

OVER THE STATE.

The new Baptist church at Nebraska City will be dedicated on Sunday, January 6.

The daughter of ex-Senator Van Wyck has gone to Davenport, Ia., where she will enter St. Catherine's school.

Thos. J. Connor, agent of the B. & M. at Grand Island has become deranged and will be confined in an asylum for treatment.

HENRY DAVISON, a prominent farmer living between Foster and Osmond, has been arrested, charged with stealing about forty hogs from R. Lucas last summer.

The Hopgood Land and Live Stock company filed articles of incorporation last week. It is capitalized for \$20,000, and the principal place of business will be Holdrege.

THERE is trouble in the ranks of the state university foot ball team, arising out of the fact that a colored man has been elected captain of the team for the ensuing year.

The November mortgage record for Gage county shows farm releases filed in excess of filings of \$3,618, but Beatrice mortgage releases exceed the filings by nearly \$5,000.

HOK. J. R. ERVINE, one of the oldest and most influential citizens of Pawnee county, died at his home in Dubois last week. He was a member of the state senate in 1870 and 1881.

W. J. O'BRIEN, assistant superintendent of the state hatcheries at South Bend, was in Sidney last week with the fish car, and distributed bass, carp and crappies to a large number of people.

OMAHA had another disastrous fire the other day, half a block being burnt over. The exposition building and the First Baptist church were the structures destroyed. Loss over \$100,000.

It is announced by the state superintendent of public instruction that the next examination for professional certificates will be held in the office of the superintendent at the capitol December 26 and 27.

CUDAHY & Co., south Omaha, have confessed judgment in the sum of \$2,250 to Nellie Cavanagh as administrator of the estate of Patrick Cavanagh. This was a packing house accident out of which the suit arose.

A MEETING of school officials from various parts of the state will be held in Lincoln December 12 to discuss needed amendments to the school laws of the state, and appoint a committee to secure legislative action thereon.

ALEXANDER THOMPSON, father of Attorney E. E. Thompson and cousin of Hon. W. H., and Judge J. R. Thompson, died in Grand Island last week at the age of 60 years. He was a citizen of Hall county for twenty-two years.

WHILE Lewis Frey of Ogalalla, aged 50, with two other men, was tearing down a concrete house, one end of the building fell out, crushing Frey to the ground. His back was broken and he was otherwise badly injured and cannot live.

BRACKMAN H. R. ARNICK of the Burlington railroad carries a bullet from a 22-caliber revolver in his side. His little child, while sitting in his lap, was playing with the revolver, which was discharged. His condition is not regarded as serious.

GEN. BOOTH of the Salvation army was in Omaha the other day and received a royal welcome. Delegations were present from all the posts of the surrounding country. Large parades were held previous to the afternoon and evening meetings.

WILLIE BOWERMAN, aged 15, ran away from his home in Fremont several weeks ago, and has been heard from in San Francisco, where he has employment. He went through by the blind baggage route. His parents propose to let him stay where he is.

The postoffice at Linscott, Blaine county, was demolished and looted of \$10 to \$15 worth of property. It was located in a sod house, and the burglars wrecked the house and furniture. The postmaster was sick and had gone to Dunning for the night.

REV. A. J. NATHAN, the evangelist, who took part in missionary meetings in Fremont some time ago departed last week for his home at Oklahoma City. He will leave America in about two weeks for Mexico, where he will engage in missionary work.

At the creamery meeting held in Oakland an organization was effected and arrangements will be made at once to put in a new plant, with all the latest improved machinery for separating cream, churning, etc. They will start in with milk from 800 cows.

SHERIFF MILLIKEN of Dodge county, returned last week from Cherokee county, Kansas, bringing with him "Dynamite Jack," a fellow who painted rocks in Fremont last summer, and who is wanted for running away with a team mortgaged to a local broker.

The Sherman County Irrigation, Water Power and Improvement company, which was organized and incorporated last August, is now actively engaged in excavating and constructing their canal, extending from Arcadia to Rockville, in the Middle Loup valley, a distance of over thirty-six miles. Over 100 teams are now at work.

SHERIFF KYD of Gage county returned last week from Quincy, Ill., having in custody Monroe Robertson, charged with embezzlement in the sum of \$15,000 in connection with the defunct Odell bank. Robertson was arraigned in county court immediately upon his arrival and gave bonds in \$5,000 for his appearance for preliminary hearing December 11.

A MRS. HERBICK escaped from the insane asylum at Lincoln last week and at this writing has not been found. The safe in the postoffice at Pierce was blown open last week by burglars. A large amount of stamps were taken. The loss is estimated at \$200.

JUDGE CHAPMAN rendered an important decision last week. The case was that of several pupils against the Institute for the Blind located at Nebraska City. They refused to leave the institute, claiming it was an asylum. Judge Chapman held that the institute was not an asylum, but a charitable educational institution and denied the writ.

THE North Platte National bank closed its doors last week. The officers of the bank are A. D. Buckworth, president and Samuel Goozee, cashier. The comptroller of the currency has charge and nothing definite can be learned as to the result of the examination, but it is thought that the depositors are well protected.

Gov. CHOURSE today put an end to the very lively fight that has been in progress here ever since the election over the appointment of a successor to Judge Strode, just elected to congress. There were a dozen or more prominent candidates, but the fight was waged so bitterly that the governor brought in a dark horse named E. P. Holmes as Strode's successor.

PEOPLE of Boyd county have issued an appeal for aid. They say in their circular: Our people are in need and some are actually suffering, and unless we receive aid at once many more will suffer. All we ask is enough to sustain life during the winter. We expect to secure aid from the state for seed wheat, corn, oats, etc., but we must look to you and others for food.

SOLOMON GAYTON has commenced a contest case in the county court of Dodge county against George Hindmarsh. Both were candidates for member of the county board of supervisors from Elkhorn township, and the return showed Hindmarsh was elected by a plurality of two votes. Gayton claims illegal voting and error in that Hindmarsh acted as clerk of election.

The postoffice in Pierce was robbed last week. The burglars effected an entrance at a side window. The safe was blown open and robbed of its contents. A railroad employe while cleaning out an empty car found the records and money order books. Every stamp was taken, except a few postage dues and periodical stamps. The amount was \$171.60. No clue to the robbers.

JOHN F. WOLFE, postmaster at Bertrand, met with a painful accident at Atlanta, Wolfe, while going from the smoker to the chair car, slipped and fell on the platform, sliding down the steps. He caught hold of the railing in this manner held on until the wheel caught his foot, wrenching his grasp loose and he fell to the ground. He was taken on to Holdrege where Dr. Miller amputated the left foot. He will recover.

MRS. TRISSEL, a widow residing five miles northwest of Bartley, was fatally injured in a runaway while going to Red Cloud, She, together with her brother and sister-in-law, Richard Gavett and wife, were riding in a lumber wagon. Two miles east of town the men got out to walk. The one driving stumbled and fell, losing his hold on the lines. The team ran away and Mrs. Trissel jumped, string head first. She was carried to a farm house but only lived a few hours.

THE other night the hanging lamp in the office of Wolfe Bros. store at Neigh fell. The oil spread and ignited. The flames spread rapidly. Monie Wolfe, who sleeps in the office, was retreating at the time. He tried to smother the flames, but was burned in the vain effort. He rang the fire bell. The firemen arrived and turned on two streams of water. The fire was quenched, but several thousand dollars' worth of goods had been ruined and serious damage done to the building.

The store of Chris Nelson at Limegrove, a little postoffice eight miles west of Newcastle, was entered by burglars last week and half of the stock stolen. The thieves entered the store by cutting one of the panels out of the back door and removing an iron bar that fastened it. They carried the goods to a wagon, which was in waiting a few rods from the store. The goods stolen consisted of boots, shoes, groceries and dry goods. Three pairs of candy and all the tobacco and cigars were taken.

THE Twelfth Biennial Report of the Regents of the State university has been transmitted to the governor by Hon. Chas. H. Morrill, president of the board, and has been printed for the information of the legislature, the state press and the general public. It reveals a surprising condition of affairs. The institution has far outgrown both the public and the legislature. The increase in attendance is simply phenomenal. Within three years it has trebled; reaching already this fall nearly fifteen hundred. It would have been two thousand could such attendance have been permitted or encouraged.

A BUTTE dispatch says: The preliminary hearing in the case against Whiting, Storms and Kloke, the Spencer election board accused of fraudulently voting fictitious ballots at the bond election October 16, was taken up in the county court Friday, before Judge Skuse. After the introduction of about twenty-five witnesses, who testified that they had voted in favor of the proposition (the returns showed only eighteen) the state rested, and the defense moved to dismiss, because the prosecution had failed to show that fictitious ballots were cast, as charged in the complaint. Judge Skuse overruled the motion for the reason that although the state had failed to make a case on the complaint, there was still a "probable cause" for holding them to the district court, which was done. The bail was fixed at \$500 each, which was quickly furnished.

CINCINNATI (O.) dispatch: The pathetic wedding of Lillian R. Kellogg of Peru, Neb., and Dr. Elton B. Crowell of Syracuse, N. Y., yesterday, is the talk of the town. The groom is a medical student at the Eclectic college. He became critically ill a week ago and believing he was going to die, sent for Miss Kellogg, whom he was engaged to marry. She left her duties as instructor in the art institute of the state normal school at Peru and hurried to her lover's side. Yesterday afternoon they were married by mutual agreement. The groom, who is now recovering, sat up in bed during the ceremony, performed by Rev. Thomas of the Fifth Presbyterian church.

The police of Kearney arrested a boy about 13 years old for breaking into and robbing Harrington's grocery store. When arrested he had some of the stolen plunder on his person, besides two or three revolvers and some big knives. He was sent to the industrial school.

There are 280 iron and steel manufacturing establishments in Pennsylvania, with an invested capital of \$200,000,000.

The Eiffel tower is the property of the builder for ten years, beginning with 1889, after which it reverts to the city of Paris.

THE DIPHTHERIA CURE.

Report of J. J. Kinyoun to Surgeon General Wyman of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Of particular interest at this time is the report made to Surgeon General Wyman of the navy by Dr. J. J. Kinyoun, the marine hospital surgeon, who, at the invitation of Professor Roux, investigated the methods employed at the Pasteur institution, Paris, in the preparation of the new cure for diphtheria.

Dr. Kinyoun says that after spending a month at the institute he had seen sufficient to enable him to form an intelligent estimate of the value of the discovery. More is to be said in its favor than was claimed for it by Professor Roux in his paper on the subject before the international congress of hygiene and demography, held at Buda Pesth in September.

The report gives in detail the steps necessary in the preparation of the serum antitoxine which include, first, the preparation of the toxins of diphtheria; second, the immunization of animals; third, preservation of and conservation of the serum. The manner of producing immunity in an animal may be performed in one or two ways—by injections of the toxins or by inoculations of the bacilli. The former method has been found to be the best and at present is the only one in use. In the experiments of Professor Roux and Dr. Martin, animals of all kinds were used, but now they use the horse, as it has been found to be the most satisfactory.

Of the eighty-two cases which came under Dr. Kinyoun's observation three died. The statistics show that there has been a gradual diminution of mortality since last May.

The report continues, says: "The efficacy of the serum is better shown in the tracheotomies than in all others. The mortality under the usual conditions has been from 1889 to 1894, something frightful to contemplate. Fully eighty-five per cent of the little patients have succumbed. Since the commencement of the serum treatment the death rate has been lowered to less than forty-seven per cent and the cases upon which tracheotomy must be performed are fewer and fewer. It is now possible to immunize the regents of the disease. Unfortunately the immunity is not of long duration. The longest time in which it is thought to be protective is six weeks, one injection being sufficient. The future possibilities in this condition cannot be overestimated, as we have in the serum the almost absolute preventive of epidemics of diphtheria."

FARMERS' ALLIANCE OFFICERS.

J. F. Willits Heads the Kansas Order—The Aid Degree Done Well.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 8.—The Kansas Farmers' Alliance last night elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. F. Willits of McLouth; vice president, Mrs. Emma Troutman of Osage county; secretary and treasurer, J. B. French of Topeka; chaplain, Mrs. D. I. Furber of Topeka; doorkeeper, J. S. Elwood of Harvey county; assistant doorkeeper, Mrs. E. Crum of Osage county; steward, W. B. Goshoe of Hart county. J. F. Willits and Mrs. A. Wardall were elected delegates to the annual meeting of the national Alliance at Raleigh, N. C., in February.

The Alliance Aid degree, or the life insurance department of the National Alliance, has a membership of 5,573—an increase of 3,312 since last year. Last year it paid losses of \$10,500, of which \$4,250 was on deaths of Kansas members.

THE GOLD RESERVE.

A Loss of Over a Million and a Half in One Day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The cash balance in the treasury yesterday was \$154,727,085, of which \$109,560,123 was net gold. This is a loss in gold since Wednesday's report of \$1,581,897.

The treasury officials offer no explanation of this increase, but the information comes from New York that during the last three days the sub-treasurer has several times been obliged to meet demands for gold in exchange for legal tenders, but so far as known here none of the gold withdrawn has been exported. The present high rate of sterling exchange (\$4.88) makes it probable, however, that before the close of the present week considerable amounts will be withdrawn for export to France, where the demand just now is greater than in England. The treasury officials decline to discuss the probability of extensive withdrawals, but it is believed that they feel apprehensive of still further losses.

Collecting Income Tax.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The estimate for the collection of the income tax until July 1, 1895, aggregates \$245,095, and includes provisions for one statistician, \$2,500; an additional head of division, \$2,500; six clerks at \$1,400; eight clerks at \$1,200; seven clerks at \$1,000; one messenger at \$400; salaries and expenses of 303 additional deputy collectors, \$211,800; salaries and expenses of ten additional revenue agents, \$1,800.

Pension Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The appropriations committee of the house has completed the bill making appropriations for the payment of pensions during the fiscal year 1895-96. It carries an appropriation of \$141,881,570, as against estimates of \$141,881,570, and an appropriation for the current year of \$151,751,570. The only reduction from the estimates was of \$200,000 on account of fees for examining surgeons.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Representative Draper, of Massachusetts, has introduced a bill making compulsory the use of automatic couplers and arrangements for steam heating.

Ten prominent cordage manufacturers of the West were in session at the Grand Pacific hotel, Chicago, Thursday, endeavoring to find a rain-bow for their business. Prominent among those present were L. M. Allison of St. Paul, Martin Kingman of Peoria and W. B. Harrison of Ohio.

People never begin to enjoy life until their ambition is dead and buried.

THE MURDER OF MISS GING.

AN ATROCIOUS AND COLD BLOODED SCHEME.

BLIXT NOW MAKES A CONFESSION.

He Says That Hayward Fired the Shot That Took the Life of the Minneapolis Dressmaker—Afterward Says That He Himself Killed Her—The Ride Beside the Dead Body in a Buggy.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 11.—If the confession voluntarily made by Claus A. Blixt, the janitor of the Park flats, in the presence of Mayor Eastus, the county attorney and the chief of police, yesterday, is true, Harry T. Hayward fired the shot that killed Catherine Ging, and Blixt aided him in disposing of the body. The story of the horrible crime is related by Blixt as follows:

When the scheme of killing Miss Ging was broached Hayward told him that by killing her he would regain possession of \$7,000 which he had given her, and, in addition, would make \$10,000, as she had "willed" her life insurance to him. He offered Blixt one-fifth of the amount if he would commit the deed. Blixt still refused to have anything to do with the crime and threatened to quit then and there, whereupon Hayward stated he would do it himself, saying: "I would as soon kill her as I would a dog."

Hayward's first plan after he concluded to commit the crime himself was outlined to Blixt. There was in the basement a T-rail about two feet in length and Hayward directed the Blixt to hold this in two, stating he would take Miss Ging riding where no one would see him with her. After he struck her over the head with the iron bar, which he would carry concealed under his coat, he then intended to throw the body out of the buggy against a curbstone, start his horse on a gallop and then tell the story of a runaway accident, he calculating that the body would appear to have been thrown from the buggy when it collided with the curb.

On Saturday night, after the second ride, Hayward returned to the flats and told Blixt that the right opportunity had not occurred. On Monday night Hayward met Blixt and by threats and promises and promises of money induced him to be a partner in the crime, to the extent of aiding in the disposal of the body, and make it easy for Hayward to commit the crime, so that it would appear that he could not have been the guilty party. Hayward directed Blixt to await him coming at a point designated. At exactly a quarter to 7 Hayward was in the hall of the flats and Blixt opened the door. Hayward said: "Now hurry up and get down there. Everything is all ready."

Blixt followed out his instructions to the letter. He had been there about five minutes when he heard a shot and saw a carriage approach. As it drew up he recognized Hayward as the driver. Hayward said to him: "It is all done. Jump in and drive slowly and give me plenty of time to get back to town, and do not leave her until you are sure she is dead." Hayward got out of the buggy and Blixt got in.

The woman was on the left hand side and the laprobe was thrown over her, completely covering her, from which it is evident that before firing the fatal shot Hayward pulled the robe up and held it so as to prevent the possibility of any blood spurring onto his clothes, and to protect himself from the blood spots afterward while driving along the road. Blixt did not look at the woman, and the only way that he inferred she was dead was because she did not move. He drove along the Excelsior road to a point, he says, about one mile beyond where the body was found, then turning around he drove back over the road.

Upon reaching the spot where the body was found, he stopped, and alighting from the buggy, passed about behind it to the left side. He says he pulled the woman's feet out of the buggy box, and that the body slid of its own weight, and the laprobe came with it. He then jumped into the buggy and drove up the Excelsior road to Lake street to a point between Dupont street and Emerson avenue, where he alighted, threw the reins over the dashboard, started the horse and stepped to the walk and walked to Lyndale avenue, where he took a Lyndale car into the city.

Blixt called the mayor and chief of police to his cell several hours after the previous confession had been made. He now says that he fired the fatal shot himself.

WITH POMP AND SPLENDOR.

Three Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Gustavus Adolphus.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 11.—The 300th anniversary of the birth of Gustavus Adolphus, the great Swedish king who died on the battlefield of Lutzen, November 6, 1632, was celebrated here with a pomp and splendor which made it one of the great festivals ever held in this capital.

The Sultan Dispatch.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—A dispatch from Constantinople says that the sultan has not acquiesced in the mission of Consul Milo Jewett, who was selected by President Cleveland to inquire into the Turkish outrages in Armenia. The dispatch adds that the sultan appears to fear the effects of an independent report to the Washington government.

No More Fights in Denver.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 11.—Chief of Police Armstrong has decided to allow no more prize fights in Denver. The pugilists who have been giving many so-called boxing exhibitions here this winter will be jailed as vagrants if they do not leave town.

AN ENLIGHTENED NATION.

Japan So Recognized in New Treaty With This Country.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The full text of the new treaty between the United States and Japan has been the main subject of comment in diplomatic and official circles to-day. The treaty shows how fully the United States has accorded Japan the recognition she has now as an enlightened, modern nation. All previous treaties have been based on the theory that the relics of Eastern barbarism still remain in Japan. Accordingly, she was not allowed to conduct her own courts or to make her own tariff laws, but special treaty regulations were made to protect American litigants and American commerce in Japan, on the presumption that the native laws would not afford adequate protection.

Running throughout the new treaty are the concessions recognizing her courts and laws as ample for Americans as well as natives. This is the chief feature of the treaty.

The right of Japan to make her own tariff laws is also recognized. Heretofore the United States has been free to make such tariff laws as she saw fit affecting Japan but the latter was forbidden by treaty from fixing duties above 5 per cent ad valorem.

On the other hand, the United States secures many substantial advantages. The missionaries who make up such a very large class in Japan are guaranteed freedom of worship and protection in that worship. The main concession, however, is that of article II, by which Japan is opened up to American commerce.

THE CLAYTON ASSASSINATION

It Is Recalled by the Suicide of J. A. Clobentz at Walla Walla, Wash.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 11.—Another person whose name comes into prominence in connection with the famous political murder case in which Hon. John M. Clayton was the assassin's victim, a crime that startled the entire country, and has to this day remained shrouded in mystery, has come to a violent end. Word was received here yesterday detailing the suicide at Walla Walla, Wash., of J. Clobentz. Clobentz was sheriff of Conway county, Ark., at the time of the famous Breckinridge-Clayton congressional contest and it was he who approached Clayton on the day previous to the assassination with the admonition not to remain at Plumerville.

Clobentz was warden of the Washington penitentiary and committed suicide in his office Saturday night. He was a defaulter to the state.

Against Armenian Outrages.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—A mass meeting of citizens was held at Central Music hall last night under the auspices of the local Armenian society to protest against the Armenian outrages. H. N. Higginbotham, president of the World's Columbian exposition, presided. Among the speakers were Dr. E. G. Hirsch, M. M. Magassarian, Judge Waterman, Mrs. Mary Holmes, Dr. H. W. Roth and Colonel Sexton.

Krupp Aids a Church.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Herr Krupp, head of the great gun making firm, has given 5,000 marks for the construction of a Protestant church at Essen, where the Krupp works are situated. Essen is the center of a large Catholic population.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Chippewa Indians of White Earth Reservation, Minn., have presented a claim against the government amounting to \$7,000,000, arising from breach of the terms of the treaty made with the tribe in 1854.

Ives defeated Schaefer in the Chicago billiard tournament by the total score of 3,600 to 2,831.

San Francisco enjoys the distinction of having a Chinese bookmaker.

The grand jury at Sioux City, Iowa, has returned fifty-two indictments against county an ex-county officer for conspiracy and embezzlement. It is said they swindled the county out of over \$200,000.

Eight football players have died from injuries received while at play so far this season.

Rev. Conrad Hancy, one of the most prominent Chicago divines, has parted with Mrs. George W. Brandt, wife of the manager of the Price Making Powder company. Hancy left a wife and four children in destitute circumstances.

The second deposit of \$2,500 in the Fitzsimmons stake of \$10,000 for his coming fight with Corbett has been posted with the stakeholders. This makes \$5,000 he has now deposited.

THE MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 11.—WHEAT—Car lots by sample on track at Kansas City at the close sold as follows: No 2 hard, 50 1/2c; No 3 hard, 50 1/2c; No 4 hard, 48 1/2c; No 2 red, 50 1/2c; No 3 red, 49 1/2c; No 4 red, 48 1/2c; rejected, 48 1/2c.

Sales by sample on track, Kansas City: No 2 mixed corn, 16 cars, 42c; No 3 mixed, 14 cars, 41c; No 4 mixed, 12 cars, 40c; No 2 white, 10 cars, 47c; No 3 white, 8 cars, 46c; No 4 white, 6 cars, 45c.

OATS—Were in fair demand and not many were on sale. The prices were unchanged. Receipts of oats, 6 cars, a year ago, 40 cars. Sales by sample on track, Kansas City: No 2 mixed oats, 1 car 31c; No 3 mixed, 3 cars 30c; No 4 mixed, 2 cars 29c; No 2 white, 1 car 37c; No 3 white, 1 car 36c; No 4 white, 1 car 35c.

RYE—Firm No 2 nominally 49c; No 3, 48c. FLAXSEED—Dull, 1 3/4c; according to billing. BRAN—Firm, 63 1/2c per cwt sacked. CORN—Dull, 39 1/2c per cwt sacked. HAY—Receipts 63 cars, market weak. Timothy, choice, \$62.50; No 1, \$62.50; low grade, \$61.75; fancy prairie, \$5.50; choice, \$7.50; No 1, \$6.00; No 2, \$5.50; No 3, \$5.00; packing hay, \$4.50.

Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 11.—Cattle—Receipts since Saturday, 6,221; calves, 65; shipped Saturday, 2,325; calves, 161. The steer market was dull and weak to 20c lower; cows, calves and bulls active, steady; feeders strong; stockers steady.

Hogs—Receipts since Saturday, 7,083 shipped Saturday, 961. The market was dull and about 5c lower. The top was \$4.40 and the bulk of sales were \$4.15 to \$4.30; a pair \$4.45 for top and \$4.15 to \$4.35 for bulk Saturday.

Sheep—Receipts since Saturday, 722; shipped Saturday, 324. The supply was small and mostly common to trashy feeding sheep. Good wethers, lambs and feeders were in strong demand and active at strong prices, but poor sheep were neglected and weak.

Horses—Receipts since Saturday, 115; shipped Saturday, 51. The market was quiet.

DID THE COOKS DO IT?

These Desperadoes Are Credited With the Recent Texas Holdup.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 10.—The local managers of the United Express company say that it is impossible to tell just how much the robbers who held up the Texas and Pacific train west of here Thursday got away with, as all the way bills are missing. They got very little booty, however, is their impression, as it was mostly local express matter. The contents of the iron through package box arrived here intact. A sheriff's posse of fifteen men, headed by Deputy William Rea and Police Chief Maddox, have been out with a pack of bloodhounds since Thursday night and word received from them is to the effect that the posse is on a hot trail following the three robbers, who are well mounted and armed, and are traveling southwestward. The safe that the robbers looted was the same one opened in the Gordon robbery a short time ago.

The best information obtainable warrants placing the amount of booty secured by the robbers at \$40,000. The officers engaged in the pursuit are confident the desperadoes are members of the Cook gang and that they are making for the Indian Territory. A detachment of state rangers had started from Quanah to cut off the retreat in the direction mentioned.

CHAMP CLARK BREAKS LOOSE.

The Missouriian Fights a Bill for Retirement of Revenue Marine Officers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Less than twenty-five members were present when the house was called to order at noon to-day. In the morning hour, Mr. Mallory of Florida from the committee on interstate commerce called up the bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue cutter service. It provides for the retirement of the officers of the service incapacitated by reason of the infirmities of age or physical or mental disabilities. Mr. Mallory, Mr. English of New Jersey and Mr. Covert of New York supported the bill, but it was antagonized by Mr. Clark of Missouri, who deliberately avowed his intention of talking it to death. His speech was a characteristic one—humorous and audacious to the point of sensationalism and it kept the house in a confusion of laughter, cheers and jeers.

The morning hour expired without action and Mr. Brown of Maryland gave notice that next Thursday he would call up the contested election case of Williams vs. Settle.

The Brooklyn Tabernacle Sold.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 10.—The Brooklyn tabernacle property was sold last night under foreclosure proceedings in the old auction room of Charles C. Wills, who held a second mortgage on the property. There was only one bid of \$10,000 and it was made by Wills over and above the amount due to Russell Sage on the first mortgage. As the amount due Sage is \$61,500, Wills gets the big plot for about \$73,000, which is \$17,000 less than it cost the tabernacle.

Homes for Disabled Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The annual report of the board of managers of the National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers treats of the twenty-one state homes. The aggregate average number kept in the national and state homes was 70,162, and the whole number cared for during the year, 35,564. On June 30, the number presented in the several branches of the National home was 13,373, an increase in one year of 1,568.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS

Quotations from New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere.

OMAHA

Butter—Creamery 19 1/2 10
Butter—Fair to good country 12 1/2 10
Eggs—Fresh 22 1/2 22 1/2
Honey—Old 18 1/2 18
Flour—100 lbs 4 1/2 4
Chickens—Spring, per lb 4 1/2 4 1/2
Turkeys—Per lb 5 1/2 5 1/2
Ducks—Per lb 5 1/2 5 1/2
Parsnips—Per bu 50 50
Cranberries—Cape Cod 5 00 5 50
Apples—