Condition of Affiairs As Viewed by the Retiring Executive-

By a wise provision of the constitution, it is the duty of the executive to furnish to the legislature at the opening of each session, an account of his stewardship, and a statement of the condition of the state's affairs, with such recommendation as will, in his judgment, best promote the welfare of the state and the public good. State Finances.

That which, in my judgment, is at this period of most concern to the state, is the condition of our state finances. For the first time in a long period of years the state treasury is depleted to the extent that the current obligations of the state cannot be met; and the state warrants are thus bearing in terest and causing greatly increased running expenses through interest charges, necessitating an increase in taxation. The last legisture greatly increased the appropriations for the conduct of the affairs of state, but made no provision for an increased levy to meet the additional expense. The general fund in the provision for an increased revy to meet the additional expense. The general fund in the state treasury Dec., 1892, shows a balance of \$16,633.05; against which sum outstanding registered warrants have been called for payment. The appropriations of the last legislature were:

General Fund........\$2,237.750.63

General Fund \$2,237,760 63 Hospital for Iusane Fund 426,490 00 Normal School Interest Fund 92,500 00

Fund was responsible Deduct amounts paid ospital for Insane Fund \$ 132,945 92 ormal School Interest

the two years of \$750,000.00.

10,290 00 143,235 92 Liability of General

\$2,550,514 71 The general assessment roll will average \$180,000,000,000 annually, and for two years, \$200,000,000,000. The limit of the levy is five (5) mills, the total revenue thus derived, if every dollar was collected, (though on an average but 90 per cent. is,) would amount to but \$1,800,000.00, showing a deficiency for

In compliance with the act amending section 3, chapter 93, of 1887, relating to regis-tration of warrants, which act was approved April 8, 1891, the state treasury began the registration of warrants August 1, 1891; and from the report of the state treasurer, I find that from that date to November 30, 1893 there was registered for payment in regular order as presented, warrants on the general fund to the amount of \$1,718,256.62. Of this latter amount \$1,080,872.79 has been called; peral fund of \$637,383.83 drawing 7 per at interest per annum. The average period warrant runs before payment is about ten aths. In addition to this nths. In addition to this constantly ruing obligation, there was paid during ixteen months of the period named e, interest on general fund warrants med the sum of \$88.817.15. It is plain, ore, that the state indebtedness is interest in a desidable month of the sum of \$100.000 mm. ig in a decidedly unsatisfactory man-id I would therefore recommend to norable body, the increasing of the y, now fixed at a limit of five (5) seven (7) mills. I do this in the

> ition of the treasury makes it that great care and economy rereised in the matter of approbe made by your honorable oted further along in this mesampleroom for economics in the ampleroom for economy in the any of the at all fusifications. however the state of the state of

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My neach one writes one application per eviden month with an average of \$800 we will N. C. get nearly the whole million dollars. But instead of 100 agents we should

have 400 or 500.

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as the 21st inst we received of loss. We can not allow at this late date.

A Request.

e secretaries of all mutual insurcompanies in the state will please their names and addresses to E. Montgomery, Holdrege, Phelps

We are desirous of having all mutual companies members of the state asso-E. P. MONTGOMERY, Sec'y State Association.

Netted \$100.

HEBRON, Neb., Dec. 18 .- A Columbian party given by the ladies of the Habron Columbian Needle club at the opera house last evening was the most elegant and enjoyable event of the kind ever enjoyed in this city. All the natical were becomingly represented.
A large company was present and the proceeds will net the club about \$100.

Burned to The Ground.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 28 .- Tecumseh was visited by another fire Monday. At 8 o'clock in the morning the residence of Lou Cooper caught fire and was burned to the ground before the fire department arrived. The fire was caused by a defective flue. Loss about \$1,500.

Self Defense.

FILLEY, Dec. 28. - George Townsend, who shot S. I. Chichester Monday morning, was released by the coroner's jury, all the facts going to show that the shooting was done in

Shot Him in the Arm. OMAHA, Dec. 28 .- Wily Willoughby accused her lover, William Dixen, of infidelity. To prove his faithfulness he tried to cut her throat, and she shot him in the arm. Both are in jail. They have been living as man and wife in a respectable neighborhood.

The plane tree under which Godfrey of Bouillon encamped by the Bosphorus it 1098 is still standing.

State Library Fund.
State Library Fund.
University Library Fund.
Permanent Saline Fund. Total balance to funds ...........\$1,181,085 93

The receipts, amounting to \$3,982,876.11, were derived from various sources, viz:

laterest and rental on agricultural college lands sold. Crincipal on normal school lands sold. Interest and rental on normal school lands. Principal on Saline lands sold. Interest charged county treasurers... Interest on United States and county bonds... Miscellaneous sources, including

Total receipts ..... \$3,582,876 11 The disbursements, amounting to \$4,401, 028.28, were made as follows: General fund warrants

Temporary school, principal and in-

terest on bonds
Capitol building fund.
Warrants redeemed appr
1887. \$16,150 37
Transferred to gen'l fund. \$7,781 97
Institute for feeble minded fund. \$1
Appropriations of 1887. \$1,841 63
1899. 28,024 15
1891. 7,454,16 Live stock indemnity fund warrants redeemed State library fund warrants red'md

Temporary university fund, war-rants redeemed.
University library, Aurrants red'ind Normal in'st fund
Normal libr'y "
Hospt'l insane "
Sinking fund, ins' (and state funding bonds. Permanent school fund, bonds purenased.

Penitentiary fund, transferred to sinking fund.

Normal building fund, transferred to gen'l fund. Bonds fund, transferred to sinking school building fund, trans-

fand.

Reform school building fund, transferred to gen' i fund.

Saline land stock yards fund, transferred to gen' i fund.

University U. S., land endowment, paid to board of regents.

In st chigod county treasurers by auditor transf' d to sink' g fund.

State relief fund, ins't on bonds.

Perm'nt Saline fund, bonds purched of twenty patients, makes a comparative showing for a period of ten months of a sav-ing of \$7,071.00; and a comparative state-ment for six mouths shows a saving of \$2. Moneys Paid In by the Governor. The following are the different sums of money received by me and paid into the state treasury, as is evident by receipts on

Extradition and other fees... May 6, 1801. Paid state treas-Oct. 12, 1802. Paid state treas-April 16, 1802, Paid state Tuly 22, 1832. Paid cate

and wavy locks that used to fall thickly over his Byronic collar and give him the name in Washington of the "Laureate of the Senate".

A. C. Islands and track at Central City in front of a moving train. The new wagon cost him \$70.

1,150 39

the Senate." Dr. William M. Hargraves, pastor of the only colored Presbyterian church in improvements, and its business men Louisville has been called to the chair of have no fears for its future as a manumoral and mental science and Christian facturing center. evidence in Biddle university at Charlotte,

William Winter, the poet, has been elected president of the board of trustees of fice to be raised to the presidential the Staten Island Academy and Latin class with a salary of \$1,100. school. The board is composed of twentyone of Staten Island's most influential cit

John B. Gough's beautiful rural home, "Hillside," near Worcester, on which he spent \$200,000 and a vast amount of taste | selves. and labor has now been sold by his ex-

ecutor for much less than the sum here The late Archbishop of New York, Dr. Magee, according to Canon Macdonnell, used to divide speakers into three classes; the speaker you cannot listen to; the

speaker you can listen to; and the speaker you cannot help listening to. Gen. William H. F. Lee, the congressman, is a son of Gen. R. E. Lee, but he does not appear to have inherited much of his father's ability. He is an indifferent speaker and is rather slow and ponderous

in his movements though his manner is at all times cordial and courteous. Miss Helen Cloak, a pure-bred Indian of the Blackfeet nation, has been appointed by Secretary Noble as a special alloting agent in the Nez Perces reservation. She is a well educated woman and in every respect qualified to perform the duties that

will devolve upon her. Lafontaine has a statue in Paris. It was inaugurated in Passy on July 25, 250 years after his death. It had taken M. Sully Prudhomme eight years to collect the necessary 54,000 francs, and of this sum 24,000 francs came from the town of Passy and the government.

ODDS AND ENDS.

There is a hotel-keeper in Maine whose name is Gin.

Gunpowder was first made by a monk, at Cologne, in 1330.

There is only one sudden death among women to every eight among men.

A squad of policemen in Philadelphia now rush over their beats on bicycles. According to the New York Tribune clothes are "laundered" not "laundried." Turbot is supposed to be the most pro-

persisting, and he will die. lific fish. One of twenty-eight pounds' weight contained 14,000,000 eggs. A female engineer, Miss Ida Hewitt, is through the ice on the Loup river and regularly employed on the Cairo and was rescued by a playmate, who strip-Kanawha Valley railroad in West Vir-

threw the reins to the boy in time to The Notre Dame Cathedral, Montreal, save him from going under. has the largest bell in America. It weighs 24,780 pounds, is eight feet seven inches in

diameter and six feet high. Anthony W. Laughlin, of Olympia, Wash., recently made up his mind to visit his twin brother in Atlanta, Ga., whom he had not seen since 1849. He made the trip, and, on entering the house was met and the twain became one flesh again with the information that the brother had and all is well. died twenty-four hours before.

1. That the artillery and cavalry be mustered out as useless and expensive ap-

ministration, I am constrained to lay special

emphasis for the necessity of a thorough re-form in the management of the public insti-tutions of the state. Particularly is this true with regard to the extravagant, and, in

such an enormous difference as could not be

dishonesty connected with the transactions of

a thorough investigation of charges which

had been made at a public meeting by E. C.

were found, with which the courts have you

institutions may be conducted more econom-

ically than has been the custom, I cite you

port of the superintendent of the hospital for Insaue at Liucoln, a comparative state-

ment of expenditures from March 31, 1801, to November 30, 1892;

Comparative Statement.

Employes' Wages. . . . . . . . \$16,423.23 \$16,790.30

Amount saved in nine months ...... \$15,037 48

Other Institutions.

I may also add that the report of the superintendent of the asylum for chronic insane, at Hastings, with an average increase

776.00 at the hospital for insane, at Norfolk.

For a period of eight months, with an increased number of inmates of twenty-five

per cent, there is a saving shown at the soldiers' and sailors' home, at Grand Island,

From the facts and figures thus brought to my attention by the officials in charge of those institutions, whom I have been per-mitted to appoint, I am convinced that the

said institutions can be conducted in their running expenses, exclusive of salaries, for

about sixty-six per cent of the amount here-tofore consumed. And, in this connection, I

would further call your attention to the

fact that there are a number of state institu-

Stationery, etc. 497 65
Farm Implements. 503 7,3
Telegraph and Telephone. 106 39
Freight and Express. 188 95
Repairs and Improvements. 3,624 69

1851.

\$65,585 01 \$40,947 53

Gothenburg is still going ahead with

The postoffice receipts at Wakefield

Enterprising farmers near Bellwood

very sore hand made so by the teeth of

a violent patient whom he was trying

Daniel Wenrick, an aged farmer of

Platte county, was killed in an at-

tempt to prevent his team from run-

A. F. Warner of Plainview had a

stroke of paralysis while at work in

the field alone, and died shortly after

W. R. Fox, a farmer of Adams

county, has 14,000 bushels of corn

man who will offer \$4,000 for it. Mr.

James White, a Saunders county

farmer fell from his hay mow, a

distance of fifteen feet, and landed

head foremost in the middle of a

wagon. Beyond a few disfiguring lac-

erations and abrasions he suffered no

John Dalton of Wabash is in the

hospital for the insane. He was re-

cently discharged as cured, but he took

to chasing his neighbors with a gun

and it was thought advisable to send

him back till he got rid of that odd no-

An escaped lunatic tried to force an

entrance into the dwelling of Nels

Dresdy near Weston, but two shots

from Mrs. Dresdy dissuaded him from

Paul Pillsbury of Fullerton broke

ped the bridle from his horse and

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Curran of Os-

ceola went to Oklahoma. Mrs. Curran

being removed to the house.

straw passed over his body.

leaves a wife and one son.

Fox stands up for Nebraska.

to subdue.

injury.

for the last fiscal year entitle the of-

the following showing from the official re

increased to conform with the new tactics, and that each company have a maximum of

Public Education.

true with regard to the extravagant, and, in some instances, dishonest expenditure of the funds provided for the maintenance of those institutions. While the most flagrant instance of this has been revealed in the conduct of the hospital for the insaue at Lincoln, and for which the former superintendent was and should be held liable, I am entirely satisfied that a like condition has The report of the Commissioner of public lands and buildings, so far as it relates to educational lands and funds, presents some matters which should be a source of pride tirely satisfied that a like condition has hereand satisfaction to every citizen of the state. Tabulated statements show that Ne-braska has had granted to it for educational tofore existed in connection with other insti-I may recall to you the circumstances which purposes a total of 2,869,415 acres of land of which amount 2,734,894 are common led to the investigation and exposure of the unsatisfactory condition of affairs which had prevailed at the Lincoln institute. With school lands. Of the total amount title is vet vested in the state to 2,482,704 acres; of a view to an honest and economic admin this amount 573,389 acres are under state tration of the affairs of that institution, I incontract; 1,462,707 are under leased con-tract, and 446,607 acres are neither leased stituted a system of comparative statements between a given number of months under the present administration and a like period under preceeding managements, and found

The report further shows that there is now invested in the United States, bonds, ascribed to parsimony. So pronounced was this difference in the matter of supplies consumed, (being about 33 per cent less, that I became convinced that there had been state securities and registered county bonds belonging to the permanent school fund, the sum of \$2,525,872.35, and cash in the state treasury amounting to \$490,338.39; making a total of \$3,016,270.74. An increase in the permanent school fund during the last two years of \$270,963.53,

the former management; and on the 29th day of September, 1892, I called upon the board of public lands and buildings to make The common school lands now under lease produce an annual rental of \$90,716.08. This, with the annual interest and unpaid principal on said contracts amounts to Rewick, esq.
The investigation which followed developed \$239,170.11, which with the added interest amounting to \$5,542.31 makes a fund of \$335,428.50 to be annually apportioned to the chool districts of the state in addition to such a state of affairs as warranted an in-vestigation by the grand jury, with the re-sult that a number of criminal indictments the revenue derived from the investment of the permanent school fund on the state Corroborative of my opinion that the state

treasury. This is a magnificent showing for the educational advantages of our state, and reflects great credit upon those founders of our state who in the early days conserved its school interests.

The honorable commissioner also calls attention to the imperfect and ambiguous laws regulating the procuring of right of way over state lands by irrigation companies, which I consider especially worthy of your attention. The state superintendent of public in

struction in his report, also deals with some subejets relative to public education which I consider worthy of your consideration. The equalization so far as possible, of chool taxation in the various districts of the state.

Legislation requiring a uniform course of study for district schools.

3. Legislation making the boundaries of government townships the school district line with a board of trustees for each with the power to make necessary provision for the educational needs of the youth of the district, and the bringing of such boards into closer relations with the county and state superintendents.

State University.

The report of the board of regents of the state university makes a particularly gratifying showing. The growth of the university during the last biennial period has been phenomenal. The attendance has more than doubled; the present enrollment being nine hundred and fifty-seven (957). This registration represents twenty states besides Ne-braska, and sixty-four Nebraska counties. The close connection of the university with the public school system is shown by the fact that three hundred and eighty-seven (387) pupils come from public high schools and three hundred and fifteen (315) from public schools. The advanced standing of the university and its strong hold upon all who are seeking the best facilities for higher education is manifested by the fact that one hundred and twenty-five (125) of the students come from other colleges and universities, largely within this state. That it is ministering in a helpful way to the great mass of

had organized. com him. As soon as Mr. Brown had finish me and the regular annual meeting of had a bigh holdsmet the office of that I always carried in those days. I got it out and clipped my way right and left, cutting their heads off. I don't know how many of the birds I killed, but a whole lot.

·Of the curious tropical birds there were some with only two long tail feathers. They were singularly beautiful. The Kanakas pulled them out right and left. I have some of them yet."

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