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Nebraska EFFORT TO REVIVE ANCIENT ACT FAILS

Bittenbender Firm of Lincoln De-feated in Attempt to Revive Old Prohibitory Law.

DOUGLAS CASES ARE DECIDED

Judgment of Ten Thousand Dollars Against Western Bridge Com-pany is Held to Be Ex-cessive.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The attempt of Bittenbender, Bittenbender, at-tempt of Bittenbender to put in force a prohibition law passed by the territorial legislature of 1855 has failed. The suit was brought in the district court of Lan-caster county to mandamus the excise board of Lincoln to compel them to en-force the 1855 act, which prohibited the manufacture and sale of liquors.

The district court held against the motion and an appeal was taken to the supreme court which held that the law was repealed by the legislature of 1853. Furniture Company Wins. The Beebe & Runyan Furniture com-pany will not have to pay the estate of Wyman Beber \$12,000 or any other sum in which judgment was sought in the Douglas county district court, but not sustained, because of injuries received by Beber while moving furniture in the warehouse of the defendant. The case was dismissed by the lower court and on appeal of the administrator of the action of the lower court is sustained.

Holds Judgment Excessive. The damages of Carleton D. Hutchin, administrator of the estate of Charles B. Harris, brought against the Western Bridge and Construction com-pany in which a judgment for \$10,000 was secured against the company has been revised and remanded. Harris was work-ing on a pile driver driving piles on the premises of the Union Refining com-pany in Omaha and was killed while moving the pile driver. The scantling on which the hammer rested was broken by the weight and came down striking Harris on the head. Contributory negligence and assumption of risk are the grounds on which the company asked for a reversal of judgment and the supreme court re-vises the action of the Douglas county district court and sends the case back for trial on the grounds that the judg-ment is so excessive that their must have been "passion and prejudice" ruling in the action of the jury which dis-regarded the instruction of the court.

Rawlston Denied Right to See Books of Stock Yards Co.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—In an order written by Commissioner Thomas L. Hall the State Railway commission de-nies the application of R. W. Rawlston for an order compelling the Union stock yard to give him daily access to their stock books covering arrival of stock at the yards.

The company alleged in the hearing that Rawlston acted as agent or attorney for a large number of shippers and was in the habit of going over the books each day for the purpose of securing evidence on which he could prosecute the railroads in cases where cars of stock were late in arriving, and that his constant looking over the books inconvenienced the employes who had to use them.

Caught in Flywheel, Arm Mangled, Ear Nearly Torn Off Boy

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Becoming caught in the beltting of a gasoline engine and thrown with great force against the rapidly revolving fly wheel resulted in a distressing accident to Bert Manning, a young farmer who resides south of Tecumseh, yesterday. He was the member of a corn shelling crew engaged at the home of S. L. Fuller, southeast of Tecumseh, and attempted to readjust the engine when the accident happened. His left arm was terribly shattered between the elbow and the shoulder, and hung with but little of the flesh. Two deep gashes were cut in his head, and his left ear was nearly torn off. The arm was amputated just below the shoulder and the other wounds dressed. Mr. Manning will recover unless there is concussion of the brain, he having received a terrible blow in the head. Mr. Manning has a wife and two children. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Manning of Tecumseh.

Treasurer-Elect Hall Prepares His Big Bond

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Treasurer-elect George E. Hall has prepared his \$1,000,000 bond ready to file with the governor. It is given to the Massa-chusetts Bonding and Insurance company of Boston and was secured by Judge W. H. England of this city. Ten other bond-ing companies get a division of the bond, but their names are not yet ready for publication.

Notes from Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Charles Boughtin Thursday brought suit against the Ford Paving company for \$1,000 for personal injury sustained in the explosion of the company's plant a few months ago, and secured an attachment upon an asphalt mixer which the com-pany was preparing to ship from the city. Boughtin claims he has been unable to work since the explosion occurred.

Pat Quinn, one of the democratic wheel horses of this city, is after the position of bill clerk of the state senate. He has the endorsement of the leading democrats of this city.

Over \$500 has been raised for relief of starving Belgians in Beatrice and Gage county, and it is the intention of the committee in charge to have a carload of flour enroute to that country before Christmas.

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Longing Robes \$5.00 to \$15	Dress Shirts \$1.50 to \$5.00
Smoking Jackets . . \$5.00 to \$12.50	Boxed Handkerchiefs \$1 and \$1.50
Bath Robes \$5.00 to \$15.00	Boxed Hose (4 pairs) \$1.00
Fur Slippers \$1.00	Silk Hose50c to \$1.00
Dress Gloves \$1.15 to \$2.50	Gift Suspenders50c to \$1.00
Fur Gloves \$2.50 to \$6.50	Combination Sets50c to \$2.50
Fur Caps \$2.00 to \$12.00	Manicure Sets \$1.50 to \$5.00
Rich Neckwear50c to \$3.50	Toilet Sets \$5.00 to \$15.00
Silk Pajamas \$5.00 to \$10.00	Leather Novelties25c to \$5.00
Gift Belts50c to \$2.00	Collar Bags50c to \$5.00
Silk Knit Mufflers . . \$1.50 to \$7.50	Fancy Vests \$1.50 to \$6.00
Silk Shirts \$5.00	Sweater Coats \$1.00 to \$10.00



Walking Sticks \$1.00 up
Silk Umbrellas \$2.50 to \$7.50
House Slippers \$1.50 to \$4.00
Club Bags \$2.50 to \$25.00
Suit Cases \$5.00 to \$15.00

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Positively the most remarkable values offered to parents of Omaha boys this season. Coming, as it does, just before Xmas, should make it prove doubly attractive. First, because of the splendid savings; second, because of the opportunity it affords for giving your boy a sensible, useful gift.

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Norfolk Suits in all colors—Norfolk Mackinaws—Chinchilla Overcoats—and Novelty Suits for little tots.

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This sale starts Saturday morning at 8 o'clock and continues until Xmas Eve. Don't miss it, if you seek a really practical gift for your boy.

Choose the clothes you'll wear on Christmas--Saturday--and choose them here

There's never a tinge of disappointment goes with a KING-PECK Garment—you buy more real style, real clothes value in KING-PECK Suits and Overcoats than the same money will buy in any other store hereabouts.

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Character Dolls
68c, 89c and 98c for Baby Character dolls that sell everywhere for \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.
Campbell Kids, 75c—The popular dressed dolls, in variety of expression and dress, your choice, 75c.
Dressed Dolls, 25c—A 14-inch doll, worth 50c.
"Kewpie" Sets, 48c and 98c—dressed Kewpies the "Baker," a 75c outfit for 48c; and the "Housemaid" and "Gardner" are \$1.25 outfits for 98c.
Skip-Mobiles for 48c.
Skip-Mobiles, 75c—The kind that you pay \$1.25 for.
Baby Grand Pianos, 75c and \$1 for mahogany pianos that usually sell for \$1.25 and \$2.00.
Hand Car, \$2.98—For a good sized boy; the regular \$4.98 kind.
Child's Rocker, \$1.98—A fumed oak rocker, strong, regular price \$3.95.
Bing's Electric Trains, \$3.75—Includes Electric engine and 12 feet of track, a special price.

Roasters For Christmas—Special
Oval shape, self-basting, seamless, blue and turquoise enamel ware; \$2.15, \$2.25, \$2.35, \$2.65 and \$3.00 sizes for—
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A FEW GIFT SUGGESTIONS ALL SPECIALLY PRICED.
Martha Washington sewing tables, solid Mahogany throughout, \$11.00.
Smoking stands, solid mahogany adjustable standards, \$4.50
Tea Wagon, solid mahogany, like cut, \$16.50.
Dressing Table with toilet articles, worth \$66; special, \$49.00.
Mahogany Drop Leaf Table, a \$98 piece for \$65.
Tea Wagons, oak and mahogany finish, \$10.
Serving Trays, inlaid mahogany designs, worth \$13.50 for \$7.50.
Black Painted Wood Trays, \$1.25 and \$2.25.
Brass Ash Receivers, each 35c.
Sterling Silver articles from the "Kalo" Shop, up from \$3.00.
Boudoir Lamps, standards of Austrian Pottery, \$3.50 and \$4.00.
Candle Shades, 40c to \$13.50.

WHITE ENAMEL MEDICINE CABINET, REG. \$4.00, SPECIAL \$2.95.
A neatly made cabinet with mirror door, 15x 16 1/2; three shelves, finished inside and out, makes a practical gift, spe' \$2.95.
Cedar Chests, Special, \$9, \$10, \$13.75.
Wing Chairs or Rockers, \$18.75, in antique solid mahogany covered in Puritan Tapestry, a special price for a handsome chair.

Oriental Rugs, \$8.50 Your choice of an assortment of Beluchistan, Kazak, Guenji and Mosul Rugs, worth up to \$17.
FITTED SUITCASE, \$35—In black seal, silk lined; toilet articles in French Ivory; a regular \$50 suitcase.
WALRUS BAG, \$20.00—A genuine walrus bag, 15-inch size; \$39.90 is the regular price.
ALLIGATOR BAGS—\$2.75—Your choice of 15- and 18-inch.
TABLE SCARFS—In velvet, tapestry, French
COUCH COVERS, \$1.95 to \$14.50—In a splendid assortment.

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Swap Anything in the "Swapper's Column"

Noble R. J. Thomas of Tecumseh Shot Through the Head

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Noble R. J. Thomas was the victim of an accidental shooting, at the home of his brother, Allie Thomas, who lives southeast of Cook, this county, at 5 o'clock last evening. Mr. Thomas had been hunting and returned home at the hour stated. He thought he had removed all the cartridges from his 22-caliber repeating rifle, and he stood the weapon in the corner of a room. The 12-year-old daughter of Allie Thomas took the weapon and playfully pointed it at her uncle. He cautioned her not to shoot, but a cartridge, which had been overlooked and remained in the rifle, was discharged, the bullet striking Mr. Thomas over the left eye and em-bedding itself in his brain. Surgical help was summoned at once, but to no avail. Mr. Thomas lived less than two hours. He was aged 43 years and came here from Johnson county, Missouri, some five years ago and engaged in farming with his brother. It is said he had a family in Missouri, though the particulars are not known here. The body will be taken to Warrensburg, Mo., for interment, leaving Cook today.

Notes from Alliance.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—At a meeting at the Alliance High school today Secretary Fisher of the Alliance Commercial club organized a junior commercial club. The organization started with twenty-eight members. The purpose is to study civic and industrial life to connect more closely the work of the public schools with the life of the community, etc. This is the first junior commercial club organization in western Nebraska. Over 30 people attended the better

News Notes of Brunting.

BRUNTING, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—About 11 o'clock last night the fine country home of Ufo Edwards was totally destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards were away attending the Schmidt-Harris wedding, and only Paul Reichert was at the home, and he was sleeping soundly when the fire was discovered by a passer-by. A large share of the household goods were saved, but the loss will be large. The wedding of John Schmidt and Miss Anna Harris took place at the German Lutheran church yesterday afternoon. Both are well known young people in this community. A large number of invited

VETERAN STANDS GUARD IN COLD FOR TEN HOURS

LITCHFIELD, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Alfred Debruler, a veteran of the civil war, in order to prove that the soldier of '61 is still capable of service today made a wager that he could stand guard upon the main street square for ten hours. He made good although the day was stinging cold and walking back and forth in the twenty-foot space allotted him with his old musket over his shoulder was the cause of much comment. **Don't Want Ads Are the Best Business Read Daily by People in Search of Advertized Opportunities.**