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NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

ESTATE SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT.-The Dember school apportionment has just been nade. The whole number of children of school age is shown to be 208,436, and the unount of the apportionment \$164,804.85. The smount of the June apportionment was \$303,-\$12.19, making a total for the year of \$468,-117.04. This does not include the payments m school land leases, which will come in on. February, and which properly belong to 1884. The amount derived from school land leases was \$150,800.65.

The apportionment by counties was as fol-

Name of County.	Number of Scholars.	Amount
	3,003	\$ 2,2 3 00
Adams	4,248	3,342 75
Buffalo		1,730 39 3,544 98
Brown		1,011 95
Burt	3,653	2,874 54
Butler	5,292	3,377 37
Cherry	6,723	5,200 32 77 11
Cheyenne & Sic	oux 305	240 00
Dedar	1,499	1,179 56
Clay	4.542	3,514 09 2,683 75
ruming	3.151	2,479 52
Juster	2,145	1,687 90
Dawson	1,484	1,167 75
Dakota	1,6:5	1.294 45 1.778 39
Bodge	4,977	3.816 40
Douglas		10.516 12
Franklin	2,083	3,475 73 1,639 11
Prontier		278 55
Purnas	1,915	1,506 91
Sage	7,635	6,007 98
Sosper	1,237	973 39 635 81
Ball.	4.105	3,230 22
Hamilton	3,842	3,023 26
Harlan	2,039	209 31
Holt	3.375	2,655 78
Howard	2,388	1,879 11
Jefferson		3,007 53
Keith		3,109 82 20 5
Kearney	2,148	1,690 26
Knox		1,592 68
Lancaster		8,018 51 807 35
Loup		163 67
Madison	3.174	2,497 62
Nance	2,415	1,900 36 793 98
Nemaha	4.678	3,681 90
Nuckolls	2,362	1,858,65
Dtoe	9 919	5,173 08
Phelps	1,424	2,527 53 1,120 54
Pierce	872	686 17
Polk	4,225	3,224 65
Red Willow	1 185	2,572 37 893 13
Richardson	6,820	5.366 65
Saline	6,411	5,044 81
Sarpy		1,592 68 5,513 80
Seward	5,074	3,992 73
Bherman	1,339	1,053 65
Phayer	2 185	2,508 27
Valley	1.705	1,341 66
wasnington	4,376	3,443 47
Wayne		718 43
Wheeler	3,147	2,473 37 339 94
York	5,026	3,954 95

OTOE LAND FRAUDS.-In the United States ourt a Lincoln a motion to quash the indict nent against Griggs, Ashby and others for conspiracy to defraud the government in the Hoe land tale, was argued by J. L. Webster, of Omaha for the motion and G. M. Lamberton, United States district attorney, on the ther side. The grounds on which the court ras asked to quash the indictment were:

1. That the land in question belonged to the

ndians, and the governmedt could not pos-ibly have been defrauded by the conduct of he defendants. 2. That the i dictment does not state any s sho ing that a conspiracy was formed or defrauding the gover ment.

3. That the indictment does not charge the efendants with any offense whatever against be United States government.
The case was taken under advisement and

ecision reserved. Charles Florence and John B. Legnard, inicted with twelve others for conspiracy to iefraud the gove nment, perjury and subor-tation of perjury in what is known a the 'Valentine land frauds,' were arraigned and aded not guilty. The trial is set for the

THE GRAVE DESECRATED .- A Lincoln special o the Omaba Re ublican says: When Undertker Roberts visited Wyuka cemetery this norning to disinter the body of Pearl Forade, alias Alice Heath, who lost her life in an infortunate affair at Mollie Hall's place last zeek, preparatory to its removal to Cresco, ie found the grave robbers had been at work. The c ffin and shroud were in the grave, but be body was missing. The cemetery trust es vere immediately notified and, after a con erence, search was instituted which resulted the body being returned to Roberts' under-aking rooms at 8 o'clock in the evening, where it was again prepared for ur al and alsced in a casket. The authorities refuse to ive any particulars of the recovery of the sody, but it is supposed that it was found in dissecting room of the medical college of he state university. The body was said to ave been an excellent subject, inasmuch as he woman was of fine physique and about to ecome a mother.

# THE STATE IN BRIEF.

Creighton improved \$75,000 last year. . Waterloo has prospects of soon getting a

Several Almaites have already gonet the exposition. A new time table went into effect on the B.

k M. last Sunday.

The Gorham Louse is a new hotel recently

mened at Lincoln. The Gage county agricultural society will

neet in Beatrice January 24. Petitions from would-be postmasters are in urculation in several towns.

At Lodge Pole last week four cats were bund frozen to death in a barn.

A sale of thoroughbred Shorthorns wil ake place at Lincoln, February 11th. Mr. Tan Kee has been interesting West

Point audiences in a series of lectures. The new high school building at Beatrice ras occupied for the first time last week.

Gov. Dawes gave a reception to members of he legislature on Thursday evening last.

Moses F. Shinn, a pioneer of Omaha, is lead. His demise is mourned by a fourth

With the merchants of Alma business the ms year was the largest within the history of he town.

A Butler county farmer sold seventy-one logs, averaging 375 pounds, at \$3.50 per hun

Nebraska City feels the needs of a public

eading room and will make an effort to se-The capital is expected to be full of life the

arvest.

nonth of December picked up and distributed 51.982 p eces.

or the insune at Topeka. The authorities of York have stopped the ale of the B. B drinks, and other towns are

bout to do the same. Several citizens of Alexandria expect to risit the exposition to see Nebraska's exuibit and other great sights.

A gentleman has been at Gibbon making arrangements to feed 6,000 sheep which are expected to arrive in a few days.

Several children near Riverton were so se. verely frozen during the recent cold weather that some of them will lose their fingers.

A man who recently arrived in Sioux City confirms the report of seven men having been

rozen to death in the Niobrara country. P. J. Lawrence, of Platte county, has been placed under bonds to appear before its courts and answer to the charge of incest.

Martin Mazkus, living near Alma, while crossing a bridge with a load of hay, was thrown to the ice below and seriously injured.

About one thousand people attended the reception of Gov. Dawes at the capital last. week. The gathering was decidedly brilliant. The galleries of both houses of the legisla ture were filled the first day of the session to

Carpenters are endeavoring to finish up a good many partly constructed buildings, but the cold weather makes it a matter almost out of the question.

witness the law-makers commence opera-

Within two weeks thirteen children of Fulerton were swept away by diphtheria and scarlet fever. One family lost three and several others two.

E. W. Peterson, of Burt county, is the youngest man in the house. He is the first man elected to the Nebraska legislature who was born in the state.

Mrs. Henry, the evange ist, will hold a series of meetings at Alma. She has been quite successful with meetings at Bloomington, Franklin and elsewhere.

Mr. Shedd, of Lincoln, is the speaker of the

house of representatives, and Hon. Church Howe, of Nemaha county, presides over de liberations of the senate. The little child of Mr. Flader, living near Lincoln, died a few days ago from a scalding

received several days ago. She pulled a pot of hot water off the stove. The fun in Schuyler's skating rink was varied the other night by a game of knockdown-and-drag-out, in which a half dozen

young men took a hand. Slater, arrested in connection with the murder in the insane asylum, has been released. Graver, the alleged other party to the trans-

action, will probably be held for trial. A drunken man put out of a store at Marquette burled a brick at the glass door, and, scattering the glass, cut a party on the inside

quite severely about the face. There are 4,505 school children in Buffalo county. The apportionment for this county is \$3,544.98, leaving the amount of 59 cents for each child after the district fund is taken

The hungry tramp with but little money can fare very well in Omaha. The price of bread in that city has been reduced one-half, and a very large-sized loaf is furnished for five cents.

Many of the papers are urging the legislature to do something for relief of the people from the five per cent. tax penalty. It remains to be seen whether the request will be beeded.

At the reception of Gov. Dawes in Lincoln last week his excellency was presented with a beautiful album, containing the photographs of the judges and district attorneys appointed

Joe Graver has been jailed at Lincoln to await trial on charge of murdering an inmate of the insane asylum. The man against whom this serious charge rests has heretofore borne

The son of H. Crook, Republican City, met with a painful accident last week. He placed a gun-cap on one of the rails of the B. & M. track and struck it with a hammer. It exploded and a portion was buried in the boy's

J. P. Curry, living northwest of Shelton, made an attempt to commit suicide by taking about two-thirds of an ounce of laudanum and a teaspoonful of aconite. He was saved by the timely arrival of a physician. Domestic trouble. Charles Florence and John B. Legnard, ar-

rested in Chicago recently on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the government, perjury and subordination of perjury, in connection with the Valentine land frauds, were ar raigned at Lincoln.

Two Omaha policemen, while on duty, met in a saloon at 4 o'clock in the morning and had a regular set-to of several rounds which was desperate and damaging to the participants. Both of the cops have been suspended pending an investigation.

During the past month the distilleries in this state have been doing their level best to make a hole in the supply of corn and have produced more liquor than in any previous month in the history of the state, paying over \$200,000 for taxes upon what they manufac-

The man Taylor, who was arrested at Beatrice a short time ago for attempting to break into a clothing store, is wanted in Denver to answer to the charges of grand larceny and forgery. The Gage county authorities will deal with him first for his offense in that

place. Robert Phelps traps nearly 150 muskrats every night on the bottoms near Perus Some seasons Phelps captures as high as three or four thousand muskrats, and from fifty to one hundred beavers. He follows trapping in the winter and shoemaking in the summer

A fatal accident occurred at Hastings last week in Oliver's elevator. Mr. Guyer looks after the machinery and while stooping over a tumbling rod to fix a grain chute, his clothes were caught by the rod and he was jerked forward and under the rod, breaking his neck and killing him instantly. His head was badly crushed and arms bruised, but no bone

broken. His coat was torn clear off. In York county Mr. B. F. Marshall became mentally unbalanced and attempted to do injury to his family and other members of the household, using a railing of the stove to in flict damage. Following this he ran into the street with no clothing on but a shirt and made his way half a mile distant, where he laid down the railroad track. It is likely he

will be sent to the asylum. A special from Oakland says report reached there that one Geo. B. Wigren, living two miles south of Braig, in Burt county, shot and mortally wounded his wife. The weapon used was a double-barreled shotgun, and one of the woman's arms is riddled into shreds and her side perforated with shot. She cannot live. They are Swedes, and are known to have had trouble, but the husband claims the

ext two months. The hotels will reap a good shooting was accidental. Charles Ogdeer, a young man living a short The letter carriers of Lincoln during the distance northwest of Crete, shot himself in a frightful manner. He was on horseback, chasing a wolf, and dismounted to open a W. C. Tallman, formerly sheriff of Pawnee | gate, leaning his gun against a wire fence. ounty, has lost his mind and is in the asylum He remounted and then reached for his gun, and, the hammer catching on a wire, the gun was discharged, blowing off one side of his face, taking off the upper and lower jans

completely. He cannot live. About half-past six o'clock on Sunday morning last, says the Lincoln Journal, there be. gan a tussle at the hospital for the insane be-

tween two persons, a keeper and a patient, that resulted an hour later in the death of the latter, and later still in the arrest of the former, a man named Graver, and another attendant named Slattery, who had a hand in the affray. Both are held on the charge of

murder in the second degree. The Nelson Gazette says: A few days ago a young man named Cloud was trying to uncap shell for a breach-loading shot-gun, when it exploded, sending the entire charge of shot almost through his hand between the thumb and forefinger. The shell bursted, one piece of which was driven through his clothes, cutting considerable of a gash in his breast. The hand was badly burned and lacerated, but no bones were broken. Mr. Cloud thought the shell was not loaded.

The Pawnee Republican says that owing to severe storms and extremely cold weather he first annual exhibition of the Southeastern Nebraeka pouitry association, held in that sity, was not so largely attended as was promised, but was in every other way a fine success. Among those from abroad who nade especially fine exhibits were H. I. Me-Coy, of Sterling, Neb., A. N. Baker & Co., of Sabetha, Kan., and I. Starr & Son, of Humpoldt, Neb. In Mr. McCoy's collection was a ine Langshan cockerel scoring 93% points out losing on weight.

The Elk Creek Echo says that Sheriff Berry. of Peoria county, Illinois, captured in Pawnee county and returned to Peoria with Levi W. Bellamy, who fled from there a short time ago after swindling several business men of Peoria. At the time of his departure Mrs. John W. Ruth, the attractive young wife of a plasterer, also disappeared, and from the previous conduct of the pair it was supposed they had gone together. This proves to be the case. The couple were found upon a farm near Pawnee City, owned by George W. Winston, who had married the mother of Bellamy after the latter had secured a divorce from her former husband.

#### STATE LEGISLATIVE DOINGS.

As Forshadowed in a Condensed Report of

the Nebraska Legislature. The Nebraska legislature convened at Lincoln at noon on the 6th.

SENATE. - The senate was called to order by. Lieut.-Gov. Agee. The roll being called and Sherwood Burr elected temporary secretary, adjournment was taken till 2 p. m.

On reassembling the senate proceeded to effect a permanent organization by the election of the following officers: President pro tempore, Church Howe; secretary, Sherwood Burr; first assistant secretary, Walt. M. Seely; second assistant secretary, E. O. Lewis; clerk of the committee of the whole, D. H. Mercer; sergeant-at-arms, G. W. Limbacher; assistant sergeant-at-arms, Alex. Laferty; enrolling clerk, Nellie Depue; engrossing clerk, Miss L. Seedicker; doorkeeper, John H. Mann; assistant doorkeeper, Joel Purcell; postmaster, E. W. Blair; mail carrier, C. H. Silvernail; chaplain, Rev. C. C. Pierce. A committee to report upon rules of order, consisting of five members, was appointed as follows: Dolan, Hobel, Mcklejohn, Sowers and Howe.

House.-The house being called to order, the roll of members was called-ninety-six in

M. Lee, of Furnas, and W. G. Whitmore of Douglas, were placed in nomination for temporary speaker. Lee received 58 votes out of 96, and was declared elected. The rules of the house of 1882 were adopted

as the rules of the present house until further Adjournment was had until 4 p. m., at which hour bu-iness was resumed. The committee on credentials reported the names of members entitled to seats, being the same as heretofore published, except as to Waitt, of the Seventeenth district, whose seat was con-tested. A committee of five was appointed to wait upod Justice Cobb and conduct him to the house. The oath of office was administered and the members signed the roll, except Miles and Waitt, who were absent. The house then proceeded to the election of a speaker, with the following result: Field, 55; Nettleton, 16; Stevenson, 7; Winspear, 19. Field was declared elected, and conducted to the chair by Stevenson, Nettleton and Wiusp ar. Mr. Field made an appropriate speech, ex-

tending thanks for the honer conferred. Adjourned. SENATE. - The committee on rules reported -making majority and minority reports. Majority report adopted. The rules of the senite in session of 1883 adopted with the addition of rule 48 thereto. Rule 48 provides that all standing committees be appointed by the

lieutenant governor. McShane reported that the joint session of the two houses for the purpose of canvassing the vote of the state election was fixed at a o'clock. At that hour, upon motion of Howe, the senate proceeded in a body to the house The joint session was called to order at 4:30 o'clock and went into executive session to consider the appointments made by the governor. House-The rules were suspended and the following officers elected by acclamation: Chief clerk, James W. Zediker, of the Franklin; assistant clerk, F. H. Wilson, of Cass; secodd asststant clerk, F. W. Russell, of Valley; enrolling clerk, Alice Beardsley; engross ing clerk, Mary Kennedy; chaplain, Rev. P

Van Fleet; sergeant-at-arms, R. E. Doran, of Dodge; doorkeeper, H. P. Cuddy, of Polk. It was moved and carried that the speaker appoint Brad D. Slaughter the clerk of the The following appointments were announced:

Postmaster, M. H. Wescott; assistant post master, Mrs. Kate Boyle; mail carrier, Ira Cadman; custodian of the committee rooms D. G. Dorsey; assistant doorkeeper, James Stevenson.

The senate and house went into joint session and the vote was canvassed and announced correct as certified. A resolution to submit the question as to

whether the legislative amendment was carried or lost to the supreme court, was laid on the SENATE.-Howe, of Nemaha, introduced a

resolution providing for the establishment of a standing committee on charities. Adopted. A c mmittee was appointed to obtain the opinion of the supreme court on the legislative amendment.

Buckrooth introduced a resolution providing for an investigation of the manag ment of school lands. Laid over under the rules. McAllister introduced a resolution authorizing a committee, consisting of Paul, Brown and Hoebel, to investigate the management of the hospital for the insane. Adopted. A number of bills were introduced, when

adjournment took place till Monday. House.—The following appointments were announced: Griff R. Taylor, of Furnas, janitor; W. R. Watson, of Merrick, to take charge of public filings of printed bills; D. W. Krause, of Seward, assistant doorkeeper. The rules were suspended and ladies invited

to seats on the floor of the house. At 3 o'clock the senate came in a body and a loint conventiou was held. The chief justice and state officers-elect en tered and the governor's message was deliv ered. The state officers-elect took the usua oath and the joint convention adjourned. The house was again called to order and the

roll called, after which adjourned till Monday

Canada Becoming Alarmed. Le Convier in Canada, in discussing a recent article in the London Times on the Nicaraugua canal difficulty and the possibility of a rupture between England and the United States, adds: "There is no doubt that Canada would then become the theatre of operations and in that case we would have a right to pro test and refuse to allow ourselves to be slaughtered like shep, for we will be asked to endure all calamities, all the horrors of war, to detend England's interest in Central Amer-ica. This is really coming it too string, and we hardly think that our loyalty will permit us to enter upon so perilous a path."

It always makes the immortal gods laugh when they see a twelve-inch man trying to fire a fifteen-inch shot. And there are just several of that kind of men in the world.

#### BRIEFLY TOLD.

The committee appointed by the Southwestern Railway association has recommend-

ed the continuance of the pool for two years. The Warm Springs hotel at Warm Springs, N. C., was burned. It was one of the largest hotels in the south. Nothing was saved. Loss \$100,000; insurance, \$50,000.

Wm. T. McBride, of Red Cloud, took a dose of laudanum from the effects of which he died a short time age. Strong drink is said to be the cause of the rash act.

Among bills passed by the senate was one authorizing the payment of \$3,100 to Pearson C. Montgomery, of Memphis, Tennessee, as compensation for property taken from him and used by the United States during the late

George W. Childs, who has returned to Philadelphia, left New York satisfied that the fund for the relief of General Grant would be raised without the least difficulty. Money is pouring in, no only from the originators of the fund, but from many unexpected sources.

Officer Feist, of Columbus, Ohio, was shot dead at 2 o'clock in the morning by one of three unknown men who were counting a roll of money back of the station. Feist inquired the nature of the transaction and was shot without a word from any of them. All three of them escaped. Considerable excitement has been occa-

sloned at the Wisconsin state capitol by the discovery that the ceiling of the assembly chamber, including the dome, had sunk in the center about eight inches, and is liable to come down with the entire roof of the west and of the building.

Major Charles B. Brady, subscription clerk in the St. Lou's Republican offi e, and well known in Masonic and other orders, suicided by shooting himself through the head, at his home. He was in the army during the war and served a part of the time on General Mc Clellan's body guard.

The city council of Keokuk, Iowa, adopted a resolution declaring that the prohibitory liquor law was a failure. It recites that moral sussion and a rigid license law is the only remedy. The city clerk was instructed to forward the resolution to Governor Sherman, and asking that a special session of the legislature be called to repeal the prohibitory law.

Thomas Phalen, said to be superintendent of the workhouse at Kansas City, was stabbed and probably fatally wounded in the office of O'Donovan Rossa in New York by a man named Barry. The men quarreled presumably in relation to Irish national affairs. Phalen opened fire with his revolver upon his assailent when both reached the street. Barry was locked up in the station. Phalen was removed to the hospital and it is expect d he will die.

Advices re eived from Camp Russell indicate that the party now invading Oklahoma is there for no other purpose than to bring on a collision with the troops. There are four hundred armed men-no families with them. They declare they are there for the purpose of resisting the government from entering the territory, under the guise of hunters. They have rendezvoused at one place. There is no evidence of a peaceful occupation by settlers. Gen. Hatch is moving with his troops to remove them. Should loss of life occur it will be because of armed resistance to the lawful orders of the president in enforcing the laws of the nation.

# FOREIGN NOTES.

Gladstone's health continues to improve. Bismarck has abandoned his intention to

risit southern Europe. Prince Adolph William Daniel Auersberg, the well-known Austrian statesman, is dead.

Madame Hugas, the French woman who shot and killed Justice Morin, who insulted her, was acquitted at Paris.

Advices from Durban, South Africa, state that the British protectorate has been proclaimed over the whole of Pondoland.

The German corvette Griesenan, with the German consul general on board, has been ordered to proceed to Zanzaban on a special It is reported that Chamberlain, president

of the board of trade, threatens to resign his position in the cabinet, desiring to recover his liberty and radical leadership. Remarks of Gladstone's son at Hawarden are understood to indicate that his father will

retire from party politics at the end of the present session of parliament. During the sitting of the Congo conference, Kasson, the American minister, repeatedly expressed the desire of America that the

rights of the aborigines be respected. At a council of ministers at Paris, General Lewal, minister of war, unfolded his plans for the Tonquin campaign in order to end the campaign before the rainy season. Six thousand troops will leave Algeria for Tonquin

next week and 6,000 in February. It is learned on semi-offic'al authority that France has not submitted to the powers of the country poposals concerning Egypt. Negotiations in regard to the matter still continue. France will neither aid the overtures of any of the powers, nor receive such from any looking to the summoning of a new Egyptian conference.

# CAPITAL BRIEFS.

In the Swaim court-martial the court ruled out the testimony of Witness Deakers upon the ground of his want of belief in the exist ence of a supreme being.

Estimated cost of collecting the revenue at all ports of entry for the fiscal year: For salaries, \$5,295,129; miscellaneous, \$1,163,623. The employes number 4,147.

The governors of twenty states have written to express a desire to co-operate in mak ing the American exhibition to be held in London in 1886 a faithful and thorough exposifion of the art, manufactures and products of the United States.

The report of the Missouri river commission has been submitted to the house. It recommends the appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the Missouri river between its mouth and Sioux City: \$160,000 between Stoux City and Fort Benton, and \$150,000 for surveys. General Hazen, chief signal officer, has re-

duced Sergeant Otto Holtnorth, of the signal

service, to the ranks and formally recommended his dismissal from the service for | How the Bovines are Thriving in the Severe rifling Lieutenant Greely's private papers. The recommendation is approved. General Sherman, in answer to the question | come dispatch, show the weather on the private secretary of Mr. Cleveland, and a

receive the fund being raised for his benefit, being experienced is in the northern and land's views on several matters will then be said: "Of course, that will put a stop to the northwestern part of Wyoming. Information made in an authoritative manner. whole thing and nothing now will be done from Belle Fourche, Fort Casper and thereabout it. I presume, though, that the legal abouts is to the effect that the ranges are covofense which was secured for him will be re- ered with about a foot of snow, which is coattained. Gen. Grant has friends who will look for his interests outside of those who were interesting themselves in his behalf in this particular instance.' Colonel Lamont, Mr. Cleveland's private secretary, said to an interviewer: "Mr. Cleveland has not yet fixed the day when he will

when his resignation as governor took effect, for, you know, the last we k of his administration was an unusually onerous one. He now has time to t and to the future."

## FORTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 5 .- The inter-state commerce bill came up and Mr. Wilson addressed the senate. He said that no act of congress would remedy all the difficulties of the transportation business, still a wise, just and conservative start could be made toward putting that business on a proper footing in its relation to the government and people. The hill before the senate was not perhaps, per-fect, but it was a beginning. We had already crossed the line at which the railroad companies had tenaciously contended that the gov-crument must stop. The railroad companies had not been content to manage their own affairs, but had intermeddled with almost every

industry of the country.

A message was received from the president transmitting the report of the secretary of the interior, recommending that some provision be made for disarming the Indians, when such action is found necessary for their advancement in civilized pursuits, the Indian to be compensated for the arms taken.

Hiscock moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill abolishing the internal revenue tax on tobacco, cigars, snuff, cigarettes and cheroots, the special tax on dealers in tobacco, and the tax on liquors distilled from fruit. Lost, 22

Keifer moved to suspend the rules and take from the speaker's table the Mexican pension bill, and concur in all the senate amendments

thereto. Lost, 85 to 129. Collins moved to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution taking up the senate bill to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy, continuing the special order for Thursday, January 22d. Lost. King introduced a bill appropriating \$7,000,

000 for the improvement of the Mississipp river, in accordance with the plans and eastmates of the Mississippi river commission. Referred. SENATE. Washington, January 6 .- Among the bills introduced was one by Manderson to grant the

right of way over the Fort Roomson military

reservation, in Nebraska, to the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railroad. On motion of Slater the senate resumed, consideration of the Oregon Central land forfeiture bill, and Morgan spoke in oppolition to it. He moved to amend by adding to the bill the substance of the provisions which, on 1.13 moti n, had been added to the Atlantic & Pa cific forfeiture bill, providing a method for judicial procedure for the ascertainment of the rights of any parties claiming under the grant. The amendment was rejected-j as 15, nays 28. The bill then | assed without division, whereupon Morgan gave notice of a

motion to reconsider. HOUSE. Ellis, from the committee on appropriations, reported a joint resolution appropriating \$50,000 for the support of desitute Indians in

The house then went into committee of the whole, Rogers (Atk ) in the chair, on the pension app opriation bil. Hancock explained the provisions of the bill,

which appropriates \$50,976,000, or \$24,000 less than the est mates. Warner off red an amendment to the amendment, limiting special contracts in the same state. Agreed to. On motion of O'Hara an amendment was

adopted providing that the 'mode and manner provided for the regulation for payment of pensions shall apply to all pensioners. Matson offered an amendment increasing the race of pensions to widows and minor children to \$12 per month. Ruled out on a point of order. The committee rose and the bill was passed. Adjourned.

SENATE. Washington, January 7 - Among the peti tions presented was one by Plumb from the Oklahoma settlers, protesting against the re-

The senate passed the house joint resolution

appropriating \$50,000 to relieve the wants of destitute Indians. The chair laid before the senate the report of the Missouri river commission. Morrill called up his resolution declaring that the reciprocity treaties with nations of inferior populations and resources should be regarded with disfavor, and spoke at length in its support, taking the ground that reciprocity. eaties were unconstitutional; that apart from their unconstitutionality they were incurably wrong; that they were at war with the most favored nations that the so-called reciprocity treaties with inferior nations sur-

rendered much home trade in turn for a little foreign trade, and that real reciprocity with such nations was impossible. The senate then considered the inter-state

commerce bill. HOUSE. The speaker laid before the house a letter from the secretary of the traasury transmitting the estimate from the secretary of the navy for an appropriation of \$2,500,000 for the erection of a gun foundry and the purchase of steel for the manufacture of heavy ordnance, in pursuance of the recommendation of the gun

foundry board. Referred. Burns, from the committee on appropriations, reported the consular and diplomatic appropriation bill. Referred to the committee of the whole. It appropriates \$1,000,000, a reduction under the appropriation for the present fiscal year of \$34,000, and under the esti-

mates of \$400,000. Discussion on the inter-state commerce bill was then resumed, but no definite action was

taken.

SENATE. Washington, January 9 - Among the bills introduced was one by Allison relating to fees of pension claim agents and attorneys. He said he did not wish to be responsible for all of its provisions, but they were the identical provisions found in the pension bill recently passed by the house. He said it was general legislation and repealed all the leg slative provisions contained in the appropriation ill last year. Referred to the committee on pensions.

Hawley offered a resolution, which lies over one day, reque-ting the president, if not incompatible with the public interest, to communic te to the senate a historical statement concerning the public policy of the executive department of the confederate states during the late war, reported to have been lately filed in the war department b, Gen. Sherman.

HOUSE. On motion of Valentine the bill passed granting to the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railway the right of way across the Fort Robinson military reservation, in No-

braska. The house then resumed consideration of the inter-state commerce bill, the pending question being on an amendment offered by Hammond to the amendment offered by Perkins (providing for a commission), providing that the commission shall not be appointed until the 5th of March, 1885. This amend-

ment was agreed to-71 to 12. O'Neill (Pa.) offered a substitute for the inter-state commerce bill proposition for the appointment of five commissioners and defining their duties. Lost-yeas 92, nays 32. The inter-state commerce bill was then

THE WYOMING RANGES.

passed-yeas 158, nays 75.

Weather.

as to the effect of Gen. Grant's declination to ranges is now pleasant. The only difficulty ed over with a hard crust. So far the range | Ninth cavalry and one company of the Twencattle have rarely succumbed, though the effect upon the Texas cattle turned loose last tall is more severe and quite a number have died. Unless another buzzard follows soon here is no particular excitement over the tall is more severe and quite a number have died. Unless another buzzard follows soon come to Washington, but I am pretty sure he

### WHAT ABOUT ST. JOHN?

Did He Offer to Withdraw From the Presidential Race for a Money Consideration? The following letter from J. S. Clarkson. editor of the lows Register and member of the republican national committee, was sent by him to the Chicago Tribune:

by him to the Chicago Tribune:

In reply to your direct inquiry if I knew personally as to whether or not John P. St. John offered to withdraw as a candidate for president for a money consideration, I can answer now only as the fact, without yet being at liberty to make public the details. To my knowledge, he did have overtures made through a friend from his own state, by which he offered, if paid \$25,000 in cash, to withdraw as a candidate altogether or to stay in the field and "feather" his speeches, as it was put in the Kansan's phrase, to the help of the republican party. He was asked, in order to prove the sincerity of his offer, to withdraw from Ohio the last week before the October election in that state. He did this under the plea, which he said he would give, of getting a sore throat, and, with the friend I have ment'oned, went first to Pittsburg, next to Philadelphis and fir ally to New York where to Philadelphia and fir ally to New York where to Philadelphis and fi ally to New York where he hoped to meet some one on the part of the republican national committee who would be ready to make the deal and pay the cash. On the 29th of October, through his friend, in a letter still in existence, he alleged Ohio to have been carried by him in getting a sore throat one week for the benefit of the republican party. This letter and other facts of de-tail, which will convince any fair minded person of the real character of St. John and show to the country what a thrifty Christian he is, will be given to the press whenever he shall ask and persuade his triend, who was the medium of his overtures, to give his consent to have them made public. I may add that neither the national committee, or any one acting for it, ever made an overture or proposition of any kind to St. John. All that it did was to listen to and discuss the over-tures and propositions made to it through the medium which he employed to reach it. Several other members of the nati nal committee and some other gentlemen connected with the Ohio campaign had frequent conver-sations with this friend of St. John and are as conversant with the facts and details of it as myself. They know that St. John's friend was in constant telegraphic and frequent personal consulta ion with him, and that things which were demanded of St. John as to his movements in Ohio were pledged by that friend and carried out by St. John in many ways. Ample evidence was thus afforded us, including the exchange of telegraphic correspondence between them and shown to several persons, proving that this friend was act-ing with St. John and under his authority. One other person is in possession of more written evidence than I have.

J. S. CLARRSON.

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KASAS CITY.

WHEAT-Per bushel.....

hard to dispose of. Quotations closed as fol-Common to fair steers..... 4 00@4 65 Fair to choice cows..... nferior to fair cows...... 2 10@2 90 Poor to choice bulls...... 2 75@4 00 

Sheep are still in large supply, but there has been a good inqu ry for everything at all lesirable, and though some rough lots were hard to get rid of, prices average firm. Sales were at \$2.50 to \$5.00 for poor to extra, the bulk of the offerings going at \$2.25 to \$4.10. Buyers of stocke's and feeders were in good attendance. There were numerous orders in the hands of commission men, 100, while offerings were imited. This made sellers conident, and although buyers grumbled at the

#### higher figures asked, the movement was generally active. POLITICAL NOTES.

E. L. Conkri e, of Fre port, was elected speaker of the lower house of the Illinois

George Erwin was elected speaker of the New York assembly. A communication was received from Frover Cleveland resigning the office of governor of New York. Senate Confirmations-Postmasters: Luke

H. Vierson, Pella, Iowa; Clarence E. Snively,

Canton, Ill; Henry C. Robinson, Grand Crossing, Ill.; Robert T. Kloke, West Point, Neb .: John W. Gordon, Minden, Neb.; John M. Fitzpatrick, Hebron, Neb. The Chicago Daily News prints a Springfield Ill.) special which intimates that Senator Ruger, classed as a republican, will act with

hed mocrats and that he aims at the presi-

dency of the senate. The statement is also made that Gen. Logan has been asked to go to Springfield. A Washington special says: The latest cabinet slate is as follows: For secetary of state, Bayard, of Delaware; for secretary of the treasury, Randall, of Penn ylvania; for secretary of war, Garland, of Arkansas; for secretary of the interior, Colonel Vilas, of Wisconsin; for secretary of the navy, Thurman, of Ohio: for attorney general, Governor Waller, of Connecticut; for postmaster ge eral, Daniel Manning, of New York. A democratic caucus was held last week and the list was practically agreed upon, and is said to meet Mr. Cleveland's views upon the subject. I'he final democratic conference previous to he inaugurat on is set for February 20, and will be at-News from all over Wyoming, says a Chey- tended by Daniel Manning, Colonel Lamont,

# Oklahoma Boomers.

large number of party leaders. Mr. Cleve-

General Hatch expects to move on Oklahoma early this week. Seven companies of the ty fourth infantry, and forage stores for a

no grave danger, except possibly to pilgrin cattle, may be apprehended even in that region. About McKinney the weather is mid. but the ground is covered with eleven inches of snow. A special from there says that up to the present range cattle have suffered comto the present range cattle hav will not arrive until within a very few days before the inauguration. I know he felt as if a great load had been lifted from his shoulders load. Continued mild weather gives a very hopeful outlook.

Crouch's colony, on the Cimarron, and that neither party is strong enough to cap ure the other. Child's play will cease when General Hatch strikes the colony if they do not move beaceably.