BOYDSTON FOR

Otos County Statesman Gives His Ambition Free Swing.

HE SEEKS THE FUSION NOMINATION

Popullats Do Not Like Him Because He is a Democrat_Jim Gama After the Edmisten State House Crowd.

LINCOLN, March 26 .- (Special.)-H. M. Boydston of Nebraska City, member of the State Exposition commission, was in the city today and gave to his friends the reasons for the failure of the democrats and popullats to fuse in the city campaign at the Otoe county metropolis. He said that the populists insisted on putting on the ticket one man who was of very bad personal character, and the democrats were unable to accept him. The populists refused to name a better man or make any concessions, and the result was that the parties decided to go it separately. It is given out authoritatively today that Mr. Boydston will be a candidate for congress before the funion conventions of the First district this summer. It is also given out by prominent populists that Boydston will have much opposition because of his general antagonism to the pop-ment of the State Exposition commission whereby each member is to be allowed the selection of ten places for constituents dur-ing the exposition, is very unsatisfactory to the populists because they feel sure that Mr. Boydston will give most or all of these places to democrats, It is evident from the grumbling that is heard today that the Boydston congressional boom will meet early

The fusion political pot was made to boil atili more today by the presence of J. N. Gaffin in the city. Mr. Gaffin spent most of his time in close conferences with the anti-Edmisten and anti-administration elements of the popocratic crowd, and was kept so busy during the day that he had little time to spend at the state house. Prominent democrats are saying today that while Gaffin is getting in close touch with the wing of the populist party that tried to create a middleof-the-road diversion last year his political interests are suffering in other directions. GOSSIP FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

The following notaries were commissioned today: C. W. Smith, North Bend; Arthur Truesdell, Fremont; W. M. Geller, Omaha; Edward Royce, Broken Bow; George Young,

A. B. Allen of Tecumseh has a carload o flour ready to turn over to the State Cuban Relief commission. Another donation re-ceived today is \$5 from the Ladica' Grand Army of the Republic Aid association of Trenton, Neb.

Department Commander Majors of th Grand Army of the Republic has completed his staff by the appointment of L. F. Britt of Omaha as inspector and James Stephenson of Lincoln as quartermaster. The Nebraska Folding Machine company

of Norfolk filed articles of incorporation to-day, with a capital stock of \$20,000. The object is to build folding machines for the newspaper trade. The incorporators are G. A. Luikhart and C. S. Evans. County Treasurer Heimrod, Clerk Haverly and County Commissioner Kierstead of Douglas county were at the state house this after-noon closing up the deal whereby the \$180. 000 funding bonds are turned over to the

state as part of the permanent school fund LINCOLN LOCAL NOTES. The Young Men's Board of Trade met last night and turned into the auditorium fund

\$600,62 as proceeds of the concert and ball given at the capitol some time ago. Rev. E. E. Fife, who has been identified with Christian work in this city for several years, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church of Boise City, Idaho. He will deliver his farewell for the new home next week.

Lancaster county district court adjourned today, to meet again about May 1. Charles Hagerty, the grocer who disappeared about a week ago and was found in a partly demented condition in Kansas City, was brought home today by relatives. He has been improving during the lost two days, but is still unfit for business.

At the meeting of the officers of the Ne-braska National Guard to reorganize the Guard association next Tuesday there also be a paper on military topics by Lieutenant Stotsenburg and a discussion of the present difficulty with Spain. In the evening the officers and a number of invited friends will be entertained by the Light Infantry

Omaha people at the hotels: At the Lindell-John Rush, Harry G. Ruth. At the Lincoln-W. L. McGee, F. P. Loomis, M. L. Elsmore, U. S. Crump.

Creamery Nearing Completion.

DECATUR, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-The erection of the creamery, which began here several weeks ago, is nearing its completion. The corporation expects to begin making butter in a week. The plant is a fine one, costing in the neighborhood of \$4,000. A host of interested, influential farmers are enxiously waiting to deliver their first batch of milk. From the present cutlook there is no room for any doubt as to outlook there is no room for any doubt as to the future success of the butter factory.
One of the stockholders has just bought
fifty-two head of milch cows. Others are
doing the same on smaller and larger

Bits of Falls City News. FALLS CITY, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-The Tennessee jubilce singers gave an entertainment at the Gehling Saturday evening under the auspices of the Woman's auxiliary



A man has to have pluck to make a success of any calling. A man must have the backbone to take knock-down blows and get up again and again and fight on.

Pluck and stamina are largely a question of good health. It only takes one knock-down blow to finish a man with a headache. It only takes a small setback to disconcert a nervous and shaky man. A bilious, headachy man goes into bankruptey at the first embarrassment. A nervous man who does not sleep at night and gets up shaky in the morning gives up the battle of business at the first discouragement. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the best of all health-makers and health-keepers. It makes pure, rich blood. It forces out all impurities and disease germs. It does not make any difference what the disease may be called, so long as it has its inception in improper or insufficient nourishment—this great medicine will cure it. It may be called dyspepsia, kidney disease, "liver complaint," skin or blood disease, or nervous prostration—all these have the same starting point. The "Golden Medical Discovery" reaches that point. It will cure these diseases absolutely. None of them can retain their hold on the system when the arteries are filled with rich, pure blood. "I am 54 years old," writes Mr. F. G. Bledsoe, of Leesville, Henry Co., Mo. "For 25 years I suffered from torpid liver, constipation and indigestion which severely affected my nerves. Having to make my living by hard work, I would keep on until I would have to give up. Sometimes my friends would pick me up and carry me to bed. What little sleep I could get was tortured with horrible dreams. I took six bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It relieved the pain in my back and between my shoulders, benedu up my nerves, and today I am a well-A man has to have pluck to make a suc-

to the Cemetery association. This auxiliary was organized a year or two ago and has done much to beautify the cemetery. Water has been put in with pipes running all through the yard, flowers planted, roadways made and many other improvements, until Falls City has ane of the prettiest burying grounds to be found anywhere.

The German society has agreed upon plans to be used in the construction of its new hall to be erected soon. An addition to the present building 30x32 and another 20x30 will

present building 30x32 and another 20x30 will be erected, making the entire building 64x30. This will give the reception room and dance hall a capacity of 50x30 feet, with a refresh-ment room 20x32 feet. In addition there will be a cloak room and all modern conveniences.

MILLIONS IN THE SCHOOL FUND.

Endowment of the Public Educa-tional Institutions of Nebraska. LINCOLN, March 26 .- (Special.)-The total amount of the permanent school fund invested up to the present time, and including the \$190,000 paid today for the Douglas county funding bonds, amounts to \$3,917,472.74. Of this amount \$445,751.93 was invested in 1895 and 1896 and \$632,721.39 has been invested since Jenuary 7, 1897. The total investment of the permanent university fund is \$32,500 of the agricultural endowment fund \$40,000; and of the normal endowment fund \$16,000. This brings the total investment of the trust funds of the state up to \$4,005,972.74. The funds are now practically all invested. On the \$36,500 Butler county refunding bonds, the \$190,000 Douglas county bonds and a considerable amount of state warrants have been purchased, so that there is now only a small amount of the funds on hand.

that time the total amount invested in war-rants reaches \$301,357.84. This has brought ing the suit against the first term bondsmen the warrants to a premium, so that it is not now easy to secure them, while outside in-in his first term it was not disclosed by an vestors with plenty of money on hand are willing to pay more than par for the warrants.

On the 7th of January, 1897, there was on band in the treasury \$153,000 of the fund. hand in the treasury \$153,000 of the trust funds. Added to this the amount invested since that time has been from the accumulation of the permanent fund. A summary of the investment of the funds

nvestment of all trust funds to January 7 Permanent school fund......\$3,284,751.35 Permanent university fund...... 32,500.01 Agricultural endowment fund... Normal endowment fund

over to him:

Total \$153,809.13
Total invested since January 7, 1897 \$632,721.39 Less amount on hand January

Paid as trust funds into treas-ury since January 7, 1897, and invested\$478,912.26

PELEPHONE COMPANIES TO SPARE. Tecumsch Now Has Two Competing

for Business. TECUMSEH, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-Although the Nebraska Telephone company has had its force of men at work here the last week erecting lines for the local system the Tecumseh Telephone company is actively at work on the preliminaries of putting in its dystem. For years this city was without is going to have two systems.. The Tecumseh Telephone company met last evening and elected permanent officers. All the stock n the company has now been subscribed. Articles of incorporation are being drawn

Headquarters for the Cuban relief com mittee of this county were opened in this city today and the delivery of supplies com-menced. It is more than probable that the donations will amount to over a carload. Wesley Worthen and Mrs. William Knight were arrested and brought into county court yesterday on the charge of adultery. They

yesterday on the charge of adultery. They were bound over for examination in the sum of \$400 cach. of \$400 cach.

Department Commander T. J. Majors of the Nebraska Grand Army of the Republic has apointed the Tecumseh Military band the department band for the ensuing year.

This compliment is deserved.

The thieves that stole Rev. L. G. Parker' team of horses and buggy at Crab Orchard last week have been caught at Vermillion, Kan., and the property recovered. sheriff of this county went after the men, but an officer from another point in this state beat him there and got the fellows for a misdemeanor committed in his lo-

temperance meetings, to last until after election, will be held in this city. Secretary Whitmore of the Nebraska Anti-Saloon league and a number of other prominent speakers have agreed to be present and take

part in the meetings.

The Nebraska City presbytery of the Presbyterian church, as well as the Ladies' societies and Young People's societies of the churches represented, will meet in a three days' session in Tecumseh, commencing April 5.

CLARKSON TENDERS HIS SERVICES. Rendy to Go to the Front in the Event of War.

LINCOLN, March 26.—((Special Tele-gram.)—Governor Holcomb has made public the following letter, which was received from Major Clarkson, Omaha, March 25:

Major Clarkson, Omaha, March 25:

OMAHA, March 25.—Should circumstances arise by which the government of the United States should call upon our state for troops for war purposes, I beg to tender my services. A strong constitution, vigorous health and four years' field experience give me the right to believe I could be of much service, as my long residence in this city would enable me to raise a regiment here in a few days. Deploring war at this time and fully realizing its horrors, yet I am prepared to place myself at my country's service at a moment's notice. I am, governor, very truly yours,

T. S. CLARKSON."

In answer to Major Clarkson's letter today

In answer to Major Clarkson's letter today Governor Holcomb wrote that if volunteer soldiers were called for in the present crisis the offer of Major Clarkson would be borne in mind, as there was none other in whom he imposed more confidence in such an emer

Ashland Items.

ASHLAND, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)only four nominees of the populist caucus, or. George W. Meredith for mayor, George P. Radeker for city clerk, and William A. Harnsberger and Israel Beetison for the Board of Education, will go on the official ballot, and these by petition. All the other candidates who were nominated by the populists have declined to run.

The republican city central committee has

organized for the coming municipal cam-paign as follows: W. N. Becker, jr., chair-man; S. B. Hall, secretary; A. M. Cowen, treasurer. Ward membership is as follows: First ward, Thomas J. Parks and S. B. Hall; econd ward, James H. Oliver and A. M

Miss Grace Butler, who was arrested at he instance of her mother, charged with being incorrigible, had her trial before Jusice Jesse N. Moon, resulting in her release

Injured by a Falling Scaffold. MILFORD, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)a carpenter by the name of Ruben L. Bowen and a member of troop A. Nebraska National Guard, was working on the Grand hotel this morning, when the scaffold gave way and he fell about twenty feet, dislocating a wrist, fracturing a bone in the right leg and sustaining internal injuries that may prove fatal. Mr. Bowen is a member of the Ancelent Order of United Workmen and has been a resident of Milford for the last twelve years.

Governor Holcomb Adds Another Chapter to Bartley Literature.

FIRST TERM SETTLEMENT WAS GOOD

Adjustment of His Books When He Succeeded Himself Was Accepted on Surface Indientions Only.

LINCOLN, March 26 .- (Special.) -- Governor Holcomb today gave out the following statement over his name:

"In an editorial in the Journal of the 15th instant, under the caption, 'Blunder or Worse,' after referring to a public statement made by me that a thorough examination had been made of the books of ex-Treasurer Bartley and that such examination disclosed no shortage during his first term of office, among other things, you say: 'Now the governor lightens the hearts of these first term bondsmen by a declaration that relieves them of all liability, if his word is worth a farththe first of March of this year there was on ing. The people of Nebraska demand of hand \$232,000 of the funds, and since then Governor Holcomb and Attorney General Governor Holcomb and Attorney General Smyth a full explanation of this remarkable situation.

"If this be true, which I do not concede, a further brief statement with reference to the Up to January 1, 1897, the investments of matter may not be inappropriate. There is no inconsistency whatever between the acbooks of the treasury department show that Bartley was short in his second term and there is nothing—absolutely nothing—in them that discloses a shortage during his first term. If, as a matter of fact, he was short during his first term, then the books are incorrect, but whether he was in fact short in that term is known only to himself and his confidential friends, with whom the Journal no doubt is much more familiar than myself The state or its officers, so far as I know,

VALUE OF THE CERTIFICATES. "At the beginning of his second term Mr. Bartley accepted from himself, and in lieu of money, certificates of deposit and other bank credits in the method I have heretofore spoken of, and concerning which the people are quite familiar. The supreme court in the case of Bush against Johnson, in the Fortyeighth Nebraska, speaking of the action of the treasurer of Johnson county in accepting a certificate of deposit in lieu of money, says: 'This was a sufficient reception by him of the money of the county to render him and his sureties liable for it under the onditions of this bond.' From this principle it follows that Bartley's second term bondsmen are liable for the amount of money represented by certificates of deposit in the different banks to which I have just re-ferred. The accounting by Mr. Bartley to himself by turning over these certificates of deposit, and my consenting to his accounting in that manner, was but following the principle sanctioned by the unanimous decision of the supreme court of the state, and was doing only that which had been done by his predecessor, Mr. Hill, in accounting to him (Bartley). And, so far as I know, it has been the explained method words are the explained method. the exclusive method used, not only of one treasurer accounting to himself at the be-ginning of his second term, where any acounting at all had been made, but also by ne treasurer accounting to his successor i office for the last ten or fifteen years. Ye for doing this very thing I have been de nounced in every concelvable form for a neg-lect of duty, while I did only that which the supreme court has said was right and prope under the circumstances, and was a legiti-mate accounting and binding on the official sureties of the officer making it. QUESTION NOT DECIDED.

"There is also another statement set forth in this same decision which is pertinent to the same.

A. H. Cully made a flying trip to Chicago the bondsmen of the ex-treasurer of John-son county, who had turned over to his suc-cessor in office in lieu of money the certifi-cate aforesaid, the court says: 'What efcate aforesaid, the court says: 'What effect the transaction we have outlined between the two treasurers would have upon the rights of the county, if any, existing or arising therefrom against Zutabern, the outgoing treasurer, and his bondsmen, is not involved in this case and will not be discussed or decided.' This, in effect, says that it is an open question in this state whether the acceptance by Bartley from himself of the certificates of deposit in lieu of money releases his first term bondsmen. While the court's decision that such an acceptance bound his second term bondsmen, it did not herein decide that the same acceptance released the first term bondsmen, thus admit-ting that while the second term bondsmen were liable, the first term bondsmen might also be liable. To have these questions edi-tled and the taxpayers' interest fully pro-tected it was year proper and eight the tled and the taxpayers' interest fully pro-tected it was very proper and right to bring the action against the first term bondsmen.

"The certificates of deposit referred to and presented to me by Bartley as an accounting of state funds then in his hands were un-der the decision of the supreme court just cited, a legitimate substitute for money and were to me under that decision sufficient

were to me, under that decision, sufficient evidence that Mr. Bartley had in his pos-session all funds with which he was properly chargeable, as much so as if he had ex-hibited to me the actual cash.

"If, however, he failed to realize upon these certificates of deposit, his first term bondsmen would doubtless under that deision be liable for the amount that he failed to realize from these certificates. As to whether this possible condition actually existed either at that time or since is somehing I could know nothing about and which is known only to Mr. Bartley and his con-fidential friends. Hence the theory upon which the suit against the first term bondsmen was brought and my statement regard-ing my knowledge of the matter and what the books disclosed at the end of his second term are entirely consistent. HOW DID THE JURY KNOW?

"The Journal, through its contributed article, has said these different suits have confused the jury. The court refused to al-low any evidence whatever of either the suit low any evidence whatever of either the suit against the Omaha National bank or that against the first term bondsmen to go to the jury. The jury had no lawful knowledge of the existence of such suits. That being so, how could the existence of these suits have confused the minds of the jury. Certainly not unless the knowledge came to the jury in an unlawful manner, and it the jury in an unlawful manner; and if the ournal insists that it had knowledge, then he Journal must be in possession the Journal must be in possession of in-formation which would show that this knowl-edge came to the jury in a manner de-nounced by the law as criminal. And if this be the case, I insist that the Journal should reveal the criminals who tampered with the jury. If the Journal really desires the state's success in its effort to recover from

Mr. Bartley's bondsmen, here is an oppor-tunity for it to prove its sincerity. "Regarding these different suits it may b Regarding these different suits it may be said in a general way, what is known to all lawyers, that while every remedy which is known to the law may properly be pursued in trying to recover this money, there can be and should be but one satisfaction, and when the state has recovered through any lawful source that of which it has been denived it will be astisfed and it as the matter and the state will be astisfed and it will be astisfed. prived it will be satisfied, and its officers will have done that which prudence and devotion

Brevities from Mead. MEAD, Neb., March 26.—(Special.)—Miss Helen Root of Wahoo will open a millinery store at this place next Monday. Pete Hanson has purchased the Charley

Edgar livery barn.

The Mead orchestra will give its second concert next Thursday night.

Rev. Howard P. Young, for the last six months pastor of the Methodist church here, has resigned on account of ill-health.

Next Friday Miss Katle Kane will turn the postoffice over to the new appointee, W. R. Campbell. Gus Oakron has purchased the P. P. O'son house in the southeast part of town.

Hastings Happenings.

CERTIFICATES AS CASH two-story brick addition, 24x45 feet, to the Bostwick hotel. Many other important improvements have been made.

The local Knights of Pythias lodge is mak-

The local Knights of Pythias lodge is making extensive preparations for entertaining the Knights of Pythias district meeting to be held in this city on the night of April 8. The district embraces Lincoln, Fairmont, Sutton, Clay Center, Harvard, Blue Hill, Fairfield, Edgaf, Minden, Rød Cloud, Holdrege, Oxford, McCook, Arapahoe, Gibbon, Kenesaw, Shelton, Kearney, Grand Island, Hastings, York and Aurora. Over 300 knights are expected to be present.

The immense brickyard of Klose & Polenski, which has been shut down for several months, started up yesterday with more men employed than that firm has ever had at work before. This is caused by the great demand for brick in and around Hastings to be used this spring for erecting new build-

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MOORES' BONDSMEN NOT LIABLE. District Court Follows Along Lines Laid Down by Supreme Court.

LINCOLN, March 26.-(Special.)-Yesterday in the district court Judge Hall dismissed the suit brought by the state against the bondsmen of ex-Auditor Eugene Moore, in which it was sought to recover \$23,218.05 which he was charged with having received from insurance companies, and with having em-bezzled. Judge Hall, in the same action, gave judgment in favor of the state for the amount claimed against Moore individ-ually. Moore and the bondsmen were joined

in the suit as defendants.

The judgment of the district court teday is eald to be in accordance with the decision of the supreme court in the criminal case against Moore and in which the rule governing his liability was laid down. In the suit decided yesterday the attorney for the bonds ment entered a demurrer to the petition of the state and relied upon the decision of the supreme court as establishing the fact that the state auditor had not received the money in the discharge of a duty imposed upon him by law and that such receipt by him was not in accordance with the law governing and prescribing his duties. This demurrer was sustained. The state will probable to the hondern. ably carry the case as against the bondsme to the supreme court.

Municipal Campaign.

BLAIR, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-The city campaign is on in earnest. Two tickets are in the field, one headed by Mayor A. C. Jones and the other by George Metzinger The Metzinger ticket is backed by the sil-

FALLS CITY, March 26 .- (Special.)-The spring campaign is commencing to wax warm. There are two tickets in the field, the so-called citizens', with H. C. Barton as candidate for mayor, and the straight repub-lican ticket, headed by J. J. Homer. The city has been under the citizens' administration for the last year and much dissatisfaction has arisen, many asserting that the town has been run wide open and blaming the administration therefor. Mr. Homer has pledged himself, if elected, to enforce the city ordinances. In a list of the different things he will do, if elected, he mentions, among others, that he will clean out the gamblers, gambling rooms and prostitutes and make it safe for a person to go to the depot any time of night; make the saloons obey the ordinance, by closing at a certain hour and not selling liquor on Sunday.

DAVID CITY, Neb., March 26.—(Special.)—

At a caucus called by the anti-saloon leaguheld last evening the following persons were placed in nomination: Mayor, H. G. Town-send; treasurer, G. M. Harris; clerk, W. S. McCoy; police judge, W. W. Stowell; councilman in First ward, James Fleming; Second ward, G. W. Davie and Dr. Chamberlin; Third ward, James Stafford.

Blate Will Contribute for Cuba. BLAIR, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-State Senator W. D. Haller started the ball rolling this week in aid of the Cuban sufferers. The women assembled at Odd Fellows' hall on Thursday and Friday to the number of fifty and worked the entire two days making wearing apparel. Mayor A. C. Jones called a citizens' meeting at the opera house Friday evening to device means by which to canvass the county in this cause. F. M. Mathiesen was elected treasurer to receive all money and goods and forward

The city council passed the curfew ordion an errand.

Prosperity at Brainard. BRAINARD, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-The recent sworn statements made by all the banks in Butler county show the total amount of deposits in the various banks to be \$587,511.39. As this county is purely an agricultural county with no large towns in it, it is reasonable to say that at least 90 per cent of this amount is money belonging to the farmers. Hundreds of thousands obushels of corn are still in the cribs unsold The thrifty farmer who has been feeding cattle and hogs has not yet sent them to market. This condition of affairs has not existed for years before in this county. Taking all things together the county has never been in a more prosperous condition.

Silver Wedding at St. Paul. ST. PAUL, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-Hon. A. A. Kendall, district judge of this judicial district, was given proof of the high steem in which he is held by his old friends and neighbors last night. It being the twenty-fifth anniversary of his marriage, about 100 of the citizens of St. Paul assembled at the large residence of the judge to tender their congratulations on the happy occasion. The bride and groom were remar-ried by Rev. Eissell of the Methodist Epis-copal church. Speeches suitable to the occa. sion were made, after which an elegant ban-quet was served and a general good time had. The presents were numerous.

Woodmen in a Turmoil. BUTTE, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-The ocal camp of Modern Woodmen is in a state of turmoll over the intelligence that Evangelist Houser, who held revival meetings here in January last, attended the secret sessions of the camp and received money from it as a needy brother, is not a member of the order. A suit for slander has been instituted by instituted here against Houser for insulting remarks concerning a woman.

Raising the Ferryboat. DECATUR, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.) By an overabundance of voluntary help the ferryboat, which sank here in the heavy gale of Monday night, was raised to water level. Pumps were put to work and it is now high and dry. The boiler has been badly displaced and a good deal of machin-ery broken. The company expects to have the boat in running order in a few days.

Geneva Glegnings. GENEVA, Neb., March 26.-(Special.)decided change in the temperature occurred this morning, the cold wave with a northwest wind striking here af 7:30 o'clock. Last night the ladies' band gave a min-strel entertainment at the opera house. The managers were Mrs. Woodworth, Mrs. O. C. Houchin and Miss Pay Stewart, planist. It consisted of choruses, solds, jokelets, etc., in true darkey style. It was a success.

Too Much Domestic Trouble. LINCOLN, March 26. Special Telegram. -A domestic employed in the Model restau-rant committed suicide this forenoon by shooting herself in the breast, causing al-most instant death. The woman went by the name of Abby Dot, although there is reason to think that it was not her real name. Domestic trouble is assigned as the cause for

Ald for Starving Cubans. NEBRASKA CITY, March 26 .- (Special.)-A carload of provisions, consisting of flour meal, meat and groceries, has been donated by citizens of this city to the suffering Cu-bans and was forwarded direct to New Orleans this evening. The contributions by business firms and individuals were very

Triple Oratorical Contest. FALLS CITY, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.) The High school contest was held at the HASTINGS, Neb., March 26.—(Special.)—
Among the many improvements being made crowded. The contestants were divided into three different classes—oratorical, humorous egram.)—In response to a call issued by Hon.

KELLEY, STIGER & CO.

Easter Modish Novelties.

We are showing the Latest French Silks.

Extra fine quality 21 inch checked and striped silks 90c.

Silk Grenadine.

\$1.75, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75.

These are the high grade sewing silk grenadines, exquisite diaphanous fabric, stripes, brocades, bayadere, polka spots, etc.

Just in-Lining Taffeta, burnt orange, cerise, cardinal, turquoise, ruby, gros blue, new green, etc.

Black Dress and Skirt Silks.

New French Novelties-Bayadere, Checks, Burro, etc., Satin Duchesse, Peau de Soie,

Black Dress Goods

75c Bayadere Plque Novelty-regular value \$1.00-price 75c.

85c Etamine Mohair Melange-\$1.00 grade

\$1.25 Bayadere Stripe-very handsome

French goods-\$1.25. \$1.50 Crepon-in all the latest styles from

50c Extra Fine Imported Batlste-50c.

broad-at \$1.50.

NOVELTY CREPON-Just arrived-\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$2.75-especially for skirts.

Announcement.

We make a specialty of cloths for tailor made dresses-from \$1.00 up to \$4.00-Covert, Meltons, Tweeds, Diagonals, etc-correct shades-Bleu Militaire, Castor, Mode Grays, Drab Mixtures, Green Mixtures, Army Blue Mixtures ,etc.

Offers for Monday in Colored Dress Goods.

35c-Quite new, All Wool Sultings-50c and 60c values at 85c. 75c-Etamine, Hair Stripes, Checks and Mohair, Broche-75c.

\$1.00-At this price for Monday-attractive bargains in plain and new fancy effects.

Organdies and Challie.

NEW ARRIVALS-The very latest effects in Silk Striped Challis-also fancy designs in All Wool Challie-just received. 35c-for Best French Organdies-ribbon stripes, Barre, Plaids, Geometrical designs,

Wash Goods.

In our east window will be seen an imported Tambour cloth at the price of calico. These goods are fine quality, with brocaded effects, and usually sells in Omaha at 25c; our price this week 10c yard.

1,500 YARDS PRINTED LAWN AT 640 and 64C-good styles. 40 PIECES BEST TRISH DIMITY-ALI

SHADES AND COLORS-25C. JUST OPENED-A very choice line of Printed Batiste, and to sell quick, put prices at 18c and 20c yard. Large variety 36-inch Punjab (Percalessuitable for ladies' waists or wrappers-

in every conceivable design and color-25 Finest line of MADRAS CLOTH for la dies' waists-These are handled only by us-35c yard.

An immense stock Shirt Waist Gingham

Authorized Agents for

Glove Announcement.

Our stock in this department is replete in all its branches We will match your costumes in any of the latest shadings.

AT \$1.00-Full line of staple and fancy

Ribbon Ties.

Hand knotted fringed end Novelty Ribbon Ties.

Elegant Stripes, Checks and Plaids—at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.40, \$2.00 each.
RIBBON SASHES—Hand Knotted Frings End—\$1.75, \$2.25, \$2.75, \$3.75.

Drapery Nets.

Latest Novelties in Black Silk for waists and costumes.

At 65c, \$1.15, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.25 White Creme and Ecru—
Dainty New Guipure and Applique Net
Top Laces—for sleeves, jabots, etc., at 15c,
25c, 30c, 35c, 50c and 75c a yard.

Spring Jackets.

All-Wool Covert, 22-inch length—fly front box jacket—tailor straped—lined with slik—\$5.00 and \$6.00.

COVERT AND BROADCLOTH JACKETS.
Brown, Blue, Tan—entire new effects—tailor strap and stitching, lined throughout, including sleeves—\$10.00 and \$11.00.

ENGLISH WALKING COATS.
Of Covert and Broadcloth, lap seams, Taffeta Slik lined throughout—plain or velvet collar—\$14.00 and \$20.00.

GIRLS JACKETS.

Age 6 to 14-of all-wool fancy mixtures; also Plain Broadcloth—new spring shades—braided collars—\$2.55 to \$8.00.

Ladies' Dress Skirts.

We offer good wool Serge, Wool Jac-quards, Mohairs and Fancy Check Skirts→ lined and interlined—\$3.25 to \$15.00.

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All Silk Taffeta-plain or stylish Plaid and Stripes-the new tucked or corded effects-\$3.25 to \$12.00.

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Good quality Ginghams, Madras and Per-cale in Piald or Striped effects, blouse fronts and new detachable collars—AD POPULAR PRICES.

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the Butterick Patterns. Nicely trimmed—Indigo and new Spring Shades in Print Wrappers—separate waist linings—4 yard skirts—\$1.00 to \$1.70;

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The city council passed the curfew ordinance on lest Tuesday evening and it went into effect on Friday evening at 9 o'clock. Five taps of the fire bell give notice that all children under 15 years of age must be off the street unless with their parents or on an even of the street unless with their parents or

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and dramatic—with three speakers in each class. Misses Florence Boose, Emma Hays, Lois Spehcer, Leah Dewald, Josie Graves, Zola Jones, Minnie Reed, Florence Sulliyan and Jessle Valentine were the speakers. The judges decided in favor of Miss Lois Spencer for the oratorical, Miss Zola Jones for the ous and Miss Jessie Valentine for the

STERLING, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-The Sterling Lumber company have sold their yard and stock to the Holton Lumber

will erect a brick bank building on it. The banking company has not yet been organ-ized, but will be ready for business when the building is completed. Sues for Heavy Damages. DAVID CITY, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.)-Mrs. Frank Humphall has commenced an action in the district court claiming \$10,000

for damages sustained by injuries received by falling on a defective sidewalk on a dark night in January last. She has been confined to her bed most of the time and will be crip-pled for life.

signed by the clergymen and leading citi-zens of this city, a mass meeting was held tonight to devise ways and means to alleviate the starvation and suffering of the re-concentrados of Cuba. Speeches were made by W. N. Becker, jr., Rev. Thomas W. Con-way Cheeseman, Mayor Railsback and oth-ers. Contributions of cash amounting to about \$20 were received. A committee of ten of the leading citizens of the city, headed by Charles F. Folsom and Mayor Ratisback, was appointed to collect provi clons. The city will be thoroughly canvassed and Ashland expects to contribute a car-load of supplies to be added to the other contributions which the State Cuban Relief company and will give possession in a few D. M. Boatsman has purchased a lot and commission will soon forward to Cuba.

> Mercury Takes a Drop. DUNCAN, Neb., March 26 .- (Special.) -- A heavy southwest wind blew all day yesterday and during last night changed to the north. The mercury is dropping fast and a light mist is falling at intervals. Sowing of small grain is well along and the acreage is large, especially wheat,

HASTINGS, Neb., March 26,-(Special Telegram.)-Otis Farer, a young man working at Robert Spence's livery barn, was

John C. Railsback, mayor of Ashland, and so that it required nine stitches to patch

Old Settler Stricken with Apoplexy, NORTH PLATTE, Neb., March 26 .-(Special.)-Lester Eells, an old timer and at one time county treasurer, was this morning stricken with apoplexy and his death ia only a question of time.

Thousands of sufferers from grippe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bron-chitis, pneumonia, grippe, asthma and all throat and lung diseases.

FORECAST FOR TODAY'S WEATHER, Threatening and Colder with Northe washington, March 26.—Forecast for

For Nebraska-Threatening weather; pose sibly snow in southeast portion; colders northerly winds. For South Dakota-Generally fair; northe eriy winds, becoming variable.

For Iowa—Threatening weather; probably rain or snow; colder; northerly winds.

For Missouri—Rain; colder in northwest portion; winds shifting to northrasterly.

For Kansas—Threatening weather, possibly rain or snow; colder; winds becoming northerly.

kicked in the face by a horse this evening and quite badly injured. Two teeth were knocked out and the feeh torn from his chin winds, becoming variable.