set of the land decisions which have been rendered by the Interior department. The set of books has been obtained and forwarded to him. In his letter to the attorney general Mr. Sawyer said that if he could obtain these books they would be of great aid to him, as well as to his assistants and to his successors in preparing cases in the future. This set of decisions comprises about twenty volumes, neatly bound, and is considered a great possession by lawyers and attorneys who have practice before the Interior department. The decisions will form a part of the archives of the state's attorney's office at Lincoln.

WHISKY TRUST REORGANIZED.

Incorporated in Albany and Officers and Directors Elected.

ALBANY, Aug. 22.—The reorganization of the Whisky trust was consummated today in the incorporation at the office of the secretary of state of the American Spirits Manufacturing company, with a capital of $35,000,000, for "distilling and dealing in spirits, including the distilling, redistilling and rectifying of high wines, alcohol, spirits, gins and whisky, and malting and dealing in malt." The directors of the rejuvenated corporation are: S. M. Rice, Richard B. Hartshorne, Jules S. Bache, T. H. Wentworth, Nathan Bijur, F. M. Lockwood and Henry S. Carney of New York City; William E. Hutton of Cincinnati; Clarence Buckingham of Chicago and Edward S. Easton and Walter E. Baker of Peoria, Ill. These gentlemen as subscribers each certify to five shares of stock, and the committee of reorganization, appointed in March last, composed of Messrs. Hartshorne, Lockwood, Bache, Hutton and John I. Waterbury of New York, subscribes to 945 shares, thus making up the 100,000 with which the concern will begin business.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—Immediately after the completion of the incorporation, a meeting of the directors was held in this city. The details of the organization of the corporation were perfected at this meeting, and the following officers were elected: President, S. M. Rice; R. S. Hartshorne, vice president and chairman of the board; Jules S. Bache, treasurer; T. H. Wentworth, secretary; Nathan Bijur, general counsel. While these proceedings were going on in New York application was made by Mr. Levy Mayer, the Chicago counsel of the reorganization committee, for an order confirming the sale of the properties of the old Distilling and Cattlefeeding company, purchased August 14 by the committee from the receiver. Upon the granting of this decree it is understood that the properties are to be turned over to the American Spirits Manufacturing company of New York, who will issue its security investment therefor according to the reorganization plan. The reorganization committee has also been in session in this city during the day, but none of its members nor the counsel felt at liberty to give the details of their deliberations. It was intimated, however, that the committee took a number of additional steps toward placing the new company in an entirely independent and profitable position, and that pending the final winding up of the receivership and the consummation of the committee's plan no immediate changes in the status of the reorganization will be made. It was evident, however, that the members were elated at the rapid progress that had been made.

WESTERN PENSIONS.

Veterans of the Late War Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Western pensions granted, issue of August 7, were:

Nebraska: Original—Henry O. Hendricks, Upland, Franklin. Increase—Benaga Brown, Imperial, Chase. Original widow—Eliza Henderson, McCool Junction, York.

Iowa: Original—Alvin Bever, Adel, Dallas. Renewal and increase—George L. Carter, Libertyville, Jefferson. Original widows, etc.—Annie L. McClurg, New Hampton, Chickasaw; Elizabeth Beckett, Center Grove, Dubuque.

Colorado: Original—Edward P. Wright, Denver, Arapahoe. Increase—Francis Little, Pueblo, Pueblo; Benson S. Conley, Montrose, Montrose. Reissue—Warren Pond, Pueblo, Pueblo; John Conway, Elizabeth, Elbert; Frank McCue, Parker, Douglas; Charles A. Whelan, Buena Vista, Chaffee.

South Dakota: Increase—Sanford Burdett, Sioux Falls, Minnehaha.

North Dakota: Original—William Demoray, Lisbon, Ransom.

Issue of August 8 were:

Nebraska: Increase—John L. Kent, Juniata, Adams.

Colorado: Original—George A. Depping, alias George Edwards, Newcastle, Garfield. Increase—Joseph Barr, Littleton, Arapahoe. Reissue—William Eaton, Cotton Creek, Saguache.

Iowa: Renewal and increase—Joseph Sheppard, Green Island, Jackson. Original widow—Phoebe E. Woods, Dubuque, Dubuque.

Gave the Templars a Fast Ride.

DENVER, Aug. 22.—Golden Gate commandery No. 16, Knights Templar, of San Francisco, arrived in Denver on a special train over the Rio Grande at 2:30 this afternoon and left for the east via the Burlington fifteen minutes later. After leaving Leadville the train made sixty to seventy miles an hour. A stop of thirty minutes was made at Colorado Springs and both there and in Denver wine and fruits were freely dispensed by the tourists from their commissary car.

Heavy Frost in New York.

MIDDLETON, N. Y., Aug. 22.—Reports from the mountain districts of Sullivan and Delaware counties are to the effect that there was a heavy frost last night. In many localities buckwheat was killed, corn damaged and gardens blighted.

Advanced Wages Ten Per Cent.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Aug. 22.—General Bushnell ordered an advance of 10 per cent in the wages of common laborers in the Lagonda shops. About 400 men are affected.

Haydens sell 25 different high grade pianos.

MAD WORK OF CHINESE MOBS

State Department and Chinese Legation Know Nothing of the Occurrence.

ANOTHER AMERICAN MISSION DESTROYED

Celestial Fanatics Wreck a Chapel and School, Seriously Wounding Native Pupils—United States Officers Visit the Scene.

HONGKONG, Aug. 22.—Another outrage has been committed near Foo-Chow. The American mission has been attacked by a large and infuriated mob, armed with various weapons. The chapel and school were wrecked and four native scholars were fatally wounded, while the foreign teacher escaped. There is a strong anti-foreign feeling in Foo-Chow, which is spreading among the populace, which is parading with cries of "Drive Out the Foreign Devils."

LONDON, Aug. 22.—A dispatch to the Times from Hong Kong confirms the dispatch announcing the attack upon the American mission near Foo Chow and the dangerous state of the populace of that city.

According to the Times the American school was situated just outside of the west gate of Foo Chow. The dispatch adds: "The situation at Ku Cheng is unchanged. Captain John S. Newell of the United States cruiser Detroit and Dr. Hart have gone there from Foo Chow. More anti-foreign placards and pamphlets are being distributed at Canton."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The Chinese legation here had not been apprised of the latest attack upon American missions by the Chinese fanatics near Foo Chow until shown the Associated press dispatch bringing the news. The minister expressed regret at the occurrence through his interpreter.

It is freely admitted at the legation that in the present state of feeling in China, growing out of the ignorance and prejudice of the natives, especially because of the recent war, all foreigners in the interior of China are in more or less danger. The hope is expressed that the missionaries will recognize this state of things and will seek the treaty ports until the excitement subsides and normal conditions are restored.

The utmost confidence is expressed of the intention of the Chinese imperial government to protect the Christian missions as far as possible, and the last edict from the emperor issued within the past ten days is quoted as evidence of this intention. A quite full synopsis of this document has been received by cable. It is entirely in the interest of the Christians and is directed especially to the high Chinese officials. They are asked to see that the lives and property of all Christians, both foreign and native, are protected at all times. The edict also commands the lower officials and the people generally to observe this behest, and closes by saying any violation of the order will be severely punished.

Confidence is also expressed in the thoroughness of the investigation into the recent riots and it is believed that as soon as the imperial will can be made known the American and English consuls will be admitted to the hearings.

Officials of the State department said that it was probable the riot was one which was reported to the State department several days ago as occurring at Yung Fu, a place not far from Foo Chow, the facts in the case corresponding so closely to the report of the Yung Fu affair that it is believed the same report, having reached Hong Kong, was cabled as a new outrage. Minister Denby was informed of the Yung Fu affair, and this will be investigated by the commission which has gone to Ku Cheng.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—At the headquarters of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions, Dr. A. B. Leonard said today that no news had been received there in regard to the reported massacre of missionaries near Foo Chow. Dr. Leonard said that Dr. George B. Smythe, who represents the Methodist missions in that part of the country, had been instructed two weeks ago to communicate with the home office as soon as anything serious happened. As Dr. Symthe has not been heard from Dr. Leonard entertains but little anxiety regarding the missionaries in China.

At the office of the Presbyterian and Baptist foreign missionary societies it was stated that there was but little property belonging to these sects in the territory where the massacre is said to have occurred.

Balfour Favors Bimetallism.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—In the House of Commons the first lord of the treasury, Hon. A. J. Balfour, replying to Sir John Long, liberal, member for Dundee, who asked whether he would advise the government to invite a national monetary conference, said: "I am always and have been in favor of an international agreement, but I have not the right to pledge my colleagues and I do not believe that an international agreement would result from an international conference."

Chinese Soldiers in Revolt.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—A special dispatch received here from Shanghai says that the Chinese soldiers stationed at Tien Tsin revolted yesterday and assembled outside the gates of Li Hung Chang's yamen, clamoring for their arrears of pay. Later they attacked a number of shops in the city and killed over 100 persons.

Cholera's Fearful Ravages.

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 22.—Since the outbreak of cholera in Japan there have been 25,000 cases of that disease and 16,000 deaths. Viscount Miura has been gazetted Japanese minister to Corea. General Takasima has been gazetted vice governor of the island of Formosa and commander of the Japanese army there.

Died on the Ocean Voyage.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 22.—George Wilkinson, 40 years of age, a merchant of Kingston, Ont., died of delirium tremens on board the White Star steamship Britannia, which just arrived here from New York. His body was landed here.

Minister Mackenzie Returns Home.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—Among the passengers who arrived this morning by steamer City of Paris from Colon was Hon. A. J. Mackenzie, United States minister to Peru.

Fresh Troops for Cuba.

MADRID, Aug. 22.—Twenty-five thousand fresh troops will embark for Cuba in November.

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