Can't Violate Anti-Saloon Clause.

The supreme court has taken a new stand in support of the clauses in deeds forbidding the use of city lots for saloon business, on penalty of forfeiture to the original grantor. In 1880, when Waldo Lyons founded the he pursued the plan for inserting in month to the various school districts. each deed a clause forbidding the use of the premises for saloon purposes, and provided that in the event that it was so used by the grantor or his assigns the land should revert to the original owner or his heirs. He sold a Ramey, who several years later sold it in turn to Balthas Jetter. Jetter leased the property to John Carlow for the purpose of establishing a saloon business and Waldo Lyon, John Lyon and school district bonds, \$4,206,213.27; and Mary E. Smith, the heirs of the general fund warrants, \$1,689,245.99; original grantor, began proceedings to total investments, \$5,895,459.26. recover possession of the property, claiming a reversion under the terms of the deed. Their contention was sustained in the district court of Burt county, and Jetter appealed. The supreme court upheld the contention of the heirs and against Jetter.

Another State Law Attacked.

The second piece of work of the late legislature to be attacked in the supreme court is what is known as the Ager scavenger bill, which requires the sale of property for taxes after so many years, for what it will bring, the purchase price to wipe out all back taxes assessed against the property. The suit came from Beatrice, where the city of Beatrice has a claim for back taxes against several lots, as has also the county, which recently through its treasurer sold the property, the purchase price being \$1 for each lot. The back taxes against the property amount to several hundred dollars, of which one-third is owing to the city. The city, through its attorney, applied to the supreme court for an injunction to prevent the making out of the certificate of sale or a tax deed. The attorney holds that the law is unconstitutional in that such a procedure would result in a commutation or a reduction of taxes.

Dodge County Wins the Big Case.

Dodge county has secured a victory in the second round of the combat over the duty of Saunders county to stand half the cost of bridges over the Platte river between Saunders and Dodge counties. Several years ago suit was instituted by Dodge county for the purriver. The supreme court decides that the boundary line of the counties is in the river and that the duty to pay for bridges cannot be changed or deviated from because the boundary has been shunted from the middle to one side, since the river is one and indivisible.

Speaker Cannon Sets Pace.

Congressman Joseph Cannon, of Illinois, speaker of the house of representatives, who owns several hundred acres of land near Pender, has recently shipped several carloads of tiling, which is to be used in draining his farm lands. The congressman reclaimed a lareg tract of land in Illinois several years ago by tiling which has made him plenty of money. The example set by the speaker will encourage others in that part of the state to reclaim lands that have been submerged from overflow, destroying the growing crops in seasons like the past one.

Insane Are Great Readers.

Based on a statement filed for reading matter for the year beginning December 1, 1903, the inmates of the state hospital for the chronic insane at Hastings are the most industrious readers of any class of people in the state. The bill is for \$146.65 and includes 136 publications, ranging from the best authority on scientific matter to the Farm and Fireside.

Sets Anide Divorce.

The supreme court set aside the divorce the lower court granted to Postmaster Hoover, of Blue Hills, from Mrs. Hoover, who was before her marriage a cigar girl in the Millard hotel at Omaha. The divorce was granted while Mrs. Hoover and her attorney of Omaha were delayed by a late train enroute to Blue Hills for the trial of the case.

Warden Beemer Reports.

Warden Beemer, of the state penitentiary, reports that four convicts during the month of November were sentenced to serve time in the dungeon for insubordination. During the month two prisoners were paroled, 12 finished their sentences and 14 were received. There are 271 convicts in the prison.

Lindsay Will Stay.

Chairman Lindsay, of the republican state committee declared vehemently that he did not intend to shake Nebraska dust from his feet and hie himselw to Wisconsin.

Condition of State Treasury.

In the monthly statement of Treasurer Mortensen, it shows there is not now a cent of money in the permanent school fund, the 61,389.65 received having all been invested. The temporary school fund contains \$246,966.78, town named after him in Burt county, which will be apportioned out this The treasury contains just \$2,288.14 in cash. The semi-annual report of the treasurer filed with the governor at the same time shows that on June 1 the total balance in the state treasury was \$557,859.48. The receipts since lot in that year to a person named | that date aggregated \$1,191,521.25, payments \$1,393,623,53, leaving a balance of \$355,757.20. The report shows total investments now held by the state as follows: United States, state, county

Secretary of State Reports.

Secretary of State Marsh has filed with Gov. Mickey his semi-annual report for the period ended November 30. During that period he has earned for the state treasury the tidy sum of \$301 by affixing the great seal of the state to documents presented for his authentication. His labors in filing articles of incorporation have won \$4,-088.78 in hard cash for the state's strong box, while several other minor items bring the total receipts up to \$4,847.68. In the same period the sum of \$500 has been transferred from Mr. Mortensen's strong box to the bank account of Mr. Marsh, leaving to the credit of his salary fund, \$3,000.

Holdup Man Repents.

While the people of Lincoln are carrying canes and revolvers for the suppression of the holdup artists, comes now one of the tribe who has demonstrated that he has a heart and it is in a good place. Chief of Police Routzahn has receiced a letter, unsigned, inclosed with which was \$6.50 which the writer stated he had stolen from L. K. Holmes, whom he held up last winter. He requested the chief to deliver the money to the rightful owner, as his conscience so troubled him he could not longer keep it. The money was given to Mr. Holmes and the police will make no effort to apprehend the sender, believing that his reformation is complete.

State Teachers' Meeting.

For the coming state teachers' meeting at Lincoln beginning December 29. pose of compeling the former to pay a splendid programme has been prethe United States has been secured to work. Because of the excellent programme and the great interest being manifested, it is believed that the enrollment will reach 2,500. For the general session these are among the prominent speakers secured: James H. Canfield, Frank Roberson, Joseph F. Nugent, William Gardner Hale, William Wallace Stetson, Edward Alsworth Ross, M. Adelaide Holton, Clara Cooper, Mrs. J. M. Pyle.

Rejects Expense Bill.

The claim of Attorney General Prout, a member of the party that took a spin around several states to inspect asylums, whose expense claim for something like \$118 was allowed by the board of public lands and buildings, has been presented to the auditor and has been rejected. The claims of the other members of the party were also allowed by the board, but they have so far failed to show up in the auditor's office. This, it is expected, will occasion a suit in the supreme court to see whether the state has to pay such accounts and from what funds they are to be paid.

Dietrich Is for Matthews.

While in Omaha Senator Dietrich was interviewed in respect to the appointment of a United States marshal to succeed T. L. Mathews, whose term will soon expire. He said that he had decided to withdraw his concession to Senator Millard, by which the latter was to have the privilege of naming a man for the position. Mr. Dietrich explained that he made the offer to Senator Millard, believing that he would recede from his stand in favor of W. S. Summers for district attorney, which would have the effect of making the way clear for the appointment of H. C. Lindsay.

Forty Years Ago.

Forty years ago the citizens of Omaha with much eclat observed the formality of breaking ground for the Union Pacific railroad. Among the speakers were Gov. Alvin Saunders, Mayor Kennedy and George Francis Train. On that same day President Lincoln telegraphed the mayor of Council Bluffs that the new railroad would cross the river at Omaha.

Demand Greater Than Supply. The two brick yards at Table Rock turned out 10,000,000 brick the past year, and the demand for them was twice as great as the supply.

GREEN-ROOM GOSSIP.

Someone complained to Pinero, the London dramatist, that in the case of his latest success the curtain rose too early for those who dine at the usual fashionable hour. "Then postpone dinner until after the play," said Pinero. "Sit down to a square meal about 11. What dreams may come will be dreams of the play, and even nightmare may prove an advertisement for me."

London papers tell of a queer "first night" which took place at Wallingford recently. It was the initial production-for copyright purposes only-of "Merely Mary Ann," the new comedy by Israel Zangwill. The novelty of the production lay in the character of the company. Jerome K. Jerome, Sir Conan Doyle and other well-known literary men were in the cast "just for a lark," and as they merely read their parts instead of having to memorize them there was a refreshing originality about this performance. Mr. Zangwill was present as a quiet but interested spectator, Anthony Hope was "leading man," and his acting is said to have been simply unmentionable.

Henry Irving once preached quite a terse sermon on appropriate dressing. A clever young woman belonging to his company appeared at rehearsal one morning dressed in a lovely gown and a stunning hat. Irving commented on the unusual splendor of her getup, whereupon the actress explained that she was going to a swell luncheon that afternoon, and had saved time by dressing in advance. "Then run away to the luncheon first, my dear young lady,' said the star. "Just now your mind too, is dressed up for the luncheon and not for work. When you come for rehearsal come looking the part." The young woman, who is now a star, never forgot the lesson which she learned that morning.

GLEANED ABROAD.

Several slight cracks having been noticed in the dome of the Pantheon a! Rome, the government has ordered ar inquiry by experts.

Six hundred cases of tiles, reliefs and other objects which once decorated the palace of Nebuchadnezzar have beer shipped to Germany from Babylon by Dr. Koldeway.

Knoedler, Roux and other prominent art dealers of Paris say that the financial situation in England and the United States is having a baneful influence on the art trade and is likely to have for some time.

One of the great stones of the portice of Octavio in Rome fell recently in consequence of a storm. The report was for a time current that the whole monument was threatened. There is, however, no danger of further damage.

Mild indignation has been caused at half the cost of bridges across the pared and some of the best talent in Southport, England, because a statue of Queen Victoria was cast by a firm of Ger deliver addresses and take part in the man bronze founders. The statue has not yet been unpacked, and speculation is rife as to which part of it will bear the inscription "Made in Germany."

SOME NECROLOGY OF 1903.

Captains in charge of troops who captured Jeff Davis, four. Lieutenants in charge, five. The last one died the other day.

The last man who hanged John Brown,

Last survivors of Waterloo, nine. Last Balaclava men, three.

Last men who saw Napoleon, two. This does not include the men who have written about him, none of whom has died for several years.

Last women, who, as flower girls, were kissed by Lafayette, thirteen.

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