COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Smoke "George's Own." Klein, 112 B-way.

Shriver, dentist, moved to 216 Merriam blk.

Prof. J. H. Simms left for Europe Sunday evening.

Berry boxes, baskets, bee supplies, Younkerman.

Mrs. A. J. Topping will leave for Los Angeles tomorrow.

For rent, three rooms furnished for housekeeping. Apply at 725 Mynster st.

Patronize the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. Tel. 157. Three wagons.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holst are among the Christian Endeavorers who will leave for the coast today.

The Loyal Temperance army will meet at 8 o'clock this evening at the home of Mrs. Essency, 351 Scott street.

Fremont Benjamin has arranged to open an office in this city. He has been located in Avoca for many years.

The appointment of non-commissioned officers in the Dodge Light Guards will take place at the armory this evening.

Mrs. J. E. Hollenbeck will chaperone a small party of girls and boys to Wood lake this week. They will camp out for several days and enjoy a pleasant outing.

A party was given Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Finley, on South Fifth street, in honor of the birthdays of Mrs. F. W. Hall and Frank E. Clark.

F. H. Evans and J. J. Shea returned from Chicago yesterday, looking after matters connected with the $26,000 damage suit that Mr. Evans is prosecuting against Josiah Danforth.

J. C. Jensen filed an intermation in Justice Burke's court yesterday, charging a neighbor named Alby with threatening to kill him. Alby was taken into custody last evening.

Mrs. Anna Sanderson was called before the commissioners for the insane yesterday for examination. Her condition was such as to make it advisable to send her to St. Bernard's hospital for care and treatment.

Henry Rishton and daughter, Lydia, leave today for Los Angeles. They will be gone at least a year, and perhaps permanently, if Mr. Rishton's health continues to improve under the influence of the California climate.

The members of the Apollo club will start for Spirit Lake today. A number of the young men will go on their wheels. A wagon will be driven through, carrying their camp equipment for their summer's outing at the lake.

The Manawa railway company has made arrangements to run a free bus line on Broadway for the accommodation of the people who desire to go to the lake and do not want to walk or take the street cars to the Ninth street depot.

The Retail Butcher's Protective association has about completed all the arrangements for the annual Fourth of July picnic. The event will be pulled of at the Driving park. Entries for the contests of strength and skill will close on July 2.

Alderman Atkins and Mrs. Atkins will leave today for Spirit lake, where they will spend the heated term in their comfortable cottage on the lakeshore and cruising about the twin lakes in their naphtha launch, that is the pride of Alderman Atkins' heart as well as the creation of his hands.

William Carter and William Carnahan, arrested upon warrants from Creston charging them with beating a board bill, spent Sunday in the county jail, but avoided going to Creston with the Union county sheriff by raising the amount of delinquent bills and the accrued costs.

Denny Lemon is spending his vacation with his parents at the Christian home. He is a student in the Chicago university, preparing himself for the ministry in the Baptist church. On Saturday evening his sister, Miss Ethel, arranged for a pleasant little party of young people to celebrate his return home.

Judge Smith, Judge Macy, Judge Thornell and Judge Green, the four judges on the district bench, will hold a conference in Judge Smith's office on Friday for the purpose of arranging the terms of court for the next two years. The district judges meet biennially for this purpose, arrange the dates of the terms and agree upon the assignments to the bench in the various counties of the district.

Charles F. Chase, late postmaster at Atlantic and a democratic newspaper man of wide experience, assumed the management of the Evening Globe yesterday, and in a double-leaded leader announces that he will make it an ultra democratic sheet, supporting the fusion ticket nominated at Des Moines and anything else the party in the state or nation may do. John P. Weaver still retains a majority of the stock.

If the plans of members of the Council Bluffs' Gun club are carried out a tournament will be held here in September, which will call to the city some of the crack shots of the country. It is proposed to raise by popular subscription a fund of not less than $1,000 and hold a three days' tournament of at least eight events a day. All prizes are to be cash, but side prizes are expected to be donated by prominent firms interested in firearms. If the plans are carried out no less than 200 marksmen will take part in the contests.

The retail shoe clerks are out in a hot crusade in favor of an early closing movement that will give them a chance to get out of their stores during the hot summer evenings. A majority of the shoe dealers have signed the agreement to close at 6:30, and it is probable that the movement will be successful. The clerks claim that there is not sufficient business to justify the proprietors keeping their stores open in the evening while the weather is so hot, and that they are denied all the usual social privileges and the opportunity to enjoy the hot evenings at Lake Manawa.

A large number of people who have arranged to take advantage of the cheap western railway rates began to arrive in the city yesterday, and last evening all of the hotels were filled. From the small towns immediately around Council Bluffs it is estimated that at least 300 people will take advantage of the cheap rates. The majority of them have found it necessary to come to the city to do some shopping and complete their final arrangements for the trips. The great army from the east will arrive today, and the hotel accommodations will be still further taxed. The dining car service on the Northwestern and Rock Island roads has been exhausted and the local hotels will be called upon to feed the excursionists while they are in the city. Fifty Council Bluffs people applied to the Rock Island yesterday for transportation to various western points.

Sam Douglas, who has managed to be in some kind of trouble every minute of the time since he was brought to the city last fall, and held as a witness in a federal court case, was locked up again last night. He spent the night in the city jail nursing a badly bruised head. Douglas has been living with his father-in-law, Mowery, in the vicinity of North Ninth street and Avenue I, since he got out of the county jail, following his failure to organize a holdup of the Milwaukee express train, and yesterday afternoon he became involved in a serious altercation with John Mowery, his brother-in-law. He attempted to assault Mowery, but the young man was too much for him. He was not only able to successfully defend himself, but he succeeded in administering such a thrashing to Douglas that a physician had to be called to the city jail and sew up the cuts in the man's head.

C. B. Viavi company, female remedy. Medical consultation free Wednesday. Health book furnished. 326-327-328 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marairge licenses were issued yesterday:

Name and residence.	Age.
Edward Hobbs, Weston	26
Ella Grabill, Weston	24
Ora Taylor, Knoxville, Ia	26
Ola Newman, Colorado Springs	22

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

COMPROMISE INSTEAD OF FIGHT

Hardin and the Supervisors Will Settle Their Case Amicably.

ASSESSOR'S BOOKS TO BE TURNED OVER

Value of the Work Performed Admitted and the Necessity of Paying for it Made Apparent to All.

On next Thursday Judge Smith will hear the arguments in the mandamus case, wherein the county attorney sued out the writ upon instructions of the Board of County Supervisors to compel Assessor W. D. Hardin to surrender to the county auditor the assessment books. It has been expected that a hard fight would be made before Judge Smith by the attorneys for both sides, but the probability is now that there will be no occasion for heated arguments and that the case will be amicably settled. Meantime the books are safe in the custody of neither side, but they are where thieves can't break through and steal them and where the moths won't molest them.

Hardin's statement of his side of the case as made in a recent issue of The Bee has cleared away a good deal of prejudice that was working up against him, and now a majority of the members of the board as well as a majority of the citizens familiar with the matter are satisfied that as an expert workman Hardin is worthy of his hire, and a reasonable bill for his services should be allowed. The fact that his books have been presented in such a uniformly correct condition that errors have been so rare that the cost of correction has been worth figuring militates largely in his favor in forcing a compromise. The only time in twelve years that a smaller bill than Hardin's has been returned by an assessor was about eight years ago, when the reduction amounted to several hundred dollars. The assessment on that occasion was so full of errors that it cost several thousand dollars to correct it and no end of vexatious trouble.

There has been no forecast of the character of the compromise, but it is admitted to be probable that both sides will recede from the positions originally taken.

We want all the good farm loans we can get; 6 per cent interest and a small commission. No delay for the money. We want your fire and tornado insurance on farm, town or city property. Best of companies represented. Lougee & Lougee, 235 Pearl street.

Merchants' Association Banquet.

The Merchants' and Manufacturers' association will give its first banquet of the season at the Grand hotel this evening. The regular meeting of the association will be held at the same time, but no official business will be transacted. The members will devote their energies to the banquet and the entertainment of their friends and guests. The guests will be the Iowa commissioners of the Transmississippi Exposition, President Wattles and a number of the members of the board of directors. Covers will be laid for 100 guests, but owing to the hot weather it is scarcely probable that number will be present. Secretary Judson and the members of the executive committee who have the matter in charge are doing all that can be done to insure the banquet being one of the most pleasant and profitable that has yet been given by the association. And they also believe that it will be productive of considerable good in awakening state and local interest in the Exposition. There will be numerous toasts proposed and responded to but no long speeches, and positively no attempts at oratory.

Linseed oil is advancing. We are stocked and intend to give our patrons the benefit. We would advise our customers to buy at once and save from 15 to 20 per cent on their paint bill. Out-of-town people will do well by writing us for prices on paints or glass. Davis' Drug, Paint and Glass House.

Want an Owner for a Bicycle.

A Columbia bicycle, Model 40, No. 2760, is being held at the police station for its owner. The police are satisfied the wheel has been stolen. Officer Murphy recovered it yesterday six miles in the country, where it was temporarily stored in a farmer's barn. The wheel was taken out of Mosquito creek on Sunday by a young man who has succeeded in inventing so many different stories of how he came to find it there that suspicion strongly points to him as the thief. None of his stories agree, but the facts so near as the officers can obtain them are that he invited a couple of countrymen to go swimming with him in Mosquito creek on Sunday, and instead of going into the water at the usual place, disappeared under some willows before his companions had gotten into the stream and fished out the wheel. It had lain in the water sufficiently long to permit the glue to be softened and the built-up rims went to pieces, otherwise the wheel was uninjured. The young man was not taken into custody.

Cherry Sisters Warmly Received.

The Cherry Sisters began a week's engagement at the Dohany last night. The temperature of the atmosphere in the theater was intensely hot, but it was cool in comparison with the torridity of the reception that was accorded the sisters. There was no lack of applause at any stage of the proceedings, but at the conclusion of the "Gypsy's Warning," the orchestra chairs were loosened. Three police officers were on duty in the back part of the house last night.

Cane seat rockers, 95c, this week, at Durfee Furniture Co., 205 and 207 Broadway.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were reported yesterday from the title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

John N. Waller and wife to Lydia Sanford, lot 7, block 14, Potter & Cobb's add., w. d.	$ 861
John E. Thompson and wife to W. L. Roberts, und. ½ n 24 acres sw¼ ne¼ and se¼ nw¼ 1-74-38, w. d.	525
Elizabeth Brooker to J. H. Henry, w½ 21-76-38, q. c. d.	1
Heirs of James Lewis to W. Taylor Lewis, lot 14, block 1, Carson, q. c. d.	1
Four transfers, total	$1,388

Attention, Picnic Parties.

Special excursions to Manawa daily, except Sunday, at 2 o'clock. Round trip tickets 10 cents.

BIG ANTLERS FOR THE EMPEROR.

Largest Pair in the World to Be Sent to Germany's Ruler.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., June 28.—Emperor William of Germany is soon to receive the largest pair of elk horns in the world, as a gift from Hans Leiden, the German consul and the director of the zoological garden of Cologne. They have been prepared and mounted by Prof. Gus Stalnsky of this city, and are now on their way to Berlin, where they will be formally presented to the emperor, to be placed by him in his hunting room, or celebration hall. These monster antlers measure twelve feet from tip of beam to tip of beam across the skull, and have a spread of sixty-two inches. They have a beam length of sixty-seven and sixty-seven and one-half inches respectively, and the longest prongs are from twenty-two to twenty-three and one-half inches in length. There are twelve prongs in all, and including the beams they have a total length of nearly thirty feet. The largest elk horns known to exist prior to the discovery of these are in the English museum in London. The elk on which the horns grew that are to be presented to Emperor William was killed in the White river country in western Colorado, by an old French hunter named Monjean.

No General Strike of Miners.

PITTSBURG, Pa., June 28.—There will be no general strike of miners in the near future, notwithstanding the determined efforts of some of the leaders to bring about a general suspension.

RUSH FOR SAN FRANCISCO BEGINS.

Pennsylvania Contingent Starts to Endeavor Convention.

PHILADELPHIA, June 28.—The first section of the Christian Endeavor delegation to the international convention at San Francisco left this morning over the Lehigh Valley railroad. They will reach Chicago tomorrow. Another section will leave Pittsburg by the Pennsylvania railroad this evening with the delegates from the southern and western parts of the state. These two sections will meet at Chicago. The train which left here this morning is known as the "official train," it having on board all the state endeavor officers. Another train will leave here on Wednesday over the Lehigh Valley railroad. In all there will be about 800 delegates from Pennsylvania to the convention. With the exception of the week from July 7 to 12 at the San Francisco convention, an entire month will be spent by the Pennsylvanians in sight-seeing. The same Pullman cars will be used by the respective parties throughout the trip. The excursion is divided in sections which will go over the same route from Chicago a day or two apart so as not to crowd the places of interest which will be visited.

BIG FACTORIES CLOSING DOWN.

Annual Vacation for Readjusting the Wage Schedule.

ANDERSON, Ind., June 28.—The National Tinplate company today posted notice of a shutdown on Thursday morning, as per contract, for the readjustment of the wage scale. At the same time all the union tinplate factories in the country will close. The conferences of manufacturers and workmen wage committees will begin probably next Saturday.

The union window glass factories are preparing to close down on Wednesday of this week for a readjustment of the wage schedule. On account of the factional fight between the blowers and gatherers on one side and the cutters and flatteners on the other side, delay in settlement is anticipated. Among the union flint bottle manufacturers there will be no shutdown as usual, the information being given out today that the union men will sacrifice their vacation in order to fight the nonunion plants, which will not close.

The window glass shutdown will cause 15,000 men to lie idle, while the tinplate closing lays off about 12,000 men.

CONVICTS KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Twenty Others Escape in the Panic Which Ensued.

CHICAGO, June 28.—A Daily News special from Dakota, Ga., says: During a terrific thunder storm lightning struck a convict camp near here last night and as a result four convicts are dead, ten are dying and twenty escaped during the panic which ensued. The camp is at the lumber mills of Greer Brothers and about 150 prisoners from the state penitentiary were at work there. Last night during supper the storm came up and struck the dining shack, demolishing it. Two of the convicts, negroes, were instantly killed; two others, white, died from their injuries a few minutes afterward, and ten were shocked so badly they are dying.

About twenty of the prisoners, seeing their opportunity, dashed past the guards, who were panic-stricken, and made their escape. Bloodhounds were put on their tracks, but owing to the heavy rain the trail had been well covered. Twenty-two of them had been in the hospital tent for a few days and were too weak to get away. The wildest excitement reigns and hundreds of people are out in pursuit.

SEE YUPS RECEIVE GOOD NEWS.

Relatives in China Released from Prison and Property Restored.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—The leaders of the See Yup society are jubilant over the news received from China, announcing the release of their seventeen relatives who were imprisoned some months ago on account of the differences between the See Yup and Sam Yup societies. Not alone were they restored to liberty, but their property, which was confiscated, has been returned to them. Further than this the Chinese government has ordered that all officials who were concerned in the affair be summarily dealt with. The See Yups have the new Chinese minister to thank for this reversal of the action of his predecessor, who decided that they were highbinders and members of a seditious organization. Not being able to apply the laws of this country to the case, punishment was meted out to the relatives of the leaders of the organization who were in China. As some of these were born in California, international complications were threatened.

YALE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Japanese Student Delivers One of the Orations.

NEW HAVEN, June 28.—The academic seniors held their class exercises today, the program being the principal feature of the week at the university. The class formed in line on the campus at 10:30, marched in a body to Battel chapel, where the presentation exercises were delivered. The class oration with valedictory was given by Charles Heitler Studinski of Pueblo, Colo. His subject was "College and Character." Beginning at 1 o'clock the commencement exercises of the law department of the university took place. An alumni meeting was held at 1 o'clock followed by the annual alumni dinner. The oration to the class was delivered by Associate Justice Harlan of the United States supreme court on "George Mason and the Virginia Bill of Rights." A doctor's oration by Tichi Masoos of Japan concluded the program.

SERIOUS BLUNDER OF A MARSHAL.

Mistakes an Innocent Man for a Burglar.

CLEVELAND, June 28.—A most extraordinary shooting affray occurred in Lakewood this morning. For some time past Mrs. Mary Obermiller has been troubled with burglars. Two of her neighbors, Edward Ratcliffe and William Beneke, suggested to her that she blow a tin horn when the burglars came again. She blew the horn this morning. Ratcliffe and Beneke jumped out of bed and started for the house. Mrs. Obermiller was very much excited and shot off a revolver. Ratcliffe and Beneke also shot off theirs and made such a racket that they awakened the town marshal, who came running to the scene and emptied the contents of a shotgun into Ratcliffe. The burglars existed merely in the imagination of Mrs. Obermiller. Thirteen buckshot were extracted from Ratcliffe's thighs. He will live.

YOUNG WOMAN SHOT BY A BURGLAR.

Bloodhounds Put on the Trail of the Culprit.

ST. LOUIS, June 28.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Redbud, Ill., says: Miss Lillian Blais, aged 21, a highly respected young woman of this city, had a terrible experience at 2:30 a. m. with a burglar. She was awakened by a man with a beard or mask, who, after searching her father's clothes, which were in another room, approached Miss Blais and made an indecent proposition to her, threatening to kill her if she made an outcry. Miss Blais was so terrified that she screamed loudly. The robber then thrust a pistol to her breast and fired, the ball taking effect just above the heart. The burglar escaped. Miss Blais is not expected to recover. Bloodhounds were put on the trail and there will be a lynching if the culprit is captured. Several minor robberies are also reported.

FAIL TO IDENTIFY THE BODY.

May Be a Witness in the Mafia Murder Cases.

NEW YORK, June 28.—There were six or more callers at the morgue today, people who thought it possible that they might be able to identify the two portions of a human body found, one in East river on Saturday and the other in the bushes on High bridge on Sunday. The only result was that it was established with a fair degree of certainty that the murdered man was not Max C. Heneck, who has been missing for several days. There is a bare possibility that the body may be that of an Italian named Adsoro, an important witness in one of the Mafia murders of last March.

MR. BOIES IS PESSIMISTIC

Thinks Democracy Cannot Win on a Free Silver Platform.

MUST WIN THE BATTLE OR ALL IS LOST

Ex-Governor of Iowa Issues a Swan Song Address to the Voters of the United States.

WATERLOO, Ia., June 28.—"For one, I do not believe it possible to succeed upon a platform that demands the unqualified free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 with gold. We have fought that battle and it is lost. We can never fight it over under circumstances more favorable to ourselves, if we hope to succeed, we much abandon this extreme demand."

In three words Horace Boies, former governor of Iowa, and erstwhile democratic presidential aspirant, addresses the voters of the United States who demand the free coinage of silver. He does it through the medium of a letter to Colonel D. M. Fox of Des Moines.

"The friends of silver, although once defeated, are not yet demoralized. This will not be true after a second defeat," he warningly says. "In our next great battle we must win or our cause is lost."

Although Mr. Boies has in private frequently expressed hostility to the 16 to 1 plank platform, this is the first authoritative declaration from him to that effect. In publicly declaring it to be a dead issue, he gives at length his reasons for asserting it to be such. He says the voters buried it under the belief that it meant silver monometallism, pure and simple, which would increase instead of diminish misfortunes attributed to the single gold standard.

"It matters not," he says, "how we convince the people the gold standard is wrong unless we convince them that what we offer in its place is better instead of worse." By the adoption of the 16 to 1 plank he declares the delegates to the Chicago convention forced the silver forces to assume the defensive for their new creed.

TALK OF A CORN PALACE THIS YEAR

Sioux City Business Men Plan to Revive the Festival.

SIOUX CITY, June 28.—(Special.)—Sioux City's most famous institution in the days of her greatest pride and highest prosperity, the corn palace, bids fair to be revived this year. The subject has been informally discussed by the business men and the common verdict is that the corn palace is the thing. The local general agents of the railroads entering here have held a formal meeting and pledged their best efforts to make a corn palace a success if it be properly taken hold of. The building of a corn palace was strongly agitated for a time last year, but poor paving, the presidential campaign and the uncertain future were obstacles which resulted in the idea being dropped temporarily. By this fall all of Sioux City's principal streets will be well paved, and the merchants feel that business is gradually improving and are anxious to do something to help prosperity along in Sioux City. It is probable that a meeting, at which the matter will be definitely decided, will be held in the near future.

Grain Dealers Meet at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, June 28.—The delegates to the national grain dealers' convention, which meets here tomorrow, began to arrive today. About forty are already in the city. The morning session tomorrow includes the usual opening exercises, together with speeches of welcome by the mayor of Des Moines and Mr. T. Russell for the local grain dealers. Preparations have been made on an extensive scale. Governor Drake will speak to the delegates some time tomorrow or on Wednesday. The badge consists of an imitation of an ear of corn.

Five Boys Confess to Burglary.

JEFFERSON, Ia., June 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Five boys, some of them of good families, were arrested today for burglary. On trial they confessed to breaking into a church and several residences during the past few weeks. Three were sent to the reform school and the other two await the action of the grand jury. The jail is overflowing.

Blames His Mother-in-Law.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia. June 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Frank Liddle, a railroad man out of work, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself in his room in a hotel. He left a letter, saying his mother-in-law was to blame, but his wife says he has been insane for some time.

APPROVES THE BELGIAN CONTRACT.

Chinese Emperor Closes the Deal for Railroad Extension.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—Advices received by the steamer Gaelic state that the Chinese emperor has sanctioned the arrangement between the Sheng and the Belgium syndicate for the building of the Hankow Peking railway.

An imitator of "Jack the Ripper" has slain several young women recently in Tokio. The murders, which were four in number, all occurred the first part of May, and so great was the excitement in Tokio that what might be called a wave of suicidal hysteria set in, and several young women killed themselves out of sheer fear of the murderer. The women slain by the Japanese murderer were in every case of good character, and all of them belonged to the better class. The murderer has not yet been caught.

News for the Army.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Captain William A. Mann, Seventeenth infantry, and Lieutenant William H. Osborne, First cavalry, have been detailed to attend the encampment of the Missouri National Guard July 4 to August 22.

Lieutenants William P. Pence, Fifth artillery, and Joseph Wheeler, jr., Fourth artillery, have been detailed for duty at West Point.

Captain Andrew H. Russell, ordnance department, has been relieved from duty at Rock Island and ordered to St. Paul for duty at the works of the American Hoist and Derrick company.

Major William S. Stanton, engineer corps, is ordered to perform the duties of inspector of the Tenth light house district in addition to his present duties in charge of the public works at Oswego, N. Y., relieving Colonel Jared A. Smith, engineer corps.

Lieutenant Alexander M. Davis, Eighth cavalry, is detailed for duty as professor of military science and tactics, Vincennes university, Vincennes, Ind., to take effect October 11.

The following assignments of officers recently promoted are announced: Major James Chester to Third artillery; Captain John D. C. Hoskins to Third artillery, battery A; Lieutenant Archibald Campbell to Third artillery, battery B; Additional Second Lieutenant James W. Hinkley, jr., to Third artillery, light battery C.

Major David H. Kinzie, Third artillery, has been relieved from duty at Fort Canby, Wash., and ordered to report to the commanding general, Department of California for assignment to station.

Leaves of absence: Lieutenant Sydney A. Cloman, Fifteenth infantry, extended fifteen days; Post Chaplain Orville J. Nave, extended three months; Captain Cyrus S. Roberts, Seventeenth infantry, extended one month.

Mrs. Wright Will Not Prosecute.

SAVANNAH, Ga., June 28.—Mrs. Huntington Wright has withdrawn the warrant against Miss Maud Hayward for assault and battery, growing out of recent religious discussions. Mrs. Wright wrote her lawyer that delicate health and the ordeal of a public trial impelled her to take that course.

House Meets and Adjourns.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—The house was in session today only long enough to call the roll on a motion to adjourn.

BUILT BY FRANKLIN.

Working a Printing Press Constructed by "Poor Richard."

"I once worked a printing press that was built and operated for a long time while by Ben Franklin," said Colonel Charles Gonter to the St. Louis Republic. "The machine was quite a primitive affair, but it answered the purpose. I was then a boy in Lancaster, Penn., and was learning the printer's trade in the office of the Lancaster Union. John W. Forney, now one of the most influential editors in the United States, and who has made such a success of the Philadelphia Press, was 'prentice with me, and we took turns working the old Franklin press. It was made entirely of wood except for a marble slab that answered the purpose of a bed. On this slab the forms of type would have to be inked with a long, clumsy roller before each impression.

"One day Forney would wield the roller and the next day it fell my turn to smear on the ink. We could print about fifty or seventy-five sheets an hour. The work was laborious, but we performed it cheerfully because of the knowledge that Ben Franklin had done the very same work on the press many a day before we were born. James Buchanan used to come in occasionally and encourage us at our task and predict a brilliant career for both of us if we stuck to the trade we were then learning.

"This was way back in 1841, and I'm a young man yet. I hope Forney is no older than I am. The events that are crowded in between the years 1841 and 1897 contain the history in the building of one of the most powerful nations the world has ever known, and the processions of men that have passed in review since then call for the pen of another Plutarch to portray. And that cramped, rickety little Franklin press that John W. Forney and I used to work played a big part in the making of the nation and the making of the processions of men. Still I am not old."

NEW AIDS FOR FIREMEN.

Aluminum Helmets and Smoke Masks Used Successfully in New York.

A fire which did $5,000 damage Friday evening furnished the occasion for bringing out several novelties in appliances for fire fighting, relates the New York World. The fire began in a room on the fourth floor, occupied by A. Garfengle, a dealer in ostrich feathers. The flames spread to the two upper floors.

Chief Bonner and two of his deputies, who were at the fire, wore for the first time the new aluminum helmets just adopted by the fire department. The chief said that the new helmet presented many advantages over the old ones of leather, in that they are much lighter in weight. The old style often became so heavy when soaked with water that it weighed many times more than when dry, and on such occasions the leather would stretch and the helmet would drop down on the wearer's ears.

Another innovation made use of for the first time was worn by the firemen who handled the hose pipes nearest the scene of the fire. This new departure is in the shape of a smoke mask, and is for the purpose of keeping the blinding smoke from the eyes of the firemen while fighting a blaze at close range.

The masks are made of leather, with a place at the mouth for two wet sponges, to assist the wearer in breathing, and with pieces of mica in the eyeholes.

Chief Bonner also carried his new electric lantern which he procured a short time ago. The patent for these lanterns is owned by one of the fire chiefs, who hopes to have it brought into general use.

FRIGHT UNBALANCES HER MIND.

Suicide Directly Chargeable to Last Summer's Cyclone.

ST. LOUIS, June 28.—Minnie Rose, aged 20, the only daughter of Louis Rose of the C. & L. Rose Curing and Cold Storage company, whose mind was unbalanced by the great tornado of May 27, 1896, committed suicide by taking a dose of paris green. The home of the Rose family was right in the way of the tornado and was wrecked by it. The fright and terrible ordeal through which Miss Rose passed developed a hysterical mania which after the first attack never deserted her. Sunday morning, worked up into a frenzy as a result of the recent thunder storms, which had been frequent and terrific, she took a dose of paris green. She lingered until an early hour today when she died in terrible agony.

Fires of a Day.

PHILADELPHIA, June 29.—Fire broke out at 1:30 o'clock this morning in the large five-story building north of Montgomery avenue and between Fourth and Fifth streets, occupied by several manufacturers. The loss will aggregate $150,000. The principal losers are the Pennsylvania Gas Fixture company, the Matred Mills company, manufacturers of upholster; J. M. Shwarz, manufacturer of upholster hair cloth, and John Yankee, carriage manufacturer. The three upper floors are completely gutted and the contents of the lower floors practically ruined by water.

A Severe Standard.

Washington Star: "I hope," said Senator Sorghum's friend, "that congress will hurry along and establish the tariff as speedily as possible."

"I hope so, too," replied Senator Sorghum fervently. "And I see no reason in the world why we shouldn't."

"You do not approve of dilatory methods in the senate."

"Emphatically not. Anybody who didn't take advantage of his opportunities in the market while the sugar schedule was up doesn't deserve to have another chance this session."

Two Drowned While Boatriding.

KANSAS CITY, June 28.—A special to the Star from Newton, Kan., says: Jacob Riesen and Abraham Dick, two young men of this place, were capsized while boat riding at Classen's mills in the Little Arkansas river, seventeen miles northwest of Newton, yesterday, and were drowned. Both belonged to prominent German families.

Reed Will Not Attend.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Speaker Reed has decided in view of the proximity of the return of the tariff bill from the senate that he will be unable to attend the meeting of the republican clubs in Detroit, July 13, where it was expected he would make an address.

Despondent Over Ill Health.

CHICAGO, June 28.—Guy C. Ledyard, jr., manager of the American Starch company and son of Guy C. Ledyard, sr., a pioneer sugar broker of Chicago, shot himself through the heart today with a fowling piece. He died instantly. Ill health had caused him to be despondent.

Teller Pleads Guilty to Embezzlement.

ST. PAUL, June 28.—Charles R. Seschau, paying teller of the German American National bank arrested for stealing several thousand dollars from the bank, today pleaded guilty and will be sentenced tomorrow. The man Jackson, arrested as an accomplice, has been released.

Takes a Change of Venue.

HAZLETON, Pa., June 28.—John Brondt, indicted for murdering Vitaliana Tomasello, an Italian, but later released on a habeas corpus hearing, and whose trial was to have come up in court today, shot and killed himself this morning. The prospective trial preyed on his mind.

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REMINISCENCES OF WAR.

An Old Soldier Recalls His Experience with the Army Shoe.

"The first pair of shoes I had in the army," said the old soldier to the New York Sun man, "were two sizes too big for me. I wore sixes; my first army shoes were eights. I didn't take them from choice—I got the nearest I could to my size. We were being fitted out from head to foot for the first time, that was when we were mustered in, and the required number of pairs of shoes, of assorted sizes, had been delivered to each company. When I got at them they had been culled over so much that there was nothing left smaller than eights.

"I didn't think it would be possible for me to wear a shoe two sizes too big for me, but I tried a pair on. They were brogans, having flaps, with two eyelets on each side, lacing over the instep with leather shoestrings. They tied snugly, so that the heel and often part of the shoe, and the sole, did not shuck on the foot. The forward part of my foot felt as though it were outdoors; but I thought they might do; I had got to have a pair of shoes, and I took them.

"I wore those shoes for months, and with the greatest comfort. They were enormous, or they looked so to me. As soon as I began to wear them the thick leather of the uppers humped up into big, rounded ridges, with valleys between, across the top, giving to the top of the shoe a sort of fluted or corrugated effect. These corrugations always remained just the same as long as I wore the shoes. They were not what you would call a handsome shoe, but, as I said, they did not shuck around on my feet, and they were mighty comfortable.

"But it doesn't follow that after that I always got shoes two sizes too big for me; as a matter of fact, I didn't; but I always did get shoes plenty large for me; plenty, and found comfort in wearing them.

"Sometimes we used to draw boots; cavalry boots. And it was kind o' fun to get boots. I remember very well the first pair of boots I drew. I think I felt (perhaps in a little maturer sort o' way, though not much so, either) about as much pleased over that pair of boots as I did with my first red-tops when I was a boy. To get on a pair of cavalry boots sort of made a man feel a little bit less like a plodding infantryman, and a little more like a cavalryman; it gave him a sort of horse and saber touch. But this was only as he walked down the company street after drawing the boots from the quartermaster; the next day, on picket, the boots were about the same to him as shoes would have been.

"Still there were men who preferred boots and always drew boots when they could get them. But for myself I liked shoes better. A mounted man, of course, wants boots; but according to my notion the most comfortable thing for an infantry soldier to wear is a good, roomy shoe that can be made snug enough somewhere so that it won't shuck around on the foot."

Keane to Succeed Janssens.

NEW YORK, June 28.—The Journal and Advertiser says: Archbishop Keane, former rector of the Catholic university at Washington, is about to return to the United States. Letters received here say that he will relinquish his duties at the propaganda within a few days and then will go to France, arriving here about the last week in July. It is said that he is to be appointed archbishop of New Orleans to succeeded the venerable Archbishop Janssens, who died suddenly a week ago. Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Ireland favor the appointment of Archbishop Keane to the place.

Will Stay with His Congregation.

PITTSBURG, June 28.—Rev. D. F. McGill, D. D., pastor of the Sixth United Presbyterian church Allegheny, who was recently elected president of Mommouth college at Mommouth, Ill., has decided to decline the call and remain with his congregation.

Newspaper Reporter Killed.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., June 28.—The remains of Edward Clegg, a newspaper reporter, were found on the St. Paul & Duluth railroad near Mahtowah Sunday. He came recently from Chattanooga and his home is in Detroit.

Tube Mill Resumes.

READING, Pa., June 28.—After being idle for some weeks, the tube department and the sheet mill of the Reading Iron works resumed operations today. The former gives employment to over 200 hands, while 250 will be given work at the sheet mill.

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