ARMY CIRCLES DISTURBED

Officers Object to Several Measures at Present Before Congress.

LINEAL PROMOTION BITTERLY OPPOSED

They Charge That the Bills if Passed Will Thoroughty Disorganize the Relative Standing of Every Arm of the Service.

WASHINGTON BURSAU OF THE BEE, 513 FOURTESNIH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.

Army men are pouring into Washington to oppose or advocate the two bills providing for lineal promotion which are now before congress for its consideration. Either of these pills will affect very considerably the rank and promotion of many officers. The house, or Outhwaite bill, which is by far the most sweeping, provides for promotion lineally by seniority of service in all grades of the line. If enacted into a law it would dis-organize the relative standing of every arm of the service. Officers who are now captains nearly at the top of the list would find them selves in many cases jumped by officers of their own grade who, though now below them in linear rank, have been longer in the service. The same will apply to other officers below the rank of brigadier. The Outhwaite bill has passed the house and has been considered by the senate committee in connection with a strong adverse report from the War department. Today the sen-ate committee on military affairs drafted their report on the measure which will prob-

The report will strike out the first section entirely, except the enecting clause and leave of the bill only that portion providing for tineal promotion below the grade of cap tain. This is essentially the Proctor bill now on the calendar of the senate and which will soon be reached. When it is taken up consideration the Outhwaite amended will be passed as a substitute and a conference called for. This is the program as now arranged and it looks as if it may be successful. The Proctor bill will rearrange the rule which permits ileutenants who have received rapid promotions in their regiment and who have thus jumped over in relative rank officer after officer not so fortunate It does not touch old captains, majors an lieutenant colonels, many of whom received their advancement for gallantry in the war and who would, under the Outhwalte bill, be delayed in receiving further promotion antil subordinates who have been in the ser-vice longer but have a less distinguished record were promoted far above them. May Not Include G. A. R. Statistics.

It is stated that the work of collecting data relating to the roster of the Grand Army of the Republic which is to be incorporated in the eleventh census report now being issued has been nearly suspended and that there seems to be an impression in certain quarters here that the superintendent is inclined to drop the work altogether. This information will be regretted by the veterans and their friends throughout the country who have been anticipating with great personal interest this feature of the census. The work so far done is, in itself, very interesting, and when completed it would make a very val-uable selection for not only the soldiers and their families, but the country at large. The work is comparatively inexpensive, but it is believed the country would endorse its completion at any reasonable cost of labor and expenditure of money, even though its cost was twice as much as it will be. It would be well for Grand Army of the Republic posts throughout the country to bestir themselves and give an expression to Secretary Noble as to what shall be done with this work.

Free Coinage Favored. The belief continues to prevail in the sen ate that the free coinage bill will be passed

by that body, as well as by the house. Sen-ator Allison, chairman of the appropriations committee and one of the most conservative members of the finance committee, said to-day: "Yes, I think the free coinage oill will pass the committee. The silver men. however, have only a bare majority, so that the only hope of defeating the free coinage bill here would be in some disruption of their organization or in the absence of or more of their number without the silver question will not come up in the senate till after the bill reaches us from the house. The silver men, however, have it in their power, if they see a promis-ing opportunity, to take up the bill at any I would not undertake to prophec how soon a free coinage bill will be sent to the president, but I do not view the situation with alarm because I feel absolutely certain that the president will veto such a measure. Indian Affairs Discussed.

It was stated at the War department today that both Secretary Elkips and General Scholield are very much opposed to the pro-vision in the Indian appropriation bill which places the Indian agencies in charge of army officers and that both of them will presently take occasion to express their views upor the subject. The provision placed in the bill in the house will be stricken out by the senate. Few members of the army take kindly to the proposed innovation. Several army to the proposed innovation. Several army officers were discussing it today, and they all agreed that it would be an excellen thing for the Indians but not a desirable task for the army officers detailed for the work. It would most probably create a clash be tween the War and Interior departments, as the only thing the war office would have to do in the premises would be to detail the ofdo in the premises would be to detail the of-ficers and send them to the secretary of the Interior to be assigned to the posts as he needed them. Their reports would all go to the Interior department, and the only con-nection they would have with the War department would be to draw their salary as members of its pay roll. There is no doubt that it would be an excellent thing for the Indian service, army officers say, as it would place it beyond political intrigue and greedy agents who, as is well known, are often the cause of the trouble that the gov ernment has with Indians.

Miscellaneous Today Representative Perkins of Sioux City received a letter from Peterson, ia., which is a good sample of the sentiment on the silver question which is rapidly growing many of the rural districts of the country. The letter is signed by W. G. Goodrich as mander of Grand Army of the Republic

post 426, and says:
"If you vote the sentiment of your constituents of this part of your district you will vote against that infamous free coinage

Mr. Perkins will vote with the majority of

the republicans against the bill, which is losing friends eachday.

Mr. Perkins has been receiving, as have also many other men in congress, protests against the passage of the Camminotti bill which proposes to prohibit the transporta-tion of plants and trees between states which may be afflicted with plant diseases or parasites. The protests filed today were from the Sloux City Nursery and Seed com-pany and from M. E. Hinkley of Marcus, Ia. W. F. Knowles of town is in the city look-ing after his tree claim. Mr. Knowles has an eighty acre tract upon which he has lived for about ten years, but his tree entry was contested and the department has decided

Mr. A.J. Holmes, ex-sergeant-at-arms of the house, leaves for lows on Sunday and it is understood that he will look over the situation there with a view to entering the cam-paign if he see an opportunity to capture the

nomination for congress.

Senator Kyie of South Dakota today presented a petition from residents of Tama county, Iowa, in favor of the establishment of a school for the Sac and Fox Indians in that county.

The comptroller of the currency has issued

The county.

The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for a statement of the condition of national banks on Tuesday, March t.

Colonel B. H. Sullivan, surveyor general of South Dakots, returned today from New York, where he was shown distinguished attention from from forest of these Colonel Sullivantion from forest of the colonel Sullivantion from forest of these colonel Sullivantions.

York, where he was shown distinguished attention from federal officials. Colonel Sullivan will remain here several days yet.

The senate committee on commerce today reported with adverse recommendation the bill establishing a port of entry at Council Bluffs. The measure, it is stated, finds no support in the Treasury department, where the necessity of a nort of delivery at both Omaha and Council Bluffs is not recognized. The comptroller of the currency has authorized the First National bank of Estherville. In., to begin business with a capital of ville. In., to begin business with a capital of

The general bridge pill, which passed the senate the other day and which is intended

to dispose of all questions which are from to dispose of all questions which are from time to time presented in specific bills in congress, does not, it is understood, forbid the construction of bridges within close proximity of each other. For instance, it would not prohibit the construction of other bridges at Omaha near the present one.

Firm the house committee on agriculture today a deficiency appropriation was reported, making an appropriation of \$150,000 for the bureau of animal industry and \$10,-000 to continue experiments in the manufacture of sugar.

ture of sugar, Senator and Mrs. Manderson will return

from Canton, O., tonight.
Senator and Mrs. Warren gave a white and green dinner at the Arlington the other evening. The guests at the table were surrounded by a grove of paims, the novelty proving a most enjoyable feature of the entertainment. The cloth was strewn with maiden hair fern and on either side of the center piece, an ellipsis of ferns studded with Puritan roses, were smaller pieces of roses. The guest cards and menus were written in green ink and the tapers were under green shades

Among the guests were Senator and Mrs. Carey, Senator and Mrs. Delph, Mr. and Mrs. James Montgomery, Mrs. Green of Oregon and Senator Dubois.

The Mormon amnesty petition from Utah is still under consideration at the Department. ment of Justice. The written report of the eminent officer of the Department of Justice detailed to investigate constitutional ques-tions involved has been filed with the attor-ney general. It is said to be overwhelmingly favorable to the unlimited power of the pres

ident to grant amnesty. Assistant Secretary Chandler today in the contest of the homestead entry case of Henry Christine against Susan B. Melindy's heirs, from the Bloomington land district, reversed the decision of the commissioner, which dis-missed the contest. He holds that the evi-dence shows that Mrs. Melindy never established residence on the tract, but that her home was with William Melindy on his quarter section, and he, therefore, directs that the entry be cancelled. P. S. H.

DeWitt's Sarsaparilla is reliable.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh. BEE bldg MR. MAHONEY'S SUCCESSOR.

Commissioner Paddock Trying to Decide Upon a Poor Farm Superintendent. Mr. Paddock of the Board of County Com missioners was not in Omaha yesterday, but he was not far away. He is in South Omaha, where he is in close consultation with a ber of the politicians of that suburb for the purpose of trying to name a man to succeed John J. Mahoney as superintendent at the Douglas county poor farm.

Wednesday some of the South Omaha people called upon Mr. Paddock to ask him when and where a delegation of citizens could meet him for the purpose of presenting the claims of their candidate. Mr. Paddock did not want to held the conference in this city and want to hold the conference in this city and that is the reason why he informed them

Dewitt's Sarsaparilla cleanses the blood.

would meet them at South Omaha

that he

today.

Little Job by Burglars. Burglars broke into the office of the Omaha News company on Davenport street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth. The lock of the safe was smashed with a sledge hammer and something over \$50 in cash was secured. A lot of valuable papers which were in the safe were not touched.

Gessier's Magic Headache Wafers cures all headaches in 20 minutes. At all druggists PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

S. Taylor of Wymore is at the Merchants C. F. Dworak of Oakdale is at the Arcade. H. A. Pasewalk of Norfolk is at the Pax-M. V. King of Geneva is a guest at the Ar

S. H. Kyner of Long Pine is at the Ar-H. E. Scripture of Stanton is at the Merchants. J. L. Keck of Kearney is registered at the Millard.

E. A. Weir of Boise City is stopping at the Millard M. Kaufman of Mitchell, S. D., is at the J. T. Makinzie of Palmer is stopping at the

Arcade. F. H. Bailey of Nebraska City is at the A. G. Holt of Grand Island is at the Ora Haley of Laramie is a guest at the C. A. Howe of Sloux City is at the

Murray. A. W. Scott of Lincoln was at the Millard vesterday. J. F. Allen of Fremont was at the Murray C. B. Angrus of Lincoln was at the Murray

I. Gluck of Columbus is a guest at the Charles A. Ford of Buffalo, Wyo., is at the Paxton.

E. W. Williams and wife of Lincoln are at the Arcade. L. Angem of Columbus is registered at

H. Hall and wife of Fremont are guests at J. M. Marsh of Guide Rock is stopping at the Arcade. W. J. Bird and H. O. Bell of York are

J. D. Hardin of Deadwood is stopping at Menter B. Guinn of Catdwell, Idaho, is at the Paxton. George E. Ford of Kearney is stopping at the Paxton.

R. E. Williams of Exeter was at the Arcade last evening. W. J. Lamb of Lincoln was 'at the Paxton

C. A. Campoell of Cheyenne is registered O. K. Eastman of Crawford is registered at the Arcade.

H. C. Mahanna of Fremont was at the Millard yesterday. A. B. Warrell of Mason is registered at the Merchants. J. Metcalf of Nebraska City was in the

A. L. Gray of York tarried awhile at the Millard yesterday. J. E. Horr and C. G. Somers of Norfolk are at the Arcade. Bruce E. Smith of Fremont was at the Dellone vesterday.

Frank W. Lewis of Lincoln was at the Murray last ovening. Rev. J. G. Tate and wife of Hustings are ruests at the Millard. I. H. Thompson and wife of Dunbar are ruests at the Merchants.

W. C. Griffith, state bank examiner, of Lincoln is at the Paxton. J. G. Ross of David City, Neb., was a caller at THE BEE office yesterday. W. H. Cooly and H. B. Vandecar of Elba were at the Millard yesterday. John Teeter and J. G. Chapen of Lincoln

vere at the Murray yesterday. Mrs. Judge M. R. Hopowell and Mrs. Chil-cott of Tekamah are at the Millard. Matt Claire is confined to his room at Paxton with a slight attack of la grippe. Drs. W. F. Gooden and Peterson Aurora were at the Paxton last evening.

George W.Travis, F. C. Brown and Charles W. Thompson of Grand Island are at the J. L. Watrous and George C. Agnew of Central City were at the Merchants last

Miss Genevieve Pearson depa. ted yesterday for Nehawka, Neb., where she takes charge of a public school. James M. Woods, a capitalist, and A. J. Simmons, a newspaper man, of Rapid City, S. D., are guests at the Paxton.

H. C. McEvony and John McBride of O'Nelli, respectively ex-sheriff and ex-county clerk of Holt county, are at the Arcade. Manager Hewett of the Millard hotel and Dr. H. C. Sumney left yesterday for a ton days' pleasure trip through southern Da-

Mrs. K. M. Kean has resumed her duties after an absence of six weeks and will have charge of Forest school, on South Thirteenth street, for the remainder of the term, during the absence of Mrs. Kent, the principal, who is taking a much needed rest and vacation.

AFTER THE MULLIGAN MONEY

Many Claimants Striving to Secure the Fortune Left by the Creston Recluse.

SIMPLE TRAPS LAID FOR IMPOSTORS

How the Administrator Has Securely Dis posed of a Number of Claimants-Strange Story Told by the Latest Heir.

CRESTON, Ia., March 3 .- [Special to Tax Bes. |-The wierd and sensational story of the gramatic life and subsequent death of Thomas Mulligan, the recluse of Union county, Iowa, has been told and retold in every newspaper of prominence in the United

States. From every point of the compass have come heirs prospective and heirs without any prospect, all positive in their claims of lineal ancestry and heritage and all bent on the one errand-securing the dead man's for-

None of the many claimants, however, up to yesterday, have been able to adduce evidence of a character to sustain their broad claims, and each has in turn left. Administrator Sprague has carefully guarded against imposters and has honor ably discharged his trust. Thus every claimant has fallen into the carefully prepared pitfall which has been so adroitly and ingeniously laid for them. The administrator has carefully selected, from various sources a score or more of photographs of old, young and middle-aged people. Without so saving. the various claimants are led to understand that these photographs were found among the effects of Thomas Mulligan. The photo graphs are laid before the claimant and he is requested to see if among them all he can recognize any of them. To date there has been but one claimant who failed to find among the various faces a grandparent, father, mother, sister, brother uncle, aunt or some more distant relative Not one of the photographs were ever in Thomas Mulligan's possession, nor are any of those parties in any manner related to him. Several other modes are used to tes the candor and honesty of claimants, and all are more or less effective. Each succeed ing claimant seems very anxious to recog nize semething which will assist in estal lishing his claim and thus he falls an easy victim to the administrator's ruses victim A half dozen different cases have been com menced in the district court here to obtain possession of the property, and all will be heard at the coming term.

Appearance of a Son Yesterday there appeared in this city from St. Louis., Mo., Edward Muligan, accom-panied by his attorney, Bertram D. Kribben. Edward is a tall, lean man, thirty-five years of age, with sunken eyes and a heavy, au-burn mustache. His appearance is not pre-possessing, but he is a mild-mannered gentleman for all that. He brought with him be-sides his gentlemanly conduct and suave attorney, a bundle of musty old documents containing the first important evidence yet introduced in the famous Mulligan case. Among the evidence was a copy of a marriage certificate, United States land patents, tax receipts, bils of lading, receipts for money, bills for merchandise, etc. Edward Mulligan is a hard-working, sober and industrious printer, holding cases on the St. Louis Daily Republic. He first saw the ac-count of Thomas Mulligan's strange life and death in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat a month or more ago. Showing the article to his aged mother she insisted that it must be her husband, and prevailed upon her son to

ent and substantiated by documentary evi-

ferret the matter out.
Edward's story, as told to your corresponddence, is as follows: In 1853 Thomas Mulligan met Miss Elizabeth Murpny in St. Louis and the couple formed an acquaintance which resulted in mutual admiration and finally ripened into youthful love. Nothing occurred to mar the smooth pathway of that love, and early in 1854 the happy twain were duly wedded, with Catholic ceremony, in St. John's church, St. Louis. Both were members of the Catholic church, the wife a devout one, but Thoma was inclined to be a little careless about his religion, and often would not enter the sacred portals of a church for an entire year. To the then happy union there were born four sons—Edward in September, 1858; James in January, 1861; John in August, 1863; and in January, 1861; John in August, 1863; and Micheil in November, 1868. The latter died in 1888. The other three sons and the wronged wife of Thomas Mulligan, who for years was compelled to employ herself in every honorable manner possible to support herself and family, are now living in St. Louis.

Neglected His Family. Thomas Mulligan was seldom at home from the year of his marriage to the time where he deserted his wife and family and secame a recluse to avoid detection Previous to his leaving home for good he was engaged for the most part in railway contract work and bridge building, and it is shown by various papers now in possession of the family that in this work he was at different times, up to 1868, employed in Illi-nois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri. In 1872, the last time the family has any knowledge of his location, he made a visit for a couple of days with his family in St. On returning to his work his son Edward accompanied him. He was then Edward accompanied him. He was then working with his headquarters at Albia, in Monroe county, Ia., and was doing a contract of stone work for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway. Edward, after remaining with his father for about three months, re-

turned to St. Louis.
In 1874 or 1875 Thomas Multigan again visited his family for only one or two days. He demanded that his wife accommany him on his return to his work, but refused to say where he was then located. Mrs. Mulligan d, telling him that she would not think of bringing up her family in a railros He left in anger, and the family had never since heard from or of him until the publication of the death of Thomas Mulligan at

While Multigan was home on this last visit his wife secured from him a well worn leather pocket bill book containing the deeds and other valuable papers above mentioned.

Among the papers found in the pocket book is a naturalization certificate, showing that at the St. Louis land court, October 27, 1856, Thomas Mulligan, a native of Ireland applied for and was granted admission as a citizen of the United States, and that he renounced and abjured forever all allegiance and fidelity to the queen of Great Britain and Ireland, of whom he was then a subject. This certificate is signed by Charles A. Mantz and bears the seal of the court.

He Owned Much Iowa Land. Three patents to land in the Chariton land district are among the papers found, as are also numerous tax receipts on tracts of land lying in Monroe and Decatur counties,

April 6, 1854, is the date of a receipt from the collector's office at Independence, Ia., for taxes on eighty acres of land. This is signed by John Gorton, collector.

On October 10, 1860, a receipt is dated at the treasurer's office at Decatur, Ia., for taxes on a quarter section of land.

According to the papers shown, Mulitary

According to the papers shown, Mulligan, between 1854 and 1868, must have owned up-wards of 1,000 acres of land in Iowa. This property he sold without the assent or sig-nature of his wife, Elizabeth, and whatever may be the outcome of the case at Creston the wife can hold her dowry right to all the

An old Catholic prayer book, which the

An old Catholic prayer book, which the wife says belonged to her husband and was in his possession at their marriage, contains on one of its inner pages the almost obliterated signature of Thomas Mulligan, acrawled in an aw kward hand.

This signature must have been written over thirty years age, and it was evident that, at least for a number of years, he was almost unable to write his name, for his writing is shown to have been done by one Thomas Bergen for over a year, in 1867 and 1868. The signature referred to was today compared with a signature of Thomas Mulligan found on the back of a certificate of deposit at the First National bank in this city, and though there was a vest improvecity, and though there was a vast improve-ment in the writing, a resemblance could be

easily discerned.

Edward Mulligan bears a very close resemblance to Caristophe: Mulligan of Ilitnois, who claims to be a brother of deceased.

There is one missing link in the chain of

evidence addiced by Edward Mulligan and that relates to the deceased's residence in Illinois. If it can be shown that the Illinois Mulligan and the Mulligan owning the property in Monroe and Dicatur counties, Iowa are the same, then mideed has Elward found his father and proven his claim to the for-

HOPES FOR HARMONY.

Commissioner Garneau Talks About No braska's World's Fate Plans. "Yes, I am now a full fledged commissioner reperal for the state of Nebraska upon matters pertaining to the World's fair." said Mr. Joseph Garneau to a Bgg reporter vesterday soon after be arrived from Lincoin.
"Would you care to state to the public an

outline of your probable policy touching the preparations for the great exposition!"
"I have not given the matter sufficient thought to outline a policy, but I will say that the first thing I shall aim at will be to secure harmony and united action among the commissioners. I shall be in favor of asking the Nebraska members of the national compission to lend us their counsel in the matter mission to lend us their counsel in the matter.

"There is one thing very apparent to all.

That is the inadequacy of the state appropriation. But we shall be obliged to make the best of it and every cent must be judiciously expended. I shall request the commissioners not to meet on the 15th of March, as they are intending to do, because the plans for the building now in the hands of Mr. Wood, the architect at Lincoln will not Mr. Wood, the architect at Lincoln will not be ready to be submitted to the commis sioners at that time and there will be noth ing to do. We must not squander the funds by the holding of useless meetings. I hope that there will be perfect harmony between the commissioners and myself upon that point.

Speaking of the Nebraska building Mr. Garneau said: "We should erect a building to cost not less than \$25,000, but with our present appropriation \$15,000, but with our present appropriation \$15,000 is as inuch as we can afford. It will require at least \$15,000 of the commissioners and other board bills of the commissioners and other who will have charge of this display. We shall be very short of funds. That is one thing that stares us in the face at the outset. But as I said before, we shall endeavor to put every cent where it will do the most good, and hope for the best results possible under the circumstances.

Welss' Partner Pleased. Captain J. H. Stickel of Hebron is president of the bank of which M. F. Weiss, who bas been appointed World's fair commissioner by Governor Boyd, is cashier. The captain came in Wednesday evening to attend the Loyal Legion banquet, and had not heard of the political good fortune of his business associate when he met the governor on the street soon after his arrival. Of course, he felt in duty bound to say a good word for his fellow townsman, whom he knew to be an aspirant for the position, and he paid an eloquent tribute to the sterling worth and ability of Mr. Weiss as a business man. The governor waited until the eulogy was com pleted and then remarked: "Well, captain, I'm glad that you coincide in my views, as my action in this case will

pointed Mr. Weiss this morning." "You did?" "Yes, sir."
"Well," said the captain, as he recovered his breath, "I'm not going to take back what I said just on that account. I shall still maintain that you might have coked farther and done a great deal worse, and he headed for a telegraph office to notify his partner of the great difficulty that he had

therefore meet with your approval. I ap-

encountered in securing the latter's appoint He was still feeling good natured yester day and stated that the appointment would give satisfaction to both republicans and democrats in Thayer and surrounding counties where Mr. Weiss is well known. said that Mr. Weiss was a hustler, and energy and practical business ability would be of inestimable value in securing the be of inestimable value in securing the proper representation for Nebraska at the Columbian exposition.

DeWitt's Sarsapariila cleanses the blood increases the appetite and tones up the sys-tem. It has benefitted many people who have suffered from blood disorders. It will help you.

THEY ARE LEADERS.

Nye and Burbank Are First Among the Members of Their Callings. Sentiment and humor will be agreeably

contrasted tonight at the Grand Opera house v Bill Nye and A. P. Burbank. their appearance in Omaha for the third annual benefit of the Omaha Press club. There has been a very gratifying sale of seats, the box office sale has been large and a representative audience may be anticipated on this occasion. The Press club could not have found a more humorous duo than Nye and Burbank to entertain its friends, and the members feel sure that their efforts to give a thoroughly denightful entertainment will be commended.

Bill" Nye, ever since the Boomerang days, has been prominently before the pub-lic. He has written hundreds of columns and his humor seems as fresh and delicious as the waters from a mountain spring. Bur bank is possibly not so well known to the people of Omaha as his confrere, but he is none the less famous in literary circles. He possesses the soul of the true poet. He is the Shakespeare of vocal expression. It is not often that all the qualities necessary to a public entertainer are intrusted to one person but they are complete in Mr. Burback. The Chicago Times in commenting on a series of readings expressed the thought which comes to every one who hears this highly gifted entertainer. Nothing that he does is blurred or indistinct. Every characteristic is sharply outlined and vivid, but the contour of his pictures is softened and shaded with a sympathetic glow possible only to positive inborn genius. It is easy to see that Mr. Burbank feels every situation. He literally lives his character, and in the possession of that indescribable gift of personal magnetism lies the secret of his hold upon his audience, and of his eminent and deserved success. The difference between Burbahk and many other renowned but comparatively tame readers is simply this: That while they possess but little inspiration and a world of art, he enjoys the full sunlight of a wealth of natural inspiration with but art enough to render his methods the graceful vehicles of a lofty ideal, and the frame work of either his pathos or his humor.'

After the Entertainment, Yesterday at the meeting of the Press club it was settled that after the affair at the Grand what is left of the illustrious pair will be escorted to the club's room. Then a saturnalia of social amenities and cigars will be indulged in.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething softens the gums and allays all pain. 25 cents a bottle.

ANOTHER PARK PROPOSITION. Big Cut in the Figure First Asked for Syn-

The popular sentiment of south side citi zens upon the question of purchasing desirable park lands appears to be swinging pretty vigorously me favor of the Clarke-Murray tract east of Thirteenth street. But

there are other trumps to be played before

the game is lost or won. The owners of Syndicate park are determined to make Clarks and Murray come down more liberally before giving up the struggle. A new probesition will be laid before the Board of Park Commissioners at the
next meeting. It will come from the ewaers
of Syndicate park and will be to the effect
that fifty-three acres, including the springs
and drives aiready improved, will be sold to the
city at exactly \$30,000. This is the amount
of money that the owners claim they have
expended in improving the park, and they
are willing to soil the land for just enough to
pay for the dams and fences and drives about
the lakes.

The park commissioners at once agreed
that it would be unwise to purchase the
fifty-three acres offered at any price, because
the outlet to the main streets of the city was
not sufficient. The commissioners want struggle. A new probosition will be laid be-

the outlet to the main streets of the city was not sufficient. The commissioners want about seventy acres, bringing the park up to Twenty-third street on the west, and thus furnishing a good, broad entrance from one of the best streets to drive upon south of Vinton. If the owners of Syndicate park should finally decide to put in the seventy acres at \$39,000, it might stagger the commissioners and cause Thomas Murray to offer another slice of a dozen acres adjoining the Clarke tract.

ALL THE FUNDS WERE USED Men's Christian Association Tonnis club at the Young Men's Christian association build-

How Chief Grain Inspector Thompson Found His Official Affairs.

THE WORK OF BLANCHARD REVIEWED

Expenses of the Management in Excess o the Receipts-With Proposed Reforms It May Be Conducted on a Paying Basis.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 3 .- | Special Telegram to THE BRE.]-When R. R. Thompson ook charge of the office of chief grain in spector he was requested to fornish to the Board of Transportation a complete report of the finances of the office under Blanchard as shown by the books of the office. His report was filed yesterday. He shows that since this department was started last August that there has been 6,950 cars inspected, for which \$2,433.50 was received. Under the inefficient and extravagant management this amount failed to meet the expenses by over \$1,000 and the department is now in debt to that amount. A part of this is due to Blanch ard for back salary, the rest to the of some \$600 is made up of small bills held by printers and stationers for the most part.
Mr. Thompson believes that with the economical reforms that have been ordered by the board this entire amount will be cleared up in a very short time and before very long e will be able to make a report showing

balance in the treasury.

The report of Weighmaster Taylor of Omaba was filed for record with the secre taries of the State Board of Transportation yesterday. He reports that during the month of Feoruary he weighed 731 cars, for which the department received \$882.75. This amount is about \$100 less than the expenses during the same time. Mr. Taylo February was a dull month and all but the independent shipments were cut off, thus very materially reducing the amount of

The Kilpatrick company of Beatrice filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state today; capital, \$50,000. It is a real estate and loan company.
Oil Inspector Heimrod reports that during the month of February be inspected oil to the amount of 8,028 barrels. Of this amount 1,420 was gasoline.

From District Court.

The jury in the libel case of Jay Burrow against the State Journal company returned a verdict this morning fluding in favor of the defendant and Jay will have a nice bill of

costs to pay.

Judge Hall and a jury are trying the case of J. K. Marley against the Capital Heights Street Railway company. Marley was standing on the rear platform of a car in July, 1890, when it turned a corner with an abruptness that threw him off, permanently injuring him. He wants \$5,000 for his dam-ages. The defense is contributory negligenco. William Hoogbruin ruived Johanna De

Vries in October, 1890, and under stress of the law married her. He soon deserted his wife and she now brings suit for a divorce. William J. Pratt also desires a divorce from Ella, whom he says deserted him two years ago.

Homeless Youngsters.

Mrs. Libbie Hoel, matron of the Home for the Friendless, filed complaint in the county court today against Jesse Smith, Lee Boron and Harry Stobl. The boys are about 12 years old, but incorrigible, and have kept the matron busy bringing them back after they hal indulged in runaway expeditions Young Smith's mother is in the insane asy um while his father abandoned him. He has but one eye. Young Boroff is afflicted with diseased eyes, and Stohl has a withcred arm. Their parents abandoned both of them. were sent to the Kearney school.

Badly Injured.

Joseph Cannon, who has charge of the sec-tion on the Eurlington between this city and Waverly, had three ribs broken, and internal njuries inflicted last night. He was riding home on the handcar about 6 o'clock, when he turned round to see if the passenger train then due was in sight, when he lost his balance and fell backward. The car passed over him, and was derailed. The other were somewhat shaken up and bruised, but none seriously injured. Odds and Ends.

The council had another seance last night. The "big four" have been joined by two others who are of the opinion that the ward redistricting ordinance is illegal, and refused ing the wards into voting precincts. read a second time however, and an attemp will be made to pass it next Tuesday, whi is the last opportunity under the registra tion law for such a proceeding.

The Young Men's Republican club is in it this year. At least they expect to be. At meeting last night they recommended six names of young republicans for representation on the state and congressional delega-The Dollan quartet will give a free concert

at the university chapel tomorrow night.
W. P. McCall and Miss Carrie Coffin, two well known young society people, were quietly married last evening, and have gone east on a wedding trip.

John W. Blair, one of Governor Thayer's

attorneys in the recent gubernatorial controversy, is in the city today. Mr. Blair declines to talk, but it is pretty strongly hinted that he is here with the intention of conferring with leading republicans relative to the advisability of again taking up the fight on the lines heretofore mentioned.
C. H. Thompson, Rock Island's right of way man, returned today to Topeka, having closed up all deals necessary to insure the road a right of way into the eastern portion

of the city. He will return Monday to carry

right of way to the southwest through the There was but one case filed in the supreme court today, Adolph Meyer against the Mechanics and Traders bank. This case comes from the district court of Douglas county on a writ of error. The bank recovered a judgment against Meyer to the amount of \$2.046 in the lower court. There was no meeting of the military board today as announced. When the meet-ing was called to order there was a quorum

lacking. The meeting will be called again in the near future.

The Board of Public Lands and Buildings met this afternoon and made appointments to the new industrial home for girls which will be opened at Geneva about the 15th of with be opened at telebva about the last of the this month. The following appointments were made: Superintendent, J. D. McKelvey; matron, Mrs. McKelvey; assistant matron, Mrs. Agnes Packard; teacher, Mrs. Mary Merrick: assistant teacher, Mrs. Dixon of Edgar. All other help is to be under the control of the superintendent. Governor Boyd has not yet made an ap-

cointment to fill the place vacated by Harry Downs in the labor bureau and Commissioner Andres has been compelled to hire a clera temporarily, as there was a great deal of business to be attended to at once.

Tennis Club Meeting. There will be a meeting of the Young

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Major Birkhauser Wants to Get Contractor Squires at Work at Once. At the next session of the Board of Public Works the resolution adopted by the city council, authorizing the street sweeping contractor to begin the work of sweeping the streets, will be discussed.

Chairman Birkhauser of the Board of Pub lic Works stated yesterday morning that he did not think sweeping was prac-tical so long as the nights were cold. With freezing weather a sweeper could take up but little of the dirt. He thought the correct thing to do would be to order the contract at the rate of \$12 per under his old contract, at the rate of \$15 pe mile. By thoroughly cleaning the paved streets, the sweepers could then be put on

with good results.

Mr. Birkhauser did not favor cleaning the streets under the direction of the street commissioner, as the plan was too expensive. short time ago the council ordered the streets in the business portion of the city cleaned Men were put to work and the mud was piled up in heaps on eight miles of paved streets. This cost \$843, when if the work had been perform-ed by C. E. Squires under the terms ed by C. E. Squires under the terms of his contract, the cost would have been only

Mr. Birkhauser stated that the paved streets were as clean as in most cities the size of Omaha, and that while Omaha ex-pended only about \$16,000 annually for this purpose, the other cities expended four and ve times as much.
The cause of the streets being in such a

filthy condition this spring was easily ex-plained. Usually, he said, the winters had been dry and sweeping had continued from five to six weeks later than it did last fall. Last winter was mild and consequently sloppy. Graders had kept at work all win-ter, which was something unusual, and as a result a large amount of earth had been spilled upon the paved streets.

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Mike Murray has brought a suit in the dis-

rict court by which he hopes to recover the sum of \$14,500 from McShane & Boyles, rail road contractors. For a cause of action Murray alleges that on July 13, 1890, he was in the employ of the defendants working upon a railroad that they were constructing in Custer county, South Dakota, and white so engaged had charge of some blasting that was being done. On that bright July morning, after drilling a hole into the solid rock to the depth of eighteen feet, he poured is two kegs of powder and commentwo kegs of powder and commenced tamp-ing. His tamping had not continued long when an explosion took place which hurled the plaintiff off into space. Whe he reached the earth after his tour through the air, he took an inventory of his injuries and discov ered that his face, legs and arms were terr bly burned. He now avers that the explo sion was caused by the fact that the tools furnished by the defendants were not suita-ble for doing the work. The Omaha Printing company has brought

proprietors of the Topics, a society paper that was consigned to a place in the newspaper graveyard a year or more ago. The laintiff alleges that between the dates, Febuary 27 and November 14, 1890, Topics was enjoying a happy life by working in its own special field, material and labor to the amount of \$3,201 was furnished to keep the sheet upon its feet. The debt not having been paid, plaintiff has brought suit. Ella McMurra has filed a petition in the district court in which she sets forth her tale of woe. On May 14, 1891, she mortgaged her household goods and borrowed \$150 from B F. Masters. At the time she received \$141.25 F. Masters. At the time she received \$141.25 cash, the balance having been held out as commission. Afterwards the note was transferred to H. Milliken, who is made a party to the suit. The plaintiff now comes into court and states that she has paid Masters and Milliken \$87.50, but that the money so paid has not reduced the debt, as it has been applied in the payment of interest. Milliken now seeks the payment of interest. Milliken now seeks to foreclose the mortgage, but has been pre-vented from so doing by a restraining order

suit to recover the sum of \$3.201 from Fred Nye and Joseph Garneau, the erstwhile

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