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NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

THE HAZEN MYSTERY .- Uncle John Morri son, says the Lincoln Journal, who went to Omaha yesterday for the purpose of completing, if possible, the identification of the body of his son-in-law, James E. Hagen, returned last night. He says he identified the body as that of Mr. Hagen beyond a doubt, and that the coroner and others who were interested in the matter are all satisfied that the identification is as complete as need be. The identification of the ring and the keys which were found with the body when it was first discovered, were a reasonably sufficient proof of the identity. In addition to this Mr. Mor-rison learned from Mrs. Hagen that her husband had lost most of his back teeth, while the front ones were yet good. An ex-amination of the skull show d that the teeth correspond exactly to the description given by Mrs. Hagen. Mr. Morrison says that, by Mrs. Hagen. Mr. Morrison says that, while the fi sh was nearly sone from the head, he yet r cognized the size and shape of the head very distinctly.

Mr. Hagen d sappeared on March 14, and his body was found on June 21. Mr. Morrison thinks that he was doubtless murdered by thugs and thrown into the river. He says that several men have disappeared from Cmaha within a year or so past, and some of them have never been heard of since.

AN OLD SETTLER.-Hon. W. S. Townsend, of Hamburg, Iowa, says the Johnson County (Neb.) Journal, made as a pleasant call Saturday last while here on a visit to his son, Thomas Townsond. Mr. T. has had a somewhat eventful career, having served three terms in the lowa legislature and assisted in the election of the only two democrati. United States senators ever sent to the nation's capital from the Hawkeye state. They were Messrs. James and Dodge. Mr. Townsend owned and run the first chartered ferryboat ever crossi g the Missouri river, that being put in from Omaha to Council Bluffs. In 1858 he opened the second dry goods store in Wecumseh and conducted it with success until the breaking out of the way when his knows the breaking out of the war, when his known sympathy for the south caused him to emi-grate. For many years he was engaged in buying grain at Nebraska City. Mr. Town-send is over seventy-one years of age, but is hale and hearty, not looking to be over sixty years old, but is going west in the spring to begin life anew.

THE STATE IN BRIEF.

Wyoming coal is sold at Madison at \$6 per ton.

A circulating library has been established at Genca.

The poor house of Butler county has but one pauper.

A new time table went into effect on the B. & M. last Sunday.

The Beatrice Canning company has good prospects for the coming season.

Another fire at Tecumseh, with damage unreported at this time. Incendiary.

An insurance of \$25,000 has been placed upon Beatrice's new school building.

the effects of alcoholic drinks and other stimtlants upon the human system.

A bill has been introduced in the house by Conger, of Sherman county, relative to contagious diseases among domestic animals. If it becomes a law, as it undoubtedly will, the spread of contagion will be greatly lessened by the carrying out of its whee provisions.

Recent c. anges of railroad time-tables are as follows: C., B. & Q. trains leave Omaha at 9:10 a. m. and 5:35 p. m., arriving at 9:20 a. m and 7:15 p. m. B. & M. trains leave Omaha at 8:10 a. m. and 6:00 p. m., arriving at 10:40 a. m. and 6:50 p. m. K. C. & St. Joe trains leave Omaha at 9:10 a. m. and 7:45 p. m., arriving at 7:00 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Expenditures of the executive office for two years ending November 30, 1884, were: Salary of governor, \$5,000; salary of govern. or's private secretary, \$3,200; postage and postal expenses, \$400; books, blanks and printing, \$500; stationery, \$400; telegraph, telephone and express, \$400; furniture and repairs, \$200; sundry office expenses, \$100.

Some weeks since George Furnas. of Johnson county, was arrested at the instance of Mat. Hogue and Tom Townshend. At a pre, liminary hearing Furnas was released, and now sues Hogue and Townsend, Deputy Sheriff Woodruff, all of Tecumseb, and James Leary, of Beatrice, for \$5 000, charging false imprisonment. It is rumored Furnas offered o compromise for \$2,500.

The riends of John McGee, of Galesburg Ills., are hunting in Nebraska for him. John left his home last October on a land exploring tour in this state, and has not been heard from. He had a \$1,000 in cash with him, and his friends fear that he has been murdered. When last seen McGee was at Lincoln in company with a stranger who was trying to induce him to locate on a timber claim.

The Nebraska historical society elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, R. W. Furnas; first vice president, J. M. Woolworth; second vice president, E. S. Dundy; secretary, George E. Howard: treasurer, W. W. Wilson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Clara Colby; board of managers, ex-Governor Silas Garber, J. Sterling Morton, H. T. Clarke, Lorenzo Crounse and I. J. Manatt.

Furnival, the supposed Nance county runderer, is now believed to be in Canada, a man answering his description, having been spotted there. Further developments are expected soon. Appropos to this it may be stated that a number of letters for Farnival have accumulated at Fullerton. They will shortly be examined in the hope that something may be found which will throw light on the dark deed.

There has been since opening of the Home of the Friendless at Lincoln as occupants 70 adults, 79 children, 71 babes. There are at this time 46 inmates, of whom 18 are adults, 19 children and 9 babes. The present building is stated to be entirely insufficient for the present occupants, with almost daily demands for admission. It is suggested that an appropriation is needed to the amount of \$10,000, for the construction of a wing equal in size to the present building.

Cook Sentenced for Life.

Red Cloud (Neb.) special: The Cook murder trial was ended to-day, the jury bringing in a verdict of murder in the second degree, after deliberating twenty-two hours. Judge Gaslin immediately sentenced Cook to the penitentiary for life. The verdict is generally satisfactory. A disagreement was feared because of the strong case of insanity made by the defense. Sheriff Warren leaves to-night for Lincoln with Cook. The case excited interest throughout the community, and the court room was crowded during the four days' A large portion of the audience was ladies.

STATE LEGISLATIVE DOINGS.

As Forshadowed in a Condensed Report of the Nebraska Legislature.

LINCOLN, Neb., January 12.-SENATE.-Among bills introduced were: By Dolan, to prevent the spreading of prairie fires, amending section twenty-five, chapter twenty-eight of the compiled statutes; by McAllister, amending section ten of the code of civil procedure

The following senate files were referred: One, two, three, four, six, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen and fifteen, judiciary; five, medical legislation; seven, constitutional; fourteen, railroads

HOUSE .- A resolution was adopted to investigate the management of the insane hospital. Carl, Brunner and Dempster were appointed on the committee.

The standing committees were announced. Following are the chairmen of the important committees: Judiciary and ways and means, Thomas; accounts and expenditures, Johnson; railroads. Holmes; public lands and buildings, Wright; printing, Peterson.

Bills introduced: By Crook, regulating railroads; by Casper, to establish passenger and freight rates on railways; by Howard, relative to honds in cities of the second class and to prohibit houses of prostitution; by Harlan, relative to cities of the second class and to regulate passenger traffic on railways.

LINCOLN. January 13 .- SENATE-The stand ing committees were announced. communication was received from the

chief clerk of the house relative to the appointment of a committee to act in conjunction with a senate committee to investigate the management of the insane hospital.

A resolution was adopted instructing the secretary of state to furnish ten copies of daily newspapers, or their equivalent in weeklies, and ten two-cent stamps each day during the session.

Senate files forty-five, by Snell, and forty-six, by Dorland, were introduced and read. The interesting event in the senate was the announcement of the standing committees,

which were as follows: Judiciary-Paul, Snell, McAllister, Burr, Lewis, Meikeljohn, Durland, Spencer, Hastings.

Finance, Ways and Means-Howe, Cherry, Sherwin, Dolan, McShane, Love, Howell. Accounts and Expenditures-Lewis, Hoebel,

Mills, Norris, Smith of Fillmore. Agriculture-Cherry, Filson, Putnam, Smith of Fillmore, Day, Howell, Norris.

Highways, Bridges and Ferries-Howell, Sherwin, Cherry, Durland, Filson.

Military Affairs-Meikeljohn, Goehner, Lewis, Hyers, Metz. Municipal Affairs-McShane, Burr, McAllis-

ter. Durland, Gochner. Public Lands and Buildings-Burr, McAllis-

te:, Dolan, Lewis, Cherry, Durland, Sowers, Shell, Hastings. Internal Improvement-Day, Sherwin, Mills

McShane, Paul. School Lands and Funds-Smith of Lancas-

ter, Brown, Metz, Buckworth, Hyers. Federal Relations-Metz, Love, Sowers,

Faul, Skinner. ic Printing-Snell, Einsell, Skinner,

Public Lands and Buildings-Waitt, Kilmer, Barney, Kalley, Cox, Staver, Olinstead, Bick-ley, Taggart, Crawford, Lee of Furnas.

Internal Improvements-Hocknell, Smith, Dempster, Bickley, Johnson, Root, Casper. Federal Relations-Newcomer, Eberman, Diesveld, Wolbach, Kuony, Waitt, Luce. Engrossed and Eurolled Bills-Lee of Furnas, Blain, Aikin, Cornelius, Gumser, Henry, Erwin, Mulvahill, Neligh.

Accounts and Expenditures-Johnston, Crawford, Balley, Miles, Turtle, Robinson,

Sterling, Huff, Cope. Sterling, Huff, Cope. Constitutional Amendments - Stevenson Newmeyer, Win-Rice, Varner, Newcomer, Newmeyer, Winspear, Peterson.

County Boundaries, County Seats and Township Organization-Martin, Brandt, White ssett, King, Conger, Russell, Rice, Osgood Railroads-Holmes, Nettleton, Jindra, Hocknell, Osgood, Riley, Lee of Furnas, Conger, Buffington, Olmstead, Johnson, Cornellus, Robinson, Bassett.

LINCOLN, JANUARY 15 .- SENATE .- Metz, of Douglas, introduced a bill amendatory to the license laws. The asserted object of the bill is to insure equaling of license throughout the state, and places the maximum license at \$500. The administration of the law is left to county boards and city and village authorities. By its provisions the penalty for illicit sale or giving away of liquors is in any sum between \$1 and

\$500, and imprisonment in county jails. A joint resolution and memorial to congress was introduced asking for the speedy passage of the bill for relief of settlers on St. Joe and Denver railroad lands.

. Among important bills in the senate is one concerning the social relations of men and women, and one in regard to divorce. The iast named bill provides that decrees of divorce may be opened, for cause, within two years, and prohibits parties divorced from marrying within that time.

HOUSE.-Lee, Furnas, presented a resolution instructing the committee on railroads to introduce a bill at an early day regulating railroads. Laid on the table.

Kiley, Cole, Winspear, Melvahill, Brunner, Thomas, Oimstead and Robertson-from house

The clerk of the senate reported that the senate concurred in the house resolution for a committee from both houses to act in conjunction in investigating the management of school lands, with exception to the provision of employing counsel.

the effect that the committee appointed to act with the senate committee be dismissed and that the house act alone in the matter. Laid on the table.

LINCOLN, JADUSTY 15 .- SENATE -- Mr. Howe presented, by request, a petition from Clara B. Colby and three hundred women of Nebraska, asking that municipal suffrage be conferred upon the women of Nebraska. Also a petition

appointing Brown, McAllister, Spencer, Putnam and Mills a com nittee to inquire into railroad rates throughout the state, and to report the facts found to the senate at their

Howe has introduced a bill making sweeping changes in the . ratem of leasing and selling of school lands. It provides that no land shall be sold for less than \$10 an acre; that no one person shall purchase more than one section; that a purchaser must live upon the land he wishes to buy five years before being entitled to purchase it; and that he shall then be entitled to purchase at the appraised value. The appraisement is to be made by the board of county commissioners instead of by appraisers appointed as now by the county officers. The land is to be leased at 6 per cent. upon its appraised valuation, and if more than one part wants it the one giving the largest bonus gets it.

Confession on His Death Bed.

A Waupaca (Wis.), dispatch says: One week ago Thomas Walsh, one of the important witnesses in the Vandecar trial, of last January, was stabbed in a saloon. To-day his physician told him he could not live. He then confes of he was the man who shot and killed Banker Mead, in October, 1882 at this place. Alfred Vandecar was charged with the crime. Walsh confes-es that Vandecar was with him, but confesses that he (Waish) committed the mur-

Mrs. Senator Van Wyck's Reception.

A Washington special says: Mrs. Senator Van Wyck signalized her re-entrance into society after four years retirement, by a reception at her handsome residence, corner of Eighteenth street and Massachusetts avenue, on Tue-day afternoon. The attendance was notably large and brilliant, and Mrs. Van Wyck received a most condial welcome back

o Washington society.

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 bill before the senate was not, perhaps, perfect, but it was a beginning. We had already crossed the line at which the railroad companies had tenaciously contended that the gov-ernment 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.

HOUSE.

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 Mississippi river, in accordance with the plans and estimates of the Mississippi river commission. Referred.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, January 10 .- Randall moved to dispense with the morning hour for the purpose of pressing the navy appropriation bill to passage. Lost, yeas 135, nays 83.

Clardy from the committee on commerce. reported the bill authorizing experiments as to the practicability of lighting the navigable waters of the United States by electricity. A bill was reported from the committee on

public buildings increasing to \$180,000 the imit of the appropriation for a public building at Marquette, Michigan. The house then went into executive commit-

tee of the whole, Wilson, of Iow . in the chair, on the consular and diplomatic appropriation HOUSE.

Weller introduced a bill to refund the bonded debt of the United States at 21/ per cent interest, to reduce taxation on circulating bank note currency, and to secure such currency against unnecessary disturbances and fluctuation by applying the national revenues economically to the payment of the national debt. Referred.

Wait called up the Chinese indemnity bill, and after a short explanation the bill passed. On motion of Randall the senate amendments to the bill for the payment of messen-gers sent for the certificates of the electoral votes of Oregon and Iowa was concurred in. Adjourned.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 15 .- Hale, from the committee on naval affairs, reported favorably the bill for the relief of sufferers by the wreck of the United States steamer "Tallapoosa." Placed on the calendar.

Senator Morgan made a speech in executive session in favor oft he Nicaraguan treaty. He discussed the possible relations of foreign powers to this subject and set forth at great leugth the advantage to this country which may be expected to follow the construction of this canal.

An amendment was offered by Sherman looking to negotiations with Great Britain for the abrogation or amendment of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty before the Nicaraguan treaty shall take effect.

HOUSE.

The house, under special order, proreeded with consideration of the McPherson bill, and a somewhat extended debate ensued. Warner (Ohio) offered an amendment authorizing the secretary of the treasury, whenever circulating notes of the national banks. shall fall below \$303,318,984, to issue United States notes of sufficient amount to keep the volume of paper currency at all times at a total of \$650,000,000.

Wilkins then demanded the previous question on the bill and amendments, pending which Mills moved that the house adiourn stating that the democrats wished to hold a caucus. The motion was carried-yeas 130, navs 112.

Buckner, chairman of the banking and currency committee, said to an associated press reporter: "That settles the bill. We will never again be able to get it before the house.'

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 17 .- The committee on pensious reported adversely the bill to grant a pension of \$300 per month to Emma DeLong, widow of the late Lieutenant Commander De Long, of "Jeannette" fame.

The inter-state commerce bill was then con-sidered and Senator Van Wyck addressed the senate. He said the people only demanded reasonable rates, no discrimination, no pooling, no rebates, no greater charge for a short than a long haul. "This," said he, "is no time to delay. The work of deception cannot longer be carried on. You cannot pretend to do something that the obstinate house of representatives refuses to do. If the senate fal ters now to accept the house bill an indignant people will believe it falters in a double sense and is seeking by disagreement to prevent legislation so long sought and so long denied." The roads owned and controlled the elevators and the farmer, if he desired, could not ship his own grain or cattle to market, for he could obtain no rebates. The absolute power of the railroads was not always exercised in a saintly manner. To illustrate, the Union Pacific became incensed at Columbus, one of the active interior cities of Nebraska, whose citizens were enterprising and aided to secure another road. The company determined they should be punished for such termerity and rebellion. So the rates were changed and more was charged per car load to Omaha than to Kearney and points further west. So the Central Pacific,

Van Wyck quoted from a letter written by

Hon. William Walter Phelps in which he said

that senators and representatives purchased

railroad shares on a basis of one to three.

cording to this evidence, are owned in this

chamber and on the other side of the capitol

on that basis-that is, you put down one dollar

and take up three. So it would appear that

even members of congress learn where the lit-

that railroad stocks and bonds shall secure

liberal interest and dividends, and great lam-

entations was made if the stock gamblers, who

had stolen \$4,000,000,000 from the industries

of the nation, should be disturbed in wringing

interest from the overburdened people. The

senator from I wa (Wilson) trembled lest too

much should se done, and the senator from

Kansas (Ingalls) said he did not stand as the

advocate of "that cheap demagoguery that ap-

The railroads were entitled to the pro-

tection of the law. In Kansas and Nebraska fifty bushels of corn will not pur-

chase one ton of soft coal, and 150 bushels will

not buy one tone of hard coal. Your sym-

pathy expands for the pauper labor of Europe

and India, while your hearts seem steeled

against the cry for bread of Americans who

are forced to work for starvation wages or

ave their places supplied in the mines by

pauper and convict labor imported under con-

tract from Europe. Corporations, behind four

billions of stolen property, have been for years

controlling state legislatures, the national

congress and the judiciary as remorselessly as

did slavery, and they need no sympathy or

active support from the senators. It is the

toiler seeking labor in the furnace heat, in the

underground labyrinth, the settler in the dug-

out on the frontier of Kansas and Nebraska.

whose wives and children are drawing warmth

from corn because the great corporations re-

fuse to reduce the rates of freight so the coal

of Pennsylvania may be exchanged for the

corn of the west, who need your sympathy

and protection. For twenty years these cor-

porations have grown rich, strong and defiant

in violation of law, and now let us see to it

that the protection of the law shall be given

A FACE ON THE WALL.

An Agparition Which Had Its Effect in Stir-

ring Up Sinners.

Evangelic || Friendship is the name of an in-

dependent congregation having its church in

that section known as "Irishtown." It is the

only house of worship in that vicinity. Dur-

ing this winter the members have been hold-

ing revival services nightly in this church.

They are conducted in the good old-fashioned

way, by shouting, clapping of hands, etc.

Rev. Theodore Jones, who styles himself a

"young evangelist," is the leading spirit at

the meetings. The worshippers have just

been treated to a genuine sensation. While

they were in the midst of a stirring portion

in the services they were awe-struck by see-

Reading (Pa.) dispatch: The Reformed

to those who are victims of their extortion.

peals to public opinion against the railroads.

To day the farmers in the west were work-

tle joker is."

"Certainly," he said, "stocks and bonds, ac-

Bills were introduced by Stevenson, Hall, Emerson, Martin, Russell, Turtel, Harlan,

rolls eighty-seven to 104, inclusive.

Rilev, of Douglas, introduced a resolution to

of G. W. E. Dorsey and three hundred others on the same subject.

A resolution was offered by Clarke (Sarpy) earliest convenience.

county will hold its next session February 7th.

Carrie Reber, of Humphrey, fell while slid ing down hill and had her shoulder dislocated

The newsboys of Omaha have formed a branch of the mutual improvement association.

The St. Paul & Omaha railway company will build a commodious depot in Omaha this year.

A Lincoln man has invented and placed in successful operation a horse power cornshucker.

Rev. Henry Bates, of Plymouth, Gage county, recently celebrated his seventieth anniversary.

A granger with a wagon load of prairie chickens showed up on the streets of Creighton last week.

The charity ball in Omaha was largely at tended. The aid society will get about \$2,500 from it for the poor.

Beatrice's new Methodist church building will cost \$15,000. Work on the structure will commence in the spring.

The proposed changes in the city charter of Omaha will raise the salary of mayor to \$1,500 and that of councilmen to \$500.

The loss to the farmers of Nebraska by hog cholera the past year is estimated to be between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000.

Six murderers are behind bars in the Douglas county jail. In all, the building contains bout seventy offenders.

Judge A. W. Morgan's fine residence at Au. burn was burned to the ground. Defective flue. Loss, \$2,500. Insured for \$1,300.

Mr. Green, of Kearney, fell from a load of hay, striking on his head a shoulders, rendering him insensible for considerable time.

They had a little mad dog excitement at Fairbury the other day. The shot gun was brought forth and the scare was soon over.

The erection of a new building for the barb wire works at Beatrice, to replace the one destroyed by fire three weeks ago, has begun.

The county commissioners of Douglas county have figured out that they will need about \$200,000 this year to run the official machine.

It is estimated that during the year 1884 400,000 acres of land were taken up in Keith county under the various government land rights.

The pastors of Blair are out with an address to the people, the purport of which is that the religion of Christ is a reality and a good thing to get a hold on.

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 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 tooka hand.

James Carruthers, of Deloit, had his barn covered and the snow so banked about his house in the late snowstorm that he had to work all the week hauling the snow away with teams.

coming season is encouraging.

School lands-Kaley, Nichol, Turtle, Howthe idea of the apparition and referred to how Several other members of the national com-The people of Nebraska, as well as Iowa, Illiwalked to the Omaha depot, a distance of mittee and some other gentlemen connected with the Ohio campaign had frequent conver-Belshazar saw the handwritting of his doom on the wall. I asked whether the vision was held on suspicion of having been accessory to nois and other states, were suffering from the three-f urths of a mile, with the thermometer ard. Blain, Cole, Harlan, Harney, Irvin. Miscellaneous Subjects-Lee of Merrick, Henry, Crook, Booth, Jindra, Marble, Mcextortions of railroads. He would like to thirty degrees below zero. After arriving a the depot he lived only about five minutes. I the mysterious death of his former partner, sations with this friend of St. John and are as conversant with the facts and details of it as not a visitation from on high, giving notice to sinners to repent and be saved before it was know how a community could be benefited by Dr. John Linthicum, was examined last week is supposed that the extreme cold, subsequen railroads charging, as they did in an instance too late. I drove this truth home, and many and after a full hearing discharged. Ardle. myself. They know that St. John's friend heat and over exertion caused a stoppage o the flow of blood to the heart. The Odd Fel Claims-McArdle, Everett, Heimrich, Kilcited by him, \$300 for a carload delivered 600 was in constant telegraphic and frequen perhad their feelings aroused to the highest D. Hudson, of Butler county, marketed in miles east of San Francisco, and charging \$300 mer, White, Olmstead, Corr, Taylor, Taggart. Live Stock and Grazing Interests-Osgood, sonal consulta ion with him, and that things which were demanded of St. John as to his pitch.' Schuyler the other day a hog which weighed lows took charge of the remains. for a carload delivered in San Francisco, 600 Senator Conger has introduced a bill authormov-ments in Ohio were pledged by that friend and carried out by St. John in many 965 pounds, for which he received \$34.86. This Burnham, Adams, Hall, Smith, Barney, Bai-Waiting for the End of the World. miles beyond. Harrison called the attention of the senate izing the secretary of war to negotiate for is the largest porker brought to that market ley, Winspear, Hocknell. The Karl family, prominent Adventists of ways. Ample evidence was thus afforded us, including the exchange of telegraphic corre-Rule-Conger, Miller, Scoville, Sterling, to the death of the Hon. Schuyler Colfax, who and purchase the Portage Lale and River since John McIntosh brought his 1027-pounder Creston, Iowa, are still looking for the end of had been the presiding officer of the senate and vice president of the United States. After a Mulvahill, Corr. Mr. Speaker. Revenue and Taxation-Holt, Howard, Hig-Improvement company's canal and the Portspondence between them and shown to sev-eral persons, proving that this friend was actin three or four years ago. the world. The men have thrown up their age Lake and Lake Superior ship canal. The The Schuyler Herald says that signatures rins, Wolbach, King, Holsworth, Liesveid, ing with St. John and under his authority. One other pe on is in possession of more written evidence than I have. J. S. CLARKSON. positions and will not work. Their bibles are few brief but feeling words of eulogy on the bill provides that the canal shall be a free deceased by Harrison and Sherman, the senare being 'aken in that town asking the legis- constantly before them, and they are shut in Knonv, Rice. waterway after its purchase by the United ate, out of respect for the memory of the de-Public Printing-Peterson, Staver, Casper, lature to enact a law requiring teachers in all their house waiting for Gabriel's call. There States. Bickly, Callahan, Taylor. ceased, adjourned schools supported by public money, to teach are twelve of the religious cranks.

Following is a statement of moneys received from the general government and paid into the state treasury during the two years ending December 31, 1884: September, 1883, five per cent on sales of government lands, \$11,-746.87; June, 1884, five per cent on sales of government lands embraced in the Pawnee Indian reservation, \$17,495.95; November, 1884, reimbursing state for expenses incurred in suppressing indian hostilities, \$485; total \$29,727.62.

The Madison Chronicle is authority for the assertion that an old lady, living ten miles west of that place, gave a certain young man of Madison a feather pillow and a goose, for a New Year's present, and at the same time told him that if he would marry her daughter she would give the girl, on her wedding day, one thousand doilars and a feather bed for a owry. The young man refused the offer The above was a fact, and the proposition was made in earnest.

Eight miles north of Kearney, Charles Eaker, of Merrifield, Cayuga county, New York, had been here for some time visiting relatives, a Mr. Benedict and family. The other morning the young man was in his room packing his trunk preparatory to starting home. A pistol shot was heard and when entrance was made into the room the body of young Eaker laid on the floor. Life was almost extinct. Near him laid a revolver. The shot entered his head immediately in front and over the eyes. The shooting is thought to have been purely accidental, as the young man was bright and full of promise and had no cause for sticide.

Among sensations in Fairbury recently says the Gazette, was the sudden disappear ance of M. T. Hedges, a resident of the county for some years and for the past year a dealer in agricultural implements. An agent of a house with whom the firm dealt called to settle, and Mr. Hedges left the office saying he would be back in a few minutes, but as yet he has failed to return. Subsequently it was learned he had skipped, going as far as Atchison with Sheriff Belden, to whom he admitted his intention not to return but to seek a location elsewhere. He left behind his wife to whom he was recently married. The cause of his sudden departure he claimed, was his dis-1 ke to face the creditors who were pushing

How Much Did St. John Get?

him

Joseph D. Weeks, late secretary of the re publican national committee, in an interview at Pittsburg, said: "I have read carefully the interview with Mr. J. S. Clarkson, of the Des foines Register, in the Chicago Tribune of Tuesday, Jan. ary 13, regarding the overtures made by St. John to sell out to the repub icans in the late campaign. As it is well known that I am a prohibitionist, though not a St. Johnite, both Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Kerens kept me informed as to the overtures made and showed me the correspondence. So far as I am acquainted with the facts, and I had knowledge of almost every instance referred to in Mr. Clarkson's interview, he states them correctly. I have seen the originals of the letters of James F Legate to Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Kerens, and have copies of them taken from the originals by mysel , and these letters, as given by Mr Clarkson and Mr. Kerens, are correct. I be lieved at the time, and still believe, that Mr. Legate was the representative of John P. St. John and acted with his tull knowledge and

Ex-Vice President Schuyler Colfax dropped Manufactories and Commerce-Neligh, Emwas satisfactory, and the outlook for the dead at the Mankato (Minnesota) depot on the 13th inst. He arrived on the it did was to listen to and discuss the overof people. Rev. Jones says of the vision: "I se zed upon erson, Crawford, Bailey, Casper, Wright, tures and propositions made to it through Van Wyck said he had often heard the he medium which he employed to reach it. statement made, but had seen no proof of it. Troup. Milwaukee road from the east at 10 o'clock and Dr. A. C. Jackson, of Kearney, who was

Norris, Dolan. Engrossed and Enrolled Bills-Einsel, Howe,

Hoebel, Sherwin, Putnam, Burr, Cherry County and County Boundaries-Mills, Putnam, Love, Howe, Filson. Mines and Minerals-Putnam, Hoebel, Mc-

Allister, Clark, Lewis. Education-Spencer, Skinner, Hasting, Day,

Clark. Library-Durland, Hastings, Snell, Filson, Meikelichn

Ciaims-Hyes, Spencer, Mills, Howe, Smith, of Lancaster.

Banks and Banking--Smith of Fillnfore, Einsel, Hoebel, Noehner, Clark. Railroads-Sowers, Howell, Buckworth,

Brown, Metz, Meikeljohn, Paul, Einsel, Hoc-Miscellaneous Corporations-Norris, Cherry,

Goehner, Clark, Hochel. State Prison-Dolen, Hyers, Burr, Metz,

Howe. University and Normal School-Brown, Snell, Meikeljohn, Spencer, Sherwin.

Constitutional Amendments - McAllister, Sowers, Filson, Dav, Howell.

lumigration-Gochner, Spencer, Norris, Einsel, Meikeljohn. Privileges and Elections-Hastings, Burr,

Paul, Snell, Smith, of Lancaster. Live Stock and Grazing-Love, McShane, Buckworth, Dolan, Smith, of Filimore,

Medical Legislation-Buckworth, Metz, Dav. Sowers.

Miscellancous Subjects-Clark, Putnam, Skinner, Hvers, Smith, of Fillmore, Public Charities-Skinner, Brown, Mills,

McShane, Love, Cherry, Goehner. Insane Asylum-Brown, Buckworth, Day.

Deaf and Dumb and Blind-Dolau, Lewis, Smith, of Lancaster.

Reform School and Home for Friendless-McAllister, Smith of Lancaster, Skinner. HOUSE .- A resolution was adopted to appoint a committee of three republicans and three democrats to investigate the leasing of school lands, in conjunction with a senate

committee. Olmstead, Sterling, Smith, Munn, Crook and Hulsworth were appointed such committee. A resolution was adopted requiring the audi-

tor to prepare a tabulated statement of the appropriations made each year for the state board of agriculture since 1867; also a statement of the moneys drawn by the "model farm and agricultural department" of the university since 1873.

The standing committees as announced in the house are as follows:

Judiciary-Troup, Kaley, Scoville, Steven son, Blain, Dempster, Varuer, Thomas of Colfax, Harlan.

Finance, Ways and Means-Thomas, of Cass, Callahan, Hazen, Gumaer, Burnham, Henry Lee, of Merrick, Williams, Emerson, Martin, Nichol.

Agriculture-Cope, Hall, Gill, Everett, Glenn Root, Higgins.

Roads and Bridges-Hall, Booth, Holsworth, Turner, Whitmore, Munn, Leibhart.

Militia-Cole, Buffington, Williams, Blaco, Staver, Kehoe, Bruner, Poynter, Harlan.

Privileges and Elections-Sutherland, Robrtson, Thompson, Newmeyer, Marble, Liesveld, McArdle, Luce,

State Penitentiary-Hazen, Russell, Aiken, Blaco, Burnham, Callahan, Martin.

Blind, Deaf and Dumb and Insane Asylums -Scoville, Brandt, Munn, Newmeyer, Newcomer, Buffington, Sutherland.

Corporations-Smith, Wolbach, Cope, Blaco, Miller, Cole, Glenn.

Library-Adams, Kuony, King, Stevenson, Huff, Eberman, Holt.

Cities and Towns-Nettleton, Hazen, Brown, Wright, Peterson, Booth, Riley.

Banks and Currency-Heimrich, Eberman, Bruner, Howard, White, Cornelius, Brandt. Common Schools-Tsggart, Poynter, Gill,

Williams, Turner. Holmes, Whitmore.

Everett, Leinhardt, Kehoe, Neligh.

HOUSE .-- Cole (Adams) introduced a resolution tais morning instructing the committee on railroads to report back to the house without unnecessary delay a bill regulating freight and passenger tariffs on railroads in the state. Kehoe introduced a bill compelling railroads to furnish cars with double decks for the trans-

portation of sheep and hogs. Howard introduced a bill providing for the call of a constitutional convention.

Casper introduced a bill regulating the liabilities of railroad companies for personal injuries. Dempster introduced a bill locating a state

normal school at Republican City, Harlan county

There has been introduced in the house to date 129 bills, and in the senate 63.

The visit of sixty ladies of the society of the Home of the Friendless was made to the two houses, which took a recess to rec ive them Mrs. Bittenbender spoke for the ladies and told the legislators briefly what the home had done and what is expected of the legislature. An additional appropriation is wanted for enlarging buildings and widening the work.

SENATE .- In the senate on the 17th, Nettletor introduced a resolution which was adopted, providing that the payment of clerks of committees date from the day on which they are employed on public business.

Riley, of Douglas, presented petition, signed by fifty electors, asking for a full and thorough investigation of the management of the school lands, and also asking that an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the alienation of educational lands be submitted to the people.

HOUSE .- In the house the bill providing for the payment of officers and members and em ployes, was read a third time and passed.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that the claims of Kennard, Hawes and others against the state for making collections be not allowed or paid.

Bills introduced: By Martin, Holt, Emerson, Nettleton, Riley, Taylor, "Newcomer," Brandt, Mulvahill, Bailey, Wright, White, Stevenson, Howard, Harkn, Whitmore, Bailey, "Newcomer,' Gill, Olmstead, Krony, Crook, Brunner. Johns ton and Taggart, from house rolls 139 to 168 inclusive.

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 lowa [Register and member of the republican national committee, was sent 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 sad duty of announcing to the house the death of Schuyler Colfax, at one time speaker of this president for a money consideration. I can States. A telegram was received through the uswer 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 said event.' he offered, if paid \$25,000 in cash, to withdraw mediately adjourned. 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 bill to place General Grant on the retired list with full rank and pay of general, passed after a short debate, yeas 49, nays 9. Edmunds the October election in that state. He did this under the plea, which he said he would give, spoke strongly and feelingly in favor of the bill. Among the democrats Maxey, Voorhees, of getting a sore throat, and, with the friend I have mentioned, went first to Pittsburg, next George Gibson and Jonas spoke in its favor. The senators who voted nay were Beck, Cock-Philadelphia and finally to New York where rell, Coke, Harris, Pendleton, Saulsbury, he hoped to meet some one on the part of the Slater, Vance and Walker. republican national committee who would be ready to make the deal and pay the cash. On he 29th of October, through his friend. in a state commerce bill. Senator Slater offered an letter still in existence, he alleged Ohio to amendment prohibiting the charging of higher have been carried by him in getting a sore throat one week for the benefit of the repub-

rates of compensation for transporting the ing the vision of a man's face appear on the A letter from the turnkey of the California same kind and amount of property a suorter lican party. This letter and other facts of dewall in the pulpit above the motto, "The than for longer distance. Senator Slater de-Nettleton, Cox, Varner, Thomas. state penitentiary shows that J. Robert Wiltail, which will convince any fair minded person of the real character of St. John and Son of Man has come to save and to seek that whi h was lost." It was well d fined and Death of Prominent Men. University and Normal Schools-Bassett scribed the operation of the principal of dis-criminating against "short hauls," and the liams, the David City swindler, served a term William Hale, governor of Wyoming terri-Corr. Robertson, Jindra, Staver, Casper, Bick show to the country what a thrifty Christian realistic, and appeared to be surroun ed by a bright halo, notwithstanding that the room of imprisonment on the Pacific coast, being she is, will be given to the press whenever he shall ask and persuade his friend, who was the medium of his overtures, to give his contory, died at Cheyenne on the 13th inst., after suffering of western communities in conseev. Callahan, Taylor. pardoned May 20, 1880. was brilliantly illuminated. The face had a frank, open expression. Some of the more Mines and Minerals-Cox, Waitt, Thompson, a lingering illness, aged 48. He was appointed quence. Cullom said the adoption of Slater's amend-The Waterloo Creamery association recently | by President Arthur in 1882. He formerly re sent to have them made public. I may add that neither the national committee, or any superstitious think that it is a direct commu Immigration-Taylor, Sterling, Root. Emerment would not only seriously injure the proni ation from the higher powers, and that some sign and omen is attached to it. It had elected officers, retaining George R. Williams sided at Glenwood, Iowa. The remains will ducers of the west but the consumers of the on, Thomas, Lee of Merrick, Holsworth, one acting for it, ever made an overture or proposition of any kind to St. John. All that as superintendent. The business last year be buried in Cheyenne. a deep effect upon the people, and tended to stir up such a religious feeling that seven or east. It would injure hundreds of thousands

SENATE.

excuse except of revenue in punishing the rebellious subjects in this territory, actually WASHINGTON, January 12 .- Van Wyck, reported favorably, with amendment, the house enarged to points east of San Francisco through rates to San Francisco and then local bill to prevent the unlawful occupancy of public lands rates back.

Among petitions presented in the senate was one from Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood praying that congress see that the votes cast for during, the presidential election be her counted.

The chair laid before the senate a resolution, heretofore offered by Hawley, calling upon the president for a copy of the historical statement concerning the public policy of the executive department of the confederate states, filed at the war department by Gen. Sherman.

A long discussion followed, when the matter ing their own farms on shares, the railroads went over. taking the lion's share. They received not

The inter-state commerce bill was considone dollar in profit or interest on the mone ered, followed by executive session and adinvested in the lands, teams or machinery, and journment. yet the American senate seemed intent on how not to do it; determined, at whatever sacrifice,

HOUSE

The bill passed appropriating \$50,000 for the erection of a building for the use of the appraiser at Chicago. The senate bill passed authorizing the Chi-

cago, St. Paul & St. Louis railway company to construct bridges across the Mississippi, one within Minnesota and one between Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The house went into committee of the whole (Wilson, of Iowa, in the chair) on the consular and diplomatic appropriation bill. There being no quorum present, the house adjourned.

WASHINGTON, January 13 .- Dolph, from the

committee on public lands, reported favorably

the house bill pealing the pre-emption, tim-

ber culture and desert land acts and modify-

The Bherman-Davis resolution was taken up

Van Wyck introduced a bill to make rail-

road corporations, organized by acts of con-

gress, subject to control and legislation of the

states and territories in which the roads are

Consideration of the inter-state commerce

bill was resumed, but no final action was

HOUSE.

The following bills were passed: Limiting

the time for the presentation of bounty and

back pay claims to three years from the pass-

age of this act, and of all other claims, except

pensions, to six years, and providing that

claims hereafter arising must be presented

within six years from the time they originated.

To extend the laws of the United States over

certain unorganized territory south of the

Brown (Ind.), arising, said: "I perform the

house, and late vice president of the United

associated press this afternoon announcing

The house, as an expression of sorrow, im-

WASHINGTON, January 15 .- The Edmunds'

The chair laid before the senate the inter-

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ing the homestead act.

and passed-52 to 10.

constructed.

state of Kansas.

taken.