PLANS LAID FOR A HUGE CONVENTION

Lincoln Expects to Entertain a Thousand Tenchers During the Week-State Library Associntion Also Meets.

LINCOLN, Dec. 28 .- (Special.) -- The session of the State Teachers' association, which begins with a meeting of the council Monday evening, promises to be the largest and most successful gathering of teachers ever held in the state. There has been prepared an cussed will be of interest to others than these engaged expressly in educational work. The general meetings will be held at the Funks opera house Wednesday and Thursday mornings. In the afternoon of each day the association will break into sections, holding meetings at different rooms in the State university. There will be five sections meeting at the same time, and those in attendance must elect to which section they will attach themselves for the time being. Lincoln is quite well represented on the program. As usual, the State university will take an active part. F. F. Tucker will speak for the High school. Superintendent Saylor will represent the public schools of this city. It is expected that a thousand or more of the brightest men and women of the state will be present and participate in the exercises. During the week some of the leaders in educational thought in the nation will deliver public addresses. These meetings will be open to the general public. An unusual fea-ture this year will be the meeting at the same time and place of the State Library association, which was organized this year in April. The librarian of the State university, Miss Mary L. Jones, is the president. The session will begin in the University The session will begin in the University library building on the 1st of January, at 4 p. m., when a paper will be read by the librarian of the Omaha public library, Miss Margaret C. O'Brien. All interested in the matter of libraries and library work will be welcome. The special topic will be. "The Belation of the Public Library at the Public. Relation of the Public Library to the Public The meetings of the association will be opened with a free lecture Tuesday evening by Colonel Parker, on "The Ideal

Apparently there is considerable trouble brewing in the vicinity of police headquarters In the Capital City. There are rumors of im-mediate changes in the future, the range running from chief of the force all along the line, including a detective and several pa-Day Captain Hoagland has resigned to accept a place in the sheriff's office and his successor has not yet been named. Some serious charges are brought against the officers. A general shakeup of the force appears imminent. There is, also, a probability that the office of police matron will be dropped in the anxiety of the authorities to mize. Against such action the Women's protest. Police authorities, however, seem to think that the position is a useless ap-

Tomorrow the remains of J. A. Giesler, the unfortunate fireman who was killed in the wreck at Seward Thursday, will be brought to this city for interment. The funeral will from the Burlington depot the auspices of the Ancient Order of United

Workmen.

James Flaherty, allas Charles Green charged with burglarizing the rooms of Stein Bros., pleaded guilty this morning in Judge Holmes court and was sentenced to one year

at hard labor in the penitentiary.

Omaha people in Lincoln—W. H. Mailory.

E. S. Gatch, M. F. King. At the Capital—
George C. Brophy, B. J. Clarkson, J. C.
Shelly. At the Lincoln—W. S. Balduff, Hy
Johnson, Charles Offutt, John C. Dr≅xel, E.
E. Balch.

GOSSIP FROM THE STATE HOUSE. Queer Notion of "Signature" Shown

by Some County Clerks. LINCOLN, Dec. 28.—(Special.)—According to a provision of the state law, county clerks are required to send in by December 1 to the secretary of state the names of the newly elected county officers, together with the signatures of the same. So far but about twenty have so reported, and Deputy Secretary of State Evans is now busily mailing letters to the delinquent clerks and calling their attention to the law. Some of the newly elected county clerks have a curious idea of the meaning of the word "signature." The signatures are for the use of the secre tary of state for comparison when official papers are received in his office. One county clerk sent in a list of signatures nicely, copied out in his own handwriting. Another made a type-written list of the same.

A letter has reached the govrnor's office from C. W. Hamilton, sheriff of Holt county. The letter is addressed to the state veteri marian. It states that Sheriff Hamilton has in his charge fifteen head of cattle which are supposed to be mad. Two of them have been killed and the rest quarantined. He desires advice on the subject. Governor Holcomb has replied to the effect that there is no such officer as a state veterinarian, and that the Holt county authorities must do what consider best under the circumstances he adjutant general's office it is learne that Robert G. Adams has been elected sec-

ond lieutenant of company B, First regiment Nebraska National Guard, vice Lester F Gleason, whose term has expired. The company is located at Fullerton, and is the one for which Congressman Meiklejohn stands sponsor, and in which he is known to take n active interest. Governor Holcomb has offered a reward

for the murderer of William N. Helm as

Whereas, It has come to my knowledge in form prescribed by law that on or about the 19th day of December, A. D., 1895, in the county of Deuel, state of Nebraska, one William H. Helm was found murdered, said murder having been committed by some person or persons unknown.

Therefore, I, Silas A, Holcomb, governor of the state of Nebraska, by virtue of the authority in me vested by law, in pursuance of the statute in such case, made and provided, do hereby issue proclamation and offer a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of said person or persons unknown, for the murder of said William H. Helm.

Fremont Citizen Who Was Hurt Still

in a Precarious Condition. FREMONT, Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-Theron Nye has regained consciousness, but is still in a dazed condition. He has no recollec tion of getting up in the night and does not know how he came to fall. He was a little better this afternoon, but is still in a very precarious condition. His physicians think he stands a fair chance of recovering.

Sheriff Milliken returned last evening with John Spangler, who was arrested in Gien-wood, Ia., Thursday, Spangler has practiyally admitted taking Hugh Scilley's buggy.

Standard Cattle company yesterday The Standard Cattle company yesterday brought a suit in attachment against J. F. Kendrick and garnisheed the cattle mort

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown and daughter, Miss Lottle Brown, gave a reception at their residence on Broad street last evening. Music was furnished by Kendrick's orchestra. The pacious rooms were tastefully decorated and large number of Fremont's young people

August Brumwinkel died at the Fren hospital yesterday. His funeral will be held

ORD, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special.)-Prof. H W. Faght of Elkhorn college is spending the helidays with friends and relatives in Ord State Examiner Fowders was in the city checking up the books of County Treasurer Fretz. Fretz has served two terms as county

The Misses Nellie and Ruth Turner of Omaha are visiting their sister, Mrs. Kirtley, Dr. C. E. Coffin of the insane asylum at

Miss Jennie Reed has returned home after a long sojourn in Lincoln.

At a meeting of the Auctent Order of United Workmen, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing pear: R. L. Staple, P. M. W.; F. Misko, M.

W.; H. Barnes, foreman; J. H. Luke, over-W: H. Barnes, foreman; J. H. Luke, overseer; F. Koupal, recorder; J. L. Claffin,
financier; J. A. Patton, receiver; G. W.
Selvers, guide; J. A. Ollis, trustee; J. Cronk,
I. W., and H. Wells, O. W.
Monday evening a play entitled "Simi's
Dimpsie" was given by home talent for the
benefit of the Ord band. Between acts the
band discourant some eveniles, music. The band discoursed some excellent music. The

WARRANTS FOR SUGAR BOUNTY.

Drawn by the Auditor and Presented to the Treasurer for Attestation. LINCOLN, Dec. 28 .- (Special.) -- The early part of last werk a local paper announced that representatives of the Grand Island and Norfolk best sugar factories and G. C. Hazelett of the O'Neill Chicory factory had been erdeavoring to convince the state authorities that Secretary of State Piper ought to approve vouchers and that Auditor Moore ought unusually strong program. Topics to be discinimants.

It now transpires, however, that the warrants have been in possession of the sugar men for over ten days. About two weeks since State Treasurer Bartley went to Denver on a business trip. He returned Wednesday, December 18. On the following day, Thurscay, the warrants were presented to him for his signature. He directed attention to the his signature. He directed attention to the fact that their legality was questionable, as no specific appropriation for this purpose had been made by the legislature. The signature of the state treasurer to warrants is in the nature of attestation of the fact that the warrants have been drawn by the state au-ditor, and presented to him. The total amount

drawn is over \$40,000.

The sugar bounty bill, house roll No. was passed March 29, 1895. It was vetoed by Governor Holcomb, in a special message, and passed over his veto immediately thereafter passed over his veto immediately thereafter in the house by a vote of 68 to 23, and in the senate by a vote of 25 to 5. Owing to the chicory provision in the bill quite a number of independents voted for it. It provides for a bounty of five-eighths of 1 cent per pound upon all beet sugar manufactured in the state, and a similar bounty for the manufacture of chleory. Three-eighths of I cent is added to this bounty for sugar manufactured in factori's established subsequent to the passage of the act. The section of the law pertaining to the issue of sugar bounty warrants reads as follows:

as follows:

Sec. 8. When any claim arising under this act is filed, verified and approved by the secretary of state, as herein provided, he shall certify the same to the auditor of state, who shall draw a warrant upon the state treasurer for the amount due thereon, payable to the party or parties to whom said sum or sums are due.

This section has evidently been construed by legal advisers of the auditor as authority issuing the sugar bounty warrants. Up to date the chicory men have not ap-

plied for their share of the bounty, but, in the light of recent events, they will be quite likely to do so at an early day. The warrants are drawn on the general fund.

NO EVIDENCE AGAINST THE BOY.

Alleged Youthful Trainwrecker Discharged by the Plattsmouth Judge. PLATTSMOUTH, Dec. 28 .- (Special.) -- Otto Seidlitz, the 10-year-old boy arrested last Tuesday for placing obstructions on the B. & Christian Temperance union has filed a strong M. track near this city some two weeks ago, was discharged by County Judge Ramsey for want of evidence to convict of incorrigibility.

A plot was uncarthed here yesterday thereby Jailor Densor was to be overpowered and the prisoners escape.

Last night the home of Allen Beeson, in this city, was the scene of a surprise party

in honor of Mrs. Beeson's sixtisth birthday.
At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Todd, west of this city, last evening, was celebrated the first anniversary of their marriage. A very large crowd of young people from this ity were present.

The telephone central in this city has been transferred to the Riley hotel, where Landlord W. W. Coates will manage the con-

ern. Evergreen camp No. 70, Woodmen of the World, held its election of officers last even-ing, which resulted in the choice of I. L. toot, chancellor commander; S. P. Holloway adjutant lieutenant; O. Guthmann, clerk; J. C. Parmets, escort; James Leck, inside guard; Fred Kro hler, outside guard; Thomas Valling, director.

Falls City Hollday Notes. FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special.)-Miss Grace Maddox came down from Lincoln spend the holidays at home

Miss Ada Stine spent this week with rela-

ives at Hanover, Kan. Arthur Roy and wife of Kansas City are spending the week with his parents.
Robert Biggart, who is a student at Librty. Mo., is visiting his parents. I. Darrell of Lyndon, Kan., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Ed Urie, in this city. Grandma Cain was called to St. Joe owing to the serious illness of her sister, Mrs.

Lurrin. Mr. and Mrs. H. Kifer of Spring Green, Wis., are in the city visiting their daughter. Mrs. C. W. Farington. Arthur J. Weaver, who is attending

university at Lincoln, is at home spending the holidays.

Cecil Graham is in the city visiting his parents.

Mrs. Frank Seal is visiting friends Carthage, Mo., this week.
The members of the Eastern Star will give a reception at the Masonic hall New Year's evening from 7 to 11 o'clock.

Messrs, Harry Harrison and William Struck of Maryville, Mo., are in the city with their old friend, H. C. Barton. Miss Grace Cooper, Laura Norton and Miss Jennie Fellers of Humboldt, are visiting in this city this week.

Mrs. Lyle Wilson of Lincoln spent Christ

mas in the city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hover. Schuyler Personals SCHUYLER, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-

Anna Broadfield, one of the city teachers, is spending her vacation with her parents in Omaha. Miss Carrie Brigham is also in Omaha. Jennie Smith spent the week with her par-

ents at Central City. Judah Howard's vacation is being enjoyed with her parents at Fremont. E. J. Rogers, ex-editor of the Schuyler Herald, lies low at his home with typhoid fever.

Carrie Hoyt, who has been with Mrs. F. Schrader during the last year, went to her home in Keithsburg, Ill., this week. V. H. Lovejoy is with relatives in Jeffer

Deputy Sheriff O. Van Housen mourns the departure of his wife, who went two days since to spend a few days with her parents t Central City and left the baby in his care George Poole, formerly of this county, is visiting his parents west of Schuyler. He has quit teaching and is now farming, having secured a large tract of land in Deuel county. E. S. Plimpton and wife are passing their vacation in Denison, Ia., their old home.

Village of Berlin Incorporated. BERLIN, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-An enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held last evening in order to take the necessary steps oward the incorporation of the village. Claus Knobe was chosen chairman and S. H. Buck secretary. Every business man and all the influential citizens signed a petition to the Board of County Commissioners asking for their granting articles of incorporation. The the necessary number of inhabitants are now within the town's limits. The following village board of trustees was appointed to hold office until the regular spring election: Claus Knobes, Fritz L. Hillman, S. H. Buck, Chris Reettger and Fred Shroder.

La Platte's School Interests.

LA PLATTE, Neb., Dec. 28.-(Special)majority of the legal voters of La Platte distrist assembled at the new school building trist assembled at the new school building last evening and voted upon the question of employing an assistant teacher, as Prof. Wood has had a greater number of pupils than he could recognize the property handles. has had a greater number of pupils than he could properly handle. A vote was taken upon the subject of an assistant, and it was ecided by 18 to 9 that the teacher should be

The Christian Endeaver society held th sual interesting meeting Thursday evening, Miss Electa Bachelder presiding. Pleasure siekers are making good use

Laramie lake, near town. Dewitt's Little Early Risers cure indiges-

tion and bad breath.

KILLED A DRUNKEN HUSBAND

WOMAN SHOOTS IN SELF DEFENSE

In Order to Save Her Own Life from the Assault of an Intoxicated Man a Dixon County Wife Slays Him.

NEWCASTLE, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special Telegram.)-News reached this town at an early hour this morning of a fearful tragedy ento issue his warrant on the general fund for acted at a farm house seven miles west of the amount of bounty claims filld and approved. "But that the state officers had not report at present obtainable, Louis Bohaskie, report at present obtainable. Louis Bohaskie, a farmer, returned home from town in an intoxicated condition. After some words with his wife Dora he brutally assaulted her. In order to save her life the woman picked up a gun and shot her husband, in-flicting a wound from which he died during the night. The coroner was notified and an inquest is in progress today.

> JAMES T. PHILLIPS GETS TWO YEARS Ex-City Clerk of Beatrice Will Go to

the Penitentiary.
BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special Telegram.)-J. T. Phillips, ex-city clerk, was arraigned in district court this morning and pleading guilty to a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, received a sentence of two years in the penitentiary. Petitions were presented signed by a large number of were presented signed by a large number of citizens and by every member of the Gage county bar, with but three exceptions, ask-ing the court to give the prisoner the mini-mum sentence of one year, but the appeals of the bar and people availed nothing. The cided upon and the petitions would not cause any change therein.

It is pretty well understood that the sentence will end the prosecution of the city cases so far as Phillips is concerned, but the other case against ex-Water Commissioner Hawkins will be brought to trial at the next term of the district court, and there is a robability of other informations being filed against him. James Pace, held for assault with intent

to kill, was arraigned this morning in dis-trict court and pleaded guilty to assault and battery and was sentenced to pay a fine of

VICTIMS OF THE GRADE CROSSING.

Young Couple Ground to Pieces Beneath the Wheels.

BENKELMAN, Neb., D.c. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Train No. 3, the Burlington flyer, due here at 1 o'clock a. m., ran into and killed Charles Vanbuskirk and Maude Bond on a crossing three miles east of here this morning. They were aged 25 and 16 years, respectively, and, with a party of young folks, were returning from a surprise party. Both were killed instantly and badly mangled, while the buggy was a complete

wreck and one horse fatally injured.

The train came into town and the coroner and a large crowd departed imthe two, who reside six miles west of town. were notified of the sad accident.

The deceased were both well known and respected and the accident has cast a gloom

over the community which will give holiday week a sad ending long to be remembered. NEW TRIAL FOR ARTHUR MORRISON Sinyer of A. V. Harris at Crawford Given a New Lease of Life.

CHADRON, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special Telegram.)-Judge Alfred Bartow this morning granted a new trial to Arthur Morrison, the slayer of A. V. Harris at Crawford, who was found guilty of murder in the first degree and the penalty fixed at death.

Springview Man Commits Suicide. SPRINGVIEW, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special Telegram.)-George W. Condon, ex-county superintendent and ex-deputy county treasurer of Keya Paha, committed suicide at Ottawa, Kan., yesterday afternoon. Condon left this place about ten days ago for eastern Kansas on a land trade and was expected home today. W. G. Thomas, county clerk, in company with Mrs. Condon, started for Ottawa last night. Condon was a man of 35 and well respected in this community. There is no cause known for the act. The telegram announcing his death was short and the full particulars are not known. and the full particulars are not known.

At the recent election of Aelia lodge No.
121, Knights of Pythias, of Springview, Neb.,
the following officers were elected for the
ensuing year: J. F. Carr, C. C.; H. J. Skinner, V. C.; N. T. Mile, prelate; F. Millett,
M. of E.; C. O. Thomas, M. of F.; H. Millay,
K. of R. and S.; J. M. Cable, M. of A.; D.
Helges, M. of W. The lodge will hold installation services January 8, 1896,

Affairs at Albion. ALBION, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special.) -- Bert Rush came up from Omaha Tuesday for the holiday season. Charles Brewer and T. D. Becker left

the south Wednesday on a visit. Charles Bull started Tuesday for a ter aya' visit with friends in the eastern part of he state. Miss Worley of Lincoln is spending the the composer.

olidays with the family of O. M. Needham, It is reported that Eugene Wilson of this clace has come into possession of a \$20,000 ortune.

N. W. Peters and wife of Lincoln are visit ng the family of John Peters.
Attorney Phillips of Seward is the guest f T. H. Barkley for the holidays. Gus Speilberg of Newman Grove was he city Wednesday.

Pretty Wedding at Osceola. OSCEOLA, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special Tele gram.)-One of the most delightful escial wents of the week was the marriage of Miss Effie H. Myers, the accomplished daughter of W. H. Myers, and Arthur C. Morrill of Salt Lake City, son of Hon, C. H. Mor-rill of Lincoln, at the home of the bride's parents at 7 o'clock this evening. The par-lors of the handsome residence were prettily decorated with palms, chrysanthemums and all kinds of beautiful flowers. The expe-meny was performed by Rev. Mr. C. Johnson of Table Rock, assisted by Rev. A. B. Whitmer, in the presence of 200 guests. A re-ception followed and the young couple were the recipients of hearty congratulations and many valuable presents. A wedding supper was served. Among the guests were friends from Salt Lake, Denver, Omaha, Lincoln and Chicago.

Young Hunter's Gun Explodes STROMSBURG, Neb., Dec. 28.-(Special Telegram.)-Emil Leidke, a young man from Saunders county, mit with a frightful accident yesterday while hunting. His gun ex-ploded and a piece of the barrel struck him in the left eye and on the bridge of the nosc. He was brought to town late last night and r ceived medical attendance. The wound very serious one, but with proper care and attention it is thought be may recover.

Diphtheria Prevailing at West Point WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special.)-Diphtheria is prevaling here. Two bright girls, one the daughter of Judge Briggs and the other of Charles Bartels, have died within two days. Many children are sick and much fear is expressed as to the out-

Ed Murphy, Fred Elsanger and two boy from Pilger were bound over to the district court today on a charge of burgiary.

High Wind at Stromsburg STROMSBURG, Neb., Dec. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—One of the most severe wind storms of the season swooped down on this places. There are no indications of a change Will Prevent Hiegal Liquor Selling.

PEN PICTURES PLEASANTLY AND POINTEDLY PUT.



MISSES' \$2.50 SHOES \$1.50-

We are overstocked on them-cloth top-111/s to 2s-a regular \$2.50 shoe-to sox sale-black and tau sox-seamless close out at \$1.50. Child's sizes-81/28 sox-fast colored sox-Hermsdorff soxto 11s-were \$2,00-now \$1.25. We also some at 15c, or 6 pairs for 75c-some at include in this sale a big line of boys' 19c, or 98c for 6 pairs-others at 28c, or and youths' shoes-11s to 51/2s-that half a dozen for \$1.50. Choice of any we've marked down to just \$1.25.

Drexel Shoe Co.,

Send for our illustrated catalogue. 1419 Farmatt Men's Furnisher. 1322 Farmen St Sporting Goods, 116 S. 15th St Music and Art. 1513 Douglas St

ran for assessor in Scott township. He was also on the canvassing board and was counted in by eleven votes. A few days ago the defeated candidate brought suit and had the bailots recounted, which showed that Falk was defeated by eleven votes. Today William Dahike had Falk arrested on the charge of election frauds. He was placed under \$500 bonds to appear for trial January 24.

January 24. LINCOLN'S SOCIAL SIDE.

LINCOLN, Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-The swell element of Capital City society has not done anything particularly swagger during the past week. Of course everybody took part in and highly enjoyed the Christmas festivities of the holiday period, but they were not accentuated by anything brilliant in the line of high society functions. Nothing more indicative of positive hard times could have been city for a corresponding purpose. The school children had their inning last week, the insane hospital, assisted by the university students, held a poet prandial carnival last

Meanwhile, what is strictly known as "society," was dormant. There was, however, a Christmas wedding on Wednesday night, the contracting parties being Mr. Edgar Tuckerman and Miss Bessie Wightman, both of this city. They were married at the home of the bride's parents, 1234 South Twenty-third street. But a limited number of friends and relatives were present. At 7:45 the guests arrived at a house beautifully decorated with smilaxs and holly. Beethoven's wedding march was played by Mr. Homan of this city, and the bridal party entered the parlor and took their places. Mr. Edgar Banghart was best man and Miss Ona Tourtelot served as maid of henor. The bride worse cream albatross, with sailn trimmings, and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss Tourtelot wore a pink cassimere and carried a bou-

quet of pink cossa.

Fred Morley and wife passed through the city yesterday on their way to their home in Indiana. They have been making an extended trip through Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. Morley were the guasts of R. B. Howell while the city. Mr. Morley was a tutor of Mr. in the city. Mr. Morley was a tutor of Mr. Howell while the latter was posting up for

he Naval academy, E. B. Sherman, who was graduated from the university last year and is now the principal of the public schools at Fairfield, is in the city, the guest of the Delta Tau Delta

fraternity.

Miss Effie Barge of Central City and Miss Olga Scorp of Grand Island are visiting in the city, the guests of Mrs. Oliver and daughters on South Eleventh street. The Young Men's Christian association will keep open house on New Year's day. A fine musical and literary program is under prepa-

ation for the event Rev. J. C. Ely of Xenia, O., is in the city, the guest of C. J. Jones. He will preach at the First Presbyterian church tomorrow. C. R. Weldon left on the afternoon train for Chicago to resume his duties in the Chi-

ago university.
W. J. Taylor, principal of the public schools of South Omaha, is spending his vacation in he city.

Miss Adalia Rohlff left yesterday afternoon for Omaha to visit relatives for a few weeks. C. C. Flater returned to Chicago yester-day after a week's visit with friends in this Willets Sawyer is home from Schenectady

N. Y., spending the holidays with his parents Willard Kimball went up to attend the Wagnerian opera last night at Omaha, Edward F. Philbrick of Sloux City has moved to this city to reside.

J. J. King, principal of the public schools at Cedar Rapids, Neb., is in the city

pending his vacation. F. P. Riley, editor of the Nebraskan, spe Christmas in Omnha.
Miss Anna Mayer left yesterday for Hillsboro, Tex. Wing Allen of Omaha was in town Thurs-

lay. Ashland Social Events ASHLAND, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-The ocial event of the season was the party at Lawyer T. B. Wilson's beautiful residence last evening. The guests numbered about forty couples of the oldest citizens of the city. The residence, which is situated on Quality Hill, is lighted by electricity from top to bottom. At 10:30 refreshments were

served. The Misses Wilson will entertain young friends next week. Friday night the Woman's Christian Temperance union will give an entertainment at Becteson hall.

Clay Jackson of Council Bluffs is spending he holidays in Ashland. Miss Sallie Shofstal of Paola, Kan., spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Dr. Kirkpatrick.
Miss Emma Warfield is spending the holi-

lays with Mrs. Martin. Beatrice Cinb Entertains BEATRICE, Dec. 28 (Special.)-A brilliant ocial affair occurring, in the city was the reception given by the Beatrice club at the spacious rooms last evening. Dancing, whist and billiards occupied the attention of the gay throng, and every one present seemed to thoroughly enjoy the happy occasion. There were many out of town guests present and all expressed their delight at the hospitable manner in which they were entertained.

Married at Berlin. BERLIN, Neb., Deg 28.—(Special.)—Henry Abker and Miss Clara Whitten, the daughter of Jacob Whitten, and old resident and

farmer of this place, were married Christmas A. A. Borden is spending the holidays with his wife and daughter at Ridgefield, Ill., where they have relatives. Fairmont Veterans Give a Concert

FAIRMONT, Neb., Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-The ladies of the Congregational church, assisted by the old soldlers of W. A. Webb post, gave a war concert at the opera house last night and it was a perfect success in every particular. The house was crowded to utmost capacity. The program was excellent.

Only routine business was transacted at the Public Library board meeting last night. Bills aggregating \$2,100 were INDIANOLA, Neb. Dec. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—The city council is determined to suppress illegal liquor selling. Warrants are out for the arrest of M. G. Shackelton, Anna Shackelton and George C. Webster.

Charged with Election Frauds.

KEARNEY, Neb. Dec. 28.—Special Telegram.)—A year ago last fall Herman Falk

Library Board Meeting.



That's to call attention to our great 50c sox for 3316c.

Albert Cahn,

ran for assessor in Scott township. He was THE PONY EXPRESS RIDER

the Black Hills Road. LIVELY TIMES IN THE EARLY DAYS and being unable to reach the river had been compelled to make a "dry camp," that is, to stop for the night at a distance from a spring

Stirring Adventures of a Mail Carrier on

Spirited Brush with Indians and Furious Blizzards-Daring Arrest

of a Horsethlef at

Valentine.

The life of a mail carrier in the early days of the Black Hills was peculiar, writes George displayed than the general apathy which pre- Bartlett in the Buffalo Express. The task was vailed, and still prevails, among the pro- not one involving hard labor, for men thought nounced leaders of Lincoln's social swirl. It | nothing of riding sixty or even 100 miles; is safe to say that many more people left | but there was the monotony of seeing the town to celebrate Christman than visited the same country and doing the same thing day after day. In pleasant weather the journey was very enjoyable; but in winter, no matchurches made a brave showing Tuesday evening, the penitentiary convicts relaxed atern discipline Christmas afternoon, and the thermometer, the rider must get through on time, both day and night. There was the sense of intimate companionship with nature, possible only when a man is entirely alone; but there were also Indians, each longing to hang the white man's scalp at his helt

the rear end of the wagon and replied: 'I that you was an Injun,'' while the woman began, ''Oh, my, how glad I am it's a white man. Oh, I'm so glad. Oh, I was most skeered to death! Oh, my heart's right up For several months-more than a year, in fact-after the Custer fight, it was dangerous stopped and halled them when I did I would undoubtedly have been shot at. They looked for whites to go any great distance from esttlements, unless in parties large enough at me with the greatest curiosity, and asked me all manner of foolish questions. I asked to drive off any wandering bands of savages who might attack them. Persons alone, or them a few questions in turn, got a drink, gave them a little good advice, and rode on, even two or three together, venturing out on the prairies, or going from one ranch to laughing at the idea of people hiding from another, were usually not heard of again Indians behind a piece of canvas through until their mutilated bodies were found by which one could easily have thrust a stick. on the prairies, or going from one ranch to friends who had set out to hunt for them.

By the end of the second winter, however, that is, by the spring of 1878, the road from Dadwood to the Missouri river had become much less dangerous. Ranches or mail sta-tions had been established at comparatively short distances from one another (t. e. twenty to thirty miles apart) and all the freight destined for the Black Hills came this way. Thus it was difficult for Indians to hover in the neighborhood without their presence being known; and usually warning could be given to all who might be in danger. Never-theless, it would sometimes happen that a

small party of the redskins could clude observation for a sufficient length of time to enable them to secure a scalp or two.

The mail route from Fort Pierre to Rapid City, at the time spoken of, followed this road, and was divided into five sections, each to wait for the team supposing it had been made, and the building was abandoned. Here the men concluded to wait for the team supposing it had been having its own rider. Thus the mail never stopped by day or night, except the few minutes necessary for transferring it from one rider to another, until it reached the

One section extended eastward from the Cheyenne river to Deadmen's creek, a dis-tance of thirty miles. On this "run," to use a term since adopted for similar work by the railway postal clerks. I carried mail for eighteen months. Leaving the river at sunset or soon after, with the mail intended for the fort, I reached the creek about midnight. The rider on the other "run" arrived at about the same time. Exchanging mail, a story or two, if there was time, and pos-bly our respective bottles of "ague killer," each rider then retraced his steps. Usually, arrived at the river on my return in time for breakfast, delivered the mail to the westbound carrier, who had brought in the mail with which he left the previous evening, and

then set out toward Rapid City. Monotonous and tirecome this would seem; but sometimes it was diversified by danger from Indians, or by the comic actions of some immigrant, who was suspicious of everything he saw. Two or three of my experiences will give the reader an idea of the way in which the spice of variety was added to my

TRAGEDY AT MADDEN'S RANCH The station at the Cheyenne River crossing was kept by "Old Tom Madden," as he was familiarly called by his acquaintances. Two men, Hannon and Brady, had the contract for supplying horse feed for the various mail stations along the route. One night they stopped at Madden's ranch on their way toward Rapid City. When I got in from my trip next morning these men and the rider bound in the same direction had eaten their breakfest. The latter immediately took the breakfast. The latter immediately took the mail bag and started out. The other men were hitching their mules to the wagon as I went in to my morning meal. I had just finished eating and risen from the table when I was startled by hearing several shots in quick succession. The road over which the men had passed but a few minutes before led into a deep canyon, and it was from there the reports came.

The men at the ranch, including two hunt-

ers who were stopping there, and myself, seized our rifles and ran outside. Looking up the canyon, which extended in nearly a straight line for a considerable distance above its mouth, we saw a man suddenly appear at the further end, barehsaded and running toward us. We hastened to mer him, but while a space of fifty or sixty yards still intervened he fell headlong on the snow. It was Hannon. A bullet had struck between his shoulders, passed through, come out at his breast. He was carried back to the ranch, and managed to tell us that tow as he and Brady had reached the top of a little hill at the farther end of the canyon a number of Indians sprang from a ravine near the road and opened fire on them. Brady was killed at the first discharge. Hannon jumped from the wagon, and was shot as he ran toward the ranch. The poor fellow told his story with difficulty, and ex-pired in a few minutes after he had finished. We then went immediately to the scene of and scalped; the mules were gone, but the harness lay near the wagon, cut to pieces; the corn was scattered about over the ground—it stemed the Indians had no way to carry the corn, so that in order to secure the sacks they had cut them open and poured out the contents. Not an Indian was in sight; nor was there the slightest sound or motion to indicate their existence. The body of Brady was carried back to the ranch, and, together with that of Hannon buried under a large with that of Hannon, buried under a lecttonwood tree that stands close to

The carrier who had started out just ahead of the wagon knew nothing of the occurrence until his return. Perhaps if the savages had not known the wagons would soon be slong he would have met the fate that befeil the two contractors. But the riders always exercised great caution; in going through a canyon or other place where the situation was favorable for an ambush they never followed the same path twice in succession, and in going along other dangerous places they would abandon the road and follow the high ground where



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they could see all about them-trusting to the

speed of their horses in case they should be

SCARED IMMIGRANTS.

I had a narrow escape once from a fright-ened "tenderfoot." On my way out one evening

shortly after dark I passed a camp of im-migrants who had been overtaken by night,

or water course. Although I passed within a few rods they did not see me. On my return the next morning I came in sight of the camp

about sunrise. The old man in charge of the little party was hitching up his horses. They

were about midway on the table land stretch-

ing from Peno Springs to the Cheyenne river, fully ten miles from either, so it behooved

them to move early in order to get water for

the team; immigrants always carried water in the wagon for their own use. A woman

was cooking breakfast; another man with the party was looking on; four or five small chil-dren were grouped around. Thinking to get

a drink of water and to find out something about them, I left the road when near the

camp and went directly toward the group.
As I did so the old man hastily tied the horses to a wheel and the whole party

clambered into the wagon. As this had a canvas cover I could not see what was

going on inside. Not knowing what to make of such conduct, I halted and called out: "What's the matter with you in there?"

At this the old man poked his head out

the rear end of the wagon and replied: "I

in my mouth!" repeating such expressions

over and over.

Both men had their guns, and had I not

WINTER EXPERIENCES.

My second winter on the route was one

of unusual severity even for that country.

On one occasion two men started from Fort Pierre to the Black Hills to engage in mining. Their tools, blankets, provisions and other necessaries were hauled by a

freighter, the two men walking along with the wagon. On leaving the Cheyenne river

fire or covering, and were compelled to keep

the river. When they reached the place where the driver had turned off they maw their mistake, but, knowing they could never

overtake him in their present condition, they concluded to go back to Madden's for

relief. Oone of them was so overcome that

his only desire was to stop and sleep—the sure precursor of death, under the circum-

stances, but his companion, by threats, en-treaties and other mans, contrived to keep

him moving. When they reached the ranch, at about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, they

arms, his legs were frozen solid to his knees. It was necessary to cut his boots off in

strips and patches, as they were frozen tightly to the flesh. The men cut up blan-

kets, saturated the pieces with crai oil and

past recovery. In a day or two he turned

Only my presence of mind and knowledge

black all over, and in ten days perished in

snow storm came up so violently as to obliterate the familiar landmarks and cause me to

lose my way. I was out two entire nights and

some timb r and brush, so I built a fire, which

moccasins made of heavy buffalo robes, in addition to an abundance of warm woolen cloth-

ing, enabled me to bid defiance to the wintry

blasts. I managed to kill a rabbit, so I did

A BRUSH WITH THE INDIANS.

The reader will see that, picturesque and remantic as the "pony mill" may have

seemed to the ordinary spectator, as the rider went sweeping past in a gallop on some beau-

men, there was another side to it.

newspaper man never saw that other side

Although they have no connection with my

passes just in front of the house. The ranch

the Cheyenne river, which at a short distance below passes through what is known as the

and strayed off through the gap; I set out to

recover them.

No Indians had been seen for several days,

but as they were not in the habit of sending word at just what time they contemplated a raid, the whites were continually on the look-

out in order that such unwelcome visitors might not take them unawares. So, more

not suffer from hunger.

wrapped them about his limbs, but he

great agony.

condition.

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Next morning they started back

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object was plain; he was seeking a favorable position for a shot at me as I returned. I, however, was not inclined to afford him the

opportunity; quickly wheeling my horse, I rode to the top of the hill on my left, to ascertain if any more Indians were near. I saw eighteen or twenty, walking and leading their horses up toward the one on the bluff. As they were between me and the ranch it would only have been inviting death to attempt to retrace my route. Elk creek has but a few good fords; the nearest one was about a mile below. Toward this I started on a deal run, with the whole yelling horde in hot pursuit. Several tried to cut me off, but their horses were mired down in the creek; about half of them kept directly on my trail, firing as they went, but none of their shots took effect. I gained the ford, dashed across the creek, and started up a rocky ravine that extended west toward the valley in which the ranch was situated. On reaching the outlet to the other valley I dismounted and took up a position behind some large boulders. Four of the redskins were still after me, and came within easy range by the time I was ready to receive them. The one at whom I fired dropped to the ground and did not move again; the other three immediately dismounted and took to cover; they saw that it would be impossible to dislodge their intended victim, so they began making their way back toward the creek. Fearing that the others would come up and flank my position, I mounted and started on. As I came in sight of the road an emigrant outfit was just passing in the direction of the ranch. I had more trouble in getting up to them than a 10-year-old boy generally has in trying to sneak into a circus tent, has in trying to sneak into a circus tent, for as soon as they saw me they stopped the wagon and all hands got their guns out and ready—they thought I was an Indian coming after their hair. I took out my handkerchief and waved it at them; I swung my hat in the air, and did everything I could think of to let them see I was a white man; but all I could see was a few heads bobbing in and out from behind the wagon. If the Indians had followed me up, about the only show I would have had would have been to have crawled into a coyote hole and pulled the hole in after a covote hole and pulled the hole in after me. Finally, one of the men "took a tumble to himself," and I went up to them. When I told them of my chase over the hill they were more scared than ever, and begged me not to leave them. So I escorted them to the ranch, where they camped for nearly week in order to rearry. week, in order to recruit up, and get over their fright.

the miners walked on ahead, expecting the wagon to overtake them. They were unaware that a short time previously a new road had been cut over a portion of the route, beginning at a point some nine miles from Madden's, so they kept along the line which seemed to be in constant use Toward. A DARING ARREST I was afterward appointed an officer of the law, and it was in the discharge of my official duty that my nerve and coolness were severely tested by several adventures. A warrant had been issued against a white man for stealing horses from the Indians at Rosebud agency; it was learned that the man was in Valentine, Neb., and I was sent after him. The town at the time was a new frontier settlement, headquarters for horse thieves and road agents, gamblers and other reprobates knew my man; saw him enter a saloon, followed him, and found myself in the midst of to wait for the team, supposing it had been delayed by the deep snow. But no team delayed by the deep snow. But no team came; the driver had turned off at the fork. The men were here all night without food, a gang of desperadoes who were the terror of the country. I read his warrant, put my revolver at the prisoner's head and told him ontinually in motion to avoid freezing, had made my regular trip, and found it to march. The latter obeyed, as if in a daze, while his companions looked on too dumbfounded at my audacity, to utter a word. After we got out, the captive asked permission to go into one of the stores to get some tobacco and other articles. He was allowed to do so. While we were there some one, a stranger to me, whispered to me that the gang had recovered their wits and would not allow me to leave town with my prisoner. I thanked him and soon made ready to start. I ordered my team brought to the front acor of the store, ordered my prisoner to get in, chained him securely to the iron railing at the end of the seat, and got in beside nim. Laying my Winchester rifle across my knees, of the two had his fingers, toes and entire face badly frosted; it was a month before he had fully recovered. The other was in a gated, then turned and drove at a more face bally frosted; beside frosted face and believe the face and believe the face are some face and believe the face and believe the face are some face and believe the face are some face and believe the face are some face and believe the face and believe gated, then turned and drove at a moderate gait toward Deadwood. Not a man offered to disturb me, neither was I followed. Alone, without sleep or rest, I took my man the en-tire distance, and lodged in jail.

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of the proper method to pursue in such an emergency gaved me from a similar fate. A Yesterday Judge Scott again took up the consideration of the dispute between Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Ish and Leonora McMullen as to who should have the latter's baby. Ish was days. Fortunately I came to a deep guich on one of the forks of Bull creek. Here I found represented by an attorney, who argued that neither the mother of the child nor her I kept burning constantly, and constructed a rude bush hut, which served to break the force of the gale. In this shelter I remained until the storm had spent its force. I was alsister were in financial condition to care for the little one. It was mentioned, too, that no part of the money for the board of the

ways dressed warmly; overcost, leggins and child had been paid. Miss McMullen was sworn, and was called upon to show whether she had means with which to support the child. She said that she was at the present time, and had been for three years past, employed as housekeeper near Millard, and that she had a good home. Regarding her ability to handle children, she said that she had been able to hold a position as school teacher in Iowa

for seven years.

Judge Scott spoke at considerable length on the hard lot the child would have through tiful spring morning, with all the usual accessories to the occasion, as set forth in the glowing accounts sent east by the newspaper on the hard lot the child would have through life. He intimated that perhaps the best thing for it would be an adoption into some family. He stated, however, that two reasons determined him to decide differently. One was that the ish family exemed to care more for the board money than for the child. The other was that children born in lawful wedlock go to the father, but illegitimate children go to the mother. The latter point was brought out by ish having taken steps in the county court to adopt the child. Although they have no connection with my services as mail carrier, two other of my adventures may be of interest.

While in charge of a drove of cattle which was to be delivered at Deadwood I stopped over night at Spring Valley ranch. This was one of the first stations established on the old Sidney and Black Hills stage route; the Frement Eikhorn & Missouri Valley railway now

mont. Elkhorn & Missouri Valley raflway now child.

Ish's attorney tried to put in a word to the effect that the Ishs did not care so much for the money as they did for the child, but Judge Scott refused to hear him further.

"I find that this sister is a good woman, is not far west of Elk creek, a tributary of Gap. At this point the stream flows at the foot of a rocky cliff, almost perpendicular, and

has a good home and is able to care for the child," he said. "She is of blood relation. Therefore, the order of this court is that the child be turned over to her, but I will see that the little one is properly cared for. Mr. covered at the top by heavy pine timber. On the opposite, or western, side is a high, steep hill, somewhat dome-shaped. Next morning it was found that two of the cattle had become separated from the herd

Ish will pay the costs of this action."

Without a word Ish handed the little one to Miss McMullen, who eagerly seized it. The woman wrapped the little one closely in its garments, and, pressing it to her bosom, walked away with tears of joy in hor eyes, and full of promises that the little one would not suffer for anything ish and his wife walked out of the court room with every indication of disappointment in their manner. The incident was witnessed by a court room full of p ople, all of whom appeared to

from force of habit than from any apprehension of danger. I constantly scrutinized my surroundings. Once, as I turned my head, I caught a glimpse of something as it moved from one tree to another on top of the bluff. Not being certain as to its nature I let my horse jog along for a few yards further, and then suddenly looked back. This time there Acts at once, never fails, One Minute Cough Cure. A remedy for asthma and that fever-ish condition which accompanies a severe cold. The only harmless remedy that procould be no mistake; an Indian dodged behind cold. The only harmless a tree, closer than at the first sight. His duces immediate results.