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## BREEZY BRIEFLETS.

COLLECTED BY WIRE FROM FAR AND NEAR.

An Entertaining and Instructive Summary of the Doings of the Old and New World, Embracing Politics, Labor, Accidents, Crime, Industry, Etc.

### HIGH-HANDED OUTRAGE.

How the Denver Police Treat Suspects Against Whom They Lack Evidence. The utmost excitement was created in Denver, Col., when it was learned that in the Grand Jury's report six indictments were found against Chief Loar, of the city detective force, and Detectives Clark, Watrous, Crocker, and Ingorsell for false imprisonment, and two for assault to kill and one for assault and battery against Watrous. The complaining witnesses are Dan Sinks and B. F. Smiley, who were imprisoned and brutally assaulted by the officers for the purpose of extorting a confession to a crime for which they were arrested and which they claim they knew nothing of. The local press has for some time charged the city detective force with being very corrupt and that they receive regular monthly contributions from fallen women, gamblers, bungo men, and criminals, and in return these classes are not molested. These charges will be investigated by the Grand Jury.

### WILL GET BACK IN THE "PEN."

A Pardoned and Exiled Convict Returns to His Native Place.

An attempt was made at Montgomery, Minn., to lynch Thomas O'Connor. Two weeks ago Gov. Merriam pardoned O'Connor from the State Prison at Stillwater, where he was serving a life sentence for the murder of Harvey Pratt, his nephew, at Le Sueur Center. The Governor placed the pardon that the prisoner should immediately leave the State never to return. He went to Iowa but in little more than a week returned to Le Sueur County. Pratt's enemies organized to hang him, upon learning which officers seized him and hurried him away to jail in an adjoining county. County Attorney Everett, of Le Sueur, had a conference with Gov. Marriam by wire, and it is stated O'Connor will be placed behind the bars at Stillwater, to remain there the rest of his days.

#### What Miss Winnie Says.

The engagement of Miss Winnie Davis, "The Daughter of the Confederacy," and Mr. Alfred Wilkinson, of Syracuse, is definitely broken. To a reporter Miss Davis said: "I do not care to converse about the breaking of my engagement. Suffice it to say that no mercenary motive prompted me in the course I decided to take. Mr. Wilkinson and I severed our relations by mutual agreement."

All this chatter about Mr. Wilkinson and myself is exceedingly annoying. Mr. Wilkinson is an estimable young man. I think a great deal of him and his family. As for my friends influencing me, that is absurd. Many of my relatives in the South were particularly fond of Mr. Wilkinson."

**Farmers Will Build Their Own Stock Yards.**

The intended extension of its business by the Farmers' Alliance of the Southwest was discovered when it was learned that they are about to establish an independent stock yards in Kansas City, Mo., Texas, Nebraska and Iowa are at the back of the scheme. Fifty acres of land adjoining the present stock yards is the site of the new yards. By maintaining their own yards the farmers believe they can save much money in marketing their cattle by doing away with the commission men and a great part of other expenses.

### Dakota Farmers Will Need Help.

Reports from various parts of Sargent County, North Dakota, are to the effect that a large number of settlers will need aid before spring. The wheat crop having been a partial failure for the last three seasons, and much of the land being in-cumbered, the outlook is indeed dismal.

The Commissioners have appointed L. N. Babcock, W. Buchanan, and A. Nelson as a committee to visit St. Paul and Minneapolis to confer with the railroad officials with a view to obtaining reduced rates on fuel and feed the coming winter.

### Christmas Bees for London.

Moses Kahn of Cincinnati has just closed one of the most important deals in fine cattle ever made in Central Kentucky. It embraced 645 head of pure bred shorthorns averaging 1,800 pounds each, for which Mr. Kahn paid \$38,050, or 5 cents per pound. It is said to be the best herd of cattle in America, and is intended for export. The cattle will be fed in Kentucky until December, when they will be shipped to London for Christmas bees.

### Don't Want Liquor at the Fair.

The American Christian Convention has closed a seven days' session at Marion, Ind. The World's Fair Directors at Chicago were asked to prohibit the sale of liquor on the grounds, and the importation of liquor into the Valley of the Congo was declared to be a stain upon Christian civilization, which Congress was asked to remove.

### Prairie Fires in the Northwest.

The ranchmen near Antelope, N. D., west of the Missouri River, report serious losses from prairie fires. They claim the trouble is due to the Indians, who started the fires to drive the game out. The ranchmen propose to take the matter before the proper authorities to prevent a repetition of their losses from the same cause.

### Killed in a Duel.

At Lexington, N. C., in a duel between Oscar Barringer and John McRary the former was shot dead. McRary claimed Barringer had been too intimate with Mrs. McRary.

### Funeral of Mrs. Booth.

The funeral of Mrs. Booth, mother of the Salvation Army, took place in London. Thousands followed the body to the grave. The burial service was read by Gen. Booth.

### Workmen Win the Fight.

The strike of dockmen at Limerick has ended. The demands of the men were granted.

### Disastrous Cowhiding Trip.

Annie Blos and Sophie Bosse, employees in a St. Louis umbrella factory, attempted to cowhide Louis Anulus on the street for circulating slanderous reports. He turned on them and struck Annie with a stone, severely injuring her. He is a clerk in a rival factory.

### Diphtheria at Council Bluffs.

Several new cases of diphtheria and of typhoid fever have been reported at Council Bluffs, Iowa. Diphtheria has been increasing for the last two weeks. In one district of the city the schools have been suspended.

SAYS IT IS A RUSE.  
Are the Mormons in Earnest in Renouncing Polygamy?

Judge L. T. Eholm, of Moran City, Utah, formerly a prominent member of the Mormon Church, has resided in Utah during the last twenty-nine years. To an Omaha reporter he said: "The reports in circulation concerning the intention of the church to remove its members to some other country where they can practice the teachings of their religion without the interference of the civil authorities is scarcely to be credited. Gentle government is, of course, repugnant to the Mormon leaders, but they hope to secure things more to their liking when the Territory is admitted into the Union. Then they hope to elect State officials in accord with their ideas and be enabled to practice the teachings of the church as of old. The proclamation of President Woodruff, recently published, in which he declared that the church had abolished polygamy and advised the members to observe the law, I have every reason in the world to believe is false. While the President published this notice to the world in language not to be misconstrued, it means altogether a different thing to the faithful members of the church. Polygamy is and will continue to be sanctioned by the church in secret. This announcement is made with a view of securing early admittance as a State, and then by supporting either political party from which favors can be gained in the interest of the church the Mormons expect to prosper as their prophets have predicted."

**CROPS IN THE RED RIVER COUNTRY.**  
Wheat and Corn Yield Unusually Well This Year.

W. F. Dalrymple, the great Dakota farmer, has returned to Milwaukee from a trip through the Red River Valley, highly elated with the state of things on his monster farm. "The output of our farms," he said, "has been more satisfactory this year than ever before. Thrashing is about finished, and the whole valley proper has a very fair crop. The yield of wheat has averaged from twelve to fifteen bushels to the acre, and it is a good quality. I was very much pleased with the corn development I found out there. Heretofore it has been supposed that corn could not be raised there, but this year they planted a variety that had been acclimated in Northern Minnesota, and they have a good crop. I saw a great many fields of from 100 to 200 acres, and the corn had ripened in all of them. The ears are large, and the kernel is firm and rich. The movement is of the greatest importance to that part of the country. Its success will enable the Dakota farmer to diversify crops, and this provides against the total failure that have been such hard blows to the people there. It will make it possible to work into stock raising, and I think the result of the experiment will be the gradual changing of the general stock-raising country."

### OCTOBER CROP ESTIMATE.

**Bulletin Issued by the Agricultural Department at Washington.**  
The October estimate of yield per acre for the entire breadth of cereal crops as consolidaed by the Department of Agriculture are:

Winter wheat, 10.8 bushels per acre; spring wheat, 11.5; the wheat crop, 11.1; oats, 19.8; barley, 21; rye, 11.8 bushels. The condition of corn is 70.6 instead of 70.1 last month. Buckwheat, 90.7 instead of 80.5; potatoes, 61.7 instead of 75.7. There is practically no change in the general average of condition except a reduction of four points in potatoes and an increase of two points in tobacco. The effect of winter frosts upon wheat is shown by the low rate of yield to have been severe. The figure would have been lower but for the reduction of area by plowing and planting of the worst fields in other crops. The condition of the higher rates in principal States are: New York, 15.2; Michigan, 15.2; Illinois, 11.5; Kansas, 13.5. In the Ohio Valley the variation in yield in different counties has the extraordinary range of from five to twenty-five bushels, and in extreme cases from one to thirty bushels. One county in Illinois claims "the best crop in years," and another "poorer crop than was expected." The Dakota yields, varying from a bushel or two to 25 bushels, make an average of 9 bushels per acre; Minnesota returns 12 and Wisconsin 12.5 bushels. The estimated yield of oats is 19.5 bushels, which is the lowest ever reported, probably reducing the aggregate production more than 200,000,000 bushels.

### BUSINESS IMPROVING.

So Say R. G. Dun & Co. in Their Weekly Review of Trade.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

Business in all branches shows improvement. Prices of commodities are a shade stronger than a week ago, grain and oil having advanced with many kinds of manufactured products, but the general advance since Oct. 1 is not a quarter of one percent. As yet, the movement of commodities is not a source of embarrassment, and the feeling of confidence everywhere increases. The state of foreign trade is fairly satisfactory, but the weakness of American securities in London and the disturbed state of the stock exchange, there, approaching a panic Thursday, affects prices here and lessens the chance of early imports of specie. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days numbered 215, as compared with a total of 197 last week. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 214.

### WHEAT SUPPLY OF THE NORTHWEST

It is estimated that Minnesota and Dakota will produce 90,000,000 bushels.

The crop estimates agree generally in placing the wheat yield of Minnesota and the Dakotas at about 90,000,000 bushels. It is conceded that about 20,000,000 bushels will be required for seed and local consumption by farmers. Deducting this, there remains 70,000,000 bushels. The millers of Minneapolis are expected to consume about 30,000,000 bushels during the year, and this reduces the supply to 40,000,000 bushels. The winter wheat millers in the southern belt and the spring wheat millers of Wisconsin will probably call for 15,000,000 bushels, and the supply goes down to 25,000,000 bushels, and nothing has been said about the wants of the many mills in Minnesota and the Dakotas. It is thought to be a fair estimate, however, to place the consumption at one-third their capacity, leaving 15,000,000 bushels. There has been no allowance made yet for wheat shipped to New York. Duluth is a heavy New York shipper. The statement appears to be warranted that good milling wheat will be scarce, with the result that flour must advance later in the season.

### FAILED FOR A BIG SUM.

A Car Company at Indianapolis Owes Over Half a Million.

The Indianapolis Car Manufacturing Company has been placed in the hands of a receiver on the petition of John V. Vorhees, Purchasing Agent of the company. The petition says that the company is insolvent, having debts to the amount of about \$65,000 and no means to pay them. He says also that the assets have been largely pledged to secure indebtedness, and that \$100,000 of this amount is now due. The company is composed of C. S. Millard and George A.

McCord, and has been in business in that city for years. Millard said that the failure was precipitated by the collapse of the Empire Lumber Company of Chattanooga, Tenn., and that nearly all the indebtedness is located in the South. Matthew Benning was appointed receiver. An attempt will be made to carry on the works and retain the 800 employees if possible.

### WHAT WE SENT TO EUROPE.

More Beef and Hog Products Shipped than Last Year.

The Chief of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington reports that the total values of the exports of beef and hog products from the United States during the month of September, 1890, and during the eleven months ended Sept. 30, 1890, as compared with similar exports during the corresponding periods of the preceding year, were as follows:

September, 1890, \$10,795,597; September, 1889, \$7,872,691. Eleven months ended Sept. 30, 1890, \$108,587,043; eleven months ended Sept. 30, 1889, \$81,211,489. The values of the dairy products were as follows: September, 1890, \$1,122,549; September, 1889, \$834,054. Nine months ended Sept. 30, 1890, \$6,674,139; nine months ended Sept. 30, 1889, \$7,754,371.

### IN NORTHWESTERN ELEVATORS.

Stock of Wheat Stored in Minnesota and the Dakotas.

Figures compiled by the Northwestern Miller show the stock of wheat in private elevators at Minneapolis to be 2,490,000 bushels, an increase of 368,000 bushels since last week. This makes a total stock at Minneapolis of 4,095,400 bushels, and at Duluth 851,637 bushels, or 4,947,000 bushels altogether in the two places, against 4,187,000 bushels a week ago. The Miller's Record estimates that the country elevators of Minnesota and the two Dakotas contain 4,984,000 bushels, an increase for the week of 123,000 bushels. The aggregate stocks in the Northwest is thus swelled to 9,931,000 bushels, against 8,458,800 bushels last week.

### RICH and WEARY of Life.

Walter O. Kernochan, twenty-six years old, over-rich and surfeited with the comforts of this world, blew his brains out in his apartments at the Delta Phi Club, at 5 East Twenty-seventh street, New York. Kernochan had a good social standing, was raised in a raving maniac over the subject of religion. She imagined she must offer a human sacrifice, and prepared her 6-months-old son as the subject. She was discovered and overpowered just in time to avert the death of the boy.

### Wanted to Sacrifice Her Child.

At Springfield, Ohio, Miss Nancy Sullivan became a raving maniac over the subject of religion. She imagined she must offer a human sacrifice, and prepared her 6-months-old son as the subject. She was discovered and overpowered just in time to avert the death of the boy.

### WILL Work with Colored Men.

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### Stricken Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

E. M. Baldwin, of Martinsville, Ind., while standing before a glass arranging his lottery, was stricken with paralysis, rendering him deaf, dumb and blind. He recovered sufficiently to scrawl on a piece of paper: "I cannot see, hear or talk."

### He Stole \$300,000.

William A. Schieber, who robbed the First National Bank of Columbus, Ind., of \$300,000 and fled to Canada, but was recently decoyed to Detroit and arrested, was sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$500.

### Natural Gas Explosion.

At a gas well which was being drilled near Lima, Ohio, a sudden flow of gas was struck, which ignited from the derrick lamps. In the explosion which followed two men were fatally and one dangerously burned.

### A Spouting Man Disappears.

J. Fred Twitchell, Secretary of the West Superior (Wis.) Trotting Association, has disappeared. He had used funds belonging to the association and besides had borrowed large sums of friends.

### Fatal Gust of Wind.

While a Union Pacific train was running against a gale near Rock Creek, Wyoming, the wind tore the roof off a box car. A brakeman who was on top of the car was carried some distance and fatally injured.

### Murdered by Cattle Thieves.

In Northern Wyoming, George B. Henderson, range manager for a large cattle company, was murdered by cattle thieves. Numerous attempts had been made on his life by this lawless element.

### Six Men Injured.

A terrible explosion occurred at the Ducey Lumber Company's lower saw-mill at Muskegon, Mich., as the fireman was getting up steam. Four of the six boilers exploded, wrecking the mill and throwing the other two boilers far from their foundations. Six men were injured, and one—Fireman Verger—cannot recover. The cause of the explosion was low water. The loss to the mill will be heavy, and it will not start again this fall.

### Abraham Lincoln's Log Cabin.

A committee from Chicago in the interest of the World's Fair visited Washington County, Kentucky, this week, and bought of Henry Reed the log cabin in which Abraham Lincoln lived as a boy, and where his father was married to Nancy Hanks, the certificate being preserved there yet in the County Clerk's office. The price paid for this historic relic was \$1,000, and it will be taken down and erected entire on a prominent site at the World's Fair.

### Narrow Escape of the Czar.

A rumor has been current for several days in Warsaw that the Czar of Russia was badly wounded in the foot by the explosion of a dynamite shell while hunting in the forests of Shiernevitz, forty-two miles from that city. General von Werder, an aide-de-camp of the German Emperor, who accompanied the Czar, was also wounded by the same explosion. The Czar's official organ denies that he was wounded.

### Grand Duke Nicholas Is Crazy.

At the close of the military maneuvers in Vojinovia, the Grand Duke Nicholas, chief in command of the Russian army, suddenly became insane. His mental derangement is the result of disease from which he has long been a sufferer, and the effects of which were aggravated by the strain incident to the maneuvers. His case is hopeless.

### Wants to See the Heather.

Prince Bismarck will probably visit England within the next few weeks. The Prince is still keenly desirous of seeing the Scotch heather in bloom. Lord Rosebery is as anxious as ever to receive the distinguished ex-Chancellor and his lordship, while the feeling of confidence everywhere increases. The state of foreign trade is fairly satisfactory, but the weakness of American securities in London