

MAINE DEAD REST

Solemn Ceremonies Conducted at the Arlington National Cemetery.

FORMER CAPTAIN IN COMMAND.

President, Cabinet and Distinguished Army and Navy Officers Present—Exercises of Most Simple Character—Chaplain of Naval Academy and Wrecked Ship Conduct Religious Exercises—Taps Sounded.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Upon the windy heights of Arlington cemetery the Maine dead, brought from Havana by the battleship Texas, today were laid away in their final resting places with simple religious services and the impressive honors of war, in the presence of the president, members of his cabinet, officers of the army and navy and other representatives of the government.

A soft mantle of snow covered the earth muffled the horse's hoofs, the slow turning carriage wheels and the tramp of soldiers' and sailors as they approached the burial place. The site is a commanding one. In front of the broad bosom of the ice-forested Potomac; beyond the shaft of Washington, the dome of the capitol and the sprawling city; to the right, the chinked embankment of old Fort Mifflin and between the graves of the heroic dead of Santiago to the left the stately mansion of Lee and to the rear through the vistas of snow-laden pines and cedars the silent army of the patriotic dead of the civil war sleeping rank upon rank in their last abodes.

There was a tender appropriateness in the fact that Captain Sigbee, who was in command of the Maine when it was blown up, had charge of the ceremonies in honor of his men and that Parker Childwick, who was chaplain of the Maine, was the chaplain of the service.

Slowly, solemnly, they fell marine and breaker ship hulls, putting forth the dead, sweet strains of the dirge, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," and there were twitching of lips and wet eyes as Chaplain Clark of the naval academy at Annapolis came forward and took his place under a canopy covered shelter in the open space in front of the dead.

With the sounding of taps, the ceremonies ended. The president and his party and other distinguished guests, the military and the crowds then withdrew. Before leaving Captains Sigbee introduced Jeremiah Shea to the president. Shea responded as he did to a similar inquiry from Father Childwick at the time of the disaster.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Dec. 29.—Placement papers issued by the federal court at Sioux Falls have been served on the townsfolk claimants on the tract known as North Chamberlain, under the direction of counsel for the homestead claimant, Captain H. J. King. The townsfolk are given thirty days in which to show cause why they should not vacate.

MARYVILLE, Mo., Dec. 29.—Jesse Lindsay, who shot his brother, Tom, at the home of his brother-in-law, Joe Yeager, a few miles southwest of Maryville November 22, had his preliminary examination this afternoon and was held for investigation by the grand jury. The charge against him is a charge of murder in the first degree.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Commissioner General Ferdinand W. Peck of the United States commission to the Paris exposition of next year has appointed Sousa's band as the official American band to play at the exposition.

CAN GET INDIANS ANYWAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Since the recent announcement of the new policy of the interior department, denouncing wild Indians in exhibitions the department has been deluged with both written and oral inquiries. Colonel W. F. Cody has protested that the action will nearly ruin his business. He sent a representative here who urged Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones to make an exception in his case. A number of other interested parties have also called at the Indian bureau on the subject. A large number of letters on the subject, mostly endorsing the department's attitude, have come by mail.

WILL PATROL THE ATLANTIC.

Great Britain Prepares to Send Two War Ships Here. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A special to the World from Halifax, N. S., says: Great Britain is apparently preparing to patrol the Atlantic. The report that the larger part of the British North Atlantic and West India squadrons have received orders concerning the alleged violation of the neutrality laws by vessels leaving American ports with contraband war seems to be well founded.

TALKS OF COMPROMISE.

Winston Churchill Says Boers Will Accept Indemnity. DURBAN, Natal, Dec. 29.—Mr. Winston Churchill, on arriving here after his escape from the Boers, received a tremendous ovation. He says that from conversations with members of the Transvaal executive at Pretoria he learned that the Boers began the war with trepidation, but that President Kruger is now confident that the British will sue for peace. In the highest Transvaal circles, Mr. Chamberlain asserts, there is serious talk of a compromise, by which Great Britain would cede the territory now occupied by the armies of the two republics, pay an indemnity of \$25,000,000 (\$100,000,000) and acknowledge the complete independence of the Transvaal.

FUNSTON TO JOIN MACARTHUR.

Thought that Kansas Will Be Assigned to Wheeler's Brigade. MANILA, Dec. 29.—General Frederick Funston will join General MacArthur's command. His brigade has been designated, but it is thought he will be assigned to General Wheeler's.

LADYSMITH IN SORE STRAITS.

Field Fortifications Could Now Withstand Fortified Attack. LONDON, Dec. 29.—The latest independent news from Ladysmith says: "The field fortifications would now withstand any organized attack the Boers are likely to deliver. There is sufficient food stuffs for two months. The question of forage might be troublesome, but since the rains there has been some grazing within the British lines. There is no horse sickness. The casualties caused by our shell fire are increasing and the Boers are reported to be becoming nervous. The fear night sorties and constantly open a heavy fusillade on an imaginary attack."

Will Bring Home Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Word has been received at the war department that the transport Kilpatrick, which is now discharging her cargo at Cienfuegos, will proceed in a day or two to Manzanilla and Gihara, for the purpose of taking a squadron of the Tenth cavalry from those places to Galveston, Tex. The transport Sedgewick is now on her way to Cienfuegos to take a squadron of the Fifteenth infantry to New York.

For Exiles at Guam.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—In answer to its appeal for contributions of books and papers for the garrison at Guam, the navy department has received 928 books, 3,217 magazines, 2,148 illustrated weekly papers, 72 sets of maps, 72 sets of checkers and 72 sets of alphabet blocks, the last to be used to teach the native children.

Kills Pingree's Pet.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 29.—The senate this afternoon, by a vote of 15 to 13 killed the Pingree joint resolution for the submission of a constitutional amendment permitting amending of the state laws, which had passed the house. The senate has adopted a resolution to adjourn tomorrow at noon. The large number of votes against the proposition was a great surprise.

Dress reform would appear more serious if it discarded starchy characteristics.

TO INSTITUTE REFORM.

The Governor General of Cuba to Correct Numerous Abuses.

PRISONERS TO BE SPEEDILY TRIED

Collector Bliss Finds Entire Judicial System Apparently Banded Against Him—Conspiracy to Defraud Among Officials—Affairs in General in Cuba.

HAVANA, Dec. 28.—Governor General Wood says one of the first things he looked into was the management of Cuban prisons. Investigation has proved that even among American prisoners there has been an average detention of five months without trial. There are many things calling for immediate attention, particularly in the matter of sleeping accommodations. Reforms will be quickly instituted in this respect and hammocks will be supplied for the prisoners who are compelled to sleep on the bare floors, as now is the case with those without friends or money. A few who are able to pay for them have cots. He intends to make weekly visits to the prisons until a majority of the existing abuses are abated and he is trying to devise means that will insure prompt trial for persons accused.

So far as the Havana penitentiary is concerned this has been found in a perfectly satisfactory condition. It is clean, airy, well-drained and well-ventilated and the inmates seem healthy. The warden, a British North American, the island prisons says the Charlton T. Lewis report gives only a portion of the terrible truth. Early last January General Ludlow appointed a military board to inquire into the question. Over 800 prisoners were reported upon and two hundred and fifty were recommended for release. More than 100, before they had been discharged, however, General Brooke ordered a halt and the matter was referred to the cabinet secretaries, since which time practically nothing has been done. Men who have been in the prisons for three or four years waiting without trial.

General Wood thinks that when his report goes into effect calling on all judicial officers and military commanders to send complete lists of prisoners waiting for trial and to furnish complete reports of the progress of the trials. He does not intend that similar conditions shall arise again. Warrants are out for the rearrest of three of the custom house appraisers who had been arrested for fraud, but he had found the entire judicial system apparently banded against him. Now the matter is taken up by the military authorities, who are determined that decisions shall be impartial.

NUMBER OF BOERS INCREASES.

Squadron of British Mounted Infantry Draws the Fire of Burglers. LONDON, Dec. 28.—The War office here has received the following dispatch from Capetown, dated Tuesday, December 26: "There is no change in the situation. Methuen reports that the enemy's force has increased, and has engaged in trenching three and a half miles from his outlying pickets. Methuen reconnoitered with two squadrons of mounted infantry for two miles along the line and drew the fire of four guns and two Vickers machine guns. Four horses were hit. The queen's Christmas message was received with enthusiasm. "Catacre is endeavoring to reopen communication with the Indwe colonies."

WILL TAKE IT UP AGAIN.

Rates Go Into Effect January 1, but Re-classification May Follow. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—As a result of the protest of merchants against the reclassification of merchandise by the railways and of interviews with members of the Merchants' association in this city, with trunk line officials, the latter have said that this classification will go into effect January 1, but they have promised that the matter of a readjustment of classification, which it is claimed by the merchants will hurt their business, will be taken up again by the traffic officials and executive officers of the road, who will sift every grievance to the bottom and meet the merchants half-way in making proper readjustment.

Russia and France Consoling.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 28.—Mail advices received from the orient today state that Russia and France are con-joining together in encroaching on Chinese territory and against England and that Japan is buying immense quantities of rice. It is believed that war will break out in the spring.

Smallpox Among Indians.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Smallpox among the Indians in the Indian territory and at Crow Creek agency in South Dakota and other reservations has assumed serious phases. Congress immediately after reconvening will be asked for an appropriation of \$50,000 to stamp out the epidemic. The department has been telegraphed to forward vaccine points, but is confronted by a lack of funds. In the Indian territory Agent Wright has employed physicians to attend to the quarantine stations.

At Moody's Sepulchre.

EAST NORFOLK, Mass., Dec. 28.—The mound of earth which marks the grave of the late Dwight L. Moody is heaped over with flowers, the tribute of many sources of loving friends who have come to East Norfolk to visit Round Top. The grave was filled in last night and the capstones were put in place today. Many of the friends of the family who were at the service yesterday left today, but first they walked to Round Top.

In all India there are only 22,000 miles of standard and narrow gauge railroads.

CHURCHILL TELLS OF ESCAPE.

Has Little to Eat and is Kept Busy Digging Boer Guard. LONDON, Dec. 28.—Winston Spencer Churchill has cabled and the Morning Post publishes today an account of his escape from captivity with the Boers after having been made a prisoner in the reconnaissance of an armored train at Estcourt. The dispatch, which is dated Lourenzo Marques, December 21, says: "In the evening I concealed myself in a railway truck under a great pile of sacks. I had a small store of good water. I remained so hidden, so chancing discovery. The Boers searched the train at Komatipoort, but did not search deep enough. After some sixty hours of misery came beyond the fence, am very weak, but am free. I have lost many pounds in weight but am light in heart. I shall avail myself of every opportunity henceforth to urge earnestly the unflinching and uncompromising prosecution of the war."

In the afternoon of December 12 the Transvaal secretary of war informed me that there was little chance of my release. I therefore resolved to escape, and the same night I left the state schools prison in Pretoria by climbing the wall when the sentries' backs were turned momentarily. I walked through the streets of the town without disguise, meeting many burghers, but was not challenged in the crowd. I got through the pickets of the town guards and struck the Delagoa bay railroad. I walked along it, evading the watchers at the bridges and culverts and waited for a train beyond the fence of the town. The 11:10 goods train from Pretoria had arrived before I reached the place and was moving at full speed. I boarded it with great difficulty and hid under coal sacks. I jumped from the train before dawn and was sheltered during the day in a small wood in company with a huge vulture, who displayed a lively interest in me.

"I walked on at dusk. There were no more trains that night. The danger of meeting the guards of the line continued, but I was obliged to follow it, as I had no compass or map. I had to make wide detours to avoid bridges, stations and huts and so my progress was very slow."

TO PROBE CHARGES OF BRIBERY.

Otis Issues an Order Aimed at Suppression of Bribery. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The adjutant general has received a copy of an order recently issued by General Otis aiming at the suppression of bribery. The order, which has been extensively practiced in the Philippines, General Otis says the persistence of these reports, touching both the military and civil service in the islands, has forced him to the conclusion that there may be some foundation for the general charge. He cautions all commanding officers, heads of departments and others in authority to probe to the bottom any such reports that may reach them and announces that all offenses of this nature will be suppressed with a strong hand.

LOCKETT ROUTS INSURGENTS.

Americans attack a Strong Force Near San Mateo. MANILA, Dec. 25.—Colonel Lockett, with a force of 2,500, including artillery, attacked this morning a strong force of insurgents entrenched in the mountains near Montalban, about five miles northeast of San Mateo. The enemy were completely routed, the Americans pursuing them through the hills amid which they fled in every direction. The Filipino losses were wounded. The Filipino loss was large, resulting from heavy infantry and artillery fire for three hours into the trenches.

Trainmen Were at Fault.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 28.—Although ten days have passed since the tragic Northern Pacific wreck in northern Idaho, the body of the fifth and last dead trainman has been taken out, the mass of railroad iron has not yet been cleared away. It is piled so high that it has turned the channel of Potlach creek. The inquiry into the cause of the wreck just completed shows that the trainmen were at fault. They had eighteen flat cars, loaded with steel rails, for the Clearwater cut-off, and two locomotives. They should have divided the train before starting down the tremendous grade.

Otis Authorizes Civil Marriages.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—General Otis has issued a decree authorizing the celebration of civil marriages in the Philippines. He cabled Secretary Root to that effect and the secretary promptly approved the action. Heretofore all marriages were celebrated by the Catholic church, so that Protestants and non-Christians were prohibited from marrying. The decree does not interfere with the Catholics, who may be married according to their own rites, but extends the privilege of civil marriage to those who desire it, just as is practiced in the United States.

Bryan Heads for Big Game.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 28.—W. J. Bryan was the central figure in a big panther hunt in the mountains near this city today. The hunt was especially arranged for him and about 500 sportsmen, headed by Bryan and former Governor Hogg, left the city early this morning for the scene of the proposed hunt. They returned this evening with a live panther in their possession, having captured the animal during the day.

Alderman Ends His Life.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 28.—Alderman George Hill of the First ward, committed suicide today by shooting himself through the head. Worry over the street railway ordinance is said to be the cause. He was a democrat and supported the ordinance. He was 32 years old and married.

German Training Ships at Havana.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The German warships Nixie and Von Moltke, used as training ships for naval cadets, have arrived at Havana after a cruise through West Indian waters. It was the arrival of these ships in Haytian waters about ten days ago that caused consternation among the officials and people there.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting to Be Held at Lincoln January 9th.

LINCOLN, Dec. 29.—The annual meeting of the Nebraska State Historical society for 1900 will be held at the chapel of the state university the evenings of January 9 and 10. Invitations have been especially extended to all interested in old overland freighting.

President J. Sterling Morton will deliver his annual address the first evening. Dr. L. J. Abbott of South Omaha will then speak his subject being "The State Republican Convention of 1870, and Incidents of that Campaign; a Character Sketch of Governor Butler." Others who will talk are Robert W. Fernald, Brownville, Clement Chase of Omaha, David Anderson of South Omaha and John Turner of Indianola.

Wednesday will be "old freighters' evening." There will be reminiscences by Eugene Mann of University Place, William Fulton of Kansas City and ten-minute talks by old freighters present.

Extending Its Territory.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 29.—The Rock Island is rapidly adding a number of new and important feeders to its lines in Indian territory and Oklahoma. Active building operations have been conducted for the past year from Chickasha and a long line to the west of that city has been built. A line was recently surveyed from Chickasha to Paul's Valley, I. T., and this will probably be completed next season. The extension west from Chickasha to Mountain View, Okl., will be completed as far as Eddy, N. M., next year, according to information from Chickasha. The idea of the company seems to be to build up a railroad center at Chickasha.

Nebraska Cattle Industry.

OMAHA, Dec. 29.—The fame of Nebraska as a cattle producing state has spread to such an extent the last few years and has attracted such favorable attention that one of the prominent magazines has sent a special staff contributor from New York to minutely investigate the business in all its phases for the purpose of writing an exhaustive article upon the subject. Earl W. Mayo, representing McClure's Magazine, is the writer to whom this important matter has been assigned. Mr. Mayo arrived from New York to-day and will spend some time in Nebraska collecting data on the cattle industry. While in Omaha Mr. Mayo will be the guest of Mr. Charles Young of the Burlington passenger department.

Will Test State Rights.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 29.—The office of United States district attorney has received instructions to espouse the cause of the two soldiers at Fort Crook, who shot down a fellow soldier and were acquitted by a military court martial. Morgan, the soldier who was killed, was confined in the post guard house as an infringement of military regulations, and made his escape. Two of the guards went to La Platte, and while he passed they attempted to halt him. When he refused to stop they shot him dead in his tracks. The men were Corporal Fair and Private Jenkins.

Missouri River Closing.

NIORARA, Neb., Dec. 29.—The Missouri river at this place is closing, it having been kept open for navigation later this year than for a great many years past. The first snow fell December 23, and the mercury fell to zero last night, which is the first cold weather of the season. In fact, this has been a typical fall in Northeastern Nebraska.

State Bank of Butte.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 29.—The state bank of Butte, Butte county, was chartered to do business. The bank is owned by M. P. Mehlin, who will be its president, with N. E. Gardiner as cashier. Its capital stock is \$10,000.

Buried in Front of Train.

ALBION, Neb., Dec. 29.—A runaway accident occurred here, resulting in the death of Mr. Chauncey Shafer, an old gentleman living about five miles northwest of Albion. He was driving a wagon load of shelled corn into one of the elevators and had left a young son holding the horses. A passing train frightened the horses and they started to run out of the elevator. Mr. Shafer caught them by the head and tried to hold them, but they threw him down and passed over his prostrated body, crushing him fearfully and breaking several bones. He died from his injuries.

Pioneer Stricken.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 29.—John Elliott, one of the old settlers, and known nearly all over the country as "Uncle John," suffered a stroke of apoplexy at his home in this city. Owing to his advanced age it is doubtful if he will recover. He is the father of County Treasurer H. S. Elliott, who was born in Pennsylvania in October, 1823. He is a veteran of two wars—the Mexican and the late rebellion. He located in this county about twenty-eight years ago, but has lived in this city the past sixteen years. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last October.

DEATH OF W. C. POYNTER.

Father of the Governor Passes Away at Albion.

FORMER MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL.

A Man of Strong Personality and Settled Ideas—Long Sufferer From a Linger- ing Illness—Nebraska Historical Society Meeting—Other Nebraska Matters.

ALBION, Neb., Dec. 27.—Elder W. C. Poynter, father of Governor Poynter, died at his residence in Albion, after a lingering illness, during which he suffered greatly. His early years were spent in Kentucky and later he made Illinois his home. During the last fifteen years he has lived at Albion, latterly making his home with his second son, D. J. Poynter. For many years he was a Christian Minister, until incapacitated by age. He was a man of great force of character and intelligence. He leaves his aged wife and two sons, Governor W. A. and D. J. Poynter.

Elder Poynter was a man of strong personality, of clear logical mind and settled ideas and always had the courage of his convictions. Becoming a Christian in early life he devoted his best years to proclaiming from the pulpit the teachings of Christianity. His private life was always in full accord with his public teaching. He devoted much time and energy to the cause of education, assisting both by work and liberal donation, to the building up of Eureka college. A pioneer settler in Woodford county, Illinois, he occupied with honor different positions of public trust. He was an associate in a public way with such men as Lincoln, David Davis, Adlai Stevenson and others in the public affairs of Illinois.

Meeting with an accident in early life, resulting in the loss of his arm, he was placed in great disadvantage, but by energy and good judgment he accumulated a competency. He departs, having expressed himself as ready to go, saying with Paul: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." He was born in Barren county, Kentucky, in 1821, and came to Illinois in 1835. He was married to Hulda J. Watkins in 1849. Three sons were born of this marriage. The eldest died at the age of 12, in 1855, the second is present governor of Nebraska, the third is the editor of the Albion Argus, with whom the elder died. His wife survives him, besides the two sons.

Nebraska Historical Society.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 27.—What promises to be one of the most interesting and productive meetings yet held by the Nebraska State Historical society will convene at Lincoln January 9 and 10. Tuesday evening's session will be devoted to historical papers and reminiscences. Clement Chase of Omaha will read a paper on the life and career of Hon. Chapman S. Chase; David Anderson of South Omaha on "Our First Settlement in Nebraska"; Dr. L. J. Abbott of South Omaha on "The Campaign of 1870. With a Character Sketch of Governor Butler"; R. W. Furnas of Brownville on "Ex-Senator Thomas W. Tipton," and John Turner of Indianola on "Pioneer Days in Boone County."

They Start Out for Cuba.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 27.—Paul Van Der Voort, who starts out from New York December 30 for La Gloria, with a party of 350 people, who gather at New York, set out from Omaha last night. The colonists who accompany him from this city are W. E. Wood, nephew of General Freight Agent Wood of the Union Pacific railway; William Carson and J. L. Ratekin, the latter formerly of the Third Nebraska volunteers; B. F. Seibert, all of Omaha; Rev. Father Horvath of Saunders county; W. L. Ballard and Mr. Olsen of Oakland, Ia.; W. H. Robinson of Norfolk, J. F. Earley and Frank Jancoch of Wilber.

Bloodhounds for Incendiary.

FRANKLIN, Neb., Dec. 27.—Saturday night Charles Scott, living three and one-half miles south of Franklin, lost his barn, outbuildings and a considerable amount of live stock, grain and hay by fire, plainly of incendiary origin. Bloodhounds from Beatrice were soon telegraphed for and the scent of the tracks of a mule were followed directly to the barn of a farmer living near. One of his sons, supposedly riding the mule, is suspected of firing Scott's barn.

Drowned in the Blue.

WILBER, Neb., Dec. 27.—Louis Jacobs left his home Thursday morning for a hunt along the river, taking along his skates. Not returning, a search party was organized and in a little while was discovered and a considerable amount of live stock, grain and hay by fire, plainly of incendiary origin. Bloodhounds from Beatrice were soon telegraphed for and the scent of the tracks of a mule were followed directly to the barn of a farmer living near. One of his sons, supposedly riding the mule, is suspected of firing Scott's barn.

A Good Pasture Grass for Nebraska.

The Nebraska Experiment Station has just issued Bulletin No. 61, treating of Hungarian brome grass. It is a dry-weather grass, imported from Russia, and has been found admirably adapted to the semi-arid region of this country. The subject matter of the bulletin comprises (1) tests of the grass on the Station farm, (2) tests by various persons throughout the State, and (3) directions for sowing and caring for the crop. The bulletin may be obtained free of cost by writing to the Agricultural Experiment Station, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Attempts Suicide in His Cell.

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 27.—Carl Andre, the farmer who lies in jail awaiting trial in the district court on a charge of attempting to commit a criminal assault upon his 17-year-old daughter, tried to commit suicide. He had tied a handkerchief around his neck, fastened it to the bars of the cell and was trying his best to suffocate himself when the noise he made attracted the attention of the wife of Sheriff Phillips, who called assistance and cut him down.

DROGGED A MILE BY RUNAWAY.

Bachelor Farmer's Mangled Body Found and Inquest Held.

STOCKVILLE, Neb., Dec. 30.—The mangled body of a man was found three miles south of Eustis, Ir. E. S. Chase, the coroner of Frontier county, was notified and summoned a jury consisting of H. A. Bennett, J. W. Franklin, S. P. Connor, I. M. Adams, C. C. Stumbaugh and Nelson Ballant.

Thirteen witnesses were examined and it developed that the man was Gus Letz, a German bachelor about 40 years of age, living alone on his farm southwest of Eustis. He left Eustis about midnight Saturday. His body was found off the main road near his house. Several bloody tracks were found in the road, one wagon wheel being covered with blood. The horse evidently ran away, catching Letz in the wheel of the cart, by which he was dragged three-quarters of a mile. His face was badly torn, his nose broken, apparently by a kick of the horse, and his scalp torn entirely loose from the neck to the top of the head.

ONE RANCHMAN SHOTS ANOTHER.

Joseph Kime Inflicts a Mortal Wound Upon C. E. Clough.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Dec. 30.—Joseph Kime and C. E. Clough, two prominent ranchmen living not far from this place, had a quarrel and as a result Clough lies in a precarious condition with a wound in his neck fired from a revolver in the hands of Kime. Kime had placed under arrest. Details of the tragedy are difficult to obtain, but it is known that the two men came to words over some ranch affairs and that during the altercation Kime drew his gun and fired, the bullet taking effect in Clough's neck, inflicting a mortal wound. Clough fell to the ground and was taken later to his home, where everything possible was done to relieve him, to the position of a recover. Both Kime and Clough are prominent in this locality and are over 60 years of age.

Capital City Notes.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 30.—Attorney General Smyth is considering the right of Auditor Cornell to the insurance appropriations and an opinion is promised within the next few days. Governor Poynter has appointed John Zeller of Omaha to the position of state inspector of grains to take the place of James Jones, resigned. Wilbur F. Bryant submitted to Governor Poynter his report of insurance business transacted in accordance with the provisions of the Weaver act. It shows that 863 certificates were issued by his department. During the same period the state auditor issued 431 certificates.

The Trades Unions of South Omaha.

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Ex-Gov. Furnas Married.

BROWNVILLE, Neb., Dec. 30.—Mr. Robert W. Furnas and Mrs. Susannah E. Jameson were united in marriage at 1:15 p.m. Christmas. The wedding, which was a very quiet one, took place at the home of the bride, Rev. James M. Darby of the Methodist Episcopal church of this city officiating. Only a few relatives of the contracting party were present, among whom were Paul Jameson of Fort Worth, Tex.; John S. Furnas and wife and Mrs. Edward E. Lowman and husband, son and daughter of the groom.

Nebraska & Gulf Promoters.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 30.—The organization and preparation for the Nebraska & Gulf railroad is progressing rapidly. Twenty miles of right of way has been purchased or donated and surveyors are already at work. Stock to the amount of \$25,000 has been sold. The temporary officers of the company are: President, R. A. Beatty; vice-president, J. S. Fremant; general manager, C. J. Ruddle; treasurer and secretary, E. B. Hutton; general solicitor, J. B. Cenna. The directors are J. B. Keedle, T. D. Mines, J. B. Cenna, C. J. Ruddle, C. W. Stewart, R. A. Beatty and H. S. Duncan.

To Determine Thompson's Sanity.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 30.—H. C. Thompson, the agent of the Missouri Pacific, who the agent of the Missouri Pacific, who disappeared a few days ago and later was found in Omaha, was brought here by Sheriff Brown. The railroad company brought suit in attachment against Thompson and the Bank of Talmage to recover \$200. Thompson was placed in the county jail and will be given a hearing before the Board of Insanity Commissioners.

Paucity at an Entertainment.

BERTRAND, Neb., Dec. 30.—A panic occurred at a hall just at the close of an entertainment given by a medicine show, caused by the upsetting of a lamp on the stage. The hall was packed, and men, women and children rushed for the door. Luckily the flames were quickly extinguished and no one was seriously injured.

Golden Wedding Anniversary.

BRUNING, Neb., Dec. 30.—There has just occurred here the fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Grono, sr., a venerable and highly respected couple of this place. Nearly 200 invited guests assembled at Bowman's hall, and Mr. and Mrs. Grono, who had been to Hebron, returned they were induced to appear there, where many costly presents were made them and a banquet served later on. The occasion is considered by all to have been a fitting testimonial to these estimable old people.

In Westminster abbey 1,173 persons have been buried.