DRUMNERS AND THE WOMEN,

Another Thoughtful Reply to Gertrude Atherton's Rather Acidulous "Pome."

FREMONT TRAVELING MEN ORGANIZE.

Drummers' Deadly Feud-Carries Queer Sample-They Tore up the Town-Travelers' Small Talk.

Commercial travelers and their friends are still after Mrs. Gertrude Atherton for her recent assault upon the drummers as a class. The latest contribution comes from New

York and is as follows: NEW YORK, March 18 .- To the Editor of THE BEE: Your exceedingly interesting issues of Sunday, March 8, and Monday, March 9, were sent to me by one of those "Enights of the grip" whom, as a class, Mrs. Gertrude Atherton has seen fit to make a target of; but I trust has falled to gain the applause she courted. We would rather not believe the lady to be a narrow-minded cynic, but surely she has proved herself un-charitable even if her experience has been unpleasant, or purely an imaginary episode. To criticise, one should have a broad field of experience to experiment upon, in which the weapons, two-edged generally, can cut each way; but it requires a master hand at all times, or the one wielding may burt themselves the worst. We were pleased to see that some little notice has been taken of the poem by a few of our traveling brothers, and that one of the cudgels used in defense of the bittersarcasm was the words of our own true hearted Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Her soul is always full of charity, love, truth and justice, and finding an outlet through the medium of the mighty pen, is ever wielding it for the good of all. Your terme editorial, "Women and Marriage," gave us much food for thought by its unpartisan and clear criticism, yet we do not entirely agree with the idea that "self-analy-sis has led woman to see," that "man wants marriage, not a particular woman; while she wants the special man." On the other hand, our experience with those who believe they know, is that men will not marry until they find that "special woman;" an especially obedient womanly woman. The subject is whys and wherefores, and no matter where two or three of one sex or more may meet, it generally is open for discussion. It is the law that binds, and strange to say, women love to be bound, even if they know they are free, they are ever seeking for that endless cord of confidence and respect, a true marriage; and talk as some of our lecturers do, it does not abolish the truth that women are only satisfied when chained to the do-mestic household. Our eastern cities are overrun with women bread-winners, and if one dared to question, many would be found helpmeets truly to those who have promised to cherish and keep from trouble and want; "her," who now battles with him for the bread of every day life. There is even now a current of jealousy running between the lives of men and women unmarried, and woman wins oft, but why? Ah! The spirit of avarice, clutching at the best impulses of the employer's nature, will win for the woman because of the lesser pay, and so the world moves on and human ma-chine with it; some dropping by the way, unmissed and forgotten soon, as others close thegap and the army of living souls march on. Such thoughts as these arise as we watch the masses go and come day after day and know these scenes will never step unless old mother earth collapses. V. A.G. H.

Snare Drummers. When one reflects calmly upon such evidences of total depravity as are revealed by the following occurrence, there seems too much justice in the deep-rooted belief of religious people generally that the ordinary "drummer" of commerce is a peripatetic exemplar of original sin.

Methodist church at Petaluma, Cala., was surprised to find, on repairing to that edifice a few Sundays ago, that the same was edince a few Sundays ago, that the same was not only closed but its shepherd had been suddenly called out of town. Their surprise increased on finding that the Baptist congregation had met with a like experience, out when it was finally ascertained that all the other places of worship similarly situated, a public sensation

was the result. It seems that three commercial travelers, being storm bound in said town the previous Friday, and therefore instigated by the cvil one to the commission of sundry deviltry, had concected a most wicked design. They relieved the tedium of their stay by writing, on scented paper, a note to every minister in which contained each a single Sentence in an apparently agitated feminine hand, "All is discovered—fly!"

And yet some people wonder because, when over four drummers congregate in one of our smaller towns, the inhabitants take in their deermats and call on the vigilantes to

Fremont Traveling Men. The resident traveling men of Fremont held a meeting at the New York parlors on last Saturday evening which was quite well attended and an enjoyable time resulted The object of the meeting was to organize a "Fre-

mout Traveling Man's Club." There were present: J. H. VanGaasbeek, George A. C. O. Leake, C. H. Perrigo, J. M. O'Neill, J. W. Richards, A. D. Sears, O. F. Turner, A. L. Esmay, E. M. Collins and John A. Clizbe. J. W. Richards was chosen temporary chairman and F. L. Esmay, secretary. Short addresses were made by different ones present C.O. Leake, C.H. Perrigo and F. L. Esmay were appointed by the chair as a committee on by laws and J. H. Van Gaasbeek, George A. Blue and Mr. Sears were delegated to prepare a list of traveling men residing in the city, or who make this city their head-quarters. A collection was taken for the purpose of creating a sinking fund until such time as an association cm be organized and put in good running order.

There is no reason, says a Fremout paper, why this city should not well and ably support just such an organization, making it an interesting feature to those who belong to it. This city has something like sixty-five or seventy traveling men, and why they should not be drawn together by some society bond no one has attempted to explain.

Drummer's Deadly Feud. COLUMBUS, Ind., March 20. - When the passenger train from the south on the Louisville division reached the city last evening, two of the passengers left the train and walked to the depot platform. The bystanders noticed One of the men strike the other with a small hand value, when the man struck, immediately shot his assailant, the ball entering the abdomen. The man who did the shooting was immediately arrested. His name is L. Goldsmith, a traveling agent for a firm of liquor dealers in Louisville. The wounded man is R. T. Skillman, who represents a firm of mineral vater manufacturers of Louisville. Skillman was taken to the hospital, where the surgeous presounced his wound fatal. Both men are married and live in Louisville, Skillman having three smallchildren. Goldsmith refuses to talk about the cause of the quarrel, but says he acted in self-defence. Skillman was able to talk some, after being in-formed that he would die, and made an antemortem statement, saying that there had been an old feud between them.

An Unique sample. The St. Louis Globe-Democrat tells of a commercial traveler who probably carries the most unique "sample" in the profession. It is nothing less than a human body three years old, an example of the efficiency of a certain embalming finid. For three years certain embaining find. For three years this mummy has been transported on the railroads as a sample case would be; and, indeed, there is no outward sign which would indicate the uncamy nature of its contents. In this instance the longer the body is preserved the more of an advertisement it is for the fluid in the veins of the "stiff." The box is zinc lined, and does not exceed the limits of the railroad excess bargarerule in weight.

the railroad excess baggage rule in weight. Bluffs Boys Organize. The commercial travelers of Council Bluffs

association. The meeting was called to order by A. W. Johnson. W.R. McCollough was chosen temporary chairman and A. W. Johnson, temporary secretary, after which an address was made by H. S. Blinn, after which the following expressed their views and sentiments as to the feasibility of organization, all of whom were listened to with ization, all of whom were listened to with close attention by the audience: A. W. Johnson, Ed Howe, W. G. Dorland, H. I. Forsyth, A. W. Hobbs, W. A. Strong, E. H. Haworth, M. Swallow, F. A. Birby, W. B. Lanins, W. R. McCollough, P. R. Shipard, H. Franklin, George Rude, J. J. Jones, S. D. Wadsworth, C. W. McDonald, W. H. Stevens, S. Shinn, R., G. H. Acker, W. A. McAneny and others. It was decided to form a mutual and fraternal organization for the benefit of the Council Bluffs traveling men, the object being to bring them together at stated times for the purpose of becoming better acquainted with each other and working for the benefit with each other and working for the benefit of each other, their employers and the city

which they live. The following committees were elected:
Organization—H.S. Blinn, Ed Howe and W.
G. Dorland: hall—A. W. Johnson, H. Franklin and A. W. Hobbs: fraternal work—E. H.
Hawerth, George Rudio and A. W. Johnson. There will be another meeting next Saturday evening for permanent organization and for the election of officers.

THE LAW OF INDEMNIFICATION Judge Macomber on the Rights of

Foreign Born Citizens. OMAHA, March 18 .- To the Editor of THE BEE: Mr. Webster, the secretary of state, writing to Mr. Calderan, the Spanish minister, under date of 1851, among other things said: "The assembling of mobs happens in all countries; popular violence occasionally breaks out everywhere, setting law at defiance, trampling on the rights of citizens and private men, and sometimes on those of pub-lic officers, and the agents of foreign govern-

ents, especially entitled to protection.
"In these cases public faith and national nonor require, not only that such outrages should be disavowed, but also that the perpetrators of them should be punished wherever it is possible to bring them to justice; and further, that full satisfaction should be made in cases in which a duty to that effect rests with the government, according ing to the general principles of law, public faith, and the obligation of treatles."

And further on in the same correspondence

the distinguished lawyer and statesmansaid:
While this government has manifested a willinguess and determination to perform very duty which one friendly nation has a ight to expect from another, in cases of this kind, it supposes that the rights of the Span-ish consul, a public officer, residing here under the protection of the United States overnmentare quite different from those of he Spanish subjects who have come into the ountry to mingle with our own citizens, and ere to pursue their private business and bjects. The former may claim special in empity, the latter are entitled to such pro tection as is afforded to our own citizens. While, therefore, the losses of individuals, private Spanish subjects, are greatly to be regretted, yet it is understood that many American citizens suffered equal losses from ne same cause.
"And these private individuals, subjects of

her Catholic majesty, coming voluntarily to reside in the United States, have certainly no cause for complaint if they are protected by the same law and the same administration of law as native born citizens of this country." And Mr. Webster concludes by saying: "The case may be a new one, but the president being of opinion that Mr. Laborde (the con-sul) ought to be indemnified has not thought necessary to search for precedents."
Mr. Fish, secretary of state, writing to the

merican minister at Brazil in 1875, instructed the minister upon the hability of Brazil where some imperial officer or agent connives at mob violence. Mr. Fish said: "It is the duty of Brazil, when she receives the citizens of a friendly state, to protect the property which they carry with them or may acquire there. If persons in the service of that govornment connive at or instigate a riot for the ourpose of depriving a citizen of the United States of his property, the imperial government must be held accountable therefor."

Mr. Everts in 1878, when secretary of state, writing to Mr. Gibbs, minister at Peru, said:

"A government is liable internationally for damages done to allen residents by a mob which by due diligence it could have repressed." But the learned secretary makes no effort to define what "due diligence" is. The worthy congregation of the First In 1880 certain British subjects were in-jured by a mob in Texas. It was held by the secretary of state, Mr. Evarts, after consulting the attorney general, that the offense was against the peace and dig-nity of Texas, and that the injured had their state and national tribunals, and that the matter was cognizable only by the authori

matter was cognizated ties of that state.

Mr. Jefferson, while secretary of state under President Washington, wrote to Mr. under President Washington, wrote to Mr. under president washings: "The rule by the manufacture of the president washington." King, among other things: "The rule by which all governments conduct themselves n cases where injury has been done by individuals of one to individuals of the other rovernment is to leave the injured party to seek redress in the courts of the other. If that redress be finally denied, after due ap-

that recrees be many denied, after the ap-plication to the courts, it then becomes a subject of national complaint."

Substantially the same instruction was given by Mr. Monroe, secretary of state in 1815, and by Mr. Clay, secretary of state in 1827. The opinion of Attorney General Butter in 1837 holds "Where aliens suffer vio-tence from citizens of the United States, in their persons or property, they must appeal to the courts for redress; to the state courts if the offense is a criminal one, and to the state or federal courts for redress by civil

But Mr. Everett, secretary of state in 1853, wrote to Mr. Marsly, minister at Turkey that "the rule that a claimant for redress for njuries sustained in a foreign country, must first exhaust judicial remedies in such coun-try does not apply to countries of imperfect civilization, or to cases in which prior pro-ceedings show gross perversion of justice." And in 1858 citizens of the United States were massacred at Jaffa and the Tuskish government, having taken no efficient measures o punish the assassins, the commanding officer of our squadron in the Mediterranean was ordered "too repair to Jaffa and to take such measures as may lie in his power to in-duce the Turkish authorities to inflict upon the criminals the punishment they so richly

In 1886, at Rock Springs, Wyo., twenty eight Chinamen were killed outright and fifteen were wounded, many were driven from theirhomes and property belonging to Chinese subjects, to the value of \$147,000, destroyed President Cleveland in his message to congress in speaking of the liability of the government for this inhuman act of a mob, said, "That whilst the United States government is under no obliga-

tions, whether by the express terms of its treaties with China, or the principles of international law, to indemnify these Chinese subjects for losses caused by such means and under the admitted circumstances," yet in view of the awful inhumanity and "wholly gratuitous" he recommended payment.

And in a communication to the Chinese minister, dated February Is, 1886, Mr. Bay-ard, then secretary of state, discusses the laward facts of the case with a high morality and with complete and exhaustive learning and among other things, after stating that the mob was compassed entirely of eign laborers, he said: "The decirine of the non-liability of the United States for the acts of individuals committed in violation of its iaws is clear as to acts of its own citizens, and a fortiori in respect to allens who abuse the privilege accorded them of residence in our midst by breaking the public peace and infringing upon the right of others, and it has been correctly and authoritatively laid down by my predecessors in office, to whose declarations in that behalf your note refers.

To that doctrine the course of this government furnishes no exception." We have a treaty with Italy, but this can-not change the law, as all are entitled to the equal protection of the law with or without treaty stipulations, and Secretary Bayard meets this question in his ample learning in the Chinese case, and says: "There can and should be no discrimination in applying primitive measures to all infractions of law.

And so, too, with preventive measures The question may still remain, What will Italy do about it? Was due diligence used to prevent the riot of the mob! And can any degree of justice be obtained in New Orleans! It is an unhappy matter and so was the wretched Mafia, a nest of assassins, yet mon violence can hardly be necessary in this land and in great cities. James H. Maconnen.

Tourists

whether on pleasure bent or business, should whether on pleasure bent or business, should take on every trip a bottleof syrup of firs, as it acts most pleasurily and effectually on the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches and other forms of sickness. For held a meeting Saturday evening for the pur- sale in 50e and \$1.00 bottles by all leading bose of organizing a mutual and fraterna druggists,

FANCIES OF THE WITTY ONES.

Frivolous Flings at Life's Solemnities From the Newspaper Jokers.

HUMANITY HELD UP TO BE LAUGHED AT.

Quips and Quirks From Pointed Pens, Intended to Lighten the Load and Brighten the Path of All.

New York Sun. A much-admired girl was overheard while carrying on the following brief conversation with a young man who was known to be desperately smitten with her charms. She was fondling her dog, who was walking by her side. "I wish I were your dog!" said he, giving the girl most rapturous glances. The girl looked at the deg and then at her adorer, and said with a patronizing air: "You'll

Prospecting. "Marriage licenses here!" he whispered to the county clerk, as reported in the Detroit

"Get one any week day!"

"Girl have to be here?" "How soon can I get one after she agrees?" "In fifteen minutes after you get here.

Yes. Any particular hurry about it?" "There is. There's seven of us after the same girl, and if she says 'yes' to me l've got to be spliced inside of half an hour, or she'll change her mind. I am just prospecting, you see. Be prepared for a cyclone about two days here?" days hence.

Force of Habit.

St. Joseph News. Physician-What form does his insanity Family Doctor-He evinces a desire to cut

and stash everyone and everything within "Um. How do you account for it! What was his profession!

"General passenger agent of a railroad."
"On, that accounts for it. Merely an exaggeration of habitual customs. Proceed with Razzte Dazzle.

> If a body Meets a body, Takes a glass of rve. Takes an other, And another, Need a body cryl If a copper Whose a whopper, With a savage grin, Draws his club and Gives rub-dub and

Boasted Too Much. Two old time Kentucky colonels were having a quiet little talk in the corridor of the hotel.

understand, colonel," said one, you have not touched a drop of water for That is an exaggeration, colonel," said the other. "In this town you must count upon getting your feet wet very often, sir."

One Round Too Many. Cloak Review.

"I feel done up," the maiden cricd,
"That fellow, Jack, you know,
Just begged for one more round until I said that I must go." done up, too," the youth replied,

"Much worse than you, I wot; Like you my round was with friend Jack-His other hame was Pot." Having Revenge.

Fliegende Blastter. Horne (to his friend at the concert, who is applauding enthusiastically) — For goodness sake, don't man; that was abominable! ness sake, don't man; that was abominable! You'll bring that cruel music butcher out O'Bowie (with increasing enthusiasm)— Good! Can'tyou see he's half fainting with

exhaustion? I want some revenge, my boy.

Brass and Gold. Philadelphia Tima, In politics it is not wise From wisdom's lefty stand To make a march for victory means of a brass band. But then in matrimony's line, For luck your aims to bless, Just with a gold band search and so You're bound to win success

Nota New Fad.

Denver Sun.

Mrs DeVisite-Good afternoon, Miss Blank. Is your mother at home! Miss Blank-No. She has gone to Mrs. DeMugg's Blank. Is Blank-No. progressive conversation party. By the way, what sort of a party is that, Mrs. De-Visited Mrs. DeVisite-It is one at which the conversation begins with art, science and literature and progresses very rapidly to fashion, gossip and servants.

> A Tight squeeze. Cloak Review.

Bride-elect-Let's see, dear, the wedding takes place at 0 and the train leaves at 12. and I've got to change my satin wedding dress for one to travel in. How can I do it? Bridegroom-elect—Well, that will give you Brideelect-True. But just think, I've got to be kissed by all af my old admirers.

Told in Co fi lence. Chicago Inter-Ocean. In ancient days, the story goes, When men and nature held their tryst, Unto the sun and moon and stars Men, lover-like, their hands once kissed. But in these days upon the hand Men press a kiss and deftly blow it Unto the stars alone - that is, If they are quite sure their wives Dno't know it.

How to Ge: On. Manager Dan Frohman was asked the other day what Adam and Eve did for a liv-ing when they were ejected from the Garden of Eden.

"I guess they made use of the scandal and went on the stage. The world is a stage, you know," explained Mr. Frohman.

He Never Loses Heart. The minister may spirit lose, The congregation lax become, The choir may get mdifferent, too, But still the devil works right on. Somewhat Particular.

Milwaukce Sentind. The milkman was turning away when tte Blanche exclaimed: "Say, milkman!"
"What is it, little one!" he asked.

"Masays if it don't make no difference to ou she'd like to have spring water in the nilk after this." Work of the Lobby. St. Louis Chronich A strong lobby went to Jeff City,

And sang to the members a ditty, The working men's bills Went into the mills, And never came out-more's the pity.

Mansey's Weekly. "You should not criticise me, George," said the young wife. "Kind wards always come back to you. Cast your bread on the waters and it will return to you. "You are mistaken," returned George, "if you refer to this bread. This would sick at

> Roasung tigarettes. New York Pros. A world he leaves Of cares and frets, A circle grieves— Cause: Cigarettes,

Laughed on Su shess Principles. Tom-Yes, I always laugh at Johnson's anny sayings. I am under certain obligalons to him, you know. Jack-Why, what a coincidence, I owe

alin money, too.

(cultin't De Depended On.

Puck: Lawyer-You say the fire ocsurred on the 20th of March. Can you swear

ten acres of land and a half interest in seven

positively to the date! Jonah Humsted—No, sir. Lawyer—Why not! Jonah Humsted—Wal, 'twuz the 20th by ther almenack; but yer can't believe anything yer see in them peaks patent med'cine things.

Out of sight. Philladelphia T

"How are you, my boy! I've been asking all of your old friends about you and they say they never see you. Eeen out of the city!"
"No. I've simply lost all my fortune." My Barber.

My barber's a peculiar man, With emphasis I say, For though he's not sarcastic, He has a cutting way. A Heavenly Joke. New York Herald.

"The human race must be awfully fast," "Why do you think so!" queried Gabriel.
"They are all out of breath when they get here," returned the gatekeeper. A Warning.

New York Journal

He donned his new spring overcoat About two weeks too soon.

And now his shivering ghost doth float
In space at midnight's noon. Running No Risks.

Chak Review She-These hoopskirts are for amateur theatricals and you can send the bill to the box office on the night of the performance. The Clerk-If it's all the same to you, madam, we would rather collect the money before the performance takes place.

> Two Stories. Cloak Review

She spoke with half regretful sigh Of other girls' expenses, And held their folly up to scorn In all their moods and tenses.

And when he'd gone, to her papa She went straight way and pleaded For just one hundred dellars more To get the gown she needed. Her Idea of it.

Munsen's Weekly.

Mrs. Cullen-Are wegoing to be home this vening, George! Mr. Cullen—Yes, I guess so. Mrs. Cullen—Then don't you think that if are going to stay home we might as well

Must Have Bitters New York Mercury: Mr. Boaster-I'd have you to know, Mr. Curtly, that I come of genuine bourbon stock; my family runs back to the time of Heary IV. Mr. Curtly— Well, I guess you'd be willing to run back that far yourself if you couldn't get your bourbon any other way.

No Doubt He Had a Hand in It. "Somebody has picked my pocket," cried

the fat woman.
"Whom do you suspect" asked the midget. "That sneaking armless wonder over there has a conscious look on his face. I believe it's him. "

Of the Backward Sort. The spring is here! The spring is here! Exclaimed the waking tenant, s swift he did the foetboard clear

But as he stormed and furned a bout Like the waters off Cape Hattras, And rubbed his back, it soon turned out He meant the spring of the mattress.

While waved his bedgown pennant.

MEWS OF THE NORTHWEST.

The Webster county fair will be held Octo ber 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Auburn business men are trying to obtain government signal service. Sarpy county's ninth annual fair will h eld at Papillion September 16 to 19.

Talmage citizens are raising a bonus to secure the erection of a large planing mill. Tramps set fire to the barn of A. Bothwe at Fremont and the structure was destroyed It is said a deal has been closed which wil give Red Clouds large oil mill and paper fac

Rev. Mr. Guthe has been installed as paster of the German Presbyterian church at Two thieves who stole six pair of pants from Herman Brothers of Grand Island have been landed in jail.

A bridge on the B. & M. between Hol drege and Axtell was burned Friday evening delaying travel several hours. Mrs. E. J. White of Fremont died ver suddenly of affection of the brain while he husband was absent from home. In the Saline county district court tw

saloonkeepers were muicted for damages one for \$700 and the other for \$500. Burglars entered Wichtel & Krielle's hard ware store at Pender, but they only suc eeded in making away with about \$15 wort of knives

The ice barvest at Crete is ended with record of 20,720 tons shipped to various points in Kansas and Missouri. Over \$18,000 have been paid to the workmen who gathered the

The report that White Feather, an indian married Miss Flora Everton of Red Cloud, is denied by the Fairbury World, which says that the red man in question is in Fairbur and still single on account of the hard heart edness of the county judge, who refused ssue the necessary marriage license.

A Fill more county woman who was prough efore the insanity board at Geneva for examination, as soon as she had sized up th rowd, fell down on her knees and offer fervent prayer for their salvation. In of this evidence of a sound mind the board ordered her sent to the in same asylum.

W. C. Organ, alias R. W. Cook, who was arrested at Columbus two weeks ago for forging a check for 341.10 on W.T. Ricktey which was cashed at the Columbus State bank January, was tried in the district court and found not guilty. No somer had he been realeased than he was rearrested for the crime of stealing \$35 in gold from a bank in Winnesheke county, Icwa. Cook was abl to prove an alibi in the case just tried.

A young son of L. B. Baker of Battle Creek amused himself the other day by al-lowing a long strip of cloth to wind on a horizontal shaft of a feed mill. By some means the cloth got wound around the boy' arm, and before assistance could arrive he made no less than fifty revolutions with the shaft, to which the little fellow had presence of mind enough to eling with both feet and hands. He escape d with a broken arm.

lowa News The Adams county clork issued marriage censes to forty couples during the past year Joseph S. Anderson has been a member of he Cedar Rapids school board for twentyone years.

Alittlechild of Dennis Hogan of McGregor drank some concentrated by and died a hor rible death. Tom Wall, a colorad sprinter, and Miss May Franklin, a white girl were married at

Burlington. The two creameries at Northwood made and shipped 492,000 pounds of butterduring the past year.

The record of the Marshalltown packing house was broken Walnesday when 1,38 hogs were killed.

The fifth annual convention of the Iowa Bankers' association will be held in Sious City June 9, 10 and 11.: (21.6)

Walter Martin, eight years old, has been sent from Keokuk to the gelorm school. His father said he couldn't control him. Many violent cases of la grippo are re ported at Mason City, but no deaths have resulted as yet. Hawarden has twenty cases. Sheriff Brown of Chicknesaw county is twenty-three years old and the youngest sheriff in the northwest, if not in the United States.

Captain Dan Shields and his wife, temperance revivalists, propose to stump the state with a circus tent capable of holding 15,000 people and a brass band. Nicholas Peiris and his divorced wife Barbara, both of Fort Madison, concluded to try wedded infe again and were married. Inst

Astock and horse brooders' association has

week for the second time.

been organized at Manchester. The plan is to buy a large farm adjoining the town and breed and drive fine borses. Lemon A Castana man advertises for a wife with Almond -Orange

With the times, and wants something exquisite in a SPRING OVER-COAT THAT FITS, can obviate all the time, trouble and annoyance usually gone through with to secure what he wants at the hands of the average tailor. We've got "em" in all that is new and novel in shade and quality. We MAKE"EM" OURSELVES. Wemake THOUSANDS of them. That's why we get the CUTAND FIT so perfect. (It's experience.) Our SPRINGSUITS are the same way, everyone of them have that NATTY, NEAT and TASTY apearance peculiar only to the CLOTH-ING MANUFACTURED by us, and when you stop to consider that all these advantages can be secured in your SUIT or OVERCOAT, and by far the largest stock in the city to select from, it is no great surprise to find us always busy.

Our CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT is a wonder in many ways; the people wonder at one entire floor occupied with Boys' and Children's clothing; they wonder again at the variety and the beautiful styles in which they are made up and their chief surprise and wonder comes in when they see that our prices are even lower than they have been accustomed to pay for common goods.

Beautiful Spring Goods in Every Department.

Money Cheerfully Refunded in all Cases Where Goods ARE NOT SATISFACTORY. BROWNING, KING & CO.,

S. W. Corner 15th and Douglas.

RELIABLE CLOTHIERS.

cows and a horse. He is 36 years old, uses tobacco, but doesn't drink. He would prefer a virgin, he says, but will consider applications from willows, Miss Alice Sternman died recently at Mus-

catine, aged seventeen years. Her death was due to impure virus being used when she was vaccinated, which terminated in consump-All the tobacco dealers of Grinnell bave

agreed not to sell cigarettes. They were pre-vailed upon by the ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union to sign a pledge to that effect. The Dubuque Ledger says that at a meet ing of the Dubuque business men held a few days ago for the purpose of comparing notes.

gating 80,400. Some of the individual debts were as large as \$655. It is not the extremes of heat and cold so much as the sudden changes in temperature that cause certain climates to be unhealthful. When, however, the system is invigorated with Ayer's Sarsaparilla, these changes are

it was stated that 100 citizens of that place owed twenty-five merchants in sums aggre-

rarely attended with injurious results. PLEASANT AND PROFITABLE Collector Alexander Tells of His East ern Visit.

Collector W. H. Alexander has returned from a two months trip to the east during which he visited Washington, spending three days in the city of magnificent distances, in looking after matters pertaining to his office. He then proceeded to his old home in Norwich, Conn., stopping in Philadelphia and

New York, en route. Speaking of his trip Mr. Alexander said "My trip was both pleasant and profitable All theofficials whom I encountered in the treasury department were exceedingly courteous, making my two or three days of business a real recreation. I called first upon Major Brackett, chief clerk, upon whom I desired to urge the necessity of dropping a lot of worn out traps from the federal building's inventory, and to arrange for the re-up-helstering of these dilapidated lounges, and the hanging of new curtains. If nothing happens to change my plans, you will see a change about these rooms before long. "Perhaps the most important of my er-

rands to Washington was in connection with the importation of ores from Mexico and the establishment of some basis for liquidating entries for Council Bluffs goods, without compelling the merchants to ship them over the bridge and back again.
"Under the new tariff act notable changes have been made necessary in the valuation and entry of lead ores. The department is-sued circulars, more of an advisory character than mandatory, for the guidance of collec-tors, in the light of such information as could then be obtained. Experience has shown that some modifications should be made, cannot explain the matter to you fully, be-cause it is a long story, only to be definitely determined by the secretary of the treasury. determined by the secretary of the treasury after careful consideration. Pending such

decision sufficient latitude has been permitted

to ease matters up very materially, and I am hopeful that a great part of the shipments of

through in bond. Assistant Secretary
Spaulding, who is in charge of the customs department, requested me to put my views in writing and send them on to be taken up in detail when the secretary gets settled in to "I was also fortunate in getting authority to perfect arrougements by which Council Bluffs importers will be greatly convenienced. The secretary is thoroughly set against having that city con-stituted a port of delivery, or any other city within easy reach of an already established port, hence it is desirable to make the most

liberal arrangements possible, and this will "I have also been authorized to arrange for an examination room for the better carrying on of our basiness here in Omaha, and secured the appointment of my clerk, Mr. Crumb, as guager and inspector, making the working fore in the office more completely equipped for service."
"What is the latest regarding block 86"

"Oh, the restoffice; well, nothing has yet been done on the plans, but Mr. Windrim says he hopes, indeed he expects, to get the foundation in this year. They could make no move while the increase in appropriation was pending, but since that has been shut out at least for a long time, the plans will be started on the basis of \$800,000. tect's force is erowded to death, almost, and has more work authorized than can be wrought out in years, but the Omaha bui

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