His Character is Illumined by Incidents of His Career.

Pointers as to Some of the Other Candidates Seeking Popular Favor at the Coming City Election.

Although Poppleton is boasting of suptrict, he evidently is overlooking several do not move in the channel he directs? points remembered by every live business

"If a grasping and selfish disposition is a qualification for the mayoralty, then W. S. Poppleton is endowed with supreme qualifications," said a prominent business man. "If men are only known by their works, Mr. Poppleton is unknown in the ranks of progressive public-spirited citizens. Who knows of him ever having given, even sparingly, of his ample means to any enterprise that bore the earmarks of a public enterprise? Did he give anything for the promotion of the Fair and Speed association of Omaha? Inquiry of the promoters of that organization will disclose the fact that he never contributed a cent to that enterprise. Has he ever given anything toward making the Ak-Sar-Ben organization or its demonstrations successful? Its Vnudevilleofficers say that he has not, and declare that he has never even become a member of it. Did his patriotism ever lead him to contribute to the Thurston Rifles' fund, or did it prompt him to go down into his pocket and help out the fund that Omaha raised last summer for the entertainment of the gallant First Nebraska boys upon their return from the Philippines? No patriotic impulse he may have felt was well-lined pockets for any such purpose."

W. S. Poppleton in making his vote-hunting rounds took in the Union Pacific shops be did not even take off his glove and thus avoided coming in touch with common mor-

As an illustration of the size of the fusion candidate for the council from the Ninth that although he is a democratic and a chronic office-seeker on democratic tickets, Simpson went down to the county judge's office last fall and swore he was a populist populist to a \$6 job on the election board. democratic principles do not count with him uside of a \$6 appointment.

Mertens, the democratic unknown for treasurer on the fusion ticket, ought to have run for office long ago. Since his nomination some of his friends have put up splendid opportunity, and she takes advantthe money to square numerous back debts age of it as only an actress of her excepwhich the creditors had long ago given up tional ability is capable. On Thursday as hopeless assets, among them a three- night she will present for the first time on purse and employed a good lawyer, and year rent bill. At last accounts, however, any stage a new one-act costume play en- that they had stuck to their unfortunate woulding suit for his first marriage titled "Fifty Years Ago." and the doctor's services for his first wife's | Almost equally as familiar to Orpheum had resulted in casting him into jail withfatal illness had not been settled for.

The republican nominee for city clerk, W. H. Elbourn, is one of the street car boys. His associates not only feel a natural pride in the recognition given to their crowd, but are going to show by lining up for the whole ticket that the republicans made no misofficial list to a street car worker.

Fred Hoye is another candidate who has grown up with Omaha and kept to the front with it. He is a bricklayer by trade, and a

OMAHA, March 2.-To the Editor of The I have been absent from the city for several days and, in meeting with business men and people in the central and western part of the state. I am surprised and chagrined at the results and feeling manifested by the public regarding the campaign being conducted by the World-Herald. It is gratifying to note that the better element of the state at large have but little confidence in the World-Herald and less for the man who is supposed to be its editor.

Those of us who travel in the state are often surprised at the feeling of jealousy manifested in certain sections regarding Omaha, and when anything occurs in this city that causes any friction between the citizens it is rolled as a sweet morsel be neath the tongues of those who would be glad to see Omaha extinguished.

The vile mud-slinging vituperations and double-headed editorials are doing Omaha a great harm, injury and injustice, and as the statements made are false and untrue it certainly devolves on the sober, industrious, in telligent business men of Omaha to muzzle and throttle the man, or newspaper, who is one of the worst enemies Omaha has ever harbored and who persists in working the "sting of ingratitude" to such an extent that the good name of the city and the busines interests of our citizens are becoming jeop ardized. It would have been better if the "sting" had never been administered rather than have the would-be "U. S. S." cause the public to blush by his vile misrepresentations. Under the management of Mayor Moores the city has prospered-we believe he is the man for the position and are confident our prediction will be verified at the polls. On the contrary, who is his opponent? Outmide of Omaha's "400" is there anyone who knows Mr. Poppleton? Aside from being the



WHILE BUILDING THE OLD MISSIONS of California the good padres were assisted by Nature's uncivilized race assisted by Nature's undervilled face-the Indians — then sturdy of form and strong of limb, due to their knowledge and use of extracts from roots and herbs that prevented and cured Uric Acid Poisoning. Their formulas are used in SAN CURO and SAN CURO CATHARTIC TABLETS - Sure Ask the Druggist for-

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reducing all Inflammation.

SIDELICHTS ON POPPLETON son of one of Omaha's most successful and SWEETHEART WORTH HAVING that the circumstances surrounding her lov-Does he wear worthily the mantle of his father? No, not by any means. I am a poor man, but A. J. Poppleton always recognized and spoke to me whenever we met. I once had a business deal with Sir W. S. Poppleton, and I found him difficult of approach cold, bloodless. He has no sympathy with SHAKING GRIMY HANDS TOO MUCH FOR HIM the laboring men. Today he passed me with SOUGHT HER LOVER AND RESCUED HIM his coach and liveried servant. Although I have known him for several years he never recognizes me on the street. What object, what ambition prompts him to aspire to the position of mayor of Omaha? Certainly not the salary attached to the office. If he is dofeated at the polls, as certainly will be the case, will there be another "sting of in gratitude" laying around loose and liable to port he is expecting from the business dis- turn upon the unsuspecting public if things COMMERCIAL TRAVELER.

Our Increase of Insanity. Much discussion has been aroused lately by rate of living is the cause assigned. In the rush for money, both men and women neglect their bodies until the breakdown comes The best way to preserve health is by a faithful use of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. By curing all stomach ills this remedy prevents nervous breakdown. It is also an excellent medicine for constipution, dyspepsia and biliousness.

... AMUSEMENTS ...

THE BILL.

Lillian Burkhart and Company, Melville and Stetson
A Deal on Change
Melville and Stetson
Topical Songs and Dialect Imitations
Bruet and Reviere
French Ductists and Mimics
The Biograph, showing new moving pic-

The Garnellas, in My Brother Johnny Of the many vaudeville artists who visit Omaha none are more heartily welcome than is that dainty little Dresden china type of actress, Lillian Burkhart, who heads a last week. He tried to be as agreeable as splendid program at the Orpheum this week. possible as he came in and removed his Miss Burkhart comes to this popular playglove for a handshaking campaign. The hous for the third time since it was opened men started up and grasped his hand one at a year ago. During her two previous visits a time and every time one of them loosed she captivated local theatergoers by her the grip he would look at his hand to see dainty comedy methods, her artistic ability if there was any grime left on it. Finally to act and her charming personality. The the ordeal became too great for him and little one-act plays which she presents-and, he refused to shake hands any more for unlike the majority of vaudevillians, she alfear the skin might be solled by contact ways has a different one each time she comes with the workingmen and simply tipped - are well chosen and full of interest from his hat to them as they passed up and first to last, which can truthfully be said were introduced. He went from the shops of but few one-act plays. It is these charto the smelting works, but when he got acteristics that always make her coming anthere he showed that he had learned a thing ticipated with pleasure and her engagements by his experience. At the smelting works fraught with unusual interest. This time she offers a playlet by Edmund Dauy entitled "A Deal on 'Change." It is a story of a devoted girl who is in love with a young broker and whose wife she has promised to e. Her father does not sanction the match and hopes by ruining the young man to break ward, F. W. Simpson, it may be mentioned that although he is a democratic and a nearly drops out of the mining stock in which his prospective son-in-law is interested. The daughter discovers her father's plan and, having some money of her own, in order to have himself appointed as a bulls the stock and saves her lover from The play, while perhaps a trifle less ruin. artistic that others in which Miss Burkhart has been seen, is one that appeals strongly to gallery and pit alike and was exceptionally well received at both Sunday performances. Miss Burkhart has quite a lengthy scene at the telephone which gives her a

patrons and quite as welcome as Miss Burk- out bail, the alcalde having refused to achart are Janet Milville and Evic Stets n, cept the deposit of a very large ferent well known actors and actresses, to man recovered. take when they accorded a place on the use a common slang phrase, are simply great. Their song, "Kelly the Car Man," is a decided hit. The gowns they wear are stun-

The imitations of bag pipes and other muof the bill. The blograph shows a number of new and interesting motion pictures, Robert Brown's buck dancing is meritorious, Ziska does some mystifying tricks and the Garnellas some difficult acrobatic work.

"I had dyspepsia for years. No medicine was so effective as Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It gave immediate relief. Two bottles produced marvelous results," writes L. H. Warren, Albany, Wis. It digests what you eat and cannot fail to cure.

Clash Between Boer and Briton. Friends of the Boers and Britons con-tested at the Orpheum theater Sunday afttested at the Orpheum theater Sunday afternoon. When a biograph picture was shown of a body of British foot soldiers starting from camp in battle array it was greeted with a storm of hisses, which seemed to come mainly from the upper floors. Immediately a handclapping was started. The sound of hissing increased and the British sympathizers redoubled their applause. For a time the Buer supporters appeared to be the more numerous, but the sounds of disapproval were finally almost drowned by the handclapping. Just as the friends of the burghers had the picture was changed.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

"Jim" Perkins is back in Omaha and is

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

John R. Henley is in the city from Ogal-John J. Hullinger of North Platte is in the city

George L. Jarrett, a large mining operator of Joplin, Mo., is at the Millard. James D. Hardin, a Black Hills mining magnate, is in the city from Deadwood. S. A. Spooner of Mondamin, Ia., a large grain operator of that place, is in the

Dr. Gid E. Johnson has returned from two weeks' visit to his old home in In-B. L. Scovel, a Chadron banker, who has been in the city attending the Masonic festivities, leaves for his home this after-

She is a Texas Maiden with the Courage of

Rode a Mustang Into Old Mexico,

Her Convictions

Penetrated a Gloomy Prison and Brought Her Lover to Freedom

Just at this particular time everybody in away. Miss Brandon devoted the remainder Blanco county, in western Texas, is en- of the day to perfecting a plan for securing gaged in sounding the praise of Miss Cora the release of her lover, which might have Brandon, reports a correspondent of the St. been dreamed of by a bold and daring Texan Louis Globe-Democrat. This remarkable of the type of Jack Hays or Ben Thompson, makes her the heroine of a frontier advenmost stirring fiction.

About a month ago Miss Brandon learned anced, had in some way incurred the dishe had been thrown into prison. Judging from the fact that she had not received any convinced that his jailers would not permit Such facts as she could him to write. gather furnished only a partial clew to the terested and she determined to go and see

It appears that a wealthy cattleman by bringing a large herd of wild steers back to Texas. Randal Barett made one of this company, though Miss Brandon tried hard to persuade him to remain at home, declaring that she had a presentiment that he would become involved in trouble of some character. These young people had been lovers from their infancy, and it had been their intention to consummate their vow by getting married about Christmas. Randal was courageous and possessed of but little superstition, and be laughed at the fears of his little sweetheart, telling her that Mosely was offering big wages. "And you know we can't have any too much money to commence housekeeping," he said as he galloped away with a light heart. Miss Brandon received several letters from her absent lover, and, of course, she was very much to come. She scorned the hints and suggestions of annoying parties, who insisted that her wandering admirer had doubtless found brighter eyes and a prettier face in the land of sunshine and flowers than her of the cowboys, expecting that Randal world be with them. When the Texans arrived they had bad news for Miss Brandon. They told her that her lover, with other cowboys, had attended a fandango in a little Mexican town, and that the festivities had ended in a There had been some shooting, and Randal Barett had been accused of wounding a Mexican. "Is that all you have to say?" said the spirited girl with a look of scorn that plainly indicated the contempt that she felt for a set of cowboys who had deserted their comrade and friend in a strange country. The Texans insisted that they had done all that they could for Randal. They said that they had made up a companion during a preliminary trial, which two comediennes who have no equals in their as surety for the defendant's further ap-

On to the Rescue. her. Telling her parents that she was going to visit relatives who lived some ten across the prairie as if she were really only neath her riding dress, and if her own her daughter. One man who had known her all his life actually did meet her a short distance from home and he "only saw a very fine looking cowboy," as he said, "wearing a big sombrero and very bright spurs, going toward the Rio Grande as if he were after a bunch of stampeded steers." The dress and the skirts which had so effectually concealed the Spanish saddle were now carefully stowed away in the leather nockets and Miss Cora Brandon, with a good revolver at her belt and a stout heart in her bosom, felt equal to the task of riding about 200 miles, half of the distance in a foreign country, for the purpose of helping her lover out of trouble. Her journey to the town of Sabinas, in Old Mexico, is regarded by her as uneventful, but few young women of her age would look at it in that way. She traveled alone nearly all the "Jim" Perkins is back in Omaha and is at the police station on a charge of larcery committed about a year ago, when, it is alleged, in company with another, he stole a carpet from Mrs. Peterson, who keeps a boarding house on North Thirteenth street and pawned it at a shop, where it was found by the police. He will be held to answer for the crime.

The company of the crime. Rev. G. H. Schleh of this city was in Sterling Sunday, where he went to conduct the funeral services over the body of Mrs. Erwin Winter. Mrs. Winter died at her home in Sterling Thursday of brain fever, She was the state inspector and organizer of the Woman's Relief corps and was prominent in the national affairs of this organization.

I cound little trouble in making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to keep the Mexican girls from falling in love with the." Her only affair of any import occurred at the little village of San Juan, where she found a lot of Mexican was a standard or the little trouble in making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the Mexican girls from falling in love with the extension of the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her for a fine young coballero. "My only trouble," she says, with a sly glance at her happy husband, "was to weep the making the rural population take her happy husband, "was to weep the where she found a lot of Mexican vaquerorganization.

"The Campaign" was the general topic of discussion at a meeting of the Omaba Philosophical society held in the public library building Sunday afternoon. Invitation had been extended to the candidates of both parties to be present and state their views on current municipal issues, but for some reason none of them appeared. The time was taken up by members of the society. The speeches, while nominally nonpartisan, inclined very much toward populism. Municipal ownership of all public utilities was advocated by J. W. Logan, J. T. Patch, L. J. Quinby, Rev. G. W. Woodby, J. J. Points and N. H. Church, Mr. Logan made the principal address and the others followed with ten-minute talks. her. She instantly threw her pistol in his that he never would have gained his liberty and elegant Spanish to release his hold if heart. my husband was here he would chastise him of it. Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Harford of Ashland of the village. Others now crowded about are in the city. Ed J. Fitzgerald of Lincoln is registered show of politeness, evidently a little awed by the stranger's prompt conduct in resent

> eral La Vegas' hacienda, she galloped away feeling a little nervous. In the Land of the Enemy. When she reached Sabinas she put up at hotel and soon afterward succeeded in having an interview with the lawyer who tion on the part of the United States. had been employed to defend Randal. A Cockran was introduced by Recorder John

little investigation convinced the young girl Goff, who presided at the meeting.

ing the insult of the desperado. Miss Bran-

don treated the crowd without dismounting.

and, after inquiring the distance to Gen

The lawyer could not even tell her when Randal would have to appear in court for trial. "It might be a year or maybe two years," he said, "before the honorable court would take up the matter." She found the wounded man and learned from his own lips that he did not know who shot him. He had never been badly hart and he said that he felt sorry for the Americano. Miss Brandon sought the jailer, who at first positively refused to permit her to have an interview with his prisoner. "I have my orders," he said. "I cannot let any one into the prison but the lawyer or one of his relatives-a mother or his wife or sister."

"His sister will be here tomorrow."

plied the quick-witted girl, and she walked

young girl has just returned from Mexico. but there are few men even of the desperate the alarming increase of insanity. Our high accompanied by a young Texan, whom she class on the border who would have ventured rescued from a gloomy prison located more to execute it. She looked about the little than 100 miles beyond the Rio Grande. This village, where, fortunately, her presence atcourageous and daring act is hardly more tracted little attention, from the fact that it to be admired than her many charms of is located in the midst of a cattle country person and mind, but she is so very modest frequently visited by vacqueroes from disthat it is almost impossible to gather from tant ranches. Fortune favored her designs her lips the particulars of the story that by bringing her in contact with a Mexican, from whom she succeeded in purchasing a ture more interesting than a chapter of the fine horse, saddle and bridle and a good revolver. On the next morning the jailer was very much surprised when called upon by a that her sweetheart, to whom she was affi- beautiful young girl, who appeared to be in the greatest distress. She addressed him leasure of the Mexican authorities and that with such mournful tenderness, uttering his own melifluous language in a tone so appealing and pathetic, that he found himself ready Regular weekly change of bill at the letters from him for some time she became to grant the first request that she made Creighton-Orpheum theater Sunday. without the slightest protest. He led the way to the jail door, which he threw open and courteously invited her to enter, acting troubles that evidently surrounded the as if he felt himself highly honored and under many obligations to the beautiful young man in whom she was so deeply in- senorita for the privilege of being able to do her a service. The embarrassment of the jailer afforded the girl an opportunity to slip a note into her lover's hand, and she says the name of Mosely employed about twenty that they might have talked almost openly Texan cowboys to go with him down into of the plan of escape that she had devised if old Mexico last fall for the purpose of the surprised young man could have better the surprised young man could have better controlled his trepidation and the amazement that he manifested over seeing her enter his prison. She threw her arms about his neck, calling him brother and whispered words of encouragement into his ears. During the interview she managed to drop several significant hints, which she knew would be of the greatest importance to Randal when he came to read the note that she had given him. It was arranged, with the consent of the jailer, whose humor had been improved by a bottle of wine ordered by the pretty visitor, that the young lady should fetch her brother his supper from the hotel. Randal suspected that a little army of Texas cowboys would appear on the scene about that time. It never occurred to him, even after he had read his sweetheart's note, that she was alone in the desperate enterprise. troubled when the tender missives ceased He held himself ready to obey her slightest hint the moment the jail door opened. Miss Brandon is silent as to one particular feature of her daring exploit, but her friends believe that the lawyer or some one in his employ led her ponies into an and she patiently awaited the return alley rear the jail and perhaps held them there subject to her orders. One can accomplish wonders with a \$10 gold piece in Mex-

Rescue and Flight. When Miss Brandon entered the jail she

to the thirsty Mexican. When he stepped toward the only window in the gloomy vault to secure the benefit of a few straggling rays of light, she quickly handed Randal a revolver and whispered the word, "Now!" The Texan bounded forward like a panther and brought the weapon down on the jailer's head with so much force that he fell in a heap on the stone floor, barely uttering a head of cattle returned for assessment. groan. To make sure of keeping the poor From this time on until 1898, however, the devil silent, they drew a handkerchief number of cattle in the state fell off rapidly, through his mouth and tied it fast at the line of work. Their act consists of dialect pearance. The lawyer had told them that back of his head, and after binding his hands assessment purposes only 280,102 head, to imitations, clever topical songs and some his client would certainly be acquitted, but and feet they walked out of the jail and decrease of almost 25 per cent during the back of his head, and after binding his hands repartee that is much above the vaudeville that he would have to remain in jail to locked the door. It was now quite dark and standard. Their dialect imitations of dif- await trial, or at least until the wounded they mounted their ponies and rode quietly out of the little town without attracting the least attention. When the sun rose next The brave, true-hearted girl was not at all morning they were little less than fifty miles satisfied with this state of affairs and she at from that gloomy prison and they were ning, to say the least, and enough to turn once determined to learn more of the fate about the same distance from Texas. They the women patrons of the theater green of the young man who was all the world to might have reached home without further trouble, but a captain of rurals, who was guarding the famous Free Zone against sical instruments as done by Bruet and Re- miles away, this daring young woman, who smugglers, received notice of the escape of viere are among the many pleasing features is but little more than 18 years of age, the American Diablo and he hurried equads mounted her favorite mustang and galloped of his command to the various cropings on the Rio Grande. Just at the moment when starting to take a short ride. Her people the happy lovers were congratulating themdid not know that a cowboy's Spanish saddle selves over their good fortune, they were and a pair of saddle pockets stuffed full suddenly confronted by six Mexican draof her brother's clothing was concealed be- goons. They turned aside into the chaparral and, although the Mexicans sent a shower mother had met her after she emerged from of bullets after them they succeeded in getthicket only a few miles from her home ting out of sight of their pursuers, and after the old weman might not have recognized a hard ride of some hours reached the Rio Grande. Here they were overtaken by another squad of rurals, and after exchanging shots with them they boldly plunged into the river, preferring the risk of drowning rather than to be carried back to a Mexican dungeon. The soldiers rained bullets about them and several dragoons continued the pursuit in the water. The lovers would have easily escaped, but a ball struck Randal's horse and disabled him. The young man was forced to abandon his animal and in doing so he lost his pistol. His devoted and brave little sweetheart had no thought of abandoning the man for whom she had already braved so many dangers. Drawing her revolver she turned her pony towards Randal, and as she called to him to seize the animal's tail she fired at the nearest Mexican. Then turning her horse's head toward the Texas shore she threw herself over the rump and deliberately sent one bullet after another in rapid succession into the faces of her pursuers. Her friends are uninformed as to the result of these shots, but they know that the courageous little girl brought her oweetheart home, where both of them received a warm welcome. They were married last week and it was altogether the biggest wedding that was ever witnessed in western Texas. Randal Barett says that he has looked all through the big dictionary and that he can't find any word long enough or sufficiently comprehensive to express his feelings towards his wife.

Mr. Barett is highly respected in the neighborhood where he was raised. He says that he did not fire a single shot at the fandango, and that he would be perfectly willing to stand a fair trial. He believes if he had not been rescued by his sweet-

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy since it was introduced in this vicinity. "This Antone," she said, "is a fool, and if the best results, and cannot speak too highly for insulting such a good looking traveler." effectually." says Elliott Ingram. South Lee, It appeared that this woman kept a hotel, Mass. This remedy is a favorite because it cents per bottle.

> Cockran Raps the Administration. NEW YORK, March 4 .- In a speech lasting nearly two hours at a Robert Emmett birthday meeting at the Academy of Mus! by the Clan-Na-Gael organizations of this city, W. Bourke Cockran bitterly denounced the attitude of the administration at Washington toward England in its affairs in South Africa, and almost advocated retalia-

DAKOTA TIMBER MENACED

Worm Threatens to Devastate the Black Hills Forests.

OBSERVATIONS OF SUPERVISOR HAMAKER

Already a Number of Townships Have Been Visited by the Insects and Seventy-Five Per Cent of Pine Timber Killed.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., March 4 .- (Special.)

-H. G. Hamaker, supervisor of the Black Hills forest reservation, says that the worm that has been at work on the Black Hills pine timber for some time will finally de vastate the country of timber if its ravages are not in some way checked. He says that "already four and one-half townships have been worked over and about 75 per cent of the pine timber has been killed. I examined a piece of bark taken

from a dead pine tree, the piece being about

ten inches square, and counted seventy one dead bugs, and around each bug there was a cluster of eggs which would hatch out in the epring in worms. These worms do the work of destruction. "The first season that a tree is attacked the body part seems to die and the boughs remain green until the following season, when they die and turn brown in color, The tree will retain its life for all pur-

poses for about two years, when it com-

mences to decay and finally falls to the

ground. Dend Timber Sold Mines.

"During the last year there have been about 20,000,000 feet of this worm-killed timber sold to the mines and sawmills for 50 cents per thousand feet. As yet no objection has been made by the state mine inspector to the mine owners using this class of timber, but it is a question whether it will always be permitted. Some years ago there was a similar worm in the forests of Virginia which killed the trees the same way as the Black Hills worm does. A bug was introduced into that district which in a short time exterminated the wood-cating pest. The government is at present workng upon the Black Hills worm, and some method will be found for its extermina-

Mr. Hamaker says that there are at present seven lumber camps in the Black Hills, which are producing monthly about 500,000 feet of lumber that is practically all used within the Black Hills. The Homestake Mining company now buys all of its timber from the government reserve, the last purhase being 17,000,000 feet. This timber is first measured standing and is again measured after being cut. This purchase will ast the Homestake company about two years. The annual consumption of timber for all purposes in the Black Hills is about 15,000,000 feet. Mr. Hamaker is in hopes of getting a larger appropriation for the maintenance of the forestry reserve than he had last year.

STATISTICS ON LIVE STOCK. Figures Showing the Status of the In-

dustry in Wyoming. CHEYENNE, March 4 .- (Special.)-Notwithstanding the fact that live stock raisnvited the jailer to step inside, saying that ng has been Wyoming's chief industry for she wanted him to help her to open a botover a quarter of a century, very little tle of wine. She set the few dishes that she attention has ever been paid to the matter carried on the floor and handed the bottle of gathering statistics of the business. The current number of the Industrial Journal contains an interesting article on the live stock industry of the state, together with statistical table showing the steady growth of the sheep business and the rise and fall of the cattle business.

In the year 1886 the cattle growing business was at its zenith, there being 898,121 and in this year there were returned for assessment purposes only 280,102 head, & twelve years. In 1899 the number of cattle had increased to 311,629, and the indications now point to a still further increase during the present year.

The sheep and wool growing industry shows a remarkable growth during the fourteen years from 1886 to 1899, inclusive-From 308,977 head of sheep in 1886 the number increased to 1,172,810 in 1895, and to 2,164,701 in 1899. It is estimated by conservative wool growers that the number of him in order that he might complete his sheep in Wyoming will reach 3,000,000 before the close of 1900.

Horses have increased and decreased by turns. In 1886 there were returned for assessment 61,151 head, which number was now controls the mines and is paying the increased to \$4,901 in 1891. The following two heirs in installments, while both are rears show a steady decrease, and in 1895 there were only 71,283 head of horses in the state. In 1899, however, the number had increased to 82,446.

Dearth of Borrowers. HURON, S. D., March 4 .- (Special.) -- Hon, George A. Silsby, national bank examiner, was here on Friday. Referring to money matters in South Dakota, General Silsby remarked that not for several years, if ever has there been so little demand for money among business men and farmers in this state as now. Banks have plenty of money, but there is a dearth of borrowers. This condition he attributes to the fact that so many farmers are engaged in stock raising and are also liberal patrons of creameries and cheese factories. Merchants, he says, report business of the last year largely in excess of former years, and all say they have nearer a cash business than ever be-

Rockefellers Interested.

CHEYENNE, March 4 .- (Special.) -It is reported here that the new purchasers of the Ferris-Haggarty copper mine at Battle Lake, Carbon county, are some of the leading officials of the Standard Oil company and that the Rockefellers are interested in the deal. It is also stated that the purchasers will pay over to the present owners, in a few weeks, the sum of \$1,500,000 for the property.

LUCK OF A DESERTER.

How He Became a Millionaire and What Followed. Along in the '56s, relates the Chicago Record, a Scotch sailor named Penny deserted from a man-of-war on the west coast of South America and found his way to the interior of Bolivia, where he worked as a miner and did odd jobs for a living. In the course of time he took up with an Indian woman, and after she had nursed him through a long and dangerous illness he married her to show his gratitude. She reciprocated his confidence and affection by leading him to an ancient mine which had been abandoned and partially filled at the such hospitality as she was able to offer, both for myself and family, and always with time of the conquest in order to keep it from falling into the hands of the Spanjards. It does its work thoroughly and With the aid of his wife and a fellow coun tryman named Mackenzie Penny cleaned out the rubbish and struck a vein of silver and she was eager to secure the patronage is prompt and certain in its cures and is that made him a millionaire. The mine is of the traveler and preserve the reputation pleasant and safe to take. Price 25 and 50 still operated and is one of the most profitable in South America.

After having developed the property and organizezd his affairs with Mackenzie as

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his superintendent, some years later. Penny graceful extent by playing rude and boister returned to Scotland and purchased the ous games in front of the house. estate near Aberdeen upon which his parents had lived as laborers. His Indian wife could neither read nor write and could not speak or understand a word of English, but was habitually arrayed in silks and satins and wore jewels that were the wonder of all you go around preaching socialism and comthe country round. Penny spent his money like a Monte Cristo and the fame of his philanthropy will never be forgotten by the people of that region. He brought a son of Mackenzie to Scotland to be educated and sent him to the best schools. He also adopted a nephew of the name of Craig, the son of a village parson living near Aberdeen. Penny insisted that both should adopt his name, and, as he had no children of his own, and no prospects of any, promised to make them his heirs.

queathing his mines and his millions to his wife and commending to her care and of chasing a man is the one who can make generosity his two adopted sons, Craig and him believe he is chasing her.

Mackenzie Penny. Shortly after Craig Penny started for Bo livia with the widow, leaving Mackenzie who was then about 18 years old, in school. During the voyage, by some means, Craig induced Mrs. Penny to marry him, and when they arrived at Oruro he produced a marriage certificate, took charge of the property and dismissed the faithful Mackenzie, who had been sole manager of the mine for many years. Then Mrs. Penny died under mysterious circumstances. Although her hus-

band attempted to keep away doctors and priests, the old lady, through a servant, managed to send word to friends that she needed protection, and before her death declared she had been poisoned. The scandal was hushed with money, and Penny lived like a lord on the profits of the mine, of which he claimed to be the sole owner, but after a time young Mackenzle learned what had transpired in Bolivia and started for Tampa. They arrived at Port Tampa this morning and proceeded down Tampa bay oruro to protect his rights. Being a Brittish subject, he placed his claims in the hands of Thomas H. Anderson, United States minister to Bolivia, who was in charge of British interests, and the latter, with the aid of Dr. Alonzo, recently president morning and proceeded down Tampa Day to Egmont Key, thirty miles. Here they expected to meet the transport Sedgwick, which was to carry them to Havana. The boat failed to arrive, however, and after Tampa tonight. The party hopes to get away for Cuba some time tomorrow. with the ald of Dr. Alonzo, recently prest dent of Bolivia endeavored to arrange an amicable settlement of the controversy, under which the two boys were to have equa shares in the mine.

When Mr. Anderson returned to the United States at the end of his term of office he brought young Mackenzie Penny with education in Washington, but after a time, when the boy returned to Bolivia, Prestdent Alonzo organized a syndicate to buy out both the heirs for \$500,000 each. He drinking themselves to death at Antofa-

Estopped. Chicago Tribune: Mr. and Mrs. Pipes, it would appear, differed sharply in their views on social and political economy. Mr. Pipes came home and found that the boys of the neighborhood had torn up his lawn and muddied his sidewalks to a dis-

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Penelope," he said, in a high-keyed voice "can't you keep these young ruffians off our premises?" "I don't see how I can, Philander," she

replied, with her arms akimbo, "so long as mon property in land. Reflections of a Bachelor.

New York Press: The arch hypocrite is the human heart. No one would ever believe me if I wrote

what I believed about what women pity bachelors for. The worst type of bachelor is the one whe goes about proclaiming that every man ought to marry young.

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Interstate Amenities. A tall, lean, hungry-looking countryman walked up to the box office at the Grand Opera house several nights ago and called for a front seat, relates the Memphis Samitar. He was accommodated as he threw his half-dollar down in front of the ticket seller. He stalked into the theater about ten minutes before the curtain went up and was shown his seat. The usher did not turn it down for him and he didn't know there was any turn to it. He perched

did not turn it down for him and he didn't know there was any turn to it. He perched himself on the edge of the upturned seat and was apparently enjoying himself, until an old gentleman behind him touched him on the shoulder and said:

"Why don't you sit in your seat right?"

"Wal, I 'lowed I was,' replied the countryman, but he was from Missouri, and the was had to show him.

usher had to show him Root and Ludlow at Tampa.

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