NEW STORY OF A DOUBLE EXISTENCE

Tales by Bret Harte\_Detective Story by Mrs. Penttle\_Story of a "Passionate Pilgrim"\_The Latest by Anthony Hope... News Notes.

Americans who feel that their patriotism is not strong enough for the needs of the present year, or, having sufficient patriotism, should procure a copy of a new historical novel by Cyrus Townsend Brady, archdescon of Pennsylvania, entitled "For Love of Country." It is described in the subtitle as a story of land and sea in the days

tried to present some features of the war of the revolution in a light somewhat different from that of the historians. He gives much time to the battle between the English betterfield. much time to the battle between the Eng-lish battleship Yarmouth and the colonial frigate Randolph, in which Commander Bid-die lost his life. Paul Jones is not over-looked and some of his most gallant os-capades are mentioned. The capture of the storeship Mellish by the daring commodors

is an incident that comes in to form an ad-mirable scene in the story. The battle of Trenton and the battle of Princeton are historical events described in the book, and in-cidently the author throws new light on character of Washington as a man and odder. He does not detract from his a soldier. greathess and his goodness, but he does show that the hero of the revolution was a men and had his weaknesses like other men, and these weaknesses were shown at critical periods, like all weaknesses are. The crossing of the Delaware with the whole colotial army in the dead of winter waone of the greatest achievements of the commander. An incident is related, undoubt-

edly having historic basis, that shows what more of man Washington was. He had sei a young officer to cross the Delaware anbring information concerning the condits of the Hersian army at Trenton, and thomicer had returned and reported that he ad been unable to fulfill his mission. He ad encountered the floating ice in the Debare river and turned back, declaring it intacticable to get across at that time.

"practicable, sir; impracticable, roared Washgton in a voice of thunder. 'How dareou say what this army can or cannot do? Ind what do you mean by not crossing is river and ascertaining the facts I desirto know?'

"T next moment he stepped forward and seizi a heavy-laden inkstand from a table nearim, threw it with all his force at the manarying flercely, 'Damnation, sir! Be off

and nd me a man!

"To officer dodged the miseile, which structhe wall with a crash, then saiuted and an out of the door as if his life demand upon it, feeling in his heart that he anor storm of wrach like that he had just inessed. The general continued to pace and down the room restlessly for a few ments until he recovered his composu I depended upon that information and must have it, he solitoquized. It that an does not bring it back to us before a cross the river I'll have him Shall I send another man? No.

Theory is rich in historical incidents, some them new and of undoubted authenty. It is an inspiring and wholesometory, a story for the times and for of the American republic and affords food for the thoughtful of the present and other Charles Scribner's Sons, New York

While the producers of fiction are put to the necessity of utilizing all manner of new and strange situations to bring to their wirk the supplementary interest that is re-quired to properly carry even the cleverest writing, not one has had the temerity to come before the public with another Jekyll-Hyde story like that which had so much to do with the making of the reputation of do with the making of the reputation of Robert Louis Stevenson. But Stevenson did not exhaust the situation. Another has taken Robert Louis Stevenson. But Stevenson did not remain the story of the first book renders to their history. It has rendered a great service to an almost forgotten eation and touches the most delicate part of the Albanian sentiment. It has brought out what they have been in the past and makes it the basis for a clever love story. She treats this phenomenon with all seriousness, and it cannot be said she has overdrawn the story so as to make the theme appear ridiculous. The scene is in California, and the double hero is Rex Carrington and Gottfried Jager, the two in one. As Rex, he is a wealthy young resident of Los Angeles, who lives a life of idleness and occasional debauchery.

Mr. Dara's "Art of Newspaper Making"

Tuthic of 'The Captain of the Jaintaries' for the justice that book renders to their history. Coyle and the two had a couple of glasses of beer. After that, the prosecuting without almost forgotten eation and touches the most delicate part of the Albanian sentiment. It has brought out what they have been in the past and what they can be in the future. I would that the book could be read by all in this place, Murphy says that Coyle took his money, \$70 of which was in his stock in the protested, and was told that if he most of the Albanian sentiment. It would that the book could be read by all in this place, Murphy says that he wert upon the street, followed by Coyle, who conducted him into another saloon and into a back room. While in this place, Murphy says that he west upon the street, followed by Coyle, who conducted him into another saloon and into a back room. While in this place, Murphy says that the vert upon the saves and the two had a couple of glasses of beer. After that, the process and the two had a couple of glasses of beer. After that, the process and the two had a couple of glasses of beer. After that, the process and the two had a couple of glasses. it up and given us a story that, if not quite as spirited as the Jekyll-Hyde fiction, is equally dramatic and interesting without having any repu'sive features. Virna Woods, in her story of "An Elusive Lover," deals bas's for a clever love story. She treats this phenomeuon with all seriousness, and it cannot be said she has overdrawn the story so as to make the theme appear ridiculous. The scene is in California, and the double The scene is in California, and the double hero is Rex Carrington and Gottfried Jager, the two in one. As Rex, he is a wealthy young resident of Los Angeles, who lives a life of idleness and occasional debauchery, and as Gottfried he is an honest, hardworking German artist, living in humble lodgings. It is when he gets drunk that Rex changes into Gottfried, and after a certain period the country change is effected. tain period the counter change is effected without any apparent cause. A pretty music teacher crosses the path of Gottfried and causes the trouble that finally leads to exposure of the double nature of the hero. to exposure of the double nature of the hero. She attracts the poor painter and he falls in love with her. There is much charming love-making, and finally the gifted wielder of the brush paints a picture of the girl, and after he has changed back into Rex, becomes so delighted with it that he buys the picture. Complications follow thick and fast and the rivals for the affections of the young lady sychamp some spirited letters, and finally exchange some spirited letters and finally agree to fight a duel. The climax is reached then Gottfried is actually arrested for murdering Rex, and if the young lady's troubles were almost unbearable before they became were almost unbearable before they became overpowering at the trial, which presented some dramatic situations. Of course Gott-fried produces Rex in court and is triumphantly acquitted. The secret being out, the subsequent love-making of Rex-Gottfried becomes an effort to undo a great deal that best been done before. The plot is decidedly novel, and the story could hardly be told better, Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston; \$1.

Bret Harte puts life and action in his books. His literary ability was developed midst surroundings that called for contant activity and alertness. His first books were stories of the mining camp, the rance, the range, the mountains, the stage driver and the rough sports of the frontiers-men, and such books seldom contain suffi-cient literary merit to save them from But the earliest books of Bree Harte are still read and admired by many dovers of good western tales, and through he has added to his productions that the list is quite a long one, he still matains his old-time vigor. His last work, "Tales of Trail and Town," is something the interesting of short stories. ellaneous collection of short stories, a me of them decidedly unlike anything be-fore written by him, and others bearing unmutakable signs of their genuineness. One of athe stories, "The Ancestors of Peter "begins in a mining camp in Cali-thence goes over to London, back o Washington, includes a stopover in and ends back on the frontier. The

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aristocratic ancestry of her husband, and the young fellow followed the clew and established himself among his titled relatives in England. Later he goes to congress, and while there an old chief convinces him that he is not of noble birth, but, in fact, of Indian blood. He becomes much interested in the Indian problem and he and his sister, which has always acted strangely, meet with many adventures, ending in a strange tragmany adventures, ending in a strange trage-edy. It is a stirring little story with a plot that is entirely new. Another of the stories in this volume, "The Judgment of Bolinas Plain," is a distinctly western story, and all are possessed of the rare literary merit which has marked all the later writings of Bre: Harte. Houghton, Millin & Co., Boston, Mass. \$1.25.

Detective stories have always been popular with many readers, but it is difficult to prepare new ones that are not subject to criticism for lack of originality, awkwardpresent year, or, having sufficient patriotism, deaire to give themselves something for it to feed upon while the cir is filled with rumors that may any day call for more than passive patriotism—such Americans than passive patriotism—such Americans the passive patriotism—such Americans the passive patriotism—such Americans the passive patriotism—such americans the passive patriotism and passive patriotism—such americans the passive patriotism and passive patriotism. in Chicago, where a diriver party is given by a respected old gentleman to a few friends, among them being a distinguished judge, accompanied by his handsome daugh-ter. The young woman is admired and her title as a story of land and sea in the days of the revolution, and it is dedicated to the Society of the Sons of the Revolution. A few hours spent in perusing this historical novel is all the tonic any American needs.

The romance that runs like a silvery thread that runs like a s through this story is but an incident. It is a historical work and must be judged by its presentation of history. The times were of the kind called stirring. The writer confesses frankly in his prefere that he has tried to present some features of the war tried to present some feat the end the truth is made known and the young lover is acquitted, but he has a narrow escape. The real criminal, one least suspected at the beginn's g of the narrative, figally kills himself after making full conession. The detective work is well done and there is intensity and strong action on almost every page, but the directness and frankiess of the whole narrative makes the average reader shudder. It is filled with horrors from beginning to end. Rand, Mc-Nally & Co., Chicago. 75 cents.

> One might easily be disappointed in "The Passionate Pilgrim," by Percy White, for the name suggests more than that contained in the story, though the pligrim whose adventures are recorded is indeed passionate and does many things on the impulse that form the substance of the story. Lis fortune is laid by something that could hardly have been done in soper mind. But the hero is found after all to be cold blooded and lacking in sentiment, though it is a sentimental story with a cynical and philosophizing treatment that does not leave a good im pression on the reader. The characterization is well done and the story is made interesting by quick action and a variety of posi-tions that are novel and dramatic. D. Appleton & Co., New York. \$1.

> Stanley Waterloo's "A Men and Woman" is one of his strangest and weirdest tovels. It is a love story, but with the queerest setting of any modern love story. The man he writes about was in politics, a man who recognized the utility of political organizations, wanted to improve them and eventually made the most of then, but he was "a Berseker, a bare sark descendant of the Vikings, in a dress coat. He had pas-clons, and gratified them sometimes. He had ambitions, and worked for them. He had a conscience, and was guided by it." As for the woman, she "was stender, not tall, brown-haired, and with eyes like those of the deer or Jersey helfer, save that they had the accompanying expression of thought or mood or fancy which mobile human features with them give." Unlike some of Mr. Waterloo's other works the scene is American and the time recent. Way & Williams, Chicago, \$1.25.

> "My Life in Two Hemispheres" is title of the memoirs of Sir Charles Gavan Duffy, which have just been published in two volumes, with portrains, by the Mac-millan company. As the career of the famous Irish editor, leader and statesman covers fosty years of active public life in Great Britain and Australia, his autoblography is practically a history of the Young Ireland movement, the subsequent struggle in the House of Commons and the final disruption of the Irish party. That part of his biography which relates to Australia deals with the formation of the first responsible government in Victoria forms an interesting history of the of that colony.

The following letter concerning "The Cap-ain of the Janizaries" has been received by James M. Ludlow from an Albanian gentle-man, with whom he is personally unac-quainted: "The Albanian people thank the author of 'The Captain of the Januaries' for

published immediately by D. Appleton & Co. This book, which will be uniform with Mr. Dara's "Art of Newspaper Making" describes travels in Russia and the Caucasus and to Jerusalem.

Literary News Notes. Weir Mitchell's novel, "Hugh Wynne, see sold at the rate of 300 copies a day since

of Will Allen Dromgoole. Two pative parratives of the great mutiny all accepts. The county attorney said that he would accept the plea. The jury was discriginals and acc to be published in London. The University of Buda-Pesth has just coferred the degree of doctor of letters upon Parmen Sylva, Queen Elizabeth of Roumstoia. Another important work of continental

derivation is set down for early publication in the Douglas County Agricultural society on English translation from the bands of bad the call in Judge Scott's court, but i William Archer and Miss Diana White of Brandes' lectures or essays on Shakespeare. Richard Harding Davis' new serial in cribnec's contains on American newspaper correspondent of attractive personality as one of the chief instruments in the plot. An American heiress also figures conspicuously in the tale.

The Macmillan company announces a new edition of Gilbert Parker's coveis to be published early in the spring. This edition will include "An Adventurer of the North." "A Lover's Diary," "A Romany of the Snows," "Pierre and His People," "When Valmond Came to Pontlac."

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"Caleb West." F. Hopkinson Smith's capital story which has been running in the Atlantic Monthly, will be brought out in a simony, to be paid in installments of \$25 per month. He also ordered that Karr pay book, probably in March, by Houghton, Mimin & Co., with several illustrations which Mr. Smith is very entiresistic control in title will be "Caleb West, Master Diver."

Judge Cullen of Helena, Mont, recently read a paper before a local literary club in which he gave personal recollections of Edward Eggleston, the fell known author, with whom he became acquainted when the story writer was conducting a soap factory in the little town of Cannon City, afterward story writer was conducting a soap factory in the little town of Cannon City, afterward made famous in his writings as Metropolis

Convention of Chambers of Commerc LONDON, March 15 .- The thirty-sighth and ends back on the frontier. The land of the camp, the man who has the most by his investments, is Peter by, whose father died soon after reaching mining regions and whose mother, learly days, did the washing for the carly days, did the washing for the land with a reference to the The meeting will close on Thursday and the land with a reference to the The meeting will close on Thursday and the land with a reference to the The meeting will close on Thursday and the land with a reference to the land with a reference to the land will close on Thursday and the land will be a reference to the land with the land with

BOND CASE GETS IN COURT

Validity of the Issue is to Ba Duly Tested.

CITY ACCEPTS THURMAN'S CHALLINGE

Will Answer the Injunction Bill and Press the Matter to a Finish Without Unnecessary Delay.

The injunction proceedings begun for an injunction restraining the city of the plaintiff has been advised by his at-torney that the bonds are illegal and con-ecquently the accuracy of this allegation will figure in the case. City Attorney Con-nell says that the city is ready to go into court at any time and that the hearing on the injunction will answer the purpose of the city just as well as the proceedings that

the city had proposed to institute. There has been a good deal of pressure prought to bear by interested parties to induce the city authorities to back down on the score that an agitation and legal con-troversy in regard to the legality of the bondo would injure the credit of the city. Mr. McCague has tried to induce the city let his firm slide easily out of ite agreement, return the check and drop all receedings to save the credit of the bonds. This very specious argument was turned down without ceremony. City Attorney Con-nell contends that since the question of legality has been raised it is absolutely es-sential that it should be settled in the courts. If the bends are illegal the city does not want to sell them. If they are not illegal the purchasers will be held to their agreement or forfeit the check which was deposited.

In accordance with instructions from the city attorney Treasurer Edwards called co President Kountze of the First National bank yesterday morning and formally demanded cash for the check. He was accompanied by witnesses in order that there might be no question in regard to the transaction when it is brought into court, and this is con-sidered sufficient to protect the interests of the city. Mr. Kountze refused to pay the check for the same reason that he refused yesterday and no additional information was suggested. This ends the matter for the pres ent, or until the injunction proceedings are disposed of.

The papers in the injunction case had not been served on the city officials up to treasurer were aware that they had inad-vertently stepped on the dignity of the court. The restraining order prohibits the city from making any demand for the payment of the check, but the officials assert that they are out the program as decided on.
Sheriff McDonald and his deputies spent

the entire morning in serving copies of the council. The case is now docketed and nothing more will be done so far as the court end is concerned until the city files its answer.

MATTERS IN DISTRICT COURT.

by Chance Acquaintance. Judge Slabaugh of the criminal section of he district court is dealing with a case that s attracting considerable attention and at the same time is directing a great deal of sympathy toward the prosecuting witness, Patrick Murphy, a decrepit man who has turned the age of 70 years. The prosecuting witness in the case of the

State against Doniel Coyle alleges that he was robbed by the defendant, and in detailing the circumstances he avers that last summer and fall he worked for the Burlington railroad, out in Wyoming, saving up \$80 with which to assist in supporting him during the period of his declining years. Murphy says that he quit his work and came to Omaha, arriving here on January 8, last. He says that he spent the afternoon in the vicinity of the Webster street depot and while there, visited a salo n across the way. There he says he met Coyle and the two had a couple of glasses money, but says that he did so when the were both very drunk. He further admits that after he came into possession of the money he went to Missouri Valley, where he spent a portion of it in riotous living. After sobering up, he says that he gave the

unspent portion of the money to a friend and told him to give it to Murphy. After the completion of the introduction A new novel of Tennessee life will coon be of the testimony the defendant, through his cublished by Estes & Lauriet from the pen at orney, announced that he was ready and willing to plead guilty to the crime of

the county jail to await sentence. Karr Against Karr.

The controversy between the two factions in the Douglas County Agricultural society had to give way for the case of Mabel A. Karr against Burton A. Karr, and judging from the crowd in attendance the change was satisfactory, as the little room was filled to overflowing. The plaintiff detailed a long tale of domestic woes, in which there were charges of druelty, nonsupport and neglect, but when it came to the husband's turn to testify in his own behalf he went his wife one better and told of the examples of Mrs. one better and told of the escapades of Mrs. Kurr and the efforts that he had made to

bring about a reformation.

During the afternoon the taking of the testimony was concluded and immediately Judge Scott handed down his opinion, grant-

nesses. In the case of Mrs. F. R. Gannett against S. T. Joslyn and others the plaintiff has secured a decree in foreclosure that provider

for the sale of certain lots at Forty-eighth and Farnam streets to satisfy a mortgage for

the negligence of the defendant he was injured while a passenger upon one of the
cars in South Omaha.

P. H. Mahoney has sued E. C. Wakefield
to recover the sum of \$375, which he alleges
is due on a contract for constructing sidewalks at Fort Crook.

WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION

Omaha to Have Fervice as Good as Money
walks at Fort Crook.

WEIGHING THE MAILS IN SIGHT. Superintendents Confer on Prelim-Inaries to the Great Job.

The regular quadrennial weighing of mailsouri river is expected to commence within the next thirty days. Superintendent of the Mail Service Lewis L. Troy of the Sixth division, which includes the territory between Chicago and Ogden and Huntington, is on a trip over the division making the neces-Beccard Thurman & Co. to prevent the city from taking legal measures to collect the had a conference here this morning with had a conference here the conference here the conference had a conference here the conference had a conference here the conference had a conference here the conference here the conference had a conference here the conference had a conference here the conference here the conference had a conference here the conference had a conference here the conference here the conference had a conference here the conference here the conference had a conference here the con

division.

All the railroad mail in the country

gulf and the border on the south will be included. The date on which the weighing will The date on which the weighing will commence will probably be announced within the next thirty days. It will last about thirty-five days, it always being the purpose to recure the average weight carried on thirty working days. At the terminal points the mail in each car will be weighed. Each car will be provided with platform scales, upon which will be weighed every particle of mail that is taken on or thrown particle of mail that is taken on or thrown off. In this way the average weight of matter carried during the entire trip can be secured. The mail is weighed each day dur-

on the light mail runs the postal clerks will do the weighing, but on those where the mail is heavy this would interfere with the work of the clerks, and therefore a weigher is sent out on each ear. These weighers are selected from what is known as the eligible list-men who have passed the civil service examinations for positions co postal clerks, but who have not been as signed to duty. There are about thirty-six of such available at this point, and all of these will probably be employed

TIRE OF PAUPERS FROM OUTSIDE.

County Commissioners Have a Serious Problem to Face. For years the county commissioners have

been annoyed by the shipment of paupers residence from outside counties in this and adjoining states. Recently this has become unbearable, At this time the commissioners say that paupers of both sexes, of all ages and all conditions of circumstances are coming in almost daily. They all tell the same tale, They say that at the places from which they come they are informed that Omaha is a haven of rest; that the commissioners have facilities for supporting them and that they will be given a good home where they can spend their years in ease and comfort. The commissioners say they are not providing any of these facilities and what is more they say that if the wholesale shipping of paupers not aware of this and consequently carried into this county does not stop they will be out the program as decided on. which paupers come.

The latest case to be called to the atention a Mrs. Davis, who is living in a room on South Eighteenth street. She says that she came from Albia, Ia., a few weeks ago, her daughter, a Mrs. Stork, residing at Fourteenth and Howard streets, writing for her and telling her that if she would come to Omaha she would be provided with a good home. The old woman says that she came bere and went to live with the daughter. All west well for a time and until daughter told her that she must leave and look out for herself. The old woman says that the daughter paid her room rent for a week said that since that time she has been an object of charity. She has now applied to the county commissioners for sesistrace and has asked to be sent to the poor

Mrs. Stork says that her mother came here for the purpose of living off her, but as she is poor herself, she is unable to support more than herself. She says that she paid the room rent for her mother, but has made no effort to get her into the county house. The county commissioners have investi-gated the Davis case rad have about con-cluded to send her back to Iowa. They say that if she remains here until she becomes as resident she is likely to become a perma-

House Bill Provides Liberally Continuing Experiments. WASHINGTON, March 15 .- The postome appropriation bill, which is to come up for consideration in the house today, contains an item of \$150,000 for rural free delivers during the next fiscal year. This is \$100,000 more than the Postoffice department had available for the same purpose during the preceding year. The postmaster general may use for the same purpose a sum equal to the aggregate compensation of postmaters, cost of mail transportation, star rout be discontinued by reason of the establish ment of rural free delivery. Experiment that have been conducted already by the department show that with the establishmen of rural delivery in which there is a heart co-operation of the communities interested discontinuance of the offices of a number of fourth-class postmasters and of the service of other employes can be effected so ther will be a considerable balance to be adde to the general fund of \$150,000 to defray th expenses of free delivery service, in which economy cannot be practiced.

Nominations by the President. WASHINGTON, March 15.-The preside oday sent these nominations to the senate: L. J. Pettijohn, to be receiver of publ moneys at Dodge City, Kan.; Albert I man, Mont.

Postmasters—Illinois, John A. Bingham Vandalia; O. V. Parkinson, Centralia. War—Promotions in commissary general of subsistence department: Lieutenan Colonel C. P. Egan, to be colonel: Major J.
J. Clague, to be lieutenant colonel: Captain
A. L. Smith, to be major; First Lieutenant
A. D. Niskern, Second infantry, to be pay
director; G. M. Lukes of Ohlo, to be assistant paymaster.

ST. LOUIS, March 15.-John E. Reidy, exreasurer of the Police Relief association and until his arrest a member of the Louis police force, today pleaded guilty the charge of embezzling \$9.000 from the association and was sentenced to two years imprisonment in the state penitentiary. Reldy frequented the race tracks and is there said to have lost the money embezzled.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 15 .- The upreme court, en banc, today, in an opinion by Chief Justice Gantt, decided that the in heritance tax law passed by the legislature in 1830 for the benefit of the state university is unconstitutional. The opinion was con-curred in by all the judges.

Postpone Witherell Court-Martial DETROIT, March 15.—The beginning of the court-martial of Captain Charles T Witherell of the Nineteenth United States Henry Quade, by his mother, seeks to re-cover the sum of \$500 from the Omaha Street Railway company. He alleges that owing to

Can Buy.

MANAGER BIERBOWER DETA'LS THE PLANS

New Engine at Florence and Greatly Increased Capacity in Mains Down Town for Fire and Domestic Purposes.

General Manager E. L. Bierbower of the Omaha Water company has returned from New York with the gratifying announcement that the ocmpany will proceed at once to carry into effect the long contemplated improvements on its plant. These seconds of the lighting of the city and each interest is putting in full time to get ahead of the other.

The only open indication of the situation occurred at the special council meeting Monday, when the contract of the gas company for three years was referred to a company will proceed at the special council meeting three years was referred to a company for three years was referred certified check deposited as evidence of good faith in connection with the proposition of the plaintiffs to purchase the \$300,000 reducing bonds is accepted by the city officials as a very satisfactory manner of bring-cials as a very satisfactory which will be located in a new addition to The facts are alle All the railroad mail in the country is which will be located in a new addition to the building, a thirty-six-inch supply main from Twenty-fourth and Lake streets south to prevent the council from approving the weighing. In order to systematize the matier as much as possible the country is divided into four divisions and the mail on one of amount to the city or any of its officials. The question of the legality of the bonds is raised in the petition. This declares that the plaintiff has been advised by his atthe boulevard to connect with the main which now leads from the Florence pumping station to a point near the south line of Miller park. The value of these improvements aggregates over \$300,000, and they will materially increase the capacity of the system and add to the pressure in every part of the city.

The addition to the pumping station at Florence will be built on the east side of the present buildings. The new engine is now

present buildings. The new engine is now in process of construction at Milwaukee, and is one of the most improved models of modern pumping machinery. It affords a directly increased capacity at the station of 20,000,000 gallons a day, which will be suf-ficient to answer all possible purposes for

ROUTE OF THE NEW MAIN. The present thirty-six-inch supply main follows Twenty-fourth street to Lake street, where it turns east. The new thirty-six-inch main will connect with this pipe at Twenty-fourth and Lake streets. It will run west on Lake street to Twenty-seventh, thence south on Twenty-seventh to Hamilton. From this point one branch will run west to the Walnut Hill reservoir and the other will continue east on Hamilton street to Twenty-third, south on Twenty-third to Cass, west on Cass to Twenty-fourth, and

present thirty-inch main at Twenty-fourth and Pierce. The new twenty-four-inch main is designed to relieve the high service in the residence localities on and surround-ing Capitol Hill and to the southwest. It begins from the twenty-four inch main, which was recently extended to Twentyeighth and Poppleton avenue, runs north on Twenty-eighth to Farnam, west on Farnam to Thirtieth, north on Thirtieth to Burt, west on Burt to Thirty-eighth and thence north to the reservoir at Walnut Hill.

south on Twenty-fourth to connect with the

The twelve-inch main, which follows the Twentieth street boulevard from Ames avesupply the exposition, which it accomplishes by providing a direct line between the exposition grounds and the pumps at Florence.

Aside from the uddition to the capacity of the plant which is provided by the new entire, the additional mains will further serve time the people who pay the taxes will be interested spectators.

Two more not the down town lines. The addition of another thirty-six inch pipe from Two More Boy Burglars.

OBJECT TO GATHERING STATISTICS. the pressure on nearly the entire system. The fact that this main also connects with the Walnut Hill reservoir gives the reservoir

voir a practically unlimited canacity, and the twenty-four inch main that connects the pumps at the reservoir with the mouthern and western parts of the cly affords an additional exit through which this water can be pumped to add to the ca-pacity of the system in these directions. DIRECTORS ARE UNANIMOUS. Manager Bierbower states that the plans

by the local engineer, Mr. Prince, and were submitted to the directory in New York. The directors unanimously decided to make the improvements at once and work will be begun within a very short time. The pipe was ordered a week ago, and as soon us it is on the road a big force of men will be put at work laying mairs. The erection of the addition to the Florence pumping station will also be pushed as rapidly as possi-ble in order that it may be ready for the new pump as soon as it is completed.

SPRINGS A NEW CITY JAIL SCHEME Board of Education Has a Trade to

The announced location of the city MONEY FOR RURAL MAIL DELIVERY, at Eleventh and Dodge streets has been followed by a howl of indignation members of the Board of Education from from pairons of the Dodge school. exclaim with pronounced indignation against the action of the council in putting the municipal bastlie under the noses of the school children, and the procests are coming in to Mayor Moores with a regularity that may cause him to veto the final action that will be taken to execute the deed. The memters of the council assert that the jail is not half as much of a menace to the morality of the school children as disreputable assignation purposes to which the Elkhorn Valley house has previously been converted. They contend that this location was practically the only possible solution of a very perplexing problem, as it was the only disposal of the question that could be reached without the use of more money than the city had at its command the purpose. Within the last few hours, however, the

Board of Education has incubated a propo-sition that may be given some official force. The members admit that the Dodge location is a very undestrable site for a school building. The Cass school has been overcrowded for years by pupils whose parents want to send them there in preference to sending them to Dodge. It is now suggested that both the Cass and Dodge school buildings be disposed of and that a big twenty-room building be bulk on the vacant property on which the old exposition building formerly stood. This plan is involved with a proposition to sell the city the Dodge building for iail purposes. While the city has no money with which to buy the building, it is suggested that some arrangement might be perfected by which the city could acquire the property by simply paying the interest on the purchase price, the board in turn making a similar arrangement for the property which it proposes to purchase for the new building. Whether this scheme is feasible not has not been determined, but an effort being made to induce the mayor and council to delay proceedings in order that it may be investigated.

Activity in Building. There is a decided activity in small improvements, and the stub book in the building inspector's office is filling with unusual rapidity. A dozen permits were issued yes-terday for minor improvements to residences and atores. A permit was also issued to Mrs. R. L. Scott to build a \$2,500 frame residence at Thirtieth and Chicago streets and another to H. N. Rogers to build a frame dwelling at Thirty-seventh and Half-Howard

ported at the health office during the twentyfour hours ending at noon yesterday:

Births—William Rodebough, 4227 Harney street, girl; Harry C. Pilgrim, 1915 Farnam, girl; Martin Pedersen, 2934 Arbor, girl; Charles Chederquist, 2616 North Fifteenth, girl; Prank Kamerer, 2118 North Twenty-dighth, boy; James Vachal, 2718 South Twenty-dighth, boy; James Vachal, 2718 South Twenty-dighth, boy; Bake, 6, 1613 South Twenty-dighth, boy; President W. B. Prescott of the International Typographical union is in Omaha. He came in from Indianapolis on his way to colorado Springs, where he will inspect for acceptance the new annex to the Childs-Drezel Printers home.

ty-third, tuberculosis, Laurel Hill; Sarah Mason, 45, 721 Leavenworth, parelysis, Laurel Hill; Mrs. Frank L. Corby, 23, Twenty-fourth and Maple, Prospect Hill; Louis E. Cultra, 47, 708 South Thirty-sixth, heart disease, Evergreen cemetery.

DEMAND FOR HEADQUARTERS

In Quest of the Commander's Station of the

LIGHTING COMPANIES GO TO WAR

Electricity and Gas Having a Lively Set-To in the Council.

There is a lively corporation fight on in the city council and although very little of l has appeared on the surface it is likely to develop at any time. It is a red hot set-to between the local electric light company and the Omaha Gas company for privileges con-

which of the corporations interested is to be benefited by the expenditure. The electric light company apparently has the lead, for seventy-two additional arc lights at \$114.50 a year each have been ordered located dur-

of the council that the gas compony would clear \$18,000 a year net on the proposed contract. It pays the city a royalty of \$8,000 a by tessaltant. It pays the city a royalty of \$10,000 retary Utt was instructed to write Senator year, thus leaving a net balance of \$10,000 retary Utt was instructed to write Senator Thurston a letter of condoicace. Resolutions private consumers. On the other hand, the of condoicace over the death last week of private consumers, on the gas company of the property of the members of the property of the pays of the pany declare that the electric light pany made \$147,000 hast year, and these figures are alleged as reasons why the council chould go a little slow in granting con-tracts for a term of years.

The councilmen who are opposed to the approval of the gas contract contend that the lighting fund is not in a condition to year which will be incurred by the use of the Weisbach burners. On the other side it is alleged that if the city can caise the efficiency of nearly 800 lamps from twenty-six to eighty-candle power by an additional expenditure of \$5 a lamp it is good policy to do it. They also suggest that the electric light company has been allowed to follow, end that the gas company should also have some interests protected.

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the first fall Monday by preventing the approval of the gas contract, it is not altogether certain that they will be able to hold what they have gained. It happens that there is a strong probability that Mayor Moores will veto the resolutions locating additional arc lights on the ground that the condition of the lighting fund will not warrant the expenditure, and then it will require six votes to pass the resolutions over contract or seeing their electric lights go by the board and they claim enough votes to make the play good and strong. Mean-

ers Taken Into Custody. Clarence Amsberry, a 12-year-old school oy residing with his parents at Seventeenth and California streets, and Albert McClar- county held their annual meeting in the ten, of about the same age and living at Twentieth and Cuming streets, were ar- J. F. Tracy of Florence was elected presirested at an early hour yesterday morning and charged with burglary.

Young Amsberry and his partner started out early Monday evening and opened up for these improvements were carefully drawn the campaign of burglary by first entering the office of the Omaha Packing company at Fifteenth and Cuming streets, where they secured a revolver and all of the change in the drawer, which amounted to several dol-lats. The next place visited was E. A. Marsh's meat market at 514 North Sixteenth street, where they secured another revolver, a quantity of tobacco, oranges, chocolate, two large knives and a few pennies, which were in the money drawer. From Marsh's place the boys entered Shackelford's feet place the boys entered snackellord's feed store, at 1410 California street, by breaking the glass in the window. Here they secured 30 cents in pennics. They then made an unsuccessful attempt to enter Linstron's meat market, at 509 North Sixteenth street,

meat market, at 509 North Sixteenth atreet, but were frightened away, by someone com-ing along on Sixteenth street. From this place the youthful marauders turred their attention to Keneft & Hart-man's meat market, at Sixteenth and Webthe place through the window, which they had broken open, when Mrs. M. Hill, who lives across the alley from the meat market, was attracted to the window by the sound of breaking glass and seeing two dark objects in the darkness fired two shots at them as they disappeared. One of the bul-lets from the revolver of Mrs. Hill took effect on the revolver young Amsberry was carrying in his hands, compelling him to drop it as he was running away. After waiting several minutes Amsberry returned to the place and secured the revolver, which was badly shattered by the bullet.

When the boys were taken to police head-quarters, both made confessions and seemed to be sorry for what they had done. Amsberry has also confessed to robbing Marsh's meat market on a previous occasion, when he secured \$5.50 and numerous other ar-

The articles stolen from Marsh's place Monday night were found in a furniture van

at Twenty-first and Paul streets. KING IS HELD FOR SWINDLING

Mails for Fraudulent Purposes. J. F. King, supposed to be a traveling man, has been arrested, on complaint of W. H. Green and C. S. Goodale, on the

charge of using the United States mails for

fraudulent purposes. King's mode of doing business was to in sert an advertisement in the daily papers for a person with \$500 to buy half interest in a paying business. He a'so advertised for a man to accompany salesman on the road in displaying goods, agreeing to pay \$10 per week for his services. Green and Goodale both answered the last advertisement and deposited \$100 each for the faithful performance of their duties, with the agree-ment that the amount be returned when they left his employ. Both paid their money, but were not called upon to do any

work.
King also extensively advertised that he bad the exclusive right to build the Cavern of Monte Cristo at the exposition grounds, and sent literature out over the country seliciting persons to invest in the scheme. The exposition people say they know noth-ing of King. ing of King.

Building Boom at Red Oak According to the experience of local architects the town of Red Oak, Ia., is enjoying a decided boom in the building business. One Omaha architect now has three sets of plans under way for Red Oak property owners. One is for a handsome bank and office building for H. C. Houghton. M. N. Spencer is building a handsome residence and Smith McPherson is building a large store.

Department of the Missouri,

KANSAS CITY WANTS THE ARMY OFFICE

Commercial Club Wakes Up to the Fact that it Has a Fight of Some Size on Its Hands.

Kanesa City, Leavenworth and St. Louis are preparing for a strong effort to secure the headquarters of the Department of the Missouri, and are arranging to send delegations to Washington for that purpose. This matter occupied a good part of the attention of the executive committee of the Commercial club at its noon meeting. To forestall these efforts it was determined to notify Congressman Mercer by telegraph at once, This telegram has been sent. An answer is expected immediately, and as soon as that comes the committee is intending to take some decided action.

The efforts of the more southern cities are based on the claim that they are more central in the rearranged department than Omaha and that, therefore, it would be advantageous to the War department to select a lot of information in regard to the carnings of the two companies. It is said that the electric light people have assured most the process and has added to it and and porthwest and has added to it.

southern states.

The death of Mrs. John M. Thurston was called to the attention of the committee and by resolution of George W. Lininger Secretary Utt was instructed to write Senator

the club, were also passed.

A communication from E. E. Bruce of the Department of Exhibits of the exposition called for the assistance of the local busicases men in the matter of secucing an ap-propriation from New York for a state ex-hibit. The letter stated that A. M. Wheeler, the representative of the department, is now

New York state.

A delegation of citizens from Butler county addressed the committee on the matter of an extension of the Elkhorn for thirty-five miles from Verdigre to Lynch, thus opening a new territory for Omaha. The matter was placed in the hands of a committee consisting of Euclid Martin, Edgar Allen, Charles, H. Pickens, John E. Utt and E. M. Andersen. The scheme was endorsed.

The special committee reported in favor of

the movement started by the freight bureau of Quincy, Ill., to induce the Western Union Telegraph company to increase the number of words to be sent at the present minimum rate from ten to twenty words. The report was adopted and efforts will be made to interest other western commercial bodies

Legal Duty.

Acting in accordance with the provision of the statutes, the assessors of Douglas rooms of the Board of County Commissioners

dent and W. L. Crosby of Union, secretary. County Clerk Haverley called attention of the assessors to the provision of law, requiring them to supply his office with statistics relative to the manufacturing industries, number of people employed, value of farm products and the number of hogs, horses, cattle and sheep. He further stated that the law did not provide any compensation for do'ng this extra work.

Assessor Trostler said that he saw no way by which the assessors could be compelled to do this work unless some compensation was provided for.

Secretary Crosby said that to collect the data would nearly double the work of each ascessor in the county. He advised, first, that the assessors should ascertain if they would be obliged to do this extra work. If should be found that they had to do the work, then the county commissioners should give some assurance that payment Commissioners Harte and Octrom, for the

county, said that they could not speak offi-cially on the subject of pay. It is a ques-tion they said, that will be reached when duly presented. In disposing of the question the president appointed Assessor Waterman of the Seventh

ward, Crosby of Union and Coudon of South Omaha and President Trucy as a committee to present the salary question to the Board of County Commissioners at the next meeting of that body.

In the event that the county commis-

cioners refuse to allow extra compensation hold another meeting, at which they will decide upon a line of action to be pursued.

Assessor Carpentee of the Fourth ward advised that the valuations on real estate and personal property be placed substantially the same as last year. He stated that he could see no reason for making any radical changes.

UNKNOWN MAN FOUND DEAD. Asphyxiated in a South Eleventh Street Lodging House. An unknown man, vegistered as John Brang, was found dead in a South Eleventh street lodging house yesterday at 12 o'clock, death resulting from asphyxiation.

Whether the gas was left turned on with suicidal intent is not known.. Among the effects of the dead man were found \$65 in cash, a Union Pacific ticket purchased at Columbus. Neb., to Fairchild, Wis., but nothing to indicate what his name was. When he went to the lodging house Monday night he declined to register or give

his name. After some urging he signed the register as John Brang.

He is a man of about 35 years of age, six feet tall, sandy mustache, and judging from scars on his face was at one time the victim of smallpox. Coronor Swanson has taken charge of the

remains and will hold an inquest this morning at 10 o'clock. ASK ASSISTANCE FROM OMAHA.

Butler County People Want an Elkhorn Branch Bullt.

A representative delegation of Butler county citizens is in the city to interest the Commercial club in a scheme to induce the Elkhorn road to lay an extension of its road from Verdigre to Lynch, both points being

It is expected that the Commercial club will take some action in the matter, as the extension will open up a little additional territory for Omaha merchants and markets. It will give egress and ingress from, and into Craig county and other parts of South Dakota which are rich. This territory is at present tributary to St. Paul and Minneapolis solely because the people have no direct means of getting to this city.

direct means of getting to this city. Every man, woman and child who has once tried that specific, Dr. Bull's Course. Syrup, cannot say enough in its praise.