### THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1893.

closen today and is in the hands of the cred-itors, with liabilities aggregating nearly \$20,000. The wreck is complete and was mainly due to poor collections. WOULD TAKE NO CHANCES Stromsburg's Heviral. Threats of Porter Johnson Provoke C. E.

Elliott, His Stepson.

FATALLY WOUNDED DURING THE QUARREL

Result of Family Trouble of Several Years Duration-Public Sentiment in Cedar County Condemns the Victim of the Affair.

HARTINGTON, Neb., Dec. 27. - [Special Telegram to THE BEE ]-C. E. Elliott is behind the bars in this city for shooting his stepfather, Porter Johnson, a man 54 years of age. Johnson married Ellioit's mother about four years ago and never have the most friendly relations existed between the stepfather and Mrs. Jonnson's children, neither has Johnson been a husbard to his wife. Her son Elliott lives about three miles from her place and she has pleaded to be permitted to go and live with him, saying that she couldn't stand her husband's brutality ionger. Her son asked her to romain h her husband, thinking that matters with would probably turn for the better, but such was not the case and he started to get her this morning.

On the way there he met Johnson in a uggy. The old man said: "Where in buggs. h-lare you going" Ethots replied, "I'm going to get my

mother

mother." Then the old man said, "If you go near her I'll shoot you both," and then reached under his buggy seat for something, and Eillott shot him with a large calibre Colt's revolver. The old man ran about forty feet

and fell, saying "You've shot me." Elliott came to town and gave himself up Johnson is not expected to survive until Johnson is not expected to survive until morning, the ball having taken effect in his bowers. Public sentiment is with the pris-oner, as nearly all the neighbors thick Johnson is a bad man. Elliott will have a preliminary hearing tomorrow.

Johnson was use very abusive to his 12-year-old daughter. This affair took place about twelve miles southeast of Hartington.

#### FAIRBURY IMPROVEMENTS.

Progress of the City for the Year Quite

Substantial. FAIRBURY, Nob., Dec. 27 .- [Special to THE BEE. ]-The year now closing is considered an "off" one in business as well as politics, but the balance sheet of Fairbury's work for the year makes so favorable an exhibit especially in building and other improve ments, that it makes Fairbury people feel encouraged for the work of the coming year. Briefly, the improvements of the year have Deen: One brick business block of two store rooms, \$15,000; one implement warehouse. \$750; one frame store building, \$1,100; one steam laundry, \$1,000; two planing mills,
\$2,000; one Standard Oil company building,
\$050, making a total for the buildings, not including machinery,
\$20,500. Forty-eight dwellings have been erected at a cost of awentings have been erected at a cost of \$44,200, an average of \$0:30 each, which indi-cates a pretty good class of houses. The additions to houses and barns are twenty-three, built at a cost of \$6,275. The Baptists have completed a fine brick church edifice at a cost of \$7,000, not in-clusting the functions which bar cluding the furniture, which cost another \$1,000; and work is now progressing on a brick church for the Christian denomination which will cost \$10,000. The total cost of buildings completed is \$77,975.

of buildings completed is \$7.97a. The Fairbury Waterworks company has expended \$3,000 for a new well which with the former system of wells will afford a sup-ply of pure water sufficient for a city much larger than Fairbury. The company has ordered an additional pump with a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons per day, and will extend the water mains as soon as the pump is in the water mains as soon as the pump is in the water mains as soon as the pump is in operation. Their expenditures for these im-provements will be \$0,000. The Fairbury Electric Light company is using twenty arc lights for street lighting. The telephone exchange has in use ten

more 'phones than last year. The city limits have been extended by two

new additions. The city school list for 1893 makes a very satisfactory showing, as it includes the

names of 1,002 scholars, an increase of sixtyfour over last yea

STROMARTING, Neb., Dec. 27.- [Special Telegram to Tuz Ban |-Evangelist Reding is continuing his meetings with unabated in-terest. Today's services were held at sunrise, 10 o'clock, 3 o'clock p. m. and in the evening. All business houses were closed to lay from 11 to 12:30 p.m., giving all who were so inclined a chance to participate in the exercises of mid-week Sabbath.

TAKEN INTO THE FOLD.

News that the British Lion Has Put Down His Paw on the Gilbert Islands. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.-The Helen Almy,

which has just arrived from Gilbert islands. brings news that England has determined to seize the whole group, and this has in all probability been done before now.

Sir J. B. Thurston, British high commissioner of the Western Pacific and governor of Fiji, recently completed an inspection of the Gilbert islands and reported that the British flag should be holsted on all the islands, as it was over a year ago on Butaritari, the most northern of the group. His report dwelt on the richness of the islands and the prospect of developing British trade. When the Almy left the islands on Norember 20 the steamer from Sydney was expected in a few days with the new commissioner to take charge of the islands. Five years ago merchant traders controlled

the lucrative business of the Gilberts, but now there are few remaining, and they will soon have to retire.

CHAPTER SECOND.

#### Sequel to the Story of the "Man Who Mar-ried the Widow's Money." SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27 .- Two weeks ago

Lincoln Potter, who recently engaged in the saloon business here, was arrested for grand larceny and embezzlement on advices from La Crosse, Wis. It was alleged that he had been a railroad brakeman and recently married a wealthy widow from whom he ran away after getting \$5,000 of her money to engage in business. The wife from Wisconsin appeared here today and went direct to the city prison. She ran to her faithless husband's arms, wept on his neck, and then went to the chief of police and induced him to release the prisoner, stating that they had been reconciled and would return to La Crosse and try to live happily "ever after-wards." She gave her husband some ready

cash and the couple disappeared in a hack. HEROISM THAT FAILED.

#### Young Ludy Locked a Burglar in a Room

but Forgot His Skeleton Key. CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- Four young saleswomen who occupy a pretty little flat on Forty-fifth street had a novel experience last night When they entered their apartments they found a bold burglar in possession. The women screamed discreetly and three of them ran away in search of a policeman, but Miss Bella Follen Weider was undaunted and heroically locked the burglar into a room. Then she, too, went to look for a policeman. In her absence the burgiar became restless and with the aid of a skeleton key made a quiet exit with the valuables of the feminine quartet. There was later a crestfailen heroine and a policeman using strong lan-

CALL FOR THIRTY THOUSAND.

guage.

eight will cease.

#### 'rice 'Frisco Merchants Must Pay for the Luxury of a Rate Competition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27 .- The executive committee of the California Traffic association has sent out a circular calling upon the merchants of San Francisco for the donation of \$30,000 still needed to make good the contract between the North American Navigation company and the Panama Railway company and for the payment of the Navigation company's charter of ships up to May 1 next. The circular warns the merchants that if the money is not paid in by 2 o'clock this afternoon the Navigation company will susend operations and competition on eastern

Question Concerning Delinquents that is Liable to Cause Trouble. OLD CLAIMS OF IMPORTANCE UNSETTLED

DOUGLAS COUNTY'S TAXES

State Treasurer Anxious to Ascertain the Exact Situation in Reference to the Indebtedness-Nebraska Edueators at Lincoln.

LINCOLN, Dec. 27.-[Special to THE BEE.]-A reference to the last report of the auditor of public accounts shows that Douglas county still owes the several current funds of the state delinquent taxes to the amount of \$35,068.90, all due prior to the year 1867. When Auditor Moore assumed the duties of the office he remarked that the county the office he remarked that the county treasurer of Douglas county had reported no collections of delinquent taxes prior to 1867 for many years. At his suggestion Chief Clerk Babcock of his office addressed a letter to the county treasurer of Douglas county asking for information. He received a reply to the effect that by an enactment of the legislature all delinquent taxes prior to the year 1857 were to be converted into the county report fund of the county into the county general fund of the county in which they were collected. Mr. Babcock asked for the particular statute enabling county treasurers to so convert state funds, but as yet has received no answer. Deputy

State Treasurer Bartlett, whose long ex-perience in his office has enabled him to thoroughly inform himself of the law relating to the treasurer's office, was also applied to for information and he replied that he had been unable to find any law giving county treasurers any such authority for such action and that he did not believe that

Attorney General Hastings was next asked for his coinion, and he replied to the follow-ing effect: "Section 4.105 of Cooby's statutes provides that all moneys that may emain in the treasury of the several counties f this state on the 1st day of October, SS7, which have been collected as a penalty n delinquent taxes, under the act of March ,1883, shall on that day revert and belong o the general fund of the several counties to the general fund of the several counties when the same shall have been collected. The above section is the only one I have been able to discover touching the subject of your inquiry. I would advise you to ask the treasurer of Douglas county upon what sec-tion of the statute he bases his action in re-fusing to pay over to the state moneys col-hered when the state layies "

lected upon the state levies." The matter is of considerable importance, for if the treasurer of Dougias county can so convert delinquent taxes due the state, so can the treasurer of any other county in the state. The amount involved is considerable, being, as stated above, \$35,068.90 from Doug-las county alone. The connties which are delinquent to the state for the years prior to

definquent to the state for the years prior to 1867 are: Burt, Cass, Cuming, Dakota, Dixon, Dodge, Gage, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson, Sarpy, Seward, Sherman and Washington. The amount involved is about \$100,000. Finding Homes for Little Ones. At the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Home for the

VIEWS. 'riendless, yesterday the following report was submitted by Mrs. L. B. Hoci, superintendent of the home:

"Madame President and Ladies of the Board-Previous mention, by way of post-script to our November report, was made of Therefore the sector of "Later on came, at two different times, pupils from Miss Heffin's grade in the Bethany Heights school to visit us, bringing with them substantial tokens of their interest in the home. For Christmas cheer from the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Nebraska came a box of solendid things, thirteen dolls, nine new outing fiannel dresses, twenty-five new outing finnel dresses, twenty-five pounds of candy and other things too numer-ous to mention. From Mr. E. Whitcomb of Friend, a bushel of popcorn; the Junior league of the Methodist Episcopal church at Exeter, through Pastor Cline, nine lovely scrap books; Mrs. Hall of South Eighteenth street, one dozen nice dolls; Palmyra auxi-ivery, a most excellent box of clothing; Mel-evaged and the stressed

roy auxiliary, forty pounds of nice dressed chickens; Beatrice auxiliary, thirteen quarts fruit, one bushel popcorn, one bushel npples, one dozen loaves of broad and some other things; Mrs. George W. Lowrey, 1847

School Journal; James H Baker, president of the University of Colorado; Prof. Judson, head dean of the colleges of the University of Chicago; John Baseum, professor of po-hilical science at Williams' college; Presi-dent Quayle of Baker university and Prof. A. G. Warner of Lehand Stanford, Jr., uni-versity, were of the opinion that prepara-tory schools could do the work of special training better than the high schools. Most of the school superintendents and principals of the school superintendents and principals throughout Nebraska who answered the cir-cular were of the same opinion. A careful study of the entire question and the returns received led the committee to make the following conclusions: "There must be more than ordinary strength and a high grade of efficiency in a large number of high schools before the task of specific preparation for university work can be entirely entrusted to them. Such schools must have a larger them. Such schools must have a larger force of teachers than are now employed; ample time for recitations; at least one well-equipped laboratory in each school for work in the sciences; good school libraries; and fewer branches of study, more thoroughly taught. These conditions can scarcely be met by towns of limited population and assessment rolls, but will be brought about slowly with growth in population and gen-eral resources. We heartily favor the fed-eration of all higher and secondary schools of this state for mutual helpfulness in ad-advancing sound training to secure the

The discussion of the report by the counci-The discussion of the report by the council took the form of a discussion as to whether the dropping of the first preparatory de-partment by the authorities of the State university, to take place in 25, was a safe move. The consensus of opinion accended to be that the lopping off of the first year of the preparatory department would be en-tirely safe, especially if the Lincoln High school could be induced to make its work more in the nature of a preparation for the university. The motion that the report of the committee be adouted and printed was the committee be adopted and printed was carried. The committee on revision of the constitu-

largest possible uniformity in value of

tion recommended that several useless passages be stricken out and a few necessary amendments be added. The recommendations were accepted without discussion. The council then adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Friday morning for the election of officers.

State Teachers In Convention.

The annual convention of the Nebraska State Teachers association met at the chapel of the State university this evening the attendance being about 1,200, the farges! in the history of the association. The meet ing this evening was of a literary and gen eral character, there being music and ad-dresses and papers. The music was fur-nished by the State university orchestra. the opening number being the march from Tannhauser and an overture, "Modern Life," by Schlepegrell. Chancellor Crook of the Weslayan Meth-odist university delivered the invocation.

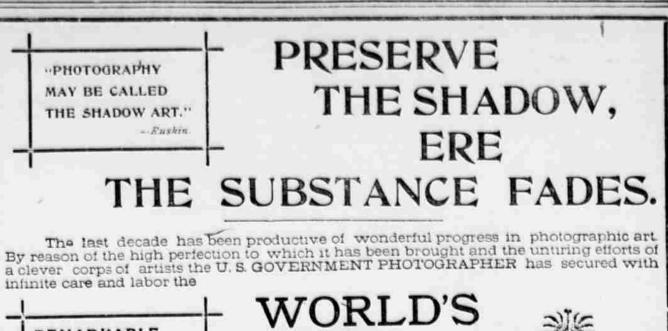
President Pearse of Beatrice read his an nual address, which was very brief and sug gestive of many good points. After aliading to the remarkable growth of the association President Pearse said, in brief: "The teachers need the association. The success of their work and its influence upon them selves depend upon their spirit and enthusi asm-that fiame in which the elements of success are melted and fused. Nowhere else is this enthusiasm kindled as in these and similar meetings in the addresses from the platform by the notable men and women of the profession, by the vigorous discussion and by the informal chat and interchange of

Other Features of Advantage.

The superintendent needs these meetings, because he must have the prerequisite scholarship and the attributes of a gentleman. He must consider well the signs of the times locally. He must consider well the conditions of his problem before making his statement and problem before making tion. He must many times leave unattempted or proceed at a snall's pace with most attractive reforms, because he has not yet schooled public opinion to support him in attempting them."

The president urged upon the association the necessity of incorporation under the state law and also suggested many changes in the general work of the association. He especially criticized the public school sec-tion, claiming that it had grown to such pro-portions that it had become unwieldly. He suggested its division into three subsections.

sections. Papers were read on several educational subjects this evening. •A general informal reception was held in Grant Memorial hall after the close of the program. The pro-gram tomorrow will include papers by C. E. Barber of North Platte, Miss Anna Adams of Beatrice. M. B. C. True of Tecumsch



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night have escaped, but he returned to aid his companions and went through the ice with them. The bodies were recovered.

DISMISSED THE INDICTMENTS.

AND

Doctors Who Performed the Autopsy or Mindreader Bishop Won't Be Tried. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.-Judge Martin today lismissed the indictments against Dr. Frank Ferguson and Dr. Irwin Halce who were charged with unlawful dissection. The case grew out of the famous exhibition given by Washington Irving Bishop at the Lamb's club on May 1, 1889, during which he fell into the trance and died early the next morning. The charge against the doctors grew out of their holding an autopsy and dissecting the dead man's brain without authority to do so and without the consent of his family.



Fremont News Notes. FREMONT, Dec. 27.-[Special to THE BEE.] -A deserter from the army at Fort Nio brara was arrested in the city yesterday

and will at once be returned for triat. The Fremont canal project is again being revived, and an eathusiastic meeting was held at the club rooms last night for pre-liminary arrangements. H. J. Lee presided and J. C. Cleland acted as secretary. There was very much interest manifested and it took tangible shape by the subscription of quite a large fund for a preliminary survey. Engineer Andrews was employed to do the Engineer Andrews was employed to do the work, the object being to utilize what seems to be a natural route leading from the Platte into Elk creek, opposite the city on the south side. A committee was appointed, compris-ing E. N. Morse, J. D. McDonald and J. C. Cieland, to raise the necessary funds to

make the proposed survey. The Grand Army of the Republic commit-tee on entertainment held a final session last night and completed arrangements for the joint installation of the four patriotic soci eties on New Year's night, which will end with a banquet to which the families of each of the societies are invited with all old soldiers and families regardless of member ship. It promises to be one of the pleasant est events in the Grand Army history of the

city. S. B. Colson of this city is quite low, and his condition is causing much anxiety among his many friends.

Christmas at Table Rock. TABLE ROCK, Neb., Dec. 27.-[Special to THE BEE.]-Christmas was observed by each of the three churches with a tree and other exercises, and many people were made happy The Presbyterians had recitations in Costume, giving an entertainment entitled "Christmas Bazaar," which included such personages as Mrs. Santa Claus, The Three Magi, king Herod, and Old St. Nick him-self. It was well carried out and proved attractive. The Christian church also had their church well filled to witness their interesting exercises.

#### For Selling Whisky Hiegally.

LYONS, Neb., Dec. 27 .- [Special to THE BRE.]-Leonard McMillen and A. Wilbert Razee were arrested here today for selling whisky.

If reports are true there is considerable If reports are true there is considerable liquor sold in this vicinity contrary to law. Tomas, Neb. Dec. 27. -[Special Telegram to Tue Bee]-The United States marshal took another quots of Tobias citizens to Omaha today. This time it is William Dixon and Jim Crouch, for having a beer drink last Fourth of July.

#### Given a Farewell Social.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Dec. 27 .- |Special to THE BEE. |-Last evening the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church and Women's Christian Temperance union of thus place tendered Mr. and Mrs. John L Hodges a farewell social at their beautiful while all passed a very pleasant evening, every one regrets to see this estimable rouple leave here. They will remove to Edear Edgar.

#### Preferred Death to Sickness.

SARGENT, Neb., Dec. 27.- Special to THE BEE.]-The wife of Jacob Graf, living near Sargent, took a dose of paris green Monday, and, after forty-eight hours of great suffer-ing, died. Mrs. Graf had been sick several days with the grip, but was apparently out of danger. No reason for the set is appar-ent except melancholy caused by sickness.

Good Crop Prospects. CRAB ORCHARD, Neb., Doc. 27.--[Special to THE BEE ]-A cold struck here yesterday morning and continued all day. Today is almost as warm as spring. There was a large acreage of small grain sowed, and from present indications the crop will be as large if not larger than that of 1893.

#### Due to Pour Col ections.

CURTIS, Neb., Dec 27. - [Special Telegram to Tus Bas. ]-The large general merchandise establishment of A. F. Keith was

ON HIS LAST LEGS. Defense of Swindler Howard Fails to Break Down the Case Against Him. JACKSON, Tenn., Dec. 27.-The defense the noted Howard trial in the federal court is practically closed. The government will candy. take a day or more on rebuttal evidence. It seems to be the general opinion that the de fendant has made his last stand. His New York witnesses failed to bring about the coped for effect and the proofs built up by the government appear to be unshaken.

# NEW YORK TOWN SWEPT BY FIRE.

wo Rotels and Three Stores Barned Down at Narrowsburg. PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Deč. 27.-The entire

upper end of Narrowsburg, N. Y., has been swept by fire. The following buildings are burned: Guthele hotel, barns and outbuildings; Uch's hotel," Green's dry goods store, Heinle Bros, ' store, Decker's mills, Crocker's drug store, Kughn's dwolling. The loss is large and insurance light.

## LOWEST FOR SIXTEEN YEARS.

#### Considerable Falling Off in Railway Building in 1893,

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 - The Railway Age will omorrow issue its annual statement of railway construction, which shows 2.630 miles of new main line track laid in the United States in 1893. This is less by about 2,000 miles than a total in the two preceding years and is the smallest mileage added in any

year since 1877. 8.0 Northwestern Travelers Meet at Chicago. CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- The nineteenth annual onvention of the Northwestern Commercial Travelers insurance association, began at the Palmer House today, President George R. Deed in the chair. The business before the convention is the consideration of annual re-ports and the election of officers and direc-tors for the ensuing year. It is probable that the present officers will be re-elected. George Reed was elected president; the list of vice presidents included one from every state in the west.

Ores Smelten in Denver. DENVER, Dec. 27.-The Denver plant of the Omaha & Grant Smelting and Refining company has completed its statements of ore receipts and production of metals for 1893. The total production of silver is 7,591,425 ounces. an increase of 116.148 ounces over the pro-duction of 1892. The amount of gold is \$2.

40414 ounces, an increase over last year of 19,300 ounces.

Was Sergeant in the Seventh. ATHENS, O., Dec. 27 .- It has been discovered today that the handsome stranger who

registered at the hotel several days ago as George P. Chamoers, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and whose body was found in his room yes-terday, a victim of chloral, self-administered, is Robert Rider, first sergeant of the Sev-enth United States cavalry.

Family Fight in Detroit. DETROIT, Dec. 27 .- Ten Poles engaged in a shooting and cutting row in the western part of the city last evening in which one man was shot in the back and six other participants were more or less seriously stabbed, none, however, fatally. An old feud be-tween two families revived by bad whisky was the cause

#### Idte Men Attempt Suicide.

NEW YORK. Dec. 27 .- Three men, Louis Becker, a shirt maker; Max Simony, a carpenter, and Charles Harris, a clerk, attempted suicide this morning. They form part of the city's great army of destitute unemployed and sought death as a relief from their suffering. They will recover.

Little pills for great ills: DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

C street, twelve pounds candy, four dozen oranges and five dozen bananas. Mr. Lowrey has long been a friend of the home, not only in sentiment put in practical demonstrations and we are right glad to add to our list of friends his newly made wife. From E. J. Cullen of South Tenth street, ten pounds of

#### How the Day Passed.

"One can readily see how all these things added not a little to our Christmas cheer. Christmas morning found our good matron. Mrs. Wood, placing a bright red apple at the plate of each little child. About the middle of the afternoon popcorn was the order of with its usual accompaniment of good things. And so the day has gone. This evening is a bag of candy and orange for each inmate.

"One fact which is very gratifying to us is that our little ones try so hard to make others of their number happy. They were so anxious to have all out of the hospital and up to the main building for Christmas. "Have had three cases of typhus malarial fever. All are now up to the main building but one, and he is convalescent. No death

this month "Have placed six in homes for adoption this month. Once this month Mrs. Wood rave all the children buckwheat pancakes for breakfast and happier children one never

"Miss Florence Smith, who for some time has had charge of our dormitory work, left this month to take charge of a home of her own. We feel we cannot close without adding a few words of commendation in praise

ing a few words of commendation in praise of our faithful and efficient teachers, Mrs. Swensson and Miss Gosting, who, in preparing for our Christ-mas entertainment, have worked off hours as well as hours on duty. As we worked with them we felt and saw that they were as keenly alive to anything that would tend to the success of the home work as we were "Lo two grades in the Elliott as we were. To two grades in the Elliott school are we indebted for a nice Christmas tree. To the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Sunday school are we under obligations for a beautiful Christmas arch, handsomely dec orated, which added much to the beauty of our chapel room Christmas evening. Mr. Tremaine, who kindly came out and helped

place it in position, has our sincere thanks for services rendered. As usual, our chil-dren did themselves proud at our entertainment, and we all felt repaid for extra work in practicing, rehearsing, etc. "Have given temporary shelter this month seven. Five adults and seventeen chilto seven.

#### dren have been received, making a total of twenty-two. The present number in the home: Adults, 14: children, 119; total, 133. Officers and employes, 21; grand total, 154." Nebraska Educators Meet.

The Nebraska Educational council, con-sisting of twenty-five members of the State Teachers association appointed by the presi-dent from the different sections of the state. held their third session at 9:30 this morn

ing. The meeting took place in room 8 of University hall and was attended by almost the entire council. Prof. H. K. Wolfe of the university presided as chairman, A. A. Reed was chosen as vice chairman, with H. R. Corbett as clerk. The meeting was almost entirely taken up with a report of the committee on colleges, consisting of Chancellor Canfield and Prof. James A. Beatile of Coiner. The report read by Chancellor Canfield was an elaborread by Chancellor Canfield was an elabor-ate and admirable paper on the "Relative Ability of High Schools and Preparatory Schools to Do Preparatory Work." The re-port of the committee began with a copy of a circular sent out by the committee in the early part of the year to a large num-ber of the prominent educators of the country. In the circular the com-mittee requested the opinion of

mittee requested the opinion of the recipient as to whether work in a given topic could be better performed in a given time in the preparatory departments of col-leges and universities than in high schools

which this condition could be remedied. Chancellor Canfield then gave the substance of a large number of the answers received. Views of Eminent Men. George P. Brown, editor of the Illinois

of Beatrice, M. B. C. True of Tecumsch Miss Sarah Arnold of Minneapolis and C. E. Bessey of Lincoln. GIVE MARSIED MEN A SHOW. ing the winter.

#### ewelling Advises Police Commissioners to Put Heads of Families to Work.

TOPERA, Dec. 27.-Governor Lewelling has issued the following circular to the police ommissioners of the six metropolitan cities in the state:

To Police Commissioners: In view of the To Police Commissioners: In view of the present financial stringency and public suf-fering of our people, I would respectfully sug-gest that you give employment to the heads of families in preference to single men as far as practicable. I do not urge the immediate discharge of single men without regard to circumstances, but when charges are circumstances, but when changes are made I think it advisable that you should keep this end in view. It is possible there may be instances where it would be wise to make removals in order to provide for de-serving heads of families. Yours truly, L. D. Lewelling. Governor.

## ADVISING REGISTRATION.

#### Action of the Chinese Six Companies on the McCreary Law.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27 .- The Chinese Six Companies, acting upon the advice of their local and eastern lawyers, are preparing at their headquarters in this city a circular addressed to all Chinese residents of the United States counseling an immediate compliance with the residence regulations im-posed under the McCreary amendment to the Geary exclusion law. The circular was authorized at a meeting of the Six Compa-nies last Saturday night. The work of registering the Chinese has not yet begun in this city, however, as the authorities at Wash-ington have neglected to provide proper blanks for the registration.

# SOLDIERS SCARED BY A GHOST.

Captain Hedburg's Spirit Said to Be Hanging Around Fort Sheridan. CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- According to a local

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sheet one private has deserted at Fort Sheridan and others are terror-stricken over stories that the ghost of Captain Hedburg haunts the post. Hedburg's slayer, Lieutenant Money, is now in Louisville at liberty on \$100,000 bail. The name of the alleged deserter is not given and the yarn otherwise lacks confirmation. United States District Attorney Militirist denies intimation from Captain Hedburg's widow that the prosecution had been lukewarm.

## ALL THE REST OF THEM JAILED.

Head of a Family Found Murdered and His Wife, Sons and Daughter Arrested. HUDSON, N. Y., Dec. 27 .- Martha Rockefeler, aged 60, her daughter Kate, and her sons Harry and Thomas, were juiled last night by Detective Bryant, who grreated them for the alleged killing of the father of the family, who was found dead in bod with his skull fractured. An inquest is now in progress. The affair has greated a great sensa-

#### HELD UP PARGO PLAYERS.

Two Thousand Dollars in Cash Secured from a Chicago Gambling House. CHICAGO, Dec. 27.-Two men entered the

gambting house at 20 Ouincy street this morning, secured \$2,900 in cash, and with revolvers still leveled at a sadly frightened group of three faro dealers, backed out of the door and escaped. Their is no clew to their identity.

Three Boys Drowned While Skating. OGDEN, U T., Dec. 27.-On Christmas day at Riversdale, a small town south of here. two sons of Bishop Bingham, aged 9 and 11 years, and John Ahlander, aged 12 years, were drowned in the Webber river by break-ing through the ice while skating. Ahiander

Idaho Woolgrowers and Free Wool. Boise, Idano, Dec. 27 .- The Idaho Woolgrowers association has appointed Frank Haggart to represent it at Washington dur-

President Gooding of the association, in an interview, says: "Every effort is being made to supply data for use in Washington in the fight against putting wool on the free list. Investigation shows there are 500 sheep owners in Idaho and that the annual product reaches more than \$1,500,000. We have affi-davits showing that wool has been sold by the car for 4 cents by men who secured 14 cents last year. Sheep are worth no more than their hides were a year ago."

#### County Treakurer Must Settle.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27 .- A special to the Wisconsin from Manitowoc, Wis., says: Judgment in the sum of \$43,106 was filed with the clerg at the circuit court this morn ing in the case of Manitowood county vs the T. C. Shove Banking company, Horatic Truman, George Cooper, George Bankratz May, William and Reinhard Rahr, C. A Gielow and T. C. Shove. Gielow was county treasurer and placed the funds of the county in the Shove bank, which failed. The judgment is against the bank and Gielow and his bondsmen.

#### Must Work or Starve.

TOPERA, Dec. 27 .- The city jailer has caused consternation among the inmates by an order, sanctioned by the police board, that time served under committal sentence cannot be served in idleness, but only by labor on the rock pile at an allowance of \$1 per day. Tramps applying for food will be given an opportunity to break rock to a meal's value or go hungry.

#### Breckinridge Has Not Compromised.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 27 .- Colonel Breck. inridge's son Desha said today, regarding the Pollard suit, that his father would not consider for a moment an offer for a com-promise. Mr. Breckinriage's friends say the rumor was started solely to injure his political standing in the Ashland district, and that the suit would be tried in the courts courts.

#### Re Will Go Free.

effy treasurer, recently brought back from California to answer to charges of forgery. will probably go free. All the forgery charges were nolle prossed at the last term of court and the charge of embezzlement dismissed. The only charge remaining is misdemennor and that will probably be

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 27.-Thercommittee of tizens having in charge the care of the poor of this city have appointed canvassers by districts to seek pledges for the winter. A food market is opened. One thousand families, representing 4,000 spersons, will be cared for

#### General Howard's Son Married.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.--Lieutenant John Howard, Nineteenth infantry, U. S. A., son of General O. O. Howard, U. S. A., and Miss Emily Goodrich Britton of San Fran-cisco, a society belle, were married last evening at the First Congregational church.

#### Dangers in a Soup Factory.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 27.-By an explosion of a tank in the soap factory of Proctor & Gamble at Ivorydale, a suburb of this city, this afternoon, Edward Marquart, an employe, and Stephen Reynolds, a visitor, were in-stantly killed.

#### Admitted to Bail.

LITTLE ROOK, Dec. 27 .- H. G. Allis, expresident of the First National bank, who was recently sentenced to five years' im-prisonment, was admitted to bail today in the sum of \$30,000.

The Rug sale will go on until New Years' with prices lower than ever.

This week will be a money saving time for any one fond of Rare Rugs. Our line of Antique, Corabogh, Ghiorde, Daghestan and Bokahra small Rugs is more complete than at any other season. Fine specimens of Animal Rugs at prices to sell this year.

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