SCHOOL REFORMS IN CUBA budget for 1900 amounts to about \$4,000,000. COOLEY'S PATHETIC STORY

Features of Educational Progress Under American Auspices.

Statistics of Attendance, Teachers and the Cost-Donations to Colleges Weather and Conduct-School Notes.

Education progress in Cuba under American auspices, though beset by many difficulties, has been substantial and gratifying. A writer in Harper's Weekly reviews the work of Alexis E. Frye, a well known New England teacher, who holds the post of superintendent of the schools of Cuba. Mr. Frye entered upon his duties last fall. Since then he has written a school law for the island, which was promulgated as an patience order from General Brooke's headquarters through the usual military channels. This law not only provides for the conduct of the colleges can raise the amounts specified the schools, but for their organization from by him expires on June 1. Most of the inthe primary to the normal departments, stitutions have had from one to three When this order was issued there were months notice. The first college to claim its estimated to be about 4,000 Cuban children attending public school. There are now over 80,000 on the attendance rolls, and it is hoped that by June 1 there will be at least 150,000, which is half of the total estiisland of a school age.

A summary of results, says the writer, gives no idea of the chaos which prevailed at the beginning, the difficulties which were met in bringing about some kind of organization, and the labor, patience, tact, and foresight which have been employed to bring them about. It has been the most tremendous and novel task ever set before an educational expert. The field was not clear, for there still existed the remnants of the old school system, which not only did not assist in the reorganization, but were an actual hindrance. The basis of the entire work was the organization of a public school system on some intelligent and homogeneous plan. The next question was to get the children to go to school. The of the hundreds of schools and colleges which reports from the local boards of cacation demonstrate the success of the system devised, and the figures of increasing school attendance are the real test of the value of the reorganization to the Cuban people.

Mr. Frye's work has been criticised. It is claimed that he has paid too little regard to the old customs and ways of the Cubans. It is predicted that much of what he has done will not stand the test of time for this reason. His critics say that the American system cannot be so autocratically grafted upon the Cuban stock. Time will tell whether these criticisms are just, but it is apparent to those friendly or critical that Mr. Frye has accomplished something which will have is the second to that institution. Holyoke more effect upon the future of Cuba than any other man who has been sent by the United States to aid in the inception of a republic. to Kendree college is its first. He has been working absolutely alone in all likewise no assistance. His salary was placed at \$4,000 a year. He protested against receiving any salary, but as a matter of policy, on the advice of those in authority, he accepted it, but at once made it a rule to distribute it as fast as received among the publie charities of Cuba. He is a wealthy man and entirely independent of the work he is

When the government appointed two asroutine work of the office, their salaries of the schools and colleges. The school and were fixed at \$2,400 a year. Mr. Frye insisted that he should likewise receive no cold statuesque granite, and their functions me," he says, "except that I have less to made, statesmen are evolved and thinkers a shortage for him. When he was sick and other end of the line, believes he did not give away." He has been criticised for this also, for some who claim to know the Cuba character say that the Cubans do not understand why a man should do this work for nothing, and that "there must be something in it.'

Effect of Reforms.

Under the Spanish system a teacher was allowed to gather the pupils about her in view by Edwin G. Dexter, who sets out to the house in which she lived. The cities prove by figures that the deportment in promised to pay the house rent, a small sal- public schools varies in response to the ary and an allowance for supplies. The teacher was also allowed to collect private fees from the parents who could afford to pay. When the Americans came to Cuba the government was thirty-two months in arrears in all these payments. In many of these schools the instruction was mostly oral, and much time was given to embroidery and accomplishments of like character. In Havana each teacher had from 100 to 300 pupils. There are 137 municipalities in the island of Cuba, and as a rule the organized schools were confined to these, there being

no schools in the rural districts. In three months the American plan has raised the attendance from 4,000 to about 80,000; there are nearly 2,000 teachers. No by a large increase in school room misdeteacher is allowed to have more than fifty meanors, while high humidity showed a cor- dren, please help them. Tell Mell Hoerner, pupils. In the cities boys and girls will be responding decrease in misdeeds. The drier the air the more mischievous, apparently, taught in separate rooms, and in the country they will be taught together. All the the pupils. Curiously enough, high winds teachers are Cubans, about one-third of bave a calamitous effect on deportment in those in the cities being teachers with Denver, a low humidity and a high wind home some experience. English is a part of the being the worst possible combination. Falr course of study, and the Cubans have re- weather or cloudy weather accompanied by quested that it should be. Under the present | rain or snow occasions less mischief than plan, which was inaugurated pending the cloudy weather without rain or snow. organization of the local governments, the sland treasury pays all the expenses of for blaming the weather, but if it is to be the schools-that is to say, there are no proved that the weather, aside from its local taxes for this purpose. The school effect on the nervous system, works in some

You may run away from hydrophobia, because you can see it coming in the frothing tongue and the snapping jaws of the mad dog. But the diseases which carry off the greater part of mankind there's no running away from. They are stealthy, insidious, and come as a thief in the

Six per cent, of the daily deaths are due to con-sumption. The name of disease suggests the horror of emaciation, the labored breathing, the hectic color, the night-sweats which mark the struggles of the daily

To those with weak lungs, obstinate, lingering cough, bronchitis, and kindred ailments which, if neglected, lead on to consumption, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery brings hope, help and healing. Its cures have been many and marvelous. Thousands who had lost hope, have found a permanent cure in "Golden Medical Discovery."

"Last spring I wrote you in regard to my health which at that time was very poor," writes Mrs. Mettle M. Barnes, of Carnield, Pawnee Co., Kansas. "My trouble was bronchial affection. Symptoms: splitting of blood almost every morning for five years, shortness of breath, raw and sore throat, loss of trength, at times almost loss of voice, irregular periods—in fact I thought I was surely going into consumption. I consulted you and you advised me to give Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery a trial, which I did, and with happy results. I used two bettles of 'Golden Medical Discovery' and health returned as I used the medicine. I have only raised blood three times since I began using it. My periods are regular, strength returned, and I am almost a new person. A know of a fady that was cured of consumption by this same 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and she always sings its praise."

Some dealers may offer you a "just as

Some dealers may offer you a "just as good" medicine in place of Dr. Pierce's, because there's more profit in the sale of the substitute. If any dealer thinks more of his profit than of your patronage, he's not entitled to your trade.

are very high as compared with those paid in other countries. Mr. Frye says they are

been some complaint from the Cubaus to

the effect that the salaries were too low,

scanty living. The lowest salary paid on the

island now is \$600, and the lowest in Ha-

vana is \$900, which is 25 per cent more than

is paid in the fifteen largest cities in the

Religion is not taught in the schools now

though there is no discrimination whatever.

Religious schools can come under the pub

ic school act, and receive support as such,

except that religion is not taught in school

hours. The race question is before the au-

thorities to solve. No one has yet dared

to bring the issue to a head. The white

Cubans do not mix socially with the negroes

long. It is considered a delicate and dan-

gerous issue, to be handled with tact and

Generous Donations.

The time set by Dr. Pearsons in which

Some of the other colleges to become bene-

Yankton college, South Dakota; Berea col-

Springs, Colo., and McKendree college, Leb-

colleges, as it is Dr. Pearsons' method to

make his investigations quietly and without

notice to the institutions to which his phil-

able time was taken in determining which

might be benefited were the most worthy, or,

from a practical point of view, could ac-

complish the most good with the donation.

schools and colleges which are direct edu-

It is ten years since Dr. Pearsons started

money distributed by him to struggling edu-

cational institutions. In many instances he

lege. His present gift to Yankton college

Dr. Pearsons thus explains why he pre

ceasingly from year to year."

give some striking results.

Wenther and Conduct.

the February issue of the Educational Re-

weather conditions. Statistics collected re-

There have always been reasons in plenty

mysterious way on the conscience and the

moral perceptions, it evidently has not been

blamed half enough. It may be that in

future whea the urchin in school is de-

tected in the act of throwing chalk or mak-

ing strategic use of the nefarious bent pin.

he will be able to exculpate himself at once

on the ground of a low general humidity or

that may be, there appears to be something

in Mr. Dexter's argument, as all sensitive

persons who have experienced the depress-

ing or exhilarating effects of the weather

will admit. It would be interesting to have

the investigation carried on, say, in the

Educational Notes.

Prof. Perry G. Holden of the University of Illinois has resigned and has gone to Pekin, Ill., to assume the duties of manager of the agricultural department of the Illi-nois Sugar Refining company.

J. Bass Mullinger has been reappointed niversity lecturer in history at Cambridge niversity for a further period of five years.

making of history.

high wind or cloudy weather. However

United States.

made March 1.

cational factors.

and this in the face of the fact that be fore the new order of things a school

the highest in the world, and yet there has He Sets Up the Plea that He is Suffering for Sin of Another.

SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES OVEFCOME teacher in Cuba was only able to make a HE WRITES A HEART-RENDING LETTER

Communication to a Friend is Read in Court as Evidence, but Statements Contained Therein Are Denied.

If the story told by Thomas H. Cooley, alleged embezzler on trial before Judge Baker, is true he was led into sin to shield a man who had posed as his friend. Be that as i ma it is an intensely pathetic recital. It tells of mental anguish that drove Cooley to and this matter must be determined before attempt suicide-trouble that caused the world to look to him like an inferno.

was disclosed in a letter written by the defendant to Robert Miles, assistant cashier pany during the tenure of Cooley as cashier. Female college, South Hadley, Mass. This slashed his wrists with a ragged piece of within the bounds of parental authority. college receives \$50,000, and the gift will be glass for the purpose of blotting out his life. The communication was introduced by the county attorney to show that Cooley has mated number of children on the entire ficiaries of Dr. Pearsons' philanthropy are admitted his shortage, but the attorneys for the defense say it will rebound in favor of lege, Berea, Ky.; Colorado college, Colorado their client. Moisture welled up in the eyes of jurors, lawyers and spectators while prayed for by Anton Vitoush to restrain the anon, Ill. These will receive \$50,000. Each the reading was in progress, for whatever has received a former donation from Dr. may have been the inward thoughts of the writer, the letter appeared on the surface to The gifts come rather as surprises to the be the outpouring of a broken heart.

Cooley was visibly agitated when his letter was made public. He seemed to feel humiliation. A bevy of bright young girls anthropy is directed. Plans for the distri- from a commercial school who sat in the bution of the gifts have been under consid- court room taking shorthand notes for praceration during the last three monts, as the tice dropped their pencils and listened in institutions to be benefited extend from the silence. It was a scene of scenes in crimi-Atlantic to the Pacific ocean, and consider- nal court.

Cooley's Touching Story.

Omitting the date line, the letter follows: Dear Bob: I am on the brink of eternity and before I leave this earth I want to ask your forgiveness for any wrong I have done Dr. Pearsons' belief is in helping along live you. I can imagine the position you were in Sunday with all those people questioning you about something you knew nothing about and had no part in. If you ever knew the long list of his gifts, the latest of which anything, you found it out without me tellwas announced recently. His first was in ing you. I did not want you implicated, so 1889, to Beloit college. Since then almost I kept it all to myself, and God knows it every year has witnessed large sums of has rankled within me until I believe at times I was crazy-at least 1 did not, care what I did nor what the results might be. has given twice and three times to one col- I knew this was bound to come sooner or later, and as I had stood the strain about as long as I could, I decided to let it come and college receives its third gift, Colorado col- be done with it. Do you know what started lege and Berea the second each. The gift it? I guess not, so I will tell you.

"When George G. Davis left the cashier's office and went to Jaynes' office he pulled he has done. He was given a free hand and fers to help colleges: "Monuments and com- for me and I got the place he made vacant. memorative arches stand as beautiful me- I did not understand his motive until aftermorials to posterity and their utility and ward. When he told me the account was use are not to be decried. While being built short I could readily see why he wanted me they furnish employment to thousands and to get the position. He could not afford to offer means to distribute in proper manner have an outsider come in, for that would large sums of money among the masses. But, have meant exposure. That was the time should have quit work for the M. & O.

once finished, they become dead memorials; their active functions cease. Libraries are "If you will look in the bottom drawer of better as a living and working agency for my desk you will find an old book that will the uplifting of the masses, but they do not show where hundreds of dollars were never sistant superintendents to help him in the possess the direct and more active functions put on the regular cash book. I asked him about it and he said it had been handed the college live, just as does the memorial in down to him that way. I attribute my downfall to him primarily, and for that reason more, and his salary was reduced to the never cease. Education goes on from day I have no sympathy for him. I blame mysame amount. "It makes no difference to to day. Washingtons, Lincolns, Grants are self, too, for being weak enough to cover up manity is benefited. I believe in the col-It hammers away steadily and unpoor wife and babies suffer through something he started and which I was foolish enough to allow to run from bad to worse, A broad and alluring field of speculation hoping it would become better and that is opened up by an article contributed to could square it. But now you see the result.

Earth a Hell to Him. Bob, take the advice of a man who has experienced hell on earth and never allow by even your best friend. garding the deportment in the schools of "Don't forget it; never do anything the Denver and of New York and of the contem-

poraneous weather conditions In those cities to your credit. "I speculated trying to get even, but it High temperature, for instance, tended to always went against me. You remember decrease the number of "bad marks" in the salary was cut \$10 per month-that made spite of the fact that heat is supposed to one sore and I wanted to quit right then, have an evil influence upon persons of suibut was persuaded to keep on. The road cidal tendencies. The largest excess of desaved a little money on that and will lose merits was coincident with temperature between 45 and 60 degrees, while in temperatures of from 80 to 90 degrees the demerits fell to 50 per cent. less than normal. In the same way it was discovered that condi-

nothing on the shortage, as the surety company will have to stand it. As to Denniswell, there'll come a time some day when he, as well as I, will have to stand up in judgment. I hope you will not lose any thing by this, as you had no hand in it. If tions of low humidity were accompanied you can do anything for my wife and chilwhen the time comes to tell him, for my wife and babies may need to see an old member of Knights of Pythias lodge No. 1. Help Scott pack up my things and send them

"Now, Bob, goodbye for the last time. T. H. COOLEY." "Yours.

Miles Exhibits Letter. When Assistant Cashier Miles received Cooley's letter he showed it to the railroad authorities, but it was not made public until its introduction as evidence. In a Red Oak hotel Cooley made a desperate effort to end his life, and came near bleeding to death. He had no weapon nor drugs, so in his frantic desperation he broke a window pane and slashed deep into his wrist with the sharp corners. He was discovered just

The Dennis to whom reference is made in Cooley's letter is no longer a resident of Omaha, but is stationed at Deadwood, S. D., in the employ of the Minneapolis & Omaha railroad. When the Cooley shortage was first announced Dennis heard that his name was being used in connection with it, and it is said that he immediately came to Cooley's letter is no longer a resident of case of congress, and see how far the and it is said that he immediately came to erty while insolvent. weather may have been responsible for the Omaha and insisted upon an investigation. By examination of his books the rathroad authorities were convinced that Dennis was not short in his accounts and he was fully exonerated. His employers retained him and he still retains the confidence of the man-

erly agent for the Minneapolis & Omaha road in this city, but who is now stationed at Hartington. He was here at the time of With assets of about \$50,000. Some striking figures were given by Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler in a recent address in Chicago. In the United States the public expenditure for education amounts annually to \$200,000,000 for the common schools alone, or \$2.57 per capita of population. In Great Britain and Ireland the total public expenditure on account of education is over \$8,000,000, or \$1.20 per capita. In France it is about \$25,000,000, or \$1.50 per capita. In the German empire it is over \$108,000,000, or more than \$2 per capita. These four great nations, therefore, the leaders of the world's civilization at this time, with a total population of nearly 210,000,000, are spending annually for education a sum considerably greater than \$455,000,000.

The judications are that Johns Honkins. it being confined chiefly to the identification | Mr Frederick Hatter-

The indications are that Johns Hopkins university will receive the appropriation of \$100,000 asked for from the state legislature in spite of the opposition that has been raised by some persons. The founder of the institution left securities yielding an income of \$150,000, but the present income from this source is only one-fifth as much, or \$35,000. With the strictest economies the expenses of the university, not including the medical school, which is practically self-supporting, are \$200,000 a year—a small sum, indeed, when it is considered what other universities spend. For example, the aggregate expenses of Harvard exceed \$1,000,000, while the University of Michigan used more than \$500,000 last year, half of which came from the state. It would be greatly regretted in educational circles if the work at Johns Hopkins were seriously crippled through lack of funds. state," said F. G. Watson yesterday, "that I tion."

main; ain that neither my wife nor I should be given custody of the child. It should be given to its grandmother, who has thus far reared it, and is amply able to give it a good home and proper education."

BEMMISH IS FOUND NOT GUILTY. Jury Acquits Father Charged with

Assaulting His Daughter. After twenty-four hours' deliberation ury in Judge Baxter's court has acquitted Antone Bemmish of assaulting his 16-yearold daughter, Tenie. This case was appealed from police court, where Bemmish was convicted. The trial was conducted in a spirited manner. The daughter is now employed in a retail store. Bemmish is a machinist and works for the Council Bluffs street railway.

The evidence showed that several months ago Tenie Bemmish was in the habit of leaving her home and staying away indefinitely without apprising her parents of her whereabouts. On the occasion of the alleged assault Mrs. Bemmish traced her This sensational feature of the Cooley trial | child to the home of a playmate on Dewey avenue. She informed her husband, and he went there to take charge of Tenie. On for the Minneapolis & Omaha Railroad com- the way home there was a scene. Some of the witnesses swore that Teple's father The letter was introduced in evidence and whipped her brutally with a piece of rubis now a part of the records. It was dated ber hose, while others said he used no at Red Oak, Ia., February 20, 1899-a few more force than was necessary to make proportion of the \$500,000 is Mount Holyoke minutes before the despondent Cooley her accompany him home, and that it was

J. DEE STILL HOLDS HIS JOB.

Judge Keysor Denies Injunction to Oust Court House Engineer.

Judge Keysor rendered a decision yesterday morning denying the writ of injunction county commissioners from employing Ed J. Dee, an unlicensed engineer at the court house. In his effort Vitoush was supported by the local organization of stationary engineers. That body has for a long time agitated the question of having none but licensed engineers employed and there is

It is said that this will not end the mater, but that the engineers will continue to skirmish about in the hope of finding some law which will apply to Dee's case. The defense of Dee is that he is fully competent to pass the examination, but that for political reasons the examining board has refused

JOHN BEKINS WANTS MONEY BALM

Exposition Expressman Seeks to Col-John Bekins, who was an expressman on he exposition grounds last summer, has filed suit in the district court for \$25,000 damages against H. J. Penfold, one of the exposition managers. Toward the close of the exposition Bekine became uneasy about his pay and instituted attachment proceedings in the county court. He set forth many statements reflecting upon the solvency of the exposition, and he was soon afterward arrested for perjury. He alleges are now in the hands of receivers. There is in his petition that Mr. Penfold was the a diversity of opinion as to the ultimate outinstigator of his arrest and sets forth that he was acquitted on the perjury charge. Nevertheless, he asserts that he suffered damages and great humiliation.

CATTLE DEAL MAKES TROUBLE, Equity Court is Trying to Adjust a

Partnership Difference Several months ago Louis Speltz and A. A. Spaugh entered into partnership for the purpose of buying and selling Texas cattle. Speltz was to furnish the money and Spaugh the experience. Now these partners are in equity court trying to settle a dispute.

Speltz is suing Spaugh for \$900 which he claims is due him by reason of irregular methods in the transaction of the business. Spaugh went to Texas and bought large lots profits should be shared equally.

light of day cannot shine upon and redound case in his balance. Lucy Ladd was a rela-

tive of the parties to the suit. No Receiver is Necessary. charge of W. E. Crouse's business affairs. a railroad standpoint. Crouse to foreclose a mortgage held by him terminus and provide a direct Omaha-St. A feature of his visit to Omaha was an and given by his brother. This leaves the Louis line. By means of the Kansas City informal smoker tendered him Tuesday foreclosure suit pending just as it was before the receivership application was injected into it. W. E. Crouse is a wealthy banker at West Point, this state.

Notes of the Courts. Lucy Rogers has sued Erwin G. Rogers for divorce, alleging extreme cruelty. They were married in Kansas City, May 20, 1839.

Lucretia Creighton Shelby, 3 years old, has by her father, John Shelby, as next friend, sued the street railway company for \$15,000, alleging that as a result of being struck by one of the defendant company's cars the little one is maimed for life. Richard Tizard of Omaha has filed petiin time to be saved, although he resisted the surgeons in a manner indicating that he really wanted to die.

tion in voluntary bankruptcy proceedings in the United States district court. His liabilities are listed at \$20,188.50, with uspected of \$135. The debts were principally incurred in the building of the Tizard block in this city.

William Krebs, a farmer of Antelone county, asks to be declared a bankrupt His liabilities are \$36i, with assets of \$36k Krebs' petition is remarkable for the fact that it is the first one filed where the assets exceed the liabilities, and it is also these assets become the smallest amounts. the case involving the smallest amount of liabilities. There is but one creditor, The principal witness of the forencen session of court was Joseph B. Elseffer, form-

Cmaba & St. Lou's Property.

Consolidation with New Kansas City

Omaha railroad men are just now indulging in a deal of speculation over the dispo-Kansas City & Eastern and the Kansas

to the south clear through to the Gulf.

be looking with favor upon the three lines and the children to whom prizes are to be rubbing with the liniment on retiring at composing the 'O. K.' route. The receiv- given will occupy seats upon the stage, night and getting up free from pain. ers were accompanied on a recent tour of Members of the city council and Board of Adjusting Estate in Court.

In Judge Keyeor's court Wednesday aftermoon the case of James Forbes and others is on irial. Numerous plaintiffs and defendants ir a mand in the petition and it is strictly in family affair. The trouble areas over the state in Court.

Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths were reported at the office of the Board of Health during the twenty-four hours ending at committee and home patronage bureau of the Commercial club and their ladies. The remainder of the seats will be for the occurany of all who are interested in the gub-like made. So the matter resolves it. inspection by prominent officials of both Education, with their ladies, will occupy against George Forbes and others is on nections are in the market to sell, and it is the Commercial club and their ladies. are named in the petition and it is strictly lar about dictating to whom the purchase a family affair. The trouble arose over shall be made. So the matter resolves it- ject of home patronage. The building will yourself to do anything wrong or be tempted an estate left by the late Lucy Ladd, who self into a question of what system would accommodate 2,000 people, and when that dled in September, 1898. A large amount derive the greatest advantage by absorption many tickets have been issued the distriof property is involved. The plaintiffs were of the property. The logical outcome of the bution will stop. not satisfied with the terms of the will left receivership would be the purchase of the by the deceased, it appearing, according to system by the Wabash. Connection is now there will be addresses by a number of the allegations, that George Forbes and his made with the Wabash at Pattonsburg, Mo., prominent citizens appropriate to the occacodefendants received the lion's share of and through trains are run from Omaha to sion. the wealth. Judge Keysor is weighing the St. Louis over the Omaha & St. Louis-Wabash systems. Connection is also made with CORNELL'S TREASURER HERE the Wabash at Quincy, the eastern terminus of the Omaha, Kansas City & Eastern road. Financial Hend of the Great College In case the Wabash gains control of the Judge Keysor has decided that it is not property the making of Omaha its western necessary to appoint a receiver to take terminal would mean much to this city from

Application was made by Edmond Crouse, a brother, the allegation being that by reason of a fall from a railroad train near Fremont in Omaha railroad circles. In all probability of the properties, it would be an important factor of a fall from a railroad train near Fremont in Omaha railroad circles. In all probability of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the Christina Elsensee. Omaha railroad circles. In all probability of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college, was in Omaha Tuesday evening entropy of the properties of the Alton purchases the various college. W. E. Crouse is mentally incapacitated. The ity a line would be built from Roodhouse to several states looking after securities and effort to have a receiver appointed came Quincy, 11l., to connect with the Omaha, other investments held by the institution he, Isabelle Forcum, Lincoln about through action brought by W. E. Kansas City & Enstern's present eastern represents. & Northern connecting the Alton would have night at the Omaha club, by Omaha men its own line between Omaha and Kansas who were once Cornell students. Among City and Omaha would immediately divide those present were: Alfred Millard, Charles honors with the Alton's present western Saunders, Dr. Gifford, Herbert Gannett, H. terminal at Kansas City. The entire ques- S. Robb, Charles C. Rosewater, Frank tion, however, is somewhat complicated and Richardson, J. S. Swartz, M. B. Davenport, it is doubtful if there is anyone who knows A. C. Davenport, C. S. Young and John W. exactly what the final result will be."

Railway Notes and Personals. General Manager Bidwell of the Elkhorn has returned from Chicago.

General Passenger Agent Francis of the

George C. Powers of Chicago, industrial commissioner of the Illinois Central rail- was in Gom Paul Kruger's shoes he would need his min companies. General Manager Holdrege and General would pack his grip and take one of Solicitor Manderson of the Burlington have those mountain "passes" and come to returned from a brief eastern business trip—the country where there are no "Boers"

TRY GRAIN-O!

distress. In the price of coffee, 15, per package. Sold by all grocers.

says: "It's impossible to get away from the fact that the hat we are showing for \$3.00 has never been equaled in our quarter of a century of hat selling-in shape, color and tone they are just what we have been striving for these many or education a sum considerably greater of previous witnesses. At the control of previous witnesses, at the control of the previous witnesses. At the control of the control of the defendant will file a motion to stop the court of the general of previous witnesses. At the control of the general of previous witnesses. At the control of the court of the cou were wearing the very latest-satisfy them that they have never seen such durability for the same amount of money. The spring styles of the famous "In regard to my divorce case, I wish to Dunlap and Stetsons will bear investiga-

> FREDERICK, The Hatter, The Leading Hat Man of the West.

120 South Fifteenth Street.





Difference of Opinion as to Disposition of

WABASH OR ALTON MAY GAIN CONTROL

Southern Not the Only Possible Menns of Settling Present Receivership.

sition of the Omaha & St. Louis, the Omaha come of the receivership, some doubt being new Kansas City Southern, formerly the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf.

'that a consolidation between the Omaha & effected with the new Gulf property. The only circumstance pointing to such an out- | morning. come is that John W. Gates is largely interested in the two properties and his in- the entertainment, but no one will admitted in the shoulder from which he suffered exfluence may be brought to bear to effect a without a ticket. Tickets may now be seconsolidation. The benefits which would be cured upon application at the business houses derived by Omaha from such a move are ob- of A. Hospe, Clement Chase and Aloe-Pen- rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing vious. It would give this city a direct line fold company. These tickets must be pre-

& Alton and the Wabash are both known to exchange. The principals of the schools pain, which was relieved by two applications.

W. G. Davidson, assistant city passenger agent of the Omnha & St. Louis, has re-urned from a visit to Madison, Wis., and Chicago.

Robert McNeil, Union Pacific yardmaster, and Dr. Baller are at Central City for a short hunting expedition. McNeil tele-graphed to Omaha yesterday for more am-

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury, as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stemach receives it without distress. It the price of coffee.

The home patronage bureau of the Com-

mercial club has arranged for the entertainment for the distribution of the prizes to City & Northern connecting railroads, which be given to pupils of the public schools for the best essays on the subject of home patronage in response to questions propounded at the time of the recent home patronage expressed by certain well informed officials exhibit. The entertainment will be held as to the lines being consolidated with the and the prizes bestowed next Friday evening at Boyd's theater. The awards will be made following an address by H. J. Penfold "I do not believe," said an official who of the Board of Education. Such of the has paid careful attention to the matter, prizes as are not too bulky will be given to the winners to take home with them at St. Louis and its two associate lines will be once, while the larger ones will be sent to the tomes of the winners the following

On account of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church to be held in St. Louis May 17-11 the Burlington has quoted a rate from Nebraska points of one fare plus 42 for the round trip.

A special train came in on the Rock Island from the west yesterday, having aboard a party of New England people who have been touring California and the west under the direction of the Raymond Whitcomb excursion bureau of Boston.

TO TWINE LAUREL WREATHS

Public Distribution of Home Patron-

age Prizes to School

Children.

There will be no charge for admission to "On the other hand, however, the Chicago where reserved seat tickets will be given in joint, almost prostrating him with severe

Orchestral music will be provided and

Enjoys Brief Visit with Omaha Friends.

Emmons Williams, treasurer of Cornell

Mr. Williams speaks encouragingly of conditions in the west so far as he has traveled

would pack his grip and take one of

those mountain "passes" and come to

and where all men that are within walk-

ing distance of our store can get more

for their little \$3.50, when it comes to

shoes, than any other place on the map-

maps change, but our shoe values never

do-they are just as good today as when

you bought those shoes last spring-

be now-the new spring line of \$3,50

they were satisfactory then-these will

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AUDITORIUM PROJECT

Eastern Capitalists Considering Big Hotel and Auditorium in Omnha.

Although it has received but slight menion for some time, the auditorium project in Omaha is not dead. One of the gentlemen who has been taking an active interest in the project is just now negotiating with eastern capital for the erection of a mammoth hotel in Omaha with an auditorium attachment, to occupy a full block in a convenient location, and has received some assurances that the means may be forthcoming if the people of Omaha want such a convenience bad enough to donate the site. The gentleman is now in the east and while absent will devote some time and energy to furthering his scheme. From his correspondence he has been led to a realization that there is a great deal of eastern capital now seeking western investment and that Omaha is being favorably considered as the location of some of these investments.

Remarkable Cures of Rheumatism

From the Vindicator, Rutherfordton, N. C. The editor of the Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rhoumatism cruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, instant benefit and entire relief in a very sented at the box office of the Boyd theater, short time. Second, in rheumatism in thigh

Mortality Statistics.

and Clark; Peter Angele, 9 months, Tenth and Atlas; Carrie M. Gibson, 19 years, 2810 Franklin; Martin H. Hopps, 78 years, 4102

"I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my family with wonderful results. It gives immediate relief, is pleasant to take and is truly the dyspeptic's best friend," says E. Hartgerink, Overisel, Mich. Digests what you cat. Cannot fail to cure.

Marriage Licenses. The following marriage licenses were is-sued Wednesday: Name and residence. Johns H. Lunsford, Lakeside, Neb..... 37 Lulu M. Thompson, Lakeside, Neb..... 24

Brain Workers. Horsford's Acid Phosphate

Strengthens the exhausted and confused brain, relieves nervous headache and induces refreshing sleep. Genuine bears name Houstonn's on wrapper



shoes is very elaborate. Drexel Shoe Co.,

1419 FARNAM STREET.

Open Evenings-

During this great cut-priced plano sale we are open every evening until 8 o'clock -These planes are from our regular stock and have been on display in our show room for the past few weeks and are in every regard perfect, clean and dry-not a damaged instrument among them-New planes in this sale at \$127, \$137, \$148, \$168, \$178 and up to \$388-that means a genuine mark-down of 25 and even 50 per cent in some cases. -There has never been a time before in Omaha in piano selling when such low prices on such guaranteed pianos were quoted-Included in this sale are the Steinway, Kimball, Knabe, Krell, Kranich and Bach, Royal, Hallet & Davis, Hospe and others,

A. HOSPE.

