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GASOLINE LIGHTS GO OUT

Contractor Special Refuses to Longer Furnish Illumination for Outlying Districts.

CLAIMS THE CITY IS DEFRAUDING HIM

Gas Inspector Gilbert Tells of the Company Shortcomings - Council Committee Takes Hold and Will Carry on the Contract Temporarily.

The subject of light in the suburban districts of the city is one that is giving both residents and councilmen any amount of

George Specht, who has the contract for

lighting with gasoline, has become weary and has laid down the burden which he has been carrying for nearly a year and declares that he will never light another lamp until the city settles up old accounts. This notice was served upon the council Tuesday night and yesterday he said he was through with the gasoline lightmg until such time as the city announced that it was ready to live up to the terms of its end of the conhad agreed in his contract and that if any one was to be blamed it was the council and the city authorities. The gas inspector, he said, had not given him a fair deal in the testing of the lamps; that, instead of testing all of the lamps, that official would pick out the one having the lowest candle power and then rate them at the same caudle power as shown by that one lamp. After that the deduction was made upon all of the lamps and those that were up to the terms of the contract were never taken into consideration in making up the bill to be

presented to the comptroller.

Gas Inspector Gilbert, in talking upon the subject of gaseline lamps, said that he had given Specht every chance to show whether or not be could furnish the candle power that or not be could furnish the candle power that he had contracted to give, and that in every instance he had absolutely and completely failed to get to the front. It was true that the deductions had been made by taking the lamps for a test, those that showed the lowest candle power, but that was just what the contract provided for. In plain and unmistakable language it said that the test should be made on the language that showed the lowest candle power and that all deductions should be made upon that test. It was true should be made upon that test. It was true

should be made upon that test. It was true that some of the lamps furnished as high as 11 75-100 candle power, but there was not a lamp that ever burned at if-candle power, the candle power contracted for. There was another thing, Mr. Gilbert said, and that was that the service had never had any attention. In many of the districts the lamps were lighted before the middle of the afterwere lighted before the middle of the after noon and in all such cases they burned out shortly after midnight. This was the fault of the contractor and was a strict violation of the contract. Of the 1,017 gasoline lamps in the city there was never a night when they were all lighted and burned throughout the entire night. Specht should have known at the time when he took the contract that he could not formish the light, as his burners were not sufficient and his tanks were not large enough to carry the supply of gasoline. City Attorney Conneil said that he should recommend to the council that it take simi-

lar action as it did in the Squires street sweeping contract. The city could invite bids for lighting, and any advance in price could be charged against Specht and col-lected from his bondsmen.

Councilmen Howell and Lowry of the

special committee have succeeded in bring-ing light out of darkness. Yesterday they took hold of the gasoline question, ordered hay and feed for the horses and gasoline for the lamps. In behalf of the city they guaranteed the salaries of the min until such time as the city can secure a new contract. The employes have all been in-structed to report for duty and tonight the lamps will be lighted as usual.

DISGRACES THE STATE.

Frank Kaspar's Opinion of the Nebraska World's Fair Building. Frank J. Kaspar has just returned from a trip to Chicago, and while there visited the World's fair grounds. He saw the Nebraska building and his heart was filled with grief at the sight thereof. In speaking of the building yesterday he said that it was without exception the poorest building on the grounds, and, what made the situation worse than it would otherwise be, the structure stands directly in front of the main en-

trance, where it is the first thing that arrests the attention of the visitor,
"It looks for all the world like a big dry
goods box," said Mr. Kaspar. "It is severely
plain, with nothing of ornamentation or
architectural beauty about it. It is square shaped, with square topped windows and a flat roof, and there is nothing by which the casual observer can make out what it is. The scal of the state is reproduced in the front of the building, but it is not at all plain what it is, and it has been found necessary to stick up a beard sign in front of it with to stick up a board sign in front of it with the name of the state painted upon it to let the visitors know what part of the union it represents. The other buildings have the names of their states across the front, so that one may see at a giance what they are. South Dakots, Colorado, and in fact all our neighboring states have very tine, handsome buildings, and ours shows up all the worse because of the contrast. It would be bad enough if it was in a less conspicuous posi-tion, but where it is the effect is not at all

attering to our state.
"If it isn't too late, the state would make a good investment by tearing the thing down and putting up something in its place that would be more in keeping with the importance of the state and its great wealth and resources. If that can't be done, some changes at least might be made that would relieve the forbidding systems of the structure as it. the forbidding exterior of the structure as it is at present. In addition to its plainness, it is a plain white, and there it is different from the other buildings, which have any amount of color introduced, and the effect is much more pleasing than anything that the faks in charge of our building have thus far been able to introduce. I understand that it cost \$15,000, but if it did our commissioners were imposed upon, that's all. It certainly ought not to have cost a cent over \$7,000, and that would have been a liberal estimate."

While in Chicago Mr. Kaspar devoted one day to selling the product of his bearl button factory, and in that one day sold \$2,400 worth of Omaha made pearl buttons and at the same time did a rast amount of missionary work for the cause of protection. the forbidding exterior of the structure as i

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Qualifications of a Voter. OMAHA, Oct. 31 .- To the Editor of THE Bee: Will you please inform me through the columns of THE BEE whether the party mentioned below is entitled to vote at the next election in this state. A father and son came from the old country in 1860. The son was registered last Thursday. When asked by the registrar where he was born his answer was "In the old country." "Did you take out papers to become a citizen?" was the next question, to which the son replied that he did not, "but I heard my father did, but I do not know where."

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now where."

Answer Chapter 26, section 3, of the Com-iled Statutes of Nebraska reads as follows: piled Statutes of Nebraska reads as follows:
"Every maie person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, belonging to either of the following classes, who shall have resided in the state six mouths, in the county forty days, and in the precinct, township or ward tendays, shall be an elector. First, citizens of the United States. Second, persons of foreign birth who shall have declared their intention to become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization at least thirty days prior to an election."

Now if the father took out paners at a time before his son was of age then the son

is criticed to vote, but if the son had attained his majority at the time the father took out his papers, then in order to be able to vote the son would have to take out papers also. Of course satisfactory proof must be adduced that the father did take out papers.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Contracts that are Under Way in Various

paving, curbing, grading and in the sewers.
The wages average \$2 per day for common laborers and \$1.5) per day for men with teams. The greatest difficulty that the contractors experience is to find the men, as it is, they claim, almost impossible to find an

idle man.
On account of the work being so scattered, and so much of it being upon outlying streets, but few people have any idea of the amount that has been completed this year. A few years ago, when all of the work was done right in the heart of the city, the result of a summer's work was plainly visible, but since more attention has been given to the streets of the suburban districts, it takes a day's journey to be able to ascertain just what has been going on during the summer months.

Up to this date this season the following streets have been curbed and paved: The Sixteenth street vialuct; Poppleton avenue, a point 198 feet west of the west line of Twenty-fourth; Cass street, from the east line of Twenty-fourth to the west line and Twenty-ninth avenue, from Leavenworth to Hickory.

The paving aggregates 62,543 square yards, nearly four miles, and has cost \$150,941.30. The curbing aggregates 36,899 lineal feet and has cost \$22,250 ff, making a total of \$173,-197.97 paid on final estimates for curbing and

paving alone,
In addition to the work that has been completed the following streets are under contract to be curbed and paved this year:
Leavenworth, from Sixteenth to Twenty-ninth: Lowe avenue, Thirty-ninth; Spencer Lathron, Madison; Izvid, from Twelfth to Fourteeath: Sherman avenue, from Grand to Fort street; Sixth street, from Pierce to Hickory; Chicago, from Twenty-second to Twenty-third; Mason street, from Sixteenth to Twenty-fourth; Lathron, from Sixteenth to Twenty-fourth; Lathron, from Sixteenth to Twenty-fourth; Caidwell, from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-feighth; Seventeenth, from Farnam to Harney, and Davenport, from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth.

\*\*MUCLESSELL BURNARS\*\* MEX.

lege at the age of 20, and entered the office

Derintendent of the Western Union Telegraph

to be derived from a thorough business training, and he gives full credit to the Western Union company for the leasons that be learned while in its employ, stating that it is as fine a school for the acquirement of business ideas as can be found anywhere.

WANTS HIS PAY.

Been Assigned to Work. spectors and superintendents and fore-men were going to work without running against one another was something of a puzzle. At the time of Mr. Hummel's elec-tion, however, Mr. Smyth offered a resolu-tion, which was adopted, providing that Mr. Hummel's salary should not begin until bill has been referred to the judiciary com-mittee, and it will probably create a breeze

Got a Verdict. In the case of Fannie E. Rienards, administratrix, against the city of Omaha, in which the woman was suing to recover \$5,000 damage on account of the drowning of her

City Attorney Connell says the judgment is not worth the paper on which it is written; that Judge Scote, before whom the case was tried, refused to allow the jury to consider the instructions presented by the defendant, and that the jury returned a verdict contrary to the law and the evidence.

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\$2.25 for choice of our sign China fur rugs

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75 French sateen Elder-down Comforts, worth up as high as \$8.00,

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Under-

wear. 430 Mother Hubbard style, with fluisbing braid and ruffle.

63c Mother Hubbard style, v shape, trimmed in em-

broidery. A good Muslin Gown, Mother Hubbard style, high sleeve, tucked yoko and trimmed in embroid-

980 Mother Hubbard style, with yoke of insertion and clust-Good Muslin Drawers, with cluster of tucks and ruffle.

29c Good Muslin Drawers, with cluster of tucks and embroidery.

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wear. For Men's Fall and Winter Wear.

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ends of Men's fut! Merino and all wool underwear, in all colors, at half price to close.

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A good French sateen skirt, lined throughout, with gathered ruffle, \$2.50, value \$3.25. A good brillian ineskirt with gathered ruftle and well lined, \$8.48, value \$5.00.

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99c Cut spun Silk Moss Trimmings, former price \$1.25.

55C Silk Moss Trimmings with fancy corded edge, regular 8oc quality.

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on Handkerchiefs.

kerchiefs, valued at 10c. Linen Handkerchiefs in plain white and colored border, valued at 12tc.

121/2C Handkerchiefs worth 20c to 25c, in plain white, hom-stitched and all linen; also linen initial.

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on Domestics.

75c A full Dress Pattern of Armenian Serge, double fold and worth \$1.25.

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Improvement Lines. Contractors on public works are making a esperate effort to close up their contracts before cold weather sets in and causes all unfinished jobs to be carried over until next spring. Realizing that at the longest there can be but a few days in which to complete the work already under contract, many of the contractors are working their men over-time and naying them extra. This has resuited in an increase of pay, and wages have advanced considerably since the near approach of winter has become apparent. At the present time there are not less than 2,000 men working on the

Sixteenth street vinduct; Poppleton avenue, from Thirty-second to Thirty-third street; Tenth street, from Williams to a point 350 feet south; Nicholas street, from Twenty-ninth to the west line of Isaac's addition; Twentieth, from Center to Bancroft street; the intersection of Eighth street, at Farnam and Douglas; Sherman syenue, from Amea avenue to the Belt line bridge; Charies street, from Thirty-eighth to Fortieth; Grace street, from the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis tracks sto the east line of Paddock place; Thirteenth street, from Grace to the north Thirteenth street, from Grace to the north line of Paddock place; Sherman avenue, from a point 330 feet north of the center of section 3 to Grand avenue, Lard street, from Eighteenth to Twenty-turd; Franklin street, from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-ninth; Thirty second attent from E valid place to street, from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-ninth;
Thirty-second street, from Euclid place to
Woolworth avenue; Michigan avenue, from
Twenty-third street to Twenty-fourth;
Twenty-third, from Cuming street to
Michigan avenue; Seward street, from
Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth; California
street, from Fifteenth to Sixteenth; Cass
street, from Twenty-second to Twentyfourth; Cass street, from Twenty-fourth to
a point 198 feet west of the west line of

SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS MEN. William Lyle Dickey is another of Omaha's sterling young business men who has achieved success in mercantile pursuits within a decade after attaining his majority. He came to Omaha twenty-three years ago, when but 6 years of age, and is practically one of the sons of Omaha, although ineligible to membership in that order. He left col-

company in Chi-cago, where he re-mained for a year and a haif before returning to Omaha to go to work in he office of the apprintendent of he same company this city. He ards appointed

continued to faithfully work for the interests of the company for nearly two naunger of ocal office, years, when he was promoted to the position of traveling auditor. He held that position until the failure of the wholesale and retail hard ware house of H. H. Bright & Co., five years ago, when he bought out the stock and business, and severed his connection with the Western Union to engage in business for himself. He knew nothing about that particular branch of trade, but he has acquired a vast deal of experience since then, and a vast deal of experience since then, and that, too, without costing him anything. He is at the head of an excellent business, and is regarded as wellnigh an ideal young busi-ness man. He is an example of the benefits

School Board Employe Who Has Not Mr. Joseph Hummel appears before the Board of Education now in the light of a man who has not received proper treatment and who wants the wrong righted. Four months ago Mr. Hummel was elected to the imaginary office of superintendent of re-pairs. There was a query in the minds of a good many people at the time as to what Mr. Hummer was expected to do, seeing that the board had the services of the superintendent of buildings, and three in-spectors of buildings. Just how all these he had been assigned to work by the board And there's the rub. Mr. Hummel has And there's the rub. Mr. Hummel has not yet been assigned, although his friend Webrer has pulled every string he could get hold of to bring it about. Now Mr. Hummel appears with a bill for \$125 per month, as his claim for salary since the time his bond was approved about three months ago. The

when the report comes in.

toy, the jury returned a verdict of \$2,800 for the plaintiff.

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