CONGRESSIONAL CHAT

WEEK'S DOINGS OF NATION-ALLAWMAKERS.

A General Resume of the Most Important labors of the House and Scuste-Executive and Departmental Actions Noted Briefly.

The famous Loud bill in relation to second class mail matter, is now engaging the attention of the house-

The postoffica at Shelton, Neb., will be make a presidential office on April 1, and the compensation will be \$1,000. Senator Allen has reported favorably the bill for the transfer of the Ft. Sidney military post reserve to the state of Nebraska for educational purposes.

Secretary Bliss has approved for patent to the Union Pacific Railroad company a list of lands selected under its grant embracing 160 acres in the North Platte district of Nebraska.

Senator Thurston and several other senators and one or two members of the house have gone on a junket-unofficially and at the expense of a New York paper-to Havana and other parts of Cuba.

The secretary of the navy has received through the British ambassador information that the Canadian government would hereafter allow American vessels to earry merchandise from one port in Canada to another.

Chairman Cannon of the house appropriation committee has introduced a bill appropriating \$50,000,000 to be expended at the discretion of the president, and to remain available until June 30, 1899. The bill will pass both houses with but little opposition.

The house committee on military affairs has reported favorably upon the bill to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Emanuel Shamp of Lincoln. The case of Mr. Shamp is a peculiarly interesting and meritorious one. He was drawing a pension for total disability when it was discovered that a charge of desertion stood against him in the records. Mr. Shamp has proved by conclusive evidence that he was taken prisoner and his company was mustered out of service before he could return to it after being released.

Secretary Long has sent to congress for inclusion in the urgent deficiency bill an estimate of an appropriation of \$300,000 to be immediately available for the equipment of vessels in the navy for the present fiscal year and for the i amediate supply of 10,000 tons of coal to Key West. The larger vessels of the fleet, the secretary says, cannot approach nearer than seven miles of Key West. At present they coal from schooners at Tortugas and at other places near by when weather permits. There is one flat lighter with a capacity of 300 tons now at Key West. This is not suitable for use at any distance from the port.

There were no less than five important developments Monday having a bearing more or less directly on the troubled relations between the United States and Spain, viz: The introduction in congress by Mr. Connon of a resolution earrying \$50,000,000 for the public defense, the withdrawa' by the Spanish government of its intimated cetion to the continuance the eruiser Montgomery to proceed to Havana, in place of the Fern, the passage through the house of the bill increasing the artillery arm by two regiments, and the institution of negotiations looking to the purchase of warships for our navy.

It is said the state of Florida has notified Admiral Sicard that on the first of next month is proposes to enforce the state quarantine law against all crafts arriving from Cuba as sure prevention of the introduction of yellow fever. Admiral Sieard has reported the facts to the navy department and awaits instructions. The president probably will communicate with the governor of Florida with a view to securing an abatement of the law so far as it is proposed to apply to navai vessels, this being the speediest manner of dealing with the case, although it may be stated that the national government never has recognized the right of any local authorities to stop its vessels in case their movements were deemed necessary.

A bill has been introduced by Senator Allen providing that any honorably discharged soldier or sailor, physically unable to carry on occupation as a farmer, may obtain title to a homestead as now provided by law without actual occupancy. He also introduced a bill to remove the charge of desertion from the record of James W. Pace; Representative Sutherland a bill to pay Austin C. Jacob of Edgar \$150 for a horse taken from him during the civil war; Representative Mercer to pay \$100 to E. D. Barnard for a judgment found in his favor. The comptroller of the currency has declared a third dividend, 4 per cent. in favor of the creditors of the German National bank of Lincoln, Neb., making in all 19 per cent on claims proved. amounting to \$80,448.81.

The decision of Judge Rogers holding the United States federal ment inspection law to be unconstitutional apparently causes no concern to the officials of the agricultural department at Washington, under whose administration the law is executed. They regard the decision as one largely technical in character, which will not effect the practical operation of the law when applied to the inspection of meats intended for interstate traffic or export to foreign countries. Their chief regret in the matter appears to be the failure to convict Boyer of the Dold Packing company, who was charged with attempting to bribe one of the meat inspectors.

Captain Mortimer has been chosen as commander for the Monitor Miantonomah now in the Delaware waters.

The navigation bureau is busy with preparation of the death certificates for the families of the victims of the Maine disaster. The work will be

completed about March 15th. Secretary Long has decided to send a naval vessel to Cuba at once with forty or fifty tons of provisions for the sufsering reconcentradoes. The vessel has not yet been chosen, but whichever one it is will take the provisions to Cuba and at once return. The supplies will be furnished by the New York Cuban relief committee.

in the report that Spain is buying warships of Great Britain. It is not known whether they really are or

The state department has been informed that a small revolution has broken out at Valencia, about 200 miles from Carascas, the capital of Venezuela.

Lieutenant-Commander Sobral, former naval attache of the Spanish legation at Washington has sailed for Spain. He talked too freely in relation to the Maine affair,

resurvey of certain lands in Chevenne | nation, county. Nebraska, on account of errors existing in the present survey.

Senator Allen called up and secured the passage in the senate of the bill to transfer the Fort Sidney military post reservation to the state of Ne braska for educational purposes.

Senator Pettigrew has reported favorably the bill which has passed the house authorizing the Nebraska Kansas & Gulf Railway company to construct and operate a railway through the Indian territory.

First Lieutenant J. H. Shipton, First artillery, has been selected as United States military attache at Rio de Janeiro, at the instance of Minister Bry-This will be the first time the United States has maintained a military attache in Brazil.

Debate in the senate the past week on the Alaskan homestead and railway right of way bill was very spirit-ed. During the debate it was shown that the Canadian Pacific railway is the worst of monopolies, and the sentiment seemed to be that it must be suppressed. The advantages it possesses over its American competitors are such that the latter cannot touch it in relation to trans-continental busi-

The Loud bill, to correct alleged abuses of the second class mail matter privilege, which last year passed the house by a majority of 114 to 101, was buried by an overwhelming majority by the house. The vote was not taken directly on the bill, but on a motion to lay it on the table. By a vote of 162 to 119 the motion was carried. Forty-seven republicans joined with the democrats and populists in accomplishing this result, and ten democrats voted with the majority of the republicans. The refusal of Mr. Loud to permit a vote on an amendment at the last minute was responsible in a measure for the result, but the strength of the measure undoubtedly waned throughout the three days' debate.

After a debate lasting several days, the senate passed the bill extending the homstead laws and providing for a right of way in the District of Alaska. Comparatively little discussion of general interest was created by the bill. Section 13 providing for certain bonding concessions to Canada in lieu of privileges to be extended by the dominion government to this country. however, induced a pretty lively debate, as it brought into controversy the old fisheries question on the New England coast, which has been pending between the United States and Britain for a hundred years. The statement was made on the floor of the senate that there was every reason to of Consul-General Lee, the order to lieve that by the passage of the bill the fisheries question could be settled without great effect, as assurances (ito that effect had been received from a large and influential element in Can-

> A report to the New York Herala from Washington says: Fully realizing the importance of preparations for any emergency, the president has directed the navy department to open negotiations looking to the purchase abread of warships. This fact is now for the first time made public. Eight men-of-war are practically for sale to the United States. The president has given consideration to the advisability of placing an option on them. The navy department has been carefully watching the construction abroad through the eyes of its naval attaches at London, Paris, St. Petersburg. Berlin, Vienna and Rome. Through those naval attaches and from the ship builders themselves the secretary of the navy has learned that he can now purchase two small sized battieships, two armored cruisers and four torpedo boats, all at a comparatively low price. The builders have promised that they can deliver the vessels to agents of this government at this time complete in every respect, and all that will necessary for the government to do will be to order the necessary details of officers and men to any port de-

The Spanish situation developed two new phases Sunday when it became known that the Spanish government had formally requested the recall of Consul-General Lee from his post at Havana, to which request the United States had courteously, but firmly, refused to comply; also that the Spanish government had suggested the impropriety of sending relief supplies to the luban reconcentradoes on the cruiser Montgomery and gunboat Nashville, to which suggestion the United States had given a like answer in the nega-The first intimation of these steps came in a brief and explicit cable dispatch from Madrid. Prior to its receipt, however, the authorities here had been fully conversant with the facts, although no intimation had been allowed to get to the public on either subject The disclosures from Madrid left no further ground for reticence in Washington and after a conference at the White house between the president, Assistant Secretary Day of the state department, and Secretary Long of the navy, the matter was made pub-Spain may, however, give General Lee his passports.

The senate committee on military affairs has passed favorably upon an amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill providing an appropriation of \$35,000 for the purchase of Point Lookout, with the view to incorporating it in the Chicamauga and Chattanooga national park.

The state department has received a call from Senor du Bose, the Spanish charge, who has received information bringing the record of the alleger filibuster Dauntless up to date and

Naval officers are deeply interested NEWS OF THE WORLD

TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES BOILED DOWN.

Most Important Events of the Past Six Days Carefully Collected and Condensed - Foreign and Domestic Doings Chronicled for Busy People to Read.

The village of Watersmeet, Mich., has been nearly wiped out by fire.

Representative Green of Nebraska The rubber companies of the combass introduced a bill to authorize a try are endeavoring to effect a combi-

The pope on March ? celebrated the twentieth anniversary of his corona-

Senor Campos Sales was elected president of Brezil No disorder was manifested.

The powder works of Santa Cruz. Cal., are busy night and day making smokeless powder.

A consignment of Gattling guns has been forwarded from the Brooklyn navy yard to Penscola, Fla. Miss Annie L. Edwards, who resided

alone in her home at Jamison, Pa., was murdered for her money. The passengers of the La Champagne are being conveyed from Halifax, N. S., to New York by rail.

During a brawl at Athens, Ill. George Rickstraw was fatally shot by a gambler named Elizer Gilchrist.

Adolph Luctgert, the wife murderer will manufacture sausage for use in the Joliet penitentiary. He is pleased.

Because he bought beer during the eampaign, John M. Good, mayor of Columbus, O., has been ousted from

The greater part of the business portion of Berne, Kas., was destroyed by fire, the total loss footing up about \$50,000;

Wm. A. Dodson, an employe of a Chicago notica store, committed sulcide by jumping from a third story window.

It is said a secret plot exists to use

sassinate King George of Greece. The first attempt, which happened recent The new torpedo boats. Tallot and

Gwinn will soon be completed and made ready for commission by the Herreshoffs. The Mallory line steamer Nucces

left New York Saturday for Key West | and shaft broken. with seventy-five tons of relief supplies for Cubans. The Spanish cruiser Almirante Oquendo, arrived in Havana harbor

Saturday and was received with a hearty welcome. United States Senator Mills of Texas has formally withdrawn from the race

for re-election which leaves the choice to Governor Culbertson. A rumor is current in Scattle that the steamer Bessie K., number of pas-

sengers unknown, has gone to the bottom of the Pacific ocean It is said Governor Pingree will call an extra session of the Michigan legislature. His object is said to be to

secure railroad legislation. The condition of General Rosecrans. who is ill at his ranch near Los Angeles, Cal., is very bad, and all hope of his recovery have been abandoned.

Two tons of dynamite were shipped from Cincinnati to Pensacola, Fla. shipping firm declines to say whether on government or private account.

The steamship Dauntiess was libelled by the government the other day charged with filibustering. The vessel

is now in charge of a deputy marshal. W. Takasi, new consul to Chicago from Japan, blew out the gas in his discovered in time to escape death by

asphyxiation. St. Gaudens, the famous sculptor. who has made several statues, notably the Logan equestrian statue at Chicago, has resolved to go to Paris to reside in the future.

The war department has decided to abandon its relief expedition to Klondike, the conclusion having been reached that no necessity now exists

The Ohio senate has passed a bill to require all coal to be weighed before screening and it is now a law. The measure was urged by the miners of

The Mississippi valley lumbermens association held its seventh annual meeting at Minneapolis, Minn. Wm. Irwin of Chippewa Falls was elected

Margaret Maloney, aged eighty-four. living alone in a small house in the suburbs of Cleveland, O., was burned to a crisp in her home, the cottage having caught fire in some manner.

At Biddeford, Me., all the departments of the Pepperell and Laconia cotton mills have started up in full after a shut down of seven weeks on account of a strike of operatives against a reduction in wages.

Rather than make public the saiar ies paid its executive officers, as demanded by Insurance Commissioner McNall of Kansas, the Greenwich Fire Insurance company has notified him of its it tention of quitting business in that state.

The City of Vicksburg, one of the finest Anchor line boats on the Mississippi river until the tornado of May 27, 1896, when its upper works were demolished, has been bought for the St. Louis naval reserves. It will be remodeled into a gunboat.

A. J. Cassat's famous Chesterbrook stock farm near Berwyn, Pa., was recently almost totally destroyed by fire. Twenty head of valuable Guernsey cows were burned. The damage is estimated at about \$60,000,

The Santa Fe railroad has made arrangements to let its box cars be used for advertising purposes. It will try the scheme as a revenue producer. If not satisfactory the road will discontinue the practice.

The application of the Chicago Inis understood he has presented a con-plete memorandum on that subject with a view to having the vessel at the Associated Press from cutting off its news service to that paper was denied by Judge Waterman

The J. M. Blair Brick company of NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

Kid McCoy has posted a challenge to fight " ny man in the world.

A receiver has been appointed for Massachusetts National Life Association.

A commission of Americans has been formed to boom American corn at the Paris exposition in 1900,

Gus Walton and Richard Hunting will die as the result of being caught by a cave-in at Texarkana.

Colonel Piequart, who was challenged. to a duel by Comte Esterhazy, as an ontgrowth of Zoia's trial, has refused to answer the challenge.

Friends of Valentine Hoy, who was murdered some days ago near Rock Springs, Wyo., caught and lynched the parties guilty of the crime.

John Howard Parnell, brother of the late Charles 8. Parnell, and national member of Parliament for Southmeath. has been elected city marshal of Dub-

Mabel Keating, known from New York to San Francisco as the "queen of pickpockets," was shot and fatally wounded by Jerry Sullivan at San

C. S. Conningham, defaulting paying teller of the First National bank of Cincinnati, is now in jail in default of \$20,000 bond. He is charged with The motive is a mystery. embezzling \$35,000.

While attending a revival meeting being conducted at Unbuque.Is..by an old negress, Michael Nozgles dramutleally confessed to a murder he had committed six years ago.

A vigilance committee has been or ganized at Padaeah, Ky., to deal with the numerous burgharies that are being perpetrated there. A stringent of a severe nature. Unless inflammabeen adopted.

James H. Carpenter, inventor of the Carpenter projectile, died at Reading. Pa., of pneumonia, agod fifty-one. He was been in New York and served with distinction in the many during the civil war.

Postmaster-General Gary has offered a reward of \$1,500 for the arrest and conviction of each person who particle pated in the unurder of Posimaster Buker at Lake City, S. C., on the night of February 21,

The steamer Maria Richmers, on her maiden voyage from Bremen to Baltimore with 16.0 steerage passengers and a general eargo, was towed into port at Hallfax, N. S., with a tail-

A negro named Will Jones was lynched at Lake Cormorant, Miss., by an unknown mob, for outraging a colored woman. The negro was tried a week ago for a similar offence, but the evidence was not sufficient to conviet him.

The navy department is sending ammunition to supply the Asiatic squadron. The training ship Mohican will convey to Honolulu thirty tons. It will then be forwarded to the fleet by the Bennington and Baltimore now lying there.

Passed Assistant Paymaster Edwin R. Webster, U. S. N., has been discharged from the navy with one year's the discharge is in accordance with an act of congress.

A four-handed duel took place between farmers residing in Futton county, Ky. A law suit was the cause. Joe Lynch was shot, his son Hurt Lynch was ent. Wade Harding was shot and James Moore was stabled, All are seriously hurt.

Dr. Charles Brooks, a prominent young physician of Chicago, while inboring under a fit of insanity, attacked his family with a carving knife. Officers were called on, and in trying to room at a San Francisco hotel, and was quiet him one of them fired, inflicting a wound that will prove fatal.

> An artist of Paris became crazed over the Dreyfus affair and the trial of Zola. He was possessed of the hallucination that he was Major Esterhazy. and jumped from a high window to es cape from officials whom he thought were after him. He was instantly

At Ryan, I. T., three men entered the house of Dr. Bize, upon pretense of needing his professional services. They bound the doctor and his wife and tortured first one and then t the other by burning their feet until their vietims gave them \$114, all the money they had in the house. A posse is in pursuit and threats of lynching are plentiful.

Signor Felice Cario Cavalotti, poet dramatist, publicist, and the well known medical member of the chamber of deputies for Corte-Olona, was killed at Rome Saturday in a duel with Signoa Macola, member of the Gazetta di Venezia. The encounter was the out come of a press polemic in the columns of the Milan Secole and the Gazetta di Venezia. It took place at an un frequented spot outside the Porta Magglore. The participants, though political opponents, were personal

A London dispatch says: "According to the statement of a man whose eards describe him as being an electrical engineer, whose name cannot be disclosed, but has been forwarded to Washington, he sold to Spanish officers in London some years ago, several mines, eight or ten of which were placed in Havana harbor. He said he had a special and peculiar constructed cable which he contends he can pos itively identify if the smallest piece is produced. The man who made the foregoing statements is an Englishman, and he says he is willing to go to the United States as a witness.

A dispatch from Havana says: "The great iron railroad bridge near Holguin, known as the Pando bridge, has been partially destroyed by the insurgents, who used two dynamite bombs.

Ex-Chief Justice Wycliffe of the Cherokee nation has been placed in jail at Vinita, I. T., on the charge of eattle stealing.

News has reached El Paso, Tex., that the Santo Domingo mine, in the Santa Eulalie district, fifteen miles south of Chihauhau, Mexico, was burned. Two workmen were burned to death. The loss amounts to half a million dollars and it will be twelve months before the mine can be operated.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM OVER THE STATE.

A Complete Review of the Past Week's Happenings in the Tree Planters' State Succinct Summary of the Most Imperiant News.

H. M. Bushnell has assumed charge of the Lincoln postoffice.

A building boom is on in Fremont and every carpenter is busy.

Efforts are being made to operate the Grand Island canning factory this

A two-year-old son of Hans Runge,

near Calro, was burned frightfully in

a prairie fire. Unknown parties robbed the store of W. E. Bassett at Sidney of about \$50 worth merchandise.

Rather than stand impeachment, Exciseman Vaill of Lincoln has resigned. The proceedings against him have

been dropped. Will G. Seeley, a Kearney young man, and well known, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head,

Conrad C. Sinner, agel sixteen years, while attempting to board a train at Harvard, fell beneath the cars and was instantly killed. His body was frightfully mangled.

Miss Howarton, a cook in the Kochler hotel at Grand Island, was caught in the elevator and sustained injuries iddiers ordinance and a curfew law har; tion should set in no serious consiquences are feared.

W. H. Miles of Buffalo Bill's wild west show recently telegraphed from Curtis a tender of his services with 100 cavalrymen, through the governor, to the United States government, all the men to be cowboys from the range.

Some time ago a wayfarer died in Dakota City and w a buried in the potter's field. The other day his brother came to go the remains but found the grave empty. It is believed the remains were stolen and taken to a Sioux City medical college.

Secretary Nason of the Nebraska Cuban relicf commission has requested the other members to meet at Omaha to dispose of the supplies already received, including four cars of corn and one of flour. He is now arranging transportation. The corn will probably be sold and the proceeds invested in ments.

The exposition authorities have been potified that Governor Black of New York has appointed a state exposition commission comprising Channey Depew. John Jacob Astor, W. Seward Webb Henry B. Hobart and Abel L. Blackman of Now York city; Charles N. Stow of Deposit, Jacob Ames of Syra-

cuse and John C. Graves of Buffalo. It has been suggested by a member full pay. He was found unfit for pro- of the state press association, and one motion by a naval board recently and high in authority, that inasmuch as press headquarters are to be furnished | propriate recitations were given by in the Nebraska building, the association ought to arrange to have a man in charge of the headquarters to extend a welcome to all comers in the name and on behalf of the state press association.

> Considerable complaint is made by parents of pupils in the primary grades of the Beatrice schools because of the advanced studies which are given the scholars, which, they say, are far in advance of their years. Teachers in these grades to whom the matter has been mentioned admit the fact, but reply by saying that they have no right to change the schedule of studies. It is believed the grades will be changed.

The verdict of the jury in the case of the state against the bondsmen of ex-Treasurer Bartley has received noth ing but condemnation from those who know the merits of the case. Attorney-General Smyth says he is able to show that one juror expressed an opinion before the trial of the case. The verdict is generally looked upon as ridiculous. The jurors decline to discuss by what hoeus poeus of reasoning they arrived at their conclusion.

A woman with four small starving children drove into Shelton on their way to Kearney in an open wagon which was loaded with bedding and other household goods. Their destitute condition was noticed by some kind hearted people who took them to a hotel and warmed and fed them, and sent them, on the following day. to their destination, by train. The woman's husband is in jail at Kearney awaiting trial for stealing some wheat which he wished to make into bread.

A pyramid of corn in the car made up of contributions of one bushel each from the farmers of Missouri, will be one of the features of the exhibit from that state at the Omaha exposition. Tle pyramid will be built in courses. each course representing the number of bushels annually produced in the state and the highest and lowest market prices which it sold at during the same year. The courses will be separated by layers of red corn. The mid will be constructed on the 1 tian order, and the figures and pr. es will cover a period of thirty years.

The Tiffany company of New York has taken a space of 2,000 feet for their display at the exposition, but will require something additional to the ordinary in the way of guards on account of the value of the exhibit, which will be of diamonds. It will have one diamond alone worth \$500,000. The expense of putting up the exhibit will be

Louis and Anthony Dinmire, farmers southeast of Rising City, had a narrow escape from being cremated in their house. The house caught fire in the night and they barely escaped with their lives.

York is to have a new opera house is cost \$15,000. Its seating capacity will be 1,600.

The cash drawer of the depot at Hartington was rob bed of about \$30 in eash by parties who waited until the agent was away from the depot or other railroad business.

Five prisoners broke jall at Grand Island, each one a hard customer with a penitentiary sentence confronting him: They have not yet been captured.

Adjutant-General P. H. Barry has selected grounds at Omaha near the exposition grounds for the next an nual encampment of the Nebraska National guard. The selection of Omaha as the place of the encampment was made by Governor Holcomb as commander-in-chief. (The date of the encampment has not been fixed.

Complying with a recent ruling or suggestion of Julge Munger on the subject, the attorney-general has filed an an andment to his petition in his suit against the receiver of the Capital National bank to recover the \$285,357,85 lost to the state by the failure of that bank. His amendment is to bring suit in the name of the state instead of that of the present treasurer, Mr. Meserve.

The man who stole a horse from Samuel Imhoff at Columbus about a week ago, was arrested in Madison county and brought back. He gave the name of Frank Robinson. He waived preliminary examination and was bound over to district court in the sum of \$1,000, in default of which he languishes in the county jail. The 5 horse was returned to its owner. Robinson is nistranger in Columbus, no one seeming to know him.

Hans Christensen, a Lincoln shoemaker, was chopped to pieces under the wheels of the Missouri Pacific west bound freight 370 about twelve miles east of Lincoln. The deceased was seventy-three years old. He had no known relatives and made his home with C. Zackariason, at 1246 North Fourteenth street, Christensen has not been all right mentally for some time, and had wandered away from town during a temporary fit.

The supreme court before adjourning, did not pass on motions for rehearings. Motions of that nature are pending in several criminal and civil cases, including the case in which ex-State Trensurer Bartley is defeandant, also the case of Whitney and Mills of Harlan county and the Barrett. Scott bond case. The court affirmed a \$2,000 verdiet against the B. & M. in the Kellogg case from Phelps county. When Mr. Kellogg was last heard from he was not expected to live. owing to injuries received while acting as station agent.

The W. C. T. U. of Ashland held memorial services for Frances E. Willard last Sunday at the Congregational church. The audience was very large and the exercises very effective and interesting. All of the pa short addresses on different phases of her life and work. Two or three apthe younger people. The admirers of Miss Willard have always been very numerous in Ashland, including some who had known her in childhood and

Joseph Umbland, living about three miles southeast of Howe, in Namaha county, went to Auburn the other day and called up Dr. Opperman, who has been coroner of the county for many years, and asked him if he was coroner, saying at the same time that Mrs. Samuel Umbland had been killed. Word was at once sent to Dr. J. R. Jack, the present coroner, who has started an investigation. Nothing definite is yet known. The supposition. based on street rumors, is that her husband. Sam Umbland, went home from Auburn drunk, and that he may have attacked her. This rumor has not been verified. Mrs. Umbland is about thirty years of age, and formerly lived in Auburn. She leaves a three weeks' old baby.

Judge J. H. Broady and H. A. Babock, attorneys in the suit to compel. Auditor Cornell to draw warrants on the state appropriation for the home for the friendless, have secured leave of the supreme court to withdraw original exhibits and substitue certified copies. The court decision denying the writ applied for leaves the attorneys free to appeal the district court from Auditor Cornell's action on claims for salaries and supplies. It is understood, however, that Judge Broady believes he can secure a rehearing and get the writ prayed for in the suit just decided. The supreme court held that mandamus was not the proper remedy, but that an appeal should have been taken to the district court from the auditor's action. The attorneys believe this to be true where the auditor rejects a claim, but in this ease the auditor is said to have refused to take any action whatever. His reason was that the state boards had not passed upon the claims, therefore he refused to draw warrants. Attorneys for the home hope, by showing the facts, to secure a writ compelling the auditor to act or refuse to draw warrants. In the latter event they can appeal to the supreme court.

Fred Francis, chief rate clerk in the passenger department of the B. & M. at Omaha, and brother of General Passenger agent Francis, has gone to Chieago to take the position of chief rate elerk under General Passenger Agent Eustis of the "Q." He has been with the Burlington in Omaha for about

eight years. Dr. A. R. VanSiekle, city physician of Hastings, fell from his bicycle and

dislocated his collar bone. The Roman Catholic diocese of Omaha has sent \$584 to the distressed Cubans and has \$50 on hand which will be forwarded in a few days.