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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 7 Cars, 317 Cattle; 74 Cars, 5,728 Hogs; 3 Cars, 505 Sheep.

ONLY A FEW CATTLE HERE

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NOTHING PRIME IS COMING

Butcher Prices Do Not Show as Much Decline as Noted in Steers—Texas cattle 15 to 25 Cents Lower—Stocks and Feeder Trade Fairly Supplied and Demand Limited—Hog Trade Finishes Week on Highest Level Since Last October—Nominal Conditions Prevailed in Sheep House.

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908. The following table shows the receipts from January 1, 1908, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1907.

	1908	1907
Cattle	255,706	303,678
Hogs	1,852,582	1,120,453
Sheep	819,014	479,914
Horses	12,523	15,920

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT. The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal western markets.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Chicago	2,000	17,000	4,000
Kansas City	1,000	8,000	500
South Omaha	800	7,600	1,200
St. Joseph	500	7,000	600
East St. Louis	1,800	6,500	400

RECEIPTS BY CARS. The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the stock yards:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
C. B. & Q., west	14	15	15
C. B. & Q., east	15	15	15
C. R. I. & P.	25	25	25
Great Western	10	10	10
Misouri Pacific	10	10	10
St. Joseph & Grand Island	6	6	6
A. T. & S. F.	13	13	13

CATTLE. Week Unfavorable to Selling Interest. Prices Sharply Lower.

The few cattle arriving today were not sufficient to create a regular market. Nor did outside prices have enough to establish a market reaction, the five points combined having but 6,000. After four days of declining prices and no certainty of getting any considerable supply to market before the middle of next week, the few cattle offered today were soon taken at steady to firm prices on a basis of these declines. Offerings included a few loads of just fairly good steers, the best of which sold at \$5.53 and were full strong at the prices for the quality. Other steers sold in a range of \$4.00 to \$5.25 for inferior to fair light killers and \$5.00 to \$5.25 for fair light to medium weights.

For the week the market has been in unsatisfactory condition and all prices are lower. The receipts at the local point have fallen off about 2,500, but at five markets there has been an increase of 22,000 over last week, the five point total having been 127,000. Another factor, however, than the increased receipts has been largely responsible for the unfavorable turn in prices. In eastern consuming centers hostility against the high prices for beef broke out into open street demonstrations. This resulted, not only in curtailment of demand for dressed beef, but shut-off orders for cattle were received at western markets and reliable improvement can hardly be looked for until the condition changes. It is not likely, however, that this can last long as consumers soon forget when they are employed and some improvement in industrial centers is noted in an increased call for labor.

The decline in steer prices has been fully \$5.00 cents on bulk of offerings with perhaps more than this on some grades of medium priced native steers. The best cattle here for the week sold at \$7.50, although prime kinds would sell considerably higher. Not many sales have been effected above \$7.00 and the bulk of business has been done within a range of \$5.75 to \$6.50 with common to fair light killers going at \$4.00 to \$5.50.

DRESSED BEEF AND SHIPPING STEERS. 42, 1164, 5 35 29, 1164, 5 25 COWS, BULLS AND MIXED. Trade in this branch of the market today was of small extent. Receipts were light and business was of a nominal character. Demand was not active, but the few lots of cows and heifers available sold at unchanged prices. No change was shown in the market for bulls and calves. Under light receipts the market for cows and heifers early part of the week displayed considerable life and values gained some strength. Wednesday, however, the market displayed weakness and the trend of prices balance of the week has been downward. Closing prices today on fairly good to heavy cows and calves: The bulk yesterday sold at \$5.95 to \$6.15, a week ago at \$5.85 to \$6.05, two years ago at \$5.37 to \$5.57, three years ago at \$5.12 to \$5.32, four years ago at \$5.12 to \$5.32.

Most of the heifers arriving were grangers, selling in a range of \$3.50 to \$4.75. A spread of \$3.40 to \$4.25 took bulk of the fair to good grass cows, while good to choice grades sold up to \$5.00. Canners and cutters sold largely at \$2.00 to \$2.75. The bull market has had a very weak undertone all week and values at the close are 10 to 20c lower than a week ago. A few good, fat bulls sold at \$4.00 to \$4.75, but a range of \$3.25 to \$3.75 bought most of the bolognas and commoner butcher grades.

The calf market got a severe jolt this week, values declining a full dollar. Early in the week good light veals sold up to \$6.00, but \$5.00 was outside quotation at the close. Receipts have been heavy, a big showing of southwestern calves being noted.

Heifers. 1..... 630.5 30 2..... 410.3 25 4..... 780.3 30

Cows. 1..... 1040.4 25 2..... 1165.3 50 1..... 1200.4 75 2..... 1050.2 25 7..... 1071.3 65 1..... 969.3 60 11..... 1081.3 50 1..... 970.2 40

Bulls and Steers. 1..... 1500.3 75 1..... 1500.3 50 1..... 1700.3 75 1..... 1500.3 35 1..... 1300.3 50

Veal Calves. 1..... 210.5 00 1..... 200.3 75 1..... 180.5 00 1..... 180.3 75 1..... 200.3 50 1..... 300.3 50

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS. Stocker and feeder trade this week has been very quiet. Both supply and demand have been light. Country inquiry is limited as farmers are busy with their farm work. For good quality stockers and feeders there has been little change in prices. Common to plain grades, however, which constitute bulk of receipts, are closing 10 to 15c lower and are slow sale. Speculators have had a fair supply of young cattle on hand all week and will carry over Saturday and Sunday a good many cattle. Good heavy feeders are very scarce and there is outlet for more than are arriving. Principal country inquiry is for good weighty feeders, although stockers, where quality is right, meet a pretty good reception. Bulk of the decent feeding cattle here this week sold at \$4.00 to \$4.75. One load of choice warmed-up feeders sold at \$5.25. Most of the light stockers sold at \$3.25 to \$4.00.

There continues a good demand for stock cows and heifers. The market held firm one first half of the week, but the close was weak. Sales ranged largely from \$2.75 to \$3.25.

Stockers and Feeders. 21..... 1139.4 75

Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers. 2..... 920.3 00 4..... 822.3 20 1..... 570.2 65 14..... 915.3 05 1..... 870.2 60

QUANTININE DIVISION. Only three loads of cattle arrived in quarantine division. These were not sufficient to create any change in market conditions. During the week there have been about 2,500 of these southern cattle here. In line with the general trade prices have been on a lower turn, although declines have not been as severe as on the native side, the killers preferring the rangers to native grassers of same or heavier weight. Sellers are off 15 to 25c and fullers 10 to 20c lower. Calves are down a full \$1.00 with best selling at \$5.00.

Sheep. Chism & Graham, Okla. 2, 805, 2 75 Chism & Graham, Okla. 2, 1055, 3 50 Chism & Graham, Okla. 12, 823, 3 00 Chism & Graham, Okla. 2, 1055, 2 50 Shipper, Okla. 2, 610, 2 40

Heifers. Chism & Graham, Okla. 11, 675, 3 00

Bulls. Chism & Graham, Okla. 1, 1230, 2 75

Packers Cattle Purchases. Swift and Company, 150 Nelson Morris Packing Co., 60 Total, 210

Packers' Purchases Yesterday. Swift and Company, 318 4 21 Hammond Packing Co., 392 1 235 276 Morris Packing Co., 398 2 773 Total, 1078 8 229 276

HOGS. Lively Turn in Prices. All of Week's Decline is Regained. For the fourth of July week the market for live pork closes on a lively turn in which more than the decline in prices of the middle days of the week has been regained. The day brought out but a light run at the local point; in fact, below a Friday's average was reported at all leading markets and with not much likelihood of a normally liberal supply before the middle day of next week, the packers were large buyers of hogs. Sellers had little trouble in advancing prices fully 15 to 20c over the average of yesterday and finishing the market on the highest level of the season and higher than it has been at any time since the middle days of last October. At this advance the supply was readily absorbed and long before noon the buyers were on the fence waiting for a chance at hogs that might come on in a delayed train. Quality was fairly good, though showing no material change from former days of the week.

About noon a train of fifteen cars got in and on later reports from outside points the packers lowered their hands and forced a decline of about 5 cents from high points at which bulk of the crop was moved.

Total receipts for the week at this point 37,400, against 48,570 last week, 45,115 a month ago, 39,969 a year ago, 34,308 two years ago, 29,174 three years ago and 37,838 four years ago.

Aggregate total at five points 392,900 against 374,200 last week, 376,000 a month ago, 271,500 a year ago, 272,000 two years ago, 225,100 three years ago and 264,100 four years ago.

Prices ranged from \$5.07 to \$6.30, with the bulk selling at \$5.14 to \$5.25. The bulk yesterday sold at \$5.95 to \$6.15, a week ago at \$5.85 to \$6.05, two years ago at \$5.37 to \$5.57, three years ago at \$5.12 to \$5.32, four years ago at \$5.12 to \$5.32.

Figs and Lights—100 lbs. and Under.

No.	Av.	Wh.	Pris.	No.	Av.	Wh.	Pris.
89	194	—	6 22 1/2	89	174	—	40 6 15
88	190	—	20 6 22 1/2	78	—	—	— 6 15
73	195	—	40 6 20	78	—	—	— 6 15
78	190	—	80 6 20	99	—	—	— 40 6 15
95	182	—	6 20	77	—	—	— 80 6 15
84	182	—	6 17 1/2	85	—	—	— 150 6 15
84	182	—	6 15	82	—	—	— 160 6 12 1/2
87	178	—	8 6 15	93	—	—	— 120 6 12 1/2
89	178	—	40 6 15	77	—	—	— 10 6 10
68	185	—	80 6 15	99	—	—	— 10 6 10
89	192	—	6 15	99	—	—	— 6 10
89	197	—	40 6 15	95	—	—	— 6 10
85	160	—	6 15	100	—	—	— 172 160 6 9 1/2

Heavy and Mixed—200 lbs. and Upward.

No.	Av.	Wh.	Pris.	No.	Av.	Wh.	Pris.
66	211	—	6 30	70	—	—	— 40 6 22 1/2
69	200	—	40 6 30	75	—	—	— 200 120 6 22 1/2
84	217	—	6 30	84	—	—	— 210 40 6 22 1/2
55	208	—	80 6 30	78	—	—	— 214 40 6 22 1/2
70	245	—	6 30	85	—	—	— 230 40 6 22 1/2
70	222	—	6 30	77	—	—	— 268 40 6 22 1/2
68	309	—	6 30	75	—	—	— 230 40 6 22 1/2
68	260	—	80 6 27 1/2	84	—	—	— 215 40 6 20
73	222	—	6 27 1/2	82	—	—	— 200 100 6 20
81	219	—	6 27 1/2	82	—	—	— 222 40 6 20
62	241	—	40 6 27 1/2	35	—	—	— 245 40 6 20
68	260	—	6 15	75	—	—	— 217 40 6 20
73	222	—	6 27 1/2	75	—	—	— 267 40 6 20
80	252	—	6 27 1/2	59	—	—	— 241 40 6 20
26	282	—	6 25	72	—	—	— 211 40 6 20
78	286	—	6 25	73	—	—	— 200 78 6 20
39	285	—	6 25	67	—	—	— 224 80 6 20
84	228	—	6 25	74	—	—	— 240 100 6 20
80	212	—	6 25	75	—	—	— 229 40 6 20
62	226	—	6 25	79	—	—	— 200 100 6 20
78	214	—	80 6 25	55	—	—	— 225 80 6 15
80	214	—	6 25	78	—	—	— 201 120 6 10
114	279	—	120 6 25	78	—	—	— 100 6 10

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, Board of Trade Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Options Opened High Low Close

WHEAT	July	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
July	85 1/2	87 1/2	86 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
Sept	87 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2	86 1/2	85 1/2

CORN. July 71 1/2, Sept 72 1/2, Oct 70 1/2, Nov 70 1/2, Dec 70 1/2.

OATS. July 47 1/2, Sept 48 1/2, Oct 47 1/2, Nov 47 1/2, Dec 47 1/2.

PORK. July 15.02, Sept 15.30, Oct 15.02, Nov 15.30, Dec 15.02.

LARD. July 9.32, Sept 9.35, Oct 9.32, Nov 9.35, Dec 9.32.

WETTEST JUNE IN KANSAS. Rainfall Last Month Was Twice the Average.

Lawrence, Kan., July 3.—The monthly weather report of Dr. F. H. Snow, says the month just closed had more than twice the average June rainfall, was the wettest June the state ever knew, and contributed almost eleven inches to make up the total of over twenty-four inches of rainfall during the first six months of the year 1908.

No day was so hot as yesterday, and the humidity was excessive throughout the month, and made the warm steam oppressive many times. It rained on twenty of the thirty days, and on fifteen of those days the precipitation was sufficient for measurement. No day was free from clouds, although one was entirely devoid of sunshine, being altogether cloudy. Only three days were less than one-third cloudy, while thirteen were half cloudy and fourteen more than two-thirds cloudy. There were six thunderstorms, the last one being the heaviest, with a total of 3.24 inches. The highest temperature was 85.5 degrees on the 20th, and again on the 22d and the 27th. The lowest was 54 on the 15th.

The wind item is interesting, for while the rainfall and cloudiness are far above average, the wind-run is much below, being but 512 miles for the month, or 324 miles below the average. This reduction in the amount of wind is noticeable in nearly all Snow reports, however, as the average is kept high by the remarkable long runs which the Kansas zephyrs used to make in the days when Kansas was sparsely settled by the white man.

It is a matter of record that Kansas now has very much less wind than formerly. The June hourly velocity averaged 11.82 miles last month. The barometer ranged from 29.273 inches to 28.507, but averaged low, at the 28.911 mar. The humidity averaged 77.98 per cent, and the highest was 100 per cent, on the 2d. There was one fog.

THE LOCAL MARKET. The following table indicates the round total of receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at five leading markets for the week ended today, together with aggregate totals and comparisons.

Chicago. Union Stock Yards, Ill., July 3.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 2,000. Market steady. Texas higher; cows firm; feeders steady. Hogs—Receipts, 17,000. Market 10 to 15c higher; top, \$6.70; bulk, \$6.35 to \$6.90. Sheep—Receipts, 4,900. Market steady to 15c higher.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 3.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 1,000. Market dull; steady; cows and heifers slow; stockers dull; calves weak.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,000. Market averaged 15 to 25c higher; top, \$6.30; bulk, \$6.04 to \$6.25. Sheep—Receipts, 500. Market 15 to 25c higher; lambs \$6.25.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., July 3.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 900. Market active, stronger.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,000. Market 1/2 dime higher; top, \$6.15; bulk, \$6.04 to \$6.10. Sheep—Receipts, 1,300. Market slow.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 3.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 1,800, including 1,000 Texas. Market steady to 10c higher; natives steady.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,500. Market 10 to 20c higher; top, \$6.05; bulk, \$6.04 to \$6.25. Sheep—Receipts, 600. Market weak.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET. Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 5 cars; corn, 7 cars; oats, 9 cars.

Wheat. No. 2 red..... 96 62 97 No. 3 red..... 94 62 96 No. 4 red..... 88 62 92 No. 2 hard..... 96 62 91

SKIPS AND CULLS. LESSON IN OPTIMISM. If you want to get a lesson in real optimism, the kind that makes folks forget the blue and bilious side of things, just take a few moments off and read the latest Texas crop reports. Texas had floods, big ones, a few weeks ago, but the average Texan has forgotten it and is now revealing knee-deep in rose-tinted prospects of the biggest cotton and cotton crops ever grown in the state.

LOUIS F. SWIFT HERE. Louis F. Swift, president of Swift and Company, was in South St. Joseph for a few hours yesterday afternoon. No particular significance attached to this visit from the head of the great packing concern. It was merely one of his periodical rounds and there was no foundation to the surmise that he was here in the interest of a successor to the presidency of the Stock Yards bank in place of Chas. Pasche, resigned.

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CONSUMER TAKES A HAND. Live Stock World: Organized protest in New York against high meat prices is exerting an adverse influence on cattle trade in the West. Buyers on the Chicago market for New York concerns have received pre-emptory orders to cease purchasing, and with the eastern port knocked from under it, the price list went to pieces. In the East the meat consumer appears to have grabbed the only horn of the southern division of the country in wheat in right fashion. With months have received same as beef. Packers say they are unable to sell dressed mutton in the carcass at 7 1/2c in New York. Both branches of the market are badly demoralized. Many cattle are \$1 per cwt. lower than the June high spot, while sheep are selling at panic prices.

Mutton ought to be on a bargain counter under present conditions, but the mere fact that the public is not buying it suggests that retail prices are still at a prohibitive level.

Saturday, July 4, will be a holiday at all markets in the west. St. Joseph will receive and care for stock the same as on Sunday, but nothing will be sold or weighed and the shipping divisions will remain closed.

Condition of Oats. Oats also make an especially bad showing of condition in the southern part of the state, with only 60 per cent of normal. In northern Illinois the condition of wheat is given as 91 per cent of normal and 74 in central division, making the total average of 75 per cent.

Rust in oats is reported from the counties of McHenry, Cass, Christian, Morgan, Monticello, Sangamon, Schuyler, Shelby, Tazewell, Jefferson, Perry, Pope, Randolph, Saline, St. Clair, Union, Wabash, Washington and Wayne.

The condition of rye on June 20 is reported as 97 per cent of a reasonable average. The area devoted to meadows is 39 per cent as compared with last year and their June 20 condition is 95 per cent of normal.

Pastures Looking Fine. There is a deficiency of 2 per cent in the area of pastures as compared with 1907. The weather has been very favorable for the growth of pastures and the June 20 condition is reported as being 101 per cent of normal.

The Potato Crop. The area devoted to Irish potatoes is 98 per cent as compared with last year in northern Illinois, 93 per cent in central Illinois and 87 per cent in the southern division of the state. Their June 20 condition is 83 per cent of normal, being 91 per cent in northern Illinois, 82 per cent in central and 77 per cent in southern Illinois.

ARTHUR MEERER SELLS LAND. Stock Yards, Chicago, July 3.—Arthur Meeker, general manager of Armour & Co., has sold to the city of Chicago five and one-half acres of land on Lake Michigan, at the foot of Seventy-Ninth street. The tract, which has been used as a public bathing beach, will be fitted up by the city for a children's park and playground. Alderman John H. Jones of the Eighth ward urged that the city buy the land for such park purposes. The price paid was \$16,800.

There is a vast difference in flocks. The poultryman who works out the ration best suited to his own flock is the one who will win success.

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BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Charles McCrary of Hamilton, Mo., was a visitor in South St. Joseph yesterday.

F. B. Carriel has returned from Jacksonville, Ill., where he attended the funeral of his father.

The funeral of the Rev. D. A. Miller, pastor of the Dankard church, was held yesterday. Interment was in Ashland cemetery.

Mrs. O. O. Turner, 302 East Nebraska avenue, is visiting relatives at Bethel, Kan.

Miss Gertrude Hempey of Hyde Park is visiting relatives in Hamilton, Mo.

AND THE BANDS WILL PLAY.

All Ready For the Elks Festivities. Stock Yards in Line.

Morning parade, lodges and societies, uptown, 10:30 o'clock. Humbug Circus and parade Lake Country, 1:30 p. m.

Minstrel show, Casino, 8 p. m. Minstrel show seats on sale at Lyceum theater.

The small boy, the little girl, mother and father, and old folk, all like a circus. And especially do they like a circus parade, whether it be of the humbug order or not.

In the big parade uptown tomorrow morning they will get a taste of both the real and the humbug articles, if some of the stunts proposed at the meeting of Elks last night are carried into effect.

Many of the clubs and organizations of the city will march in the parade, and there will be all kinds of music. An invitation was extended last night to the stock yards division of the "Humbug" parade to take part in the parade in the city, and all of the wild animal wagons and cages will be in the line of march.

Considerable work has been done in the stock yards district to surpass all others in the city and the wagons are reported to be as well decorated as those of any real circus that ever paraded in St. Joseph, not excluding Barnum & Bailey's world renowned tent show. There will be speilers with the wagons, just like in real circus parades, to tell the crowds that the big show will take place at 2 o'clock.

KING CITY GETTING PARK.

Business Men Call on Rau For Suggestions.

A delegation of representative business men from King City, Mo., was in St. Joseph yesterday for the purpose of getting ideas for a large park which is contemplated near their city. The visitors spent several hours with Rudolph G. Rau, superintendent of parks, and gleaned many valuable suggestions from him.

A large tract of land for park purposes has been secured near King City, which is in the heart of a rich farming country. The business men wish to keep the city residents at home and in order not to drive them to St. Joseph or Kansas City in search of amusements are having the park made.

BEARS A FEW CHERRIES.

Ed Redfern of the Townsend & Wyatt Dry Goods company is an amateur farmer, and reports an unusual yield of cherries from one of his trees, outdoing the famous cherry tree of Kirksville, Mo., which yielded forty gallons.

Mr. Redfern picked forty-three gallons and then had enough left to satisfy the small boys of the neighborhood. Mr. Redfern's place is about two miles south of town.

DETAILED TO THE FIRST.

Major Clay C. Macdonald and Major John D. McNeely yesterday received notice from General Clark, commander of the Missouri National guard, that they had been detailed to go with the First Regiment, M. N. G., as majors to the Ft. Riley maneuvers, which will be held August 20 to 30, inclusive. This will give both officers an opportunity to closely observe the work of Uncle Sam's soldiers.

SNAG BOAT UP RIVER.

The government snag boat, John B. McPherson, was tied up at the levee at the foot of Francis street for two hours yesterday and then proceeded on its way to Omaha, which is its ultimate destination. The boat is on its regular snag inspection trip up the river.

For Rent—Six-room house with bath, room, 920 S. 14th st., corner 14th and Lafayette sts. Apply Mumford & Hanan, 604 Edmund street.

PLAYGROUND AT PARK.

Superintendent Rau Preparing Free Playground. Will Be Ready Tomorrow.

Little kids who haven't got any money are going to be given a regular paradise at Krug Park, and Superintendent Rau said yesterday he'd probably have it ready for them by the fourth, which is tomorrow, of course. Mr. Rau knows just what poor children want and the free playground he's fixing will be particularly for them, so they won't feel unhappy whenever they go to the park.

A fine merry-go-round has been installed on the playground, which is located in the level space just west of the pavilion. Then there'll be a "shoot the chute," only, as Mr. Rau says, the children will just slide on whatever they have on. It's principally for boys. A half dozen "teeter letters" will be provided, and a lot of swings. A roller swing is coming, too. Also there's to be a pair of "tag of war" cars, in which you pull an rope and try to beat the other one. The main feature of the opening will be some July Maypoles.

MISSION OF FAIRS.

Drovers Journal: The primary object of fairs is to promote agriculture and animal husbandry. County, state and international exhibitions are maintained to keep before the farmer and live stock breeder the very latest improvements in all branches of husbandry. It has been customary to combine amusement attractions with the higher province of the fair, that the patrons of the exposition may be both amused and instructed.

With many farmers a county fair takes the place of an old settlers' reunion, for generally the most enthusiastic patrons of the fair see the patriarchal pioneers of the community. The county fair is a red-letter event in the life of the pioneer farmers of the county, who take laudable interest in modern agriculture as contrasted with the crude farm operations of the early days of the community. The improvement in live stock is noted as well as the exhibit of the latest agricultural machinery.

The managers of county fairs try to obtain exhibits of the best stock in the locality. The breeders of improved stock are generally the most progressive farmers in the community and their success is an impressive object lesson for fellow-husbandmen to follow their example. Live stock, poultry, vegetables, fruit, butter, cheese, farm machinery and general fine arts and household furnishings comprise the entries to a county fair. The farmer who attends the event for instruction has time to inspect the exhibits and by comparison see where he can make improvement in his own herds, flocks and general farm affairs.

The amusement features of county fairs appeal to the pleasure-loving side of human nature. Many harmless games of skill and perchance a show may comprise the fun side of the county fair attractions. A fat men's race, climbing a greased pole, catching the greased pig, bicycle races and trotting contests make the event memorable with the patrons who attend the fair for amusement. Innocent outdoor sports as an attraction to swell the gate receipts, including a balloon ascension and parachute drop by some daring aeronaut, are considered admissible by fair managers, the exhibition being so arranged as to impart the highest instruction in agriculture with harmless amusement.

HIGH MEAT IN ENGLAND.

High meat prices as a result of the cattle shortage everywhere, particularly in the United States, have stirred up the trade in Great Britain and caused a renewal of the demand for the lifting of the embargo which now prevents the importation of Canadian cattle into England. The president of the British board of agriculture, Sir Edward Strachey, has shown that American meat can be imported and sold in England cheaper than beef from animals imported alive. But this does not suit the politicians on the other side, who talk about the "extortions" of the American "beef trust" and use it as an argument to get an opening for their tariff theories. Because American beef has been high of late, due to high feed and shortage of cattle, the opposition in the British parliament has been endeavoring to make it appear that steps should be taken to drive American meat out of the British market, says the National Provisioner.

A meeting of the executive committee of the British Meat Trades' Federation was held last week to consider the price question, but there was not a unanimity of opinion as to what action should be taken to relieve the situation. There were supporters of the proposal to admit Canadian and Argentine cattle, but there was also strong opposition to such a move. It becomes plainer as the agitation progresses that politics is at the bottom of this British meat agitation.

HEAVIEST FARMER IN THE U. S.

Chicago, Ill.—Distinction of being the heaviest farmer in the United States is claimed by Caton Hobbiest of Clark, S. D., with no contestants. Mr. Hobbiest, weighs exactly 522 pounds, has no idea of shirking the hard work of life or earning his living by sitting around in a show he is gazed at by admiring crowds. In fact, he is one of the leading farmers of his prosperous section, owning a fine ranch of 1,500 acres, which he manages with great energy and success.

His largeness of body seems to interfere little with his efficiency in his calling. He drives into town every day, a distance of sixteen miles, to attend to such business as conducting so large an estate necessarily involves. One of the chief features of his plantation work is stock-raising on a large scale, and he floods much profit in it. Last winter Mr. Hobbiest fattened 500 steers for the market. As is common with a man of his habit, he is genial and good-natured, possessing a host of friends.

HUMANITY NOW LONGER LIVED.

Statistics Do Not Bear Out Statement That Man is Deteriorating.

A German scientist, Dr. Emil Konig, has lately undertaken to prove that in highly civilized countries man has abused his constitutional strength, and consequently is more susceptible to disease than he was in earlier times. There is obviously something to be said for this avowal, but, considered as a whole, the facts do not bear it out.

It is unquestionably true that as civilization advances human life becomes more complex, and the pressure upon a man's physical resources tends to become more intense. It is also true that certain forms of disease, such, for instance, as cancer and heart weakness, appear to be more prevalent than they were a century ago—we say "appear," because only in a comparatively recent period have the statistics of mortality and its causes been trustworthy and exhaustive.

The official records of Geneva, which have been kept carefully for a long period, prove that the average duration of human life is materially greater than it was 150 or 100 years ago. Not only the average length of human existence, but the retention of physical and intellectual vigor, or what is called the prime of life, tends to be prolonged. The age limit of usefulness has in practice been pushed forward.

The fruitful activity of men over 60, and even 70, years of age is a phenomenon far more frequently observed to-day than it was 100 years ago. Napoleon's career was over at 45; Von Moltke's can scarcely be said to have begun, so far as great achievements were concerned, till he was nearly 70. What is true of war is true of diplomacy, of law, of medicine, of every field of work in which mental and physical energy is indispensable. When, in a word, we examine impartially all the data, weighing accurately all the evidence pro and con, we seem justified in taking an optimistic rather than Dr. Konig's pessimistic view of the effect of civilization on the bodily well-being and longevity of man.

Some Fast-Day Superstitions.

In Armenia, fasts, both of necessity and of choice, are very general, and strictly observed. The most common length of time for abstinence from food is seven days.

Throughout this long period the Armenians, imbued with religious fever, partake of no food. Only in the case of the young unmarried woman is any concession allowed.

The young men, on the seventh day of their fast, are allowed, by old and sacred custom, to eat a little cake, freely mixed with salt.

By this means dreams of pure, sparkling fresh water will be certain to visit the young man.

A strange superstition is connected with these visions. The dreamer will see a maiden approach the stream and she will carry him a jug filled to the brim with sparkling water. The dream maiden will be the girl whom Fate has decreed he shall marry.

This strange superstition is found in Armenia wherever the habit of fasting is observed, and it is believed in with the utmost faith by the unmarried men.

He Worked for It.

Some years ago there lived in Arkansas a man named Reynolds who owned a narrow gauge railroad from Malvern Junction to Hot Springs. It was partly due to the fact that he had put by a neat little fortune, and partly to his habit of wearing an enormous diamond shirt stud that he had won the nickname of "Diamond Joe."

It was Diamond Joe's boast that no one had ever stolen a ride on his little 25-mile road; and not content with telling this to his friends, he offered a reward of \$100 and a suit of clothes to the man who could do it.

One clear moonlight night a man came into his office, dripping from head to foot.

"Is this Mr. Reynolds?" he asked. "Yes," replied the owner of the narrow gauge, involuntarily glancing out to see if it was raining.

"Well, I've come for that suit of clothes and the \$100. I've beat my way on your road, Mr. Reynolds, in the boiler tank of the engine; it was hard work keepin' my head above water, but I did it—and here I am!"

Willing to Chance Him.

The angular widow stood beside her third prospective husband. "Madam," said the old minister, "do you take this man for better or for worse?"

The angular widow smiled her broadest. "Wal, parson," she drawled, "he's powahful better than my first husband and powahful worse than my second, but I reckon I'll chance him, anyhow. Let the ceremony go on."

Solace for the Many.

"What a misfortune it is that the public encourages so much trashy literature!" remarked the man with black-rimmed eye-glasses.

"It isn't a misfortune," answered the practical person. "It is a blessing. It enables people whose books won't sell to imagine they have written classics."

Rivals in Fame.

"They are making a great stir about the pianist." "Yes, the advertisements make almost as much fuss over him as they do over the make of piano he plays."

EXCHANGE DIRECTORY.

Following is a list of the commission merchants in the Live Stock exchange at the St. Joseph stock yards: Blanchard, Rush & Co., rooms 226-228. Myers Bros. & Co., rooms 202-204. Clay, Robinson & Co., rooms 229-230-231-232-233. Cox, Jones Live Stock Commission Co., room 229. Crider Bros. & Co., rooms 202-204. Daily, C. M. & Co., rooms 317-319. Davis & Son, rooms 206-208-210-216-217. Johnson & Son, rooms 205-207. Kansas City Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 228-229. Knollin Sheep Co., rooms 219-221-223. Lee Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 209-210-211-213. Missouri Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 201-203. Nichols, Gilchrist & Co., rooms 321-323. Nye, Schneider, Fowler Co., rooms 306-308-310. National Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 238-239-240. Prey Bros. & Cooper, rooms 318-322. Russell Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 312-314. Stewart & Duriant, rooms 229-230-231. Sager & Young, rooms 232-234-236. St. Joseph Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 212-214. Tagg Bros., rooms 327-329. Thompson, Brinkard & Emmert, rooms 209-210-211-213.

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Journal Advertising Pays

'Adam's Ale' advertisement featuring a logo with a man and a woman, and text describing the benefits of the beverage.

Sterling Beer advertisement featuring a logo with a crown and a shield, and text describing the quality and availability of the beer.

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HOTEL KUPPER advertisement featuring an illustration of the hotel building and text describing its location and amenities.

HAMMOND'S 'MISTLETOE' advertisement featuring text describing various meat products and the company's location.

Western Dairy Company advertisement featuring text describing ice cream and dairy products, and contact information.

TRANSIT HOUSE advertisement featuring text describing the hotel's location and services.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES advertisement featuring a portrait of a man and text describing the shoes and the store.

SHAMROCK WHISKEY advertisement featuring a logo with a shamrock and text describing the whiskey.

Lightning Portable WAGON AND STOCK Scale advertisement featuring an illustration of a scale and text describing its features.

JAMES KERSEY advertisement featuring text describing the store's location and products.

C. F. Rock Plumbing & Heating Co. advertisement featuring text describing the company's services.

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THE VETERAN OF AMERICAN JOURNALISM DEAD IN CINCINNATI.

AN EDITOR OVER 50 YEARS

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Cincinnati, O., July 3.—Murat Halstead, one of the leaders in American journalism for over a half century and widely known as a vigorous editorial and magazine writer, died at his home in this city Thursday afternoon in his seventy-ninth year.

Mr. and Mrs. Halstead celebrated their golden wedding anniversary a little more than a year ago, at which time Mr. Halstead's health seemed frail and as time passed he grew weaker, so that the news of his death was not wholly unexpected.

Mr. Halstead was one of the great editors of the last half of the nineteenth century, and one of the strongest tributes to his incisiveness as a writer was in 1889 when his nomination by President Harrison to be American minister to Germany was rejected by the United States senate because of articles he had published charging corruption to some members of that body.

He was a native of Butler county, Ohio, and after a short service on a literary weekly, he, in 1853, became connected with the Cincinnati Commercial, in which he secured a small interest a year later, becoming chief owner in 1865.

For 50 years he attended and reported all Republican national conventions and in 1860 he was the only newspaper man who reported all the varied political conventions of that year.

Two Hundred Dead in Russian Mine. Yusovo, European Russia, July 3.—A terrible explosion of gas occurred in the Rikovsky mine last evening in which a very large number of miners were at work.

Bequest to a Soldier. Leavenworth, Kan., July 3.—A gift of \$1,000 in gold and a diamond ring were received at Fort Leavenworth Thursday for Sergeant Henry Hill of the engineer corps, the bequest of the late Mrs. A. Wilda Hurlbert, known as the "mother of the marines" for her philanthropic service to the enlisted men.

Denver Gets Educational Meeting. Cleveland, O., July 3.—Denver, Col., was commended by the board of directors of the National Educational association Thursday as the place for the next annual convention of the association.

Carr's Fate With Jury. Marlow, Kan., July 3.—The fate of Wm. T. Carr, charged with the murder of Express Messenger Bailey by a brutal assault with a hatchet on the night of March 29, is now in the hands of the jury.

Miss Taft in Georgia. Savannah, Ga., July 4.—Miss Helen Taft, wife of the Republican nominee, arrived here Thursday morning as a guest of...

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England occupies a prominent place in the history of the Vulgate and in its preservation, as the purest text being in Milan, Naples and in the southern provinces, Archbishop Theodore and his companion, Hadrian, abbot of a monastery near Naples, went to England in 668, taking with them some of these Bibles.

In the century after the invention of printing the circulation of faulty Bibles assumed such proportions that the necessity was felt of establishing an official edition. A handsome volume, in 1590, took the name of the Sixtine Bible, from Sixtus V., and had as preface the famous Bull, "Asterous Ille," establishing that this Bible be considered as "true, lawful, authentic and unquestioned."

Leo XIII. created the commission "De Re Biblica," presided over by Cardinal Rampolla, for the study of the Scriptures, but it remained an academic body, while Pius X. desired to transform it into an institution for practical work.

The Slippery Pronoun. Many are the circumlocutions which have been devised by civilized races in order to avoid the bluntness of direct address.

Believed in Signs. "Evangeline is an up-to-date girl," confided the young man in the pearl-colored hat.

Fatal Blow. It was the leading lady's birthday. "I don't care for any expensive presents," she hinted. "If you would send me a rose for each year, why—"

Already Engaged. "Why don't you make some effort to put the best man you can find in office?" "Because," answered Mr. Dustin Stax, "I have used for them in my own business."

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOS. ALBUS Candidate For SHERIFF Subject to the Republican Primary Election, August 4, 1908

THOMAS F. RYAN Candidate For Judge of Criminal Court Subject to Democratic Primary August 4, 1908

CHAS. T. PAULETTE Candidate For SHERIFF Subject to Decision of the Democratic Primary, August 4.

CHARLES F. KELLER Democratic Candidate For Prosecuting Att'y Subject to Primary Election, Aug. 4, '08

JOHN W. MUIR Democratic Candidate Prosecuting Attorney Primary August 4, 1908

RICHARD D. FULKS Candidate For SHERIFF Subject to the Decision of Democratic Primary, August 4, 1908

ELL HOLLAND For Prosecuting Att'y Subject to Democratic Primary to be held on Tuesday, Aug. 4, '08

L. J. EASTIN Candidate For Circuit Judge, District No. 2 Subject to Decision of Democratic Primary August 4, '08

OTTO THEISEN Democratic Candidate For SHERIFF Subject to Primary Election, Tuesday, August 4, 1908

DAVID H. HATFIELD Republican Candidate For SHERIFF Subject to Primary Election, Tuesday, August 4, 1908

VOTE FOR GEORGE KNOPINSKI Candidate For SHERIFF Subject to Democratic Primary, Tuesday, Aug. 4, '08

HENRY M. RAMEY Candidate For Circuit Judge, District No. 2 Subject to Decision Democratic Primary, August 4, 1908

HAMMONDS Mistletoe

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Mr. Sherman Leaves Cleveland, Cleveland, O., July 2.—Traveling in a private car, Representative James S. Sherman, Republican vice presidential candidate, accompanied by Mrs. Sherman and a physician, left Cleveland Thursday morning and will arrive at Utica, N. Y., his home at 6:15 p. m.

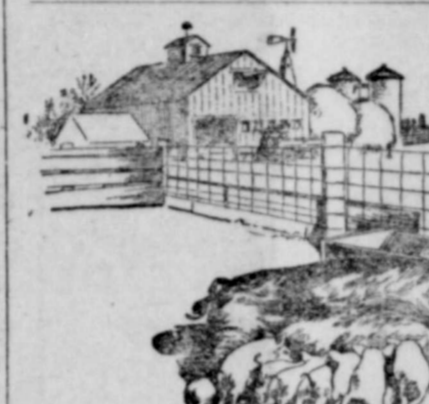
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BRYAN MEN ANGRY

CLEVELAND RESOLUTIONS ARE INTENDED TO CAUSE DISCORD AT DENVER.

TO HEAD OFF JUDGE PARKER

Nebraskan Followers Will Have Resolutions of Their Own Introduced Omitting the Objectionable Language.

Denver, Col., July 3.—Charging that Alton B. Parker's resolution of tribute to the memory of the late ex-President Grover Cleveland is a clever move on the part of enemies of William Jennings Bryan to infuse factional feeling into the Democratic national convention, friends of the Nebraskan Thursday determined to offer a resolution of character designed not to raise controverted political issues. Through control of the temporary organization of the convention the Bryan following expects to have its resolution brought to the attention of the delegates immediately after the speech of the temporary chairman has been delivered. In that event the Parker resolution would have to be offered as a substitute, it is submitted that all, and the Bryan men declare that the New York delegation would thereby be placed in the attitude of attempting, under the guise of eulogizing a great party leader, to create strife and dissension and to make harmony impossible. All Democrats, without regard to factional affiliations, applaud the suggestion from New York that the national convention should embrace the first opportunity of honoring the memory of Mr. Cleveland, but most of those who have expressed themselves on the subject are of the opinion that the resolutions adopted should not contain anything over which there could be the slightest difference of opinion. The New York resolution, which was made public Wednesday night, is denounced by such Bryan leaders as Mayor James C. Dahlgren of Omaha and Judge M. E. Wade of Iowa, the member of the national committee, from that state. They declare that its adoption would be a direct slap at Bryan and insist that in giving it out for publication the New York delegation intended to disparage the Nebraska candidate. The portions of the resolution which particularly aroused the ire of the friends of Mr. Bryan relate to Mr. Cleveland's record on the questions of maintaining the integrity of the courts and finance, the paragraphs being as follows: "He respected the integrity of our courts and so insisted upon the strict enforcement of the law that every honest man or interest might be protected and all offenders punished, without fear or favor. "He maintained the public credit and honor, stood firm as a rock in defense of sound principle of finance, and resisted dangerous economic doctrines and practices left by the Republican party as a heritage of our people." It was said Thursday by Mayor Dahlgren that these expressions are but thinly veiled attacks upon Mr. Bryan, and his well known attitude on the question of adopting an anti-injunction plank, and his position in 1896 and 1900 on the money question. The publication of the Parker resolution was a bombshell exploding in the midst of the Bryan followers and steps were at once taken by members of the committee on convention arrangements to head off its introduction in the convention. They were unanimously of the opinion that it would provoke a discussion and possibly a fight which they desired to avoid. Several members of the committee, who did not care to be publicly quoted, did not hesitate to say, however, that in their opinion an argument in the convention over such a resolution as this would be disgraceful and injure the party in the eyes of the country. R. M. Johnston, the Texas member of the committee on convention arrangements, said Thursday: "If that Parker resolution is introduced in the convention it will raise all sorts of a row. The friend of Mr. Bryan do not propose that, under the guise of a resolution honoring Grover Cleveland, Mr. Bryan shall be attacked and his policies for the last 12 years held up to rebuke."

Lightning Stunned Two. Maryville, Mo., July 3.—White B. Raleigh Martin, a leading Democratic politician of northwest Missouri, and L. C. Cook, an attorney of this city, were fleeing through a thunder storm, they crawled through a barbed wire fence just as lightning struck it only a few hundred yards away. Both were slightly stunned.

Gompers Goes to Denver. Washington, July 3.—President Gompers and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor left Thursday for Denver to attend the Democratic national convention. Mr. Gompers said his attitude as to an anti-injunction plank in the platform was unchanged.

Three Children Burned. Windsor, Col., July 3.—Three small children of Mr. and Mrs. Adams Claus were burned to death Thursday afternoon in a fire which destroyed the house occupied by the family. The parents were absent when the fire started.

SHERMAN DEMONSTRATION

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE WELCOMED TO HIS HOME.

The Affair Was Non-Partisan in Character and to a Great Extent Personal.

Utica, N. Y., July 3.—The homecoming Thursday night of Congressman James S. Sherman was made the occasion of such a demonstration as has rarely been seen in this section of the state. The welcome to the Republican candidate for vice president was a non-partisan affair and to great extent personal, for the congressman's recovery from his recent somewhat alarming illness gave added reason for public rejoicing upon his safe return. Mr. Sherman, accompanied by Mrs. Sherman and Dr. Carter, reached here on the New York express from the west at 9:15 o'clock Thursday evening. As his train drew into the station hands played, fireworks were set off and church chimers rang out. In Bagge square and every other spot adjacent to the New York Central station thousands of persons were crowded. Mr. Sherman stepped from the train slowly, looking pale and worn. But he had stood the journey very well, his physicians said. A monster procession formed in the vicinity of the station escorted the candidate to his home. The line of march covered fully a mile and the parades included representative civic, military and fraternal organizations. The route lay through the principal streets, the buildings of which were decorated with flags, streamers and mottoes, all illuminated by electric lights. A dozen bands furnished music, fireworks added a spectacular feature and tens of thousands of persons ranged along the route shouted themselves hoarse.

Many Chinese Drowned. Hong-kong, July 3.—Detailed reports from the "foods" in southern China show that hundreds of people have been drowned and thousands are starving in the destroyed villages. Chinese and foreigners have combined to raise a large relief fund. Large sums and quantities of food are being consigned nightly from Hong-kong. The government has made a grant of \$30,000,000 and the Standard Oil company has subscribed \$5,000.

Secretary Wilson Visits West. Washington, July 3.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson left Thursday night for an extended tour of the west in the interest of the work which the department is conducting in that section. He will stop on route at Traer, his Iowa home, for a few days' rest. Dr. Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau, will be acting secretary of agriculture during Secretary Wilson's absence.

Relief for Flood Sufferers. Natchez, Miss., July 3.—Lieut. F. B. Upham, U. S. A., Thursday purchased rations from 3,600 flood sufferers in the counties of Adams, Jefferson and Wilkinson, intended as temporary relief until the arrival of Maj. W. L. Simpson with funds for the expense incurred and for further supplies.

Chautauqua Assembly Opens. Chautauqua, N. Y., July 3.—The Chautauqua Assembly opened its thirty-fifth session Thursday afternoon with an attendance of more than 5,000 visitors. The opening service was conducted by Bishop John H. Vincent.

Ambassador Bryce Starts for Home. New York, July 3.—James Bryce, ambassador of Great Britain to America, accompanied by Mrs. Bryce, sailed Thursday on the Celtic for Liverpool.

Stricken at Brother's Grave. Maryville, Mo., July 3.—While the funeral of Samuel J. Alden was being held here Thursday afternoon Granville Alden, a brother, who has been in poor health for some time, collapsed, and is dying from grief. The brothers had never been separated.

Standard Oil Hearing Adjourned. New York, July 3.—At the conclusion of Thursday's session of the Standard Oil inquiry an adjournment was taken until September 1, when the taking of evidence will be resumed.

Gov. Folk Paroled St. Louis Robber. Jefferson City, July 3.—Gov. Folk released Theodore Timmer Thursday on parole. He came to the penitentiary from St. Louis in May, 1904, for ten years for robbery.

TWO CONFERENCES

SPEAKER CANNON AND SECRETARY CORTELYOU CONFER WITH MR. TAFT.

NOTIFICATION ON JULY 28

Chicago Convention Committee Will Meet Judge Taft at Cincinnati and Tell Him of His Nominations. Washington, July 3.—Two conferences of importance were held Thursday by Judge William H. Taft, the first being with Speaker Cannon and the second with Secretary of the Treasury George B. Cortelyou. Concerning neither conference was much disclosed. Speaker Cannon, at the conclusion of his talk with Judge Taft, said that he had called on the Republican standard bearer merely to pay his respects and to renew his assurances, given in his telegram on the day of the nomination that he could be depended upon to furnish any assistance in his power to insure the election of Judge Taft. In the afternoon Judge Taft went to the treasury department and had an hour's talk with Secretary Cortelyou. The interview covered a wide range of political topics. Secretary Cortelyou took occasion to urge the selection of Frank H. Hitchcock as national Republican chairman and he said he had been personally and officially associated with Mr. Hitchcock for many years and held him in the highest regard. Beyond this there were no developments Thursday in the matter of the national chairmanship. It has been decided that the committee appointed at the Chicago convention to notify Judge Taft of his nomination for the presidency will meet him in Cincinnati on Tuesday, July 28. Judge Taft will go to Cincinnati from Hot Springs, Va., for the purpose of receiving the committee notification and will return directly to Hot Springs. Late Thursday afternoon Mr. Taft received a cablegram announcement of the death in London, England, of William T. Gilbert of Brooklyn, N. Y., a member of Judge Taft's class of '78 at Yale. About six o'clock Thursday afternoon Judge and Mrs. Taft went in an automobile to the residence of Gen. and Mrs. J. Franklin Bell at Fort Myer, Va., where an informal dinner was given in their honor. After the dinner a reception was tendered to the army officers stationed in Washington and vicinity and their wives at the residence of Gen. Bell. Judge Taft, Mrs. Taft and their son, Charlie, accompanied by a clerical force and servants will leave Washington Friday for Hot Springs.

School Girls Injured. St. Louis, July 3.—Eleven girls were hurt and their teacher, Miss Mary Patterson, was seriously injured Thursday night when the second story balcony in front of the female dormitory at the Industrial school collapsed, burying 40 children under the timbers and debris 25 feet below. Two hundred children, who were seated under the balcony listening to a band concert, were warned by the cracking of the balcony braces, and got out of harm's way.

The Spectators Laughed. Ottawa, Kan., July 3.—The evidence of experts on the possibility of Jane Schneck's committing suicide occupied the court's time Thursday afternoon in the trial of Mrs. Mollie Stewart for the murder of Mrs. Schneck. A majority of opinion was that the suicide theory was impossible. The court ordered all spectators out when the laughter of the spectators greeted a number of sharp replies by witnesses.

Mother Blamed for a Death. Oklahoma City, Ok., July 3.—Because her brother whipped her, Vera Wallace, 13 years old, drank poison Thursday afternoon. She died soon afterward. A coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that poison was taken with suicidal intent and that death was hastened by neglect in calling a physician for the reason that the mother is a Christian Scientist.

Kansas Christian Endeavor Officers. Parsons, Kan., July 3.—The ninth annual convention of the Fifth District Christian Endeavor association closed in this city Thursday night. These officers were elected: President, Miss Helen Osgood of Parsons; vice president, Frank Armstrong of Columbus; secretary, Henry Draper of Oswego; treasurer, Miss Olive Turkington of Cherokee.

Gov. Cummins Will Not Resign. Des Moines, Ia., July 3.—Gov. A. B. Cummins Thursday authorized the statement that he will not resign from the office of governor, and stated that there was never any serious consideration of the matter on his part.

Recess in Adams Trial. Grand Junction, Col., July 3.—A recess was taken in the Steve Adams trial Thursday until Monday at nine o'clock in order to permit summoning of another panel of 20 veniremen to complete the jury.

DEAD IN MISSOURI WRECK

PASSENGER TRAINS COLLIDE HEAD-ON AT KNOBNOSTER.

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Knobnoster, Mo., July 3.—The fast California special train from St. Louis on the Missouri Pacific railroad collided with the equally fast St. Louis train from Kansas City two miles east of here at 5:30 o'clock Thursday morning. Nine persons were killed, all on the train from Kansas City, and at least 50 were injured. The dead: Michael J. Burk, lineman for Western Union Telegraph company, 28 years old, Poplar Bluff, Mo.; S. R. English, lumberman, Olean, Mo., and representative of Miller county; Fred Story, lineman Western Union Telegraph company, Franklin, Ky.; W. J. Frisbie, 1019 South Thirtieth street, St. Louis, salesman for Roberts, Rand Shoe company; John Hood, Hurley, Mo., lineman; W. H. Harding, negro, mail clerk, St. Louis; Baggageman Campbell of Jefferson City and two assistants. A Strang, train dispatcher at Sedalia, issued an order for the trains to meet at Knobnoster. Later this order was changed and the meeting place fixed at Lamonte, seven miles east of here. When the St. Louis train reached Lamonte another train was on the siding and the westbound train passed through Lamonte, apparently without slackening speed. Whether the dispatcher at Sedalia failed to deliver the train order to the crew of the St. Louis train or the operator at Lamonte erred in not flagging the train, or the engineer of the St. Louis train believed the train on the siding was the one he was to meet, is a matter for official investigation. Both engineers reversed their engines and jumped. The impact of the two engines threw both of the engines off the track. The cars piled up on the wreckage, four cars on the St. Louis train and three cars on the train from Kansas City leaving the rails. While both of the big engines were derailed, neither turned over. Two of the cars on the train from Kansas City were new type steel mail cars. Both were derailed and badly damaged.

Mr. Cleveland's Will Filed. New York, July 3.—The will of Grover Cleveland has been filed with the surrogate of Mercer county, New Jersey, and will be probated within ten days, when Mrs. Cleveland will come to Princeton from her mother's home in Tamworth, N. H., where she has been staying since the former president's death. The amount of the estate could not be learned, but it was stated Thursday that it was larger than hitherto supposed and would provide comfortably for Mrs. Cleveland and the children. Mr. Cleveland drew the will himself and arranged that the bulk of his property should go to his widow.

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TALLOW, FURS, FELTS, WOOL, HIDES



THE hide market is steady at unchanged prices from last week. Most dealers are busy shipping out hides previously sold and are not forcing sales, which is a good thing for the market, as tanners are making a strong effort to buy all long haired hides at reduced prices. Now is the time to close out long haired hides, then you will go into the short haired season with desirable stock, which will command top prices. Let us hear from you with your shipments.

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