

IOWA VS. ILLINOIS.

An old Suit to Settle a Boundary Line Between the States.

THE MIDDLE OF THE MAIN CHANNEL.

Oakland Portuguese Desperation, Practically Exemplified.

HEAVY FAILURE OF HIRSHBROS.

Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma Combining for a Joint Display in Chicago.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The supreme court today rendered a decision in the case of the state of Iowa against the state of Illinois to settle the boundary line in the Mississippi river, between the two states. Nine bridges cross the river between the states, and the suit is brought in order that each might tax only those parts of them within their respective boundaries. Iowa contended that the boundary runs through the middle of the main body of the river, regardless of the steamboat channel, and that the measurement be taken at the normal stage of water. Illinois claimed the jurisdiction of each state extended to the middle of the steamboat channel. In the opinion rendered today by Justice Field, the court takes the Illinois view of the matter, holding that the true boundary is the middle of the main channel. The court ordered a commission of three to designate the line on each bridge, and delineate the same on the maps.

Cholera This Year.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—There is more than a prospect of trouble yet from cholera in the United States next year. Two factors render the situation serious. One is the appearance of fresh cases in Hamburg, and the other the continued prevalence of the disease in Russia. Great care has been taken to prevent its gaining a foothold on this side of the Atlantic. The speedy passage of a bill giving clearly defined powers to make precautionary regulations, with sufficient appropriations to make them effective, is extremely desirable. Despite the efforts to stop immigration from the infected countries, the emigrants of those countries are persistent in their efforts to reach the United States. There is also danger of the cholera reaching the United States from the Island of Cuba, because of the close commercial intercourse between Cuba and Spain, and other European ports. Regulations of the circular of August 19th, regarding the importation of rags, has been enforced, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

Democrats Control in Kansas.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 3.—The supreme court is hearing arguments in the cases brought against the state board of canvassers by the populist central committee, involving four seats in the legislature. It is believed that the hearing will not result in any change, except to give Rosenthal, dem., the certificate of election issued to Stubbs, rep., by an undepicted clerical error. This leaves the republicans one majority in the house. On joint ballot the democrats will hold the balance of power.

Double Murder and Suicide.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 3.—Last night a terrible affair took place on the line of the electric road between Hayward and San Leandro at a point called Ashland Junction. The man who keeps a way-side place became involved in a row with a man and his wife who were stopping with him. He shot them both, killing the husband and dangerously wounding the woman, and then killed himself. All were Portuguese, and had been drinking heavily.

Failure of a Clothing House.

DES MOINES, Jan. 3.—Hirsch Bros., clothing, were attached this morning for \$24,000. Other attachments since filed, it is believed, will foot up not less than \$100,000; the assets may not exceed \$50,000. Leopold Hirsch, head of the firm, died Wednesday.

A Territorial Building.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Ground was broken today for the territorial building at the world's fair to be erected jointly by Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma. Materials for the building will be contributed by the territories named.

Figures Prominently.

Baker City Dem. The road question is being generally discussed by the papers, and the general idea is that the legislature should take up the subject and give the people of this state a wholesome law in the matter. The road question is one in which every citizen should take an active interest, for there is nothing that figures more prominently in the settlement and development of a country than good roads.

Call at Joles Bros. and make arrangements for the celebrated Warner's butter for the winter months.

Common Council Proceedings.

The regular council meeting of Dalles city was held on last Saturday evening with the following members present: Hon. Robt. Mays, mayor; C. E. Haight, Paul Krefl, T. N. Joles, C. F. Lauer and Jas. Wood.

On motion, a committee of Messrs. Haight, Krefl and Wood was appointed to recommend some way at the next meeting for enforcing the cattle ordinance.

The resignation of E. B. Dufur as councilman in 2d ward was accepted.

On motion a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Dufur for his faithfulness and efficient services as councilman.

On motion a reduction of the assessment on the Goldstein estate was referred to the judiciary committee.

On motion, the report of the committee on streets and public property was adopted recommending that Mr. Matin be not allowed to build in Liberty street.

On motion, the recorder was instructed to give notice of the construction of a sewer in the ally between First and Second streets, from Laughlin to Jefferson.

On motion, that an electric light be placed on Ninth and Pentland streets, be not granted.

The matter of planking across the railroad track on Court street was referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The committee on streets and public property reported that the draining of Ninth street was impracticable, as the cost would exceed more than the property benefited could afford to pay.

The reports of the recorder, marshal, street commissioner and treasurer were read and placed on file.

An ordinance transferring certain monies out of the general fund was read and passed unanimously.

Petitions asking for licenses to sell liquors, wines, etc., in first ward were granted to Stubling & Williams, W. H. Butts, F. Lemke, Ad Keller, Wiseman & Mardera, A. Bettingen, jr., Chas. Frank, Sinnott & Fish, Maetz & Pundt, J. O. Mack, F. W. L. Skibbe, Dan Baker and Ben Wilson.

On an election for councilman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Dufur, Mr. Ed. M. Williams was chosen.

Mr. C. E. Haight was appointed chairman of the judiciary committee and Jas. Wood was appointed on said committee in place of Mr. Dufur, resigned.

On motion the city advertising was awarded to THE DAILY CHRONICLE for the ensuing year.

On motion the recorder was instructed to confer with the water commission in regard to irrigating the public school grounds.

On motion the marshal was instructed to proceed with the delinquent taxes of 1891 and 1892 by levy and sale.

On motion the recorder was instructed to present a bill to the county court for the reimbursement of the city for goods, etc., furnished the families of Johns and Woods, indigent poor.

Warrants were ordered in payment of claims against the city as follows:

- For pay of city officers, water, light, rents, etc., as per regular monthly statement. Dalles Lumber Co., lumber \$81 25; Maier & Benton, mdse 14 70; Mays & Crowe 14 35; G. T. Thomson, smithing 6 10; Crandall & Burget, filing saws 3 75; E. Biggs, labor 15 00; F. M. King, labor 22 00; Joles Bros., mdse 1 00; Farley & Frank, do 3 00; Snipes & Kinersly, do 2 35; J. C. Meins, sawing wood 4 00; Robt. Christiansen, labor 1 50; Jas. Ferguson, hauling 50; Dr. O. C. Hollister, medical attendance 16 00; Maier & Benton, mdse Johns family 2 10; Chrisman Bros., do 7 75; Joles Bros., do 7 65; H. Herbring, do 2 95; Blakeley & Houghton, do 9 55; Mrs. L. S. Davis, labor 10 00; D. D. Garrison, do 12 00; J. M. Foard, hauling 50; J. P. McNerny, mdse 70; Umatilla House, meals 3 months 18 35.

A Million Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at Snipes & Kinersly's drug store. Large bottles 50c and \$1.00.

Deserving Praise.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, as we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. Snipes & Kinersly's druggists.

J. O. Warner of Nanasene, is in the city.

FOSTER OFF TO PARIS

There Will be no Secretary of State Appointed to the Vacancy.

THE COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Foster's Experience Specially Fits him for the Position.

ELECTRICITY MAY BE CHEAPER.

A French Improvement on Faraday's Disk Likely to Work Wonders—Other News.

Special to THE CHRONICLE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Secretary of State John W. Foster will lay down the portfolio of state on February 1st, and leave for Europe. His objective point will be Paris, where the court of arbitration in the Behring sea controversy will hold their sessions. Some months ago, before Mr. Foster was appointed to succeed Mr. Blaine, the president had selected him to represent the United States as special council before the court of arbitration. It was expected after Mr. Foster became secretary of state that another gentleman would be chosen as special counsel. The president, however, feels that Mr. Foster's experience fits him especially to discharge the duties of the place, and that at his suggestion Mr. Foster will leave the state department in time to attend the first meeting of the board. From the time of his departure until the 4th of March next Mr. Wharton will discharge the duties of secretary, a work for which his long connection with the department has admirably fitted him. Mr. Foster will be accompanied by Mrs. Foster, and after the court of arbitration has closed its sittings the secretary and his wife will travel on the continent for some months, returning to the United States some time during the coming autumn.

May Cheapen Electricity.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—[Special.]—Two French scientists have recently discovered an entirely new property of Faraday's disk, and the result may be an important improvement in the dynamo. It will be remembered that Faraday discovered the principle of the dynamo when he attached one end of the wire to the center of a copper disk revolving between the poles of a magnet and the other end at the circumference. A current of electricity was thus produced on the wire, and this simple experiment resulted in the commercial dynamo. Instead of the Faraday disk, the French scientists employ tin plates of a certain constitution not made public. These plates are composed, in the direction of their thickness, of a very magnetic and highly conducting metal, and are so placed that the lines of force of the field of the magnet are perpendicular to this direction of thickness. Thus it is said, the flow of induction which proceeds from the north pole of the magnet is divided into several sheets of parallel lines, which are very close together and which only traverse the magnetic portions of the bimetallic conductors. The discoverers of this property constructed a small machine employing this principle, and it was found that the available energy of the machine increases at a rate which is practically proportional to the height of the conductors. The results achieved are remarkable, and are believed to indicate a valuable discovery of great commercial importance.

Gov. Nelson There.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 4.—In joint session the legislature listened to the address of retiring Governor Merriman and the inaugural address of Governor Nelson. The latter recommends the extension of the manufacture of binding twine at the state prison; calls attention to the necessity for action looking to uniformity in public school text-books; suggests a constitutional amendment for the taxation of the gross earnings of mining, express, parlor and sleeping car companies; recommends the state inspection of all elevators.

The Massachusetts Senatorship.

BOSTON, Jan. 4.—The legislature assembles this afternoon, and from now on the senatorial fight will wax fast and furious. Congressman Corapo has a strong and enthusiastic support. The legislature on joint ballot stands 198 republican to 81 democratic.

Rents in Portland.

Dispatch. "Great city this," said one stranger to another yesterday; "not a house to be had." "Oh, there are plenty of houses vacant," said the other. "I know," said the first, "but you can't get them; the rent is too high."

Annexationist Defeat.

WINDSOR, Ont., Jan. 3.—Sol. Smith, a member of parliament and a well-known annexationist, contested the mayoralty in this city on the annexation ticket and suffered defeat.

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.

Remarkable Energy and Wonderful Resources Displayed.

We would call attention to the following clipping cut from the Portland Telegram: "The immense amount of capital at the command of the leading Building and Loan Associations is a proof of the popularity of these co-operative savings banks. The promptness with which some of the leading National Associations grant loans on approved security is remarkable. An instance of this promptness was given the other day by the New England National Building, Loan and Investment Association. An application for a loan of \$17,950 was made at 3 p. m.; at 5 the loan had been passed upon and approved and property appraised. The next morning at 9 the mortgage for the amount applied for was duly executed and filed for record. What makes this bit of news particularly interesting is that the New England is a home institution. The Telegram was able to secure a glance at the annual report of this association, though it has not yet been published, and we would say that it sets forth a wonderfully prosperous state of affairs." It would be a good thing we should think if one of our citizens received the agency for this company here at home.

After The Detectives.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Senator Chandler introduced a bill today making it unlawful for any body of men numbering 10 or more to assemble, drill or bear arms as a military body unless called for by the properly authorized civil or military officers. It makes it the duty of the president to disband and disperse any such organization. This bill is aimed at the Pinkertons and semi-military anarchist organizations. Senator Chandler also introduced a bill to restrict immigration. It designates four new classes of excluded persons, provides for information regarding immigrants, the issue of certificates by a United States consul, requirement for more cubic space for immigrants aboard vessels, and a new naturalization clause requiring 60 days' notice of the application.

Populists Not In It.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 4.—The supreme court this morning decided two of the four legislative contests argued yesterday, one in Jackson county, the other in Republic county, both against the populists. A further hearing will be had in the two other cases. If James Wilson, independent republican, will act with the party, the republicans can organize the house, even if one of the undecided cases go against them. The republicans claim he will do so.

Republican Victory in Colorado.

DENVER, Jan. 4.—The republicans have organized the house, and will probably control the senate. In the house, Platt Wickes, after a bitter fight, was chosen temporary speaker by a vote of thirty-three to thirty-two. Ammons will be chosen permanent speaker by the same vote. The result was achieved over a democratic-populist combination. The senate adjourned without action.

The Deadlock in Nebraska.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 4.—The deadlock in the senate remains unbroken. Frank Wilson, republican, was chosen temporary secretary, but it was a pre-arranged plan to make a show of progress. The members were regularly seated and sworn in, after which they adjourned till this afternoon. The house continued the work of organizing, the independents taking all the offices except one.

Has Passed Both Houses.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 4.—The constitutional amendment bill postponing the election until November has passed both houses.

The New Members Sworn In.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 4.—The legislature met at noon. The new members were sworn in. It then adjourned till tomorrow. Caucuses for the nomination of officers will be held tonight.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Snipes & Kinersly.

Four Fresh Cases of Cholera.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—There are four fresh cases of cholera at Dunkirk.

The German School of Rev. A. Horn.

The German school of Rev. A. Horn will commence again on Wednesday, Jan. 4th, at 3:45 p. m., just after closing of the public schools. Will you work with two pounds, think of using more than one language.

Mr. Villard is the latest democrat to make application for membership in the society of gentlemen who don't want cabinet positions. Mr. Villard does not think it would be well for him to go into Cleveland's cabinet. Mr. Villard should not think entirely of himself; he should give some thought to his railroad and its stockholders. Nobody would be so glad to see Mr. Villard in the Cleveland cabinet as the stockholders of his road, whose property has been depreciating since Mr. Villard again took control.

SENSATIONAL STORY.

The Mystery of the Murder of A. J. Snell in Chicago.

TASCOTT IS NOT THE MURDERER.

He Furnishes an Interview in Alaska Shaded with Romance.

CAN BE HAD WHEN HE IS WANTED.

Tascott Only Personates the Actual Murderer, Who is Believed to Be a Man of Wealth.

Special to THE CHRONICLE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—It is said there is the substance of fact in the story which comes from Spokane respecting the whereabouts of William B. Tascott wanted in this city for the murder of millionaire Snell. Full particulars have been sent for, and the narrative is substantially this, as told by Jules Beauvais, a well-known and reliable mining man, now in Spokane from the Slocon country, where he is developing some fine properties. Last summer he was prospecting in Alaska, and states with every indication of truthfulness that in Sitka, Juneau and other places he saw and conversed with William B. Tascott, who is accused of the murder of Snell, the Chicago millionaire. "I knew him in Chicago," said Mr. Beauvais, "and I can not possibly be mistaken. He has changed very little in appearance, only he is slightly more rugged now and shows some signs of dissipation." Mr. Beauvais related further that Tascott has been in Alaska nearly all the time since the murder, and makes no pretense of concealing his identity. He has made a little money at times prospecting and dabbling in mining properties, but during the past summer he was hard up and drinking heavily. Mr. Beauvais gave him money on several occasions, Tascott stating that the mystery of the murder will soon be cleared up and then he will have plenty of money. He dislikes to talk about the murder, but when questioned on the subject answers without hesitation, but quickly changes the drift of conversation into other channels. The theory prevailing in Alaska is that Tascott did not kill Snell, but that the murder was perpetrated by some one of wealth and influence, and he having been of a romantic and adventurous disposition accepted a bribe to take upon his own shoulders the odium of another's crime. An officer will be sent to Alaska from Portland to bring Tascott to Oregon, where an officer from this city will meet them and bring the prisoner here for a trial, which may prove to be the greatest sensation of modern times. Detective Dyer, who probably knows more than anybody else regarding the murder of Snell, says the real murderer hired Tascott to go with him to rob the Snell residence; that Snell heard them and came down stairs, and that the man mentioned killed him. Tascott, he declares, could have been arrested many times over if he really was wanted.

Fond Hopes Realized.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 4.—The 38th general assembly of Illinois convened at noon. Long before the hour of meeting the galleries of both houses were crowded with spectators. Among the visitors were many prominent leaders of both parties, but the most conspicuous in the throng were a dozen or more veteran democrats, who came from all parts of the state to witness the realization of their dreams for a quarter of a century, the opening of an assembly democratic in both branches, with a democratic executive at their back. Caleb Johnson was chosen temporary speaker. Clayton E. Crofts, dem., was elected permanent speaker. Senator Coppinger was chosen president of the senate pro tem.

No Changes were Made in the Assessment of Money, Notes, Accounts, Shares of Stock, Household Furniture, Pleasure Carriages, Watches, etc.

Cold Waves.

A St. Petersburg dispatch says: At Olmsk the thermometer has fallen fifty-six deg. below zero, the lowest point yet recorded.

At Woodville, N. H., yesterday morning the mercury registered eighteen deg. below zero, and at the Fabian house it was twenty-eight deg. below.

Tuesday night was the coldest of the season at Barre, Vt., being thirty-two deg. below zero.

An Ottawa dispatch of the 4th says: This morning the thermometer registered thirty-one deg. below zero. At Pembroke forty deg. below were registered.

We're not waiting for the bats and moles, but for men and women who have brains and reason! There's a new world for them—suffering and sickly as they are—a new world created from the brain of a skillful physician—a discovery—the "Golden Medical Discovery!"

Years ago Dr. Pierce found out that the secret of scrofula, bronchial, throat and lung trouble lay—in the beginning at least—in impure blood and the weak tone of the system; that the way to cure these effects was to remove the cause, that human nature being the same, the same results might be looked for in nearly all cases. So confident was he that the exceptions were uncommon that he took the risk of giving the medicine to those it didn't benefit for nothing, and the results have proved that he was right.

And "Golden Medical Discovery" is the remedy for the million! The only guaranteed Liver, Blood and Lung remedy. Your money back if it doesn't help you.

Mr. H. C. Cooper of Antelope is in the city.

Monthly Meteorological Report.

Weather bureau, department of agriculture, station, The Dalles, Oregon, for the month of December, 1892. Latitude 47° 26' 18" Longitude 121° 12' 15" west. Altitude 116 feet above sea level.

Table with columns: DATE, Rainfall (Total, Daily, Max, Min), Wind (Dir, Force), Clouds (Total, Partly Cloudy, Clear), Snowfall (Total, Daily, Max, Min), and Barometer (Mean, Highest, Lowest). Rows show daily data for Dec 1-31 and monthly means.

Mean barometer 30.022; highest barometer 30.995 (date 16th); lowest barometer 29.573 (date 21st). Mean temperature 33.8; highest temperature, 52 on 14th, 14th and 21st; lowest temperature, 02, on 20th. Greatest daily range of temperature, 21 on 14th. Least daily range of temperature, 3 on 11th.

MEAN TEMPERATURE FOR THIS MONTH IN 1873-1892. 1873-1878, 34.5; 1883-1888, 34.0; 1893, 37.9. Total deficiency in temperature during the month, 1.0. Total excess in temperature since January 1st, .07.

Prevailing direction of wind, changeable. Total precipitation, 5.94; number of days on which .01 inch or more of precipitation fell, fourteen.

TOTAL PRECIPITATION FOR THIS MONTH IN 1873-1892. 1873-1878, 1.61; 1883-1888, 1.77; 1892, 2.78. Total excess in precipitation during month, for 18 years, 1.73 inches. Total deficiency in precipitation since January 1st, 3.28 for 18 years.

Number of cloudless days, 10; partly cloudy days, 7. Cloudy days, 19. Thirty two and one-half inches of snowfall during month. Crimson aurora in northwest sky at 7 p. m. on the 4th. A beautiful lunar corona on night of the 30th.

Barometer reduced to sea level. T indicates trace of precipitation. SAMUEL L. BROOKS, Voluntary Signal Corps Observer.

Board of Equalization Concludes Work.

The State Board of Equalization recommend that the legislature change the assessment law so as to abolish the present five-mill school tax, now required of the county courts to be levied, and enact a clause for a pro rata, according to the number of school children of school age in the county. This is a wise recommendation, and will no doubt be readily endorsed by the taxpayers throughout the state. They also ask that the indebtedness clause be stricken out, and that the mortgage tax law be repealed.

The result of the board's work is seen in the following table: —Equalization— County boards, State board.

Table with columns: Class of Property, County boards, State board. Rows include City and town lots, Mortgages, deeds of trust, and contracts, Railroad lands, Agricultural and other lands, etc.

Grand total: \$195,604,768 (County boards) vs \$236,108,295 (State board). No changes were made in the assessment of money, notes, accounts, shares of stock, household furniture, pleasure carriages, watches, etc.