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THE Buffalo county Alliance held a meeting last Saturday and passed a resolution that it was the sense of the Alliance that the state appropriation for the Omaha exposition should not exceed twenty thousand dollars. It is not to the credit of Buffalo county to have residents who express such a niggardly disposition.

THE populist state machine is unalterably opposed to any legislative action in the the direction of retrenchment upon salaries paid employes of state institutions. After working all these years for the privilege of appropriating the state patronage it does not see why it should relinquish any of the spoils just to keep a few campaign promises made to the people to procure votes.—Bee.

THERE is at least one thing for which Senator Allen can be commended; he favors a liberal state appropriation for the Omaha exposition. He recently telegraphed from Washington to the Omaha World-Herald as follows: "Prompt and liberal legislative action in aid of the exposition in Nebraska is highly essential to stimulate congressional aid. I fear much damage will result to the enterprise in congress and in the several state legislatures if people of our own state are indifferent to its success."

THE attention of Lincoln county farmers is invited to the following statement taken from the Fremont Tribune: "The Germantown Co operative Creamery association, of Seward county, with a capital stock of $3,000 made $26,507 worth of butter last year and had a profit of $1,296, or 40 per cent on the investment, being a pretty good profit, beside furnishing a market for the milk of the patron stock holders at an additional profit." If such an institution can be made to pay so well in Seward county similar results can undoubtedly be obtained in this county, especially in the Patte valley where every condition is favorable.

THE New York Mail and Express says that business improvement continues in many industries and in nearly all sections. The cotton factories and woolen mills of New England are increasing their working forces; a great steel mill is to be constructed in Birmingham, Ala., as speedily as possible; the Westinghouse Electric company of Pittsburg has received orders for $500,000 worth of new work within the last ten days, and the builders of locomotives and railway cars are receiving the largest contracts they have had in several years. There is no boom in business, but there is undeniably steady, solid and constantly increasing change for the better. The improvement is general in its scope, and there is every reason to believe that it will be substantial and long-continued.

RECIPROCITY A NECESSITY.

Reciprocity, always a desirable concomitant of tariff legislation, is made a necessity by the projected action of Germany, in which empire a double schedule, one for goods imported from countries between which and Germany there are commercial treaties and agreements, the other for the world at large, is to be in force.

In point of fact, Germany has stolen or borrowed the thunder of Blain and McKinley, and is about to avail herself of that weapon of commercial retaliation which was so well used by the United States between 1891 and 1894, and which the democratic party so foolishly threw away. The German idea is to compel foreign countries to admit its exports duty free or at low duties, under pain of the imposition of high or prohibitive duties on their exports to Germany.

It is fortunate and evident that it is in the power of the United States to secure the best of the bargain. For the chief export of Germany to the United Stated is beet sugar. The chief exports of the United States to Germany are meat and grain. We have not discriminated against German sugar; Germany has discriminated against American meats. We can in a few years become independent of German sugar; the bounty system that has created the manufacture of sugar in Germany soon can increase the United States production by ten fold. It did double it in the first year of its operation. Its abrogation was one of the many crimes of the democratic administration of affairs. But Germany cannot supply its people with food and grain from its own soil. It must import food or it must cease to develop its manufactures.

It now becomes a matter of necessity to let Germany know that if its sugar is to come into the United States our farm products must enter its ports as freely, or as slightly burdened, as its sugar enters ours.—Inter Ocean.

TOLD IN A FEW WORDS

EVENTS OCCURRING IN ALL SECTIONS SUMMARIZED.

Happenings From Home and Abroad Reduced From Columns to Lines—Everything But Facts Eliminated For Our Readers' Convenience.

Friday, Feb. 12.

E. F. Giltner fell from a tree at New Washington, Md., and died soon after——J. M. Longenecker, Chicago, drew out $300 from a bank for a client and on his way to his office was mysteriously relieved of it——The discovery of exceedingly rich ore in the Paz mine near Saltillo, Mexico, has created great excitement and prospectors are flocking there——Mrs. Carter, who sued the Sante Fe Railway company for $10,000 damages for the loss of her husband at Emporia Kas., has been awarded $4,129——The jury in the case of Frank Yocum, who killed A. Evans at Ogallala, Neb., returned a verdict of assault and battery, and he was sentenced to 60 days in jail——The boiler of Wyrick Bros., saw mill near Magnolia, Ark., exploded and John Wyrick and John Lewis were killed——Miss Louise Schuttler, after bidding her lover good bye at Pekin, Ill., railroad station, was mangled to death by a train——Alexander Terrell, a negro who criminally assaulted Mrs. Jackson at Hearne, Tex., has been captured and sentenced to death——A burro train loaded with $30,000 of silver bullion from the Sombrerete, Mexico, mine, was attacked by robbers who carried off the ore——The Wilson bill, providing for the closing of public houses in England on Sundays, was voted down in the house of commons——Preparations for an extensive season of bull fighting are being made at Monterey, Mexico, and fifty ferocious bulls have been ordered from Spain——Mr. John D. Rockefeller has promised to contribute the sum of $250,000 toward the paying off of the total indebtedness of $486,000 resting upon the Baptist foreign and home missionary societies, provided friends of the societies subscribe the remainder by Jan., 1 next——Rev. John Monaghan of St. Patrick's church Charleston, S. C., has been appointed to be bishop of the see of Wilmington, Del.——A New York dispatch says that if Richard Croker will accept he will be named as the Tammany candidate for mayor of Greater New York——A dispatch to the Kansas City Star from Sedalia Kas., says that Rev. W. Fennise while conducting revival services has been arrested, charged with burglary.

Saturday, Feb. 13.

A secret meeting of the distillers was held at Louisville, Ky., and it has been hinted that its object was to form a whisky trust to control the output and price in that state——A motion for a rehearing of the cases against Alonzo Walling and Scott Jackson, sentenced to hang for the murder of Pearl Bryan at Frankfort, Ky., was overruled and Governor Bradley is considering the matter——Richard Aclinger of Lovel, Ky., was shot and killed by his 18-year-old son, Aaron, who escaped——A St. Louis chemist claims to have solved the problem of making gold and and silver from common clay——Tom Johns and Annie Faulkner are under arrest at Little Rock, Ark., charged with issuing counterfeit money——A wool exchange, which is the first to be operated in the United States, will be opened at New York City next week——George Ibach, who attempted to wreck a Baltimore & Ohio train at Mitchell. Ind., has been sentenced to six years in the penitentiary——Joel Mack, a wealthy stock breeder of Kansas, was murdered at Nowata, I. T., and his thrown into a brush heap. His body cannot be found——The name of Rev. Dr. Holmes of Terre Haute, Ind., has been mentioned as minister to Denmark——There is plenty of Fitzsimmons money at San Francisco at evens for those who favor the Californian——Gypsies are terrorizing the inhabitants near Germantown, Ill., by their frequent demands for provisions and other necessities——United States Consul Jarigan at Utilla says that banana raising in Honduras is a failure, and the same is said of mining in that country——Eastern delegates to the National Editorial association, which meets at Galveston, Tex., are calling at St. Louis to take in the sights of that city——Mrs. George W. Savage, mother of John M. Savage, consul at Dundee, died in that city——Dill Rainey, who killed Frank Haggard at Winchester, Ky., has been found guilty and sentenced to death ten-year-old Jean Finlay, a deaf and dumb child, became enveloped in flames and was burned to death at Jacksonville, Fla.

Monday, Feb. 15.

John Tutt and Dave Spencer quarreled over a 15-year-old girl at Trenton, Ky., and the latter drew his pistol in a combat and killed Tutt——A fight at the Kickapoo Indian reservation occurred between members of the Kickapoo and Seminole tribes, which resulted in about a dozen killed——T. Tomlinson, while under the influence of liquor at South McAlster, I. T., insisted on making Jessie Wilson take a drink of whisky at the point of a pistol, but Wilson succeeded in drawing his gun and dispatched his assailant——Miss Dora Troxell of Marion, Ind., who had secured a judgment against Colonel G. Gunder and Dr. T. C. Kimball for betrayal and malpractice amounting to $5,000, died and left the money to Mrs. Korwright, a woman who had befriended her——Mrs. Lucy Roberts was burned to death at her home at Ruthton, Ky.,——John Werner shot and killed Will Lewis at Wynewood, I. T., during a drinking quarrel——Will Johnson, who killed Henry Hobson at Bayou, Ark., has been sentenced to hang March 19——Mrs. Adison Deck has been arrested, charged with the killing of Victor Mankins at Sandusky, O., whom she shot through the heart——It is officially announced that Sir Alfred Milner, chairman of the English board of inland revenue, will succeed Lord Rosemead as governor of Cape Colony——Harry Corner, representing a syndicate of English capitalists, has purchased a tract of 1,300,000 acres of land near Puebla, Mex., which will be laid out for tobacco raising——Charles Bradley, a disperate character, in charge of United States Marshal Little, while en route from Ardmore, I. T., to Paris, Tex., jumped from a moving train and escaped——The works of the Richard Grant company, dealer in cooperage supplies, in Henderson street, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth, Jersey City, were almost completely destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, $60,000.

Tuesday, Feb. 16.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker of the Salvation army is seriously ill at Brooklyn——Another toll gate on the Lawrenceburg turnpike near Frankfort, Ky., was destroyed by dynamiters——During a drunken spree in a saloon at St. Louis Leo Bunk was seriously stabbed by Frank Hines——William Phoenix of Sedalia, Mo., became enraged at his wife and beat her so severely that she will die——Saline county, Illinois, Republicans refused to cast their vote at a primary because of the appointment of a negro judge——The clothes of Miss Mary Barker ignited while she was building a fire at her home at St. Louis and she was fatally burned——A traveling man identified a man confined in the county jail at Salem, Ark., as George Taylor, murderer of the Meeks family of Missouri——Paul Alexander Johnstone, a mind reader and palmist, and Dr. T. M. Walsh have been arrested at Cepar Rapids, Ia., charged with swindling and defrauding the public——Extensive deposits of asphaltum have been discovered near Fort Stockton, Tex., and there are several good springs of oil, also a high grade flow of petroleum——Will Drake of Pawnee county, O. T., fell from his wagon and was instantly killed——The new Belgian minister, Count de Lichtewelde, was presented to the president——Senator Harris is represented as recovering, and, barring accidents, will soon be able to leave his rooms at Washington——J. M. Bryan has been arrested at Conners, O. T., charged with the murder of Joseph McLeary, a few weeks ago——Two masked men appeared at the Williams hotel at Williams, N. M., and pointing their pistols at A. Altman, compelled him to part with $4,000——American residents of London will shortly present to United States Ambassador Bayard a bust of himself, the work of an American sculptor——Galveston, Tex., is entertaining several hundred editors, who are attending the convention of the National Press association——Mrs. Annie Besent, the theosophist, who has just returned from India, has decided to make a lecturing tour of the United States.

Wednesday, Feb. 17.

At Charleston the blockading squadron resumed practice with the big guns——The 12th annual convention of the National Editorial association is in session at Galveston——The education bill passed its second reading in the British house of commons by a vote of 355 to 150——The 10th annual dinner of the Life Underwriters association of New York was held at the Waldorf hotel. Comptroller Eckles spoke——Magistrate Cornell in New York city committed Iasigi, Turkish consul, to the Tombs without bail to await the arrival of requisition papers from Boston——It is believed that President McKinley will name General Horace Porter as ambassador to France and Chauncey M. Depew as ambassador to England——The conferene to decide upon measures to prevent the introduction of the bubonic plague into Europe and to take other action in regard to the disease is in session at Venice——It is stated that President Cleveland, Secretary of State Olney and Edwin F. Uhl, now ambassador at Berlin, will form a law partnership in New York. Mr. Uhl's son is authority for the statement——At Cincinnati a conference of prominent whisky men from all over the country, representing $100,000,000 of capital invested, was held and resolutions were passed petitioning congress to put the tax at 70 cents——Secretary of the Navy Herbert and party left Washington for Charleston, S. C., to witness the naval maneuvers——Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher had a comfortable day and there was no change in her condition. She is still unconscious——Among the passengers who arrived on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II. was Lieutenant Manlio, Garibaldi of the Italian army, a son of the famous patriot general——The battleship Texas, in her run from New York to Galveston, is said to be the fastest ever made by a battleship, the average run being 12½ knots an hour——Much adverse comment has been excited even among Spaniards at Havana by the fact that the house of refuge is the only place in the city in which women prisoners are kept.——A medal of honor has been presented to Nicholson Boquet of Burlington, Ia., late private company D, First Iowa volunteers, for distinguished gallantry in action at Wilson's Creek, Mo., August 10, 1861——The Lutherans of New York city, Brooklyn and Jersey City celebrated the 400th anniversary of the birth of Phillip Melanethon, the co-laborer of Martin Luther, the author of Augsburg confession and the world famous scholar and student.

Thursday, Feb. 18.

Another effort is to be made to save Daniel McCarthy, the condemned wife murderer at Chicago——At the last special meeting of the Beatrice, Neb., city council the salaries of the city officials were cut considerably——Thomas Edison is now busily engaged in developing a system of taking photographs at a long range by means of telescopes——John S Johnson, the crack skater and bicycle rider of Toronto, Canada, is lying seriously ill with congestion of the lungs——The two confidence men who robbed John Powley of Harvard, Neb., at Denver have been arrested and $2,600 of his money has been returned——The amalgamation of the Congregational and Christian church denominations suggested about a month ago at St. Louis will be consummated——R. J. Wilson, a clerk in Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll's office at New York city, attempted to end his life by means of poison on account of domestic troubles——The Brant house bill, bringing special charter cities under the mulct law, was passed by the senate at Des Moines and it has gone to the governor for signature——Mrs. Raymond Stevens, widow of the late Captain Hedberg, who was shot at Fort Sheridan in 1893 by Lieutenant Meany is about to make her debut on the vaudeville stage——The suffrage bill has been defeated in the Nevada assembly——The heaviest snow storm of the season is reported at Reno, Nev., 8 or 10 inches having fallen——Three Italians, John Fanicko, Paola Furesak and Pedro Philip, were run down and killed by a train at Tipton, Pa.——There were only 34 members present at the Oregon joint convention——Lawrence Garian, a young boy, was killed in a runaway at Joliet, Ills.——Mrs. Robert Lindsey of Flint Lake, Ind., took her husband's death to heart so much that she died of grief——On account of his failure to secure an increase of pension, A. D. Ackles of Parma, Mich., killed himself——The dead body of Roy Wilson was found at his boarding house in Chicago with a bottle of carbolic acid in his hand——Mr. Crissman of Harvard, Neb., who has an electric burglar alarm attached to his chicken roost, was awakened by the bell ringing and caught two thieves, whom he handed over to the police——Warren Cowles, passenger agent of the Rock Island at St. Joseph, Mo., and Mrs. Ada Cowles of Washington, Ia., who have been divorced a couple of times, have been married for the third time——Rev. W. W. Clark of the Chicago Sunday Observance league has applied to Justice Martin for the arrest of Mayor Swift for evading his duty in not closing saloons and stopping Sunday amusements and games.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

This invaluable remedy is one that ought to be in every house hold. It will cure your rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains, cuts, bruises, burns, frosted feet and ears, sore throat, and sore chest. If you have a lame back it will cure it. It penetrates to the seat of the disease. It will cure stiff joints and contracted muscles after all other remedies have failed. Those who have been cripples for years have used Ballards Snow Liniment and thrown away their crutches and been able to walk as well as ever. It will cure you. Price 50 cents. Sold by North Platte Pharmacy, J. C. Bush, Manager. 1

MAY ARREST MOORE.

EX-STATE AUDITOR THREATENED WITH CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

Attorney General Smyth Says Something Must Be Done Toward Payment—Moore Offers to Pay If Given Time—Governor Holcomb Sends a Message on Treasury.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 18.—The bondsmen of ex-Auditor Engene Moore held another conference yesterday in the office of Attorney General Smyth. Willis E. Reed of Madison, who, with Attorney Harry Brome of Omaha, has been retained by Moore, was present at the conference. Mr. Reed said last night that he anticipated criminal proceedings would be commenced against his client. He added that the attorney general might, however, decide to begin a civil suit for the balance, owing by Moore, $23,000. Moore says he has a one-third interest in a mine in Colorado, for which he would not take $100,000. It now nets $1,500 a month and Moore is ready to pay $500 a month to the state on his indebtedness.

Attorney Reed says that the law of 1873 provided that these insurance fees should be paid to the state auditor. The constitution of 1875 amended this law and made all fees received by any state department payable in advance to the state treasurer. Hence, the bondsmen of Moore assert that they are not liable, as Moore has no right to receive the fees Mr. Reed says that this will, he believes, be a good defense in a criminal action.

Attorney General Smyth said firmly that something must be done in the matter or an arrest would be made. This is what Attorney Reed expects and he is making preparations for defense. Mr. Moore says that he is doing all he can to fix this matter up, and that, if given time, the state will not lose a cent.

It is Attorney Reed's opinion that if criminal action is commenced the state will never realize a dollar, as the supreme court has held the point he will raise on the constitutionality of the payment of the fees to the treasurer good.

Bryan to the Legislators.

LINCOLN, Feb. 18.—Hon. W. J. Bryan addressed a joint session of the senate and house last evening in the hall of representatives. Every available inch of room was occupied and hundreds were turned away, unable to gain even standing room. The appearance of Mr. Bryan was greeted with great applause and he was introduced by Lieutenant Governor Harris. Mr. Bryan confined himself principally to the general topic of the science of government as applied to home legislation.

Holcomb Asks For an Investigation.

LINCOLN, Feb. 18.—Governor Holcomb sent to both branches of the legislature a message touching upon state finances. The message reviews the losses sustained by the failure of the depository banks, calls attention to the fact that the settlement between Treasurer Meserve and his predecessor, J. S. Bartley, has not been completed and asks for the appointment of a joint committee to make an investigation.

Senate Passes the Brant Bill.

DES MOINES, Feb. 18.—The Brant bill for the relief of special charter cities has passed the senate and is now ready for the governor. It extends to these cities the provisions of the mulct law.

OKLAHOMA LEGISLATIVE SQUABBLE.

Violent and Bitter Religious Discussion Precipitated In the House.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 16.—The senate yesterday passed the house resolution providing for a commission of seven to act with similar committees from Kansas and Texas to secure lower freight rates to the gulf and it was sent to the governor. When the bill to grant a special charter to the Sisters of Mercy of the Sacred Heart came up in the house a violent and bitter religious discussion was precipitated and as the roll call was being made a call of the house was demanded. This tied the house up until dark and though the call was neither withdrawn or the roll call finished, Speaker Pro Tem Doyle, who was in the chair, entertained a motion to adjourn and declared it carried. A minority protested against this unheard of parliamentary proceeding and refused to recognize the so called adjournment and called Mr. Willis to the chair and are still holding forth.

McKinley Is Doing Nicely,

CANTON, O., Feb. 17.—Dr. Phillips says: "Major McKinley is doing nicely. He is getting along very satisfactorily. He has been able to sit up part of the day and is quite comfortable. He will be able to be about in a few days, but will not be able to see callers this week. He will be able to go to Cleveland the latter part of the week if his condition continues favorable." Mr. Hanna came down from Cleveland last night and is a guest at the McKinley home.

Boom For Hanna.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 18.—At a meeting of 25 or 30 influential Republicans a movement, having in view the sending of Chairman Hanna to the United States senate, was started. Mr. Hanna knew nothing of the meeting, but those who were present expressed their determination to push the movement vigorously.

Corbett Plays With the Boys.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 18.—Eighteen inches of soft snow covered the ground here. Corbett began training with a snow shovel and being unable to find a suitable handball court, he exchanged a few volleys of snowballs with the small boys.

William P. St. John Is Dead.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—William P. St. John, ex-president of the Mercantile National bank, and treasurer of the Democratic national committee, died suddenly at his home in this city last night.

Blockading Retimo.

ATHENS, Feb. 18.—It is reported from Crete that the christians are blockading Retimo.

Found Guilty of Hog Stealing.

WEST POINT, Feb. 14.—The verdict of the jury in the Flowers hog stealing case was Wilbur Flowers guilty and Thomas Flowers not guilty. A motion was filed for a new trial.

Selects Miller Park as the Site.

OMAHA, Feb. 12.—The Transmississippi exposition directory, by a vote of 28 to 22, selected Miller park, adjoining old Fort Omaha, in the northern part of the city, as the site for the great exhibition.

POSTOFFICE BILL GOES THROUGH

House Does Not Suspend Business For Lincoln's Birthday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The statue of Abraham Lincoln in the old hall of representatives was draped Friday in the American flag and wreathed with flowers in honor of the 88th anniversary of his birth, but the house did not suspend business. On the contrary, it celebrated the anniversary by discussing the necessities of the postal service and passing the postoffice bill. The perennial fight was made to strike out the appropriation of $196,000 for special mail facilities from Boston to New Orleans, but it was defeated—yeas, 46; nays, 107, although that portion of the appropriation providing special facilities for Boston to New York was stricken out after it had been shown that this part of the appropriation had not been expended for several years. The bill as passed carries $95,485,714.

Peace Treaty Amendment.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The senate committee on foreign relations has agreed to an amendment to the arbitration treaty providing that all negotiations under the treaty shall be submitted to the senate just as the original treaty had been.

COUP BY THE HOUSE LEADERS.

Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill Passed Under Suspension of Rules.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The coup arranged by the house leaders for the passage of the sundry civil appropriation bill under suspension of the rules was a complete success and this bill, carrying $50,644,743, was passed without opposition or amendment just as it came from the committee.

Senator Morgan Carries His Point.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The senate was in executive session most of Monday, but the open session afforded sufficient time for a sharp controversy over proceeding with Mr. Morgan's resolution to abrogate the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. Mr. Sherman interposed numerous points of order against Mr. Morgan, and when the chair sustained them, the Alabama senator referred to his being "victimized" by the presiding officer and Mr. Sherman. Mr. Stevenson retorted sharply that there was no disposition to "victimize" the Alabama senator. On a vote, Mr. Morgan carried his point and the Clayton-Bulwer resolution was taken up.

USES BITTER SARCASM.

Senator Chandler Makes a Notable Speech In the Senate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17—Senator Chandler's speech in the senate Tuesday, in advocacy of bimetallism, was one of the notable efforts of the present session, not only for the scholarly care with which the senator presented the question from his standpoint, but for the bitter sarcasm addressed to Senator Palmer and the Indianapolis convention, the arraignment of silver Republicans who bolted the St. Louis convention, and for the dramatic personal exchange between Mr. Chandler and Mr. Pettigrew, the latter being one of the bolters from the St. Louis convention. Mr. Chandler's speech lasted three hours and was repiete with incidents. It was an argument against a single standard of either metal, gold or silver, and warning against a policy of monometallism.

Sustain a Pension Veto.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Monday night's pension session having practically failed of its purpose, owing to the difficulty of securing a quorum, the house Tuesday vacated the order for a night session and devoted the day, after the routine business had been disposed of, to the consideration of private pension bills. For the first time this session the house on a vote declined to override a pension veto submitted to it for action. The bill was that to pension Nancy G. Allanach.

ALLEN'S RESOLUTION PASSED.

Nebraska Senator Wants Discharges of Employes at Omaha Investigated.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The immigration bill now goes to the president, the last legislative step having been taken in the senate Wednesday by an agreement to the conference report on the bill. Strong opposition was made to the bill, but on the final vote the friends of the measure rallied a small majority, the vote being: Yeas, 34; nays, 31.

During the morning hour Mr. Allen (Pop., Neb.) spoke on his resolution relating to dissmissals from office at South Omaha, Neb. He said the alleged causes of dismissals were utterly puerile. The senator declared that in the case of two ladies who were discharged their offense was that of having Mr. Bryan's picture in their window. There were six other ladies, Mr. Allen said, who had McKinley pictures in their windows, but they were not disturbed. The ladies who displayed the Bryan pictures did it in honor of a citizen of their own state, and yet, Mr. Allen said, this administration had brought about the discharges. The senator cited other cases of men who had been dismissed, he alleged, because they had spoken for Bryan. Mr. Allen declared that from this it appeared the civil service law was a fraud and a delusion and that the civil service commission was using it for most unworthy purposes. Mr. Allen's resolution calling on the civil service commission for full information as to the South Omaha discharges was then agreed to.

Legislation For Arid States.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The house Wednesday, after a two hours' debate, passed a bill of considerable importance to the arid regions of the west. It opens to use and occupation under the right of way act of March 3, 1891, all the reservoir sites reserved by the geological survey. There are 138 of these sites scattered throughout the arid country, and this act will enable them to be put to practical use by individuals or corporations. Two amendments were attached to the bill, one of which permits states or territories to occupy these sites if they choose, and the other empowers the states and territories in which they are located to fix water rates.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison, headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50 cents and $1.00 per bottle at Streitz's Drug Store. 1

DR. DUESTROW HANGED.

Millionaire Murderer of His Wife and Child Executed.

UNION, Mo., Feb. 17.—Not until this morning, when he arose after a fitful night's rest and saw for the first time the gallows upon which he was to die, did Dr. Arthur Duestrow, the condemned St. Louis murderer, show any signs of the realization of his fate. For the first time since the crime was committed, three years ago, he shed tears. Turning from the window from which he had gotten a glimpse of the gibbet, he began to sob like a child. He put away all semblance of insanity, which he had carried out for so long: "I know I've got to die," he said, "I killed my wife and child, but it was not my fault. It was something within me that made me do it. I was not myself." These words were repeated over and over again as he lay on the cot in his cell, tears flowing fast and sobs occasionally checking his utterance.

It was but a short time, however, before the condemned man regained his composure. He talked with all his visitors and even smiled. This was probably the result of the sheriff's order rescinding one made yesterday that the prisoner should not be allowed to have any whisky. At 10 o'clock he decided that small doses should be given Duestrow from time to time.

The condemned man walked to the gallows without a tremor and mounted the steps to his doom without a shade of fear passing over his face. He died as "General Brandenburg," quietly and bravely, bidding a last farewell to the man who had fought to save his life.

Schmidt and Foster Hanged.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 17.—At Clayton, a suburb of this city, Peter Schmidt and Sam Foster (colored) were hanged today. Peter Schmidt, who is only 16 years old, was swung off first. He died gamely at 7:05 a. m., with a sullen look on his face and without any sign of repentance. Sam Foster, the big brutal negro, who followed him to death 15 minutes later, was so weak that he almost had to be carried to the scaffold.

DEMANDS OF FARMERS' ALLIANCE.

The Supreme Council Adopts a Declaration of Principles.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—A resolution was adopted by the supreme council of the Farmers' Alliance petitioning congress not to place a tariff on gypsum rock, which for many years has been free of duty. A number of demands in regard to finance, land owners, election of United States senators and direct legislation were readopted. Another resolution congratulating the order at large upon its success, and extending special congratulations upon the favorable action had in congress on measures indorsed by the council at its former sessions. The council declared in favor of the McCook bill, to regulate the importation and sale of seed grain and other seeds and the Allen senate bill, to protect public forests. It also declared in favor of a strict quarantine against the importation of fruit, fruit trees and shrubs infected by scale or orange worm or other diseases threatening the fruit growers.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mann Page of Virginia; vice president, C. Vincent, Indianapolis, Ind.; secretary-treasurer, W. P. Bricker, Pennsylvania. Executive committee: Mann Page, Virginia; R. A. Southworth, Denver, Colo.; John Breining, West Virginia; A. B. Welch, New York, and Hon. W. H. Stokes of South Carolina.

Vesuvius Runs the Gantlet.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 14.—Notwithstanding Admiral Bunce's carefully arranged plans for the effectual blockade of Charleston harbor the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius successfully ran the gantlet of the North Atlantic squadron last night. The blockaders were not aware of the feat of the ocean racer until the prearranged signal, a skyrocket, was fired from the deck of the Vesuvius. Admiral Bunce was surprised and disappointed. He had thought the thing impossible, and was loathe to believe the report, it is said, when it was conveyed to him. How the blockade was run is prized as a secret on board the Vesuvius. The officers are all boasting of the feat, and are as pleased over it as the blockaders are chagrined. The passage through the fleet was made as easily as the most experienced blockade runner could have made it. The trip of the Vesuvius showed her officers to be thorough naval tacticians.

SCARCITY IN THE WHEAT SUPPLY.

Market Closed Strong at Nearly One Cent Advance.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Wheat closed strong today at a ⅝c advance, although selling at one time at ½c decline. A strong undercurrent of firmness was present, caused not so much by European war news as by evidences of future scarcity in the wheat supply. Corn advanced ⅛c and oats closed unchanged. Provisions broke sharply at the opening, but recovered nearly all of the loss later. Closing prices:

WHEAT—Feb., 75⅛c; May, 74⅞c.
CORN—Feb., 21⅝@21⅞c; May, 23⅛@2 ⅛c.
OATS—Feb., 14⅝c; May, 16⅝c.
PORK—Feb., $7.7½; May, $7.82½@7.85.
LARD—Feb., $3.80; May, $3.90.
RIBS—Feb., $4.00; May, $4.0⅝.

Cash quotations: No. 2 red, wheat, 84@85c No. 3 red, 80@83c; No. 2 spring, 73@74c; No. 2 corn, 21¾c; No. 2 oats, 16c.

South Omaha Live Stock.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 17.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1,90; 10c lower; native beef steers, $3.70@4.70; western steers, $3.25@4.20; Texas steers, $3.00@4.00; cows and heifers, $2.70@3.60; canners, $1.75@2.60; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.20; calves, $3.50@5.50; bulls, stags, etc., $1.75@3.35.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,200; 5@10c lower; heavy, $3.15@3.20; mixed, $3.20@3.25; light, $3.20@3.35; bulk of sales, $3.20@3.30.

SHEEP—Receipts, 4,500; steady; fair to choice natives, $3.00@3.75; fair to choice westerns, $3.00@3.60; common and stock sheep, $2.25@3.25; lambs, $3.50@5.00.

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—HOGS—Receipts, 50,000; fairly active and generally 10c lower; light, $3.35@3.52½; mixed, $3.30@3.47½; heavy, $3.15@3.45; rough, $3.15@3.20.

CATTLE—Receipts, 17,000; weak and fully 10c lower; beeves, $3.45@5.25; cows and heifers, $1.80@4.10; Texas steers, $3.00@4.10, stockers and feeders, $3.20@4.10.

SHEEP—Receipts, 17,000; weak and 10c lower; natives, $2.75@4.10; westerns, $3.25@4.05; lambs, $3.75@5.05.

Willie Booth Kidnaped.

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 14.—Willie Booth, 10 years of age, was kidnaped from the South school in this city this afternoon by a man named W. R. Brown of Summerfield, Kan., and no trace can be found of man or boy.

Investing In Warrants.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 12.—There was a meeting of the state board of school lands and funds, at which it was decided that the state treasurer should be ordered to invest $50,000 of the permanent school fund in state warrants.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Death of Dr. Porter.

KEARNEY, Neb., Feb. 12.—Dr. J. J. Porter, one of the oldest physicians of this city, died yesterday from a stroke of apoplexy.

Sixty Days For Killing a Man.

OGALALLA, Feb. 12.—The jury in the Frank Yocum case brought in a verdict of guilty of assault and battery. Judge Grimes sentenced him to 60 days in jail. Yocum shot and killed a young man named Evans during a charivari row.

Judge Greene Resigns.

KEARNEY, Neb., Feb. 12.—Judge Greene closed his last term of court here last night and sent in his resignation to the governor, to take effect Monday, Feb. 15. The new judge will have to be appointed by that time in order to hold the term of court at Loup City, which convenes Tuesday, the 16th.

After the Hirschburg Robber.

LINCOLN, Feb. 11.—A requisition has been granted from the office of Governor Holcomb on the governor of Illinois for the return of Herman Lotonsky, alias Harry Thompson, now under arrest in Chicago. It is charged that on Dec. 2, 1896, Lotonsky broke into the store of I. Hirschburg, Omaha, and robbed it of $3,200 worth of diamonds, rings, watches and other jewelry.

RAILROADS REFUSE TO PAY TAXES.

Question Legality of the Levy and Will Go Before the Court.

KEARNEY, Feb. 13.—The city of Kearney is being held out of about $20,000 in taxes from the railroad companies, as the roads claim that certain levies are excessive and illegal. The levies complained of are 5½ mills for school bond purposes, in addition to the 20 mills levied for general purposes, and a levy of 4½ mills for judgment purposes by the city.

The B. & M. and Union Pacific have each tendered the county treasurer the amount of the tax, less these two items, but the county treasurer has refused to accept part of it in that way. Accordingly the railroad companies have secured a temporary injunction and the case is set for hearing March 8. The result is looked forward to with considerable interest, as the levies were made just as low as possible, and if the city is defeated it is liable to complicate matters next year.

VETERANS OPPOSE PRESENT LAW.

Ask That the System of Control of Soldiers' Home Be Repealed.

HASTINGS, Feb. 12.—The closing day's session of the Grand Army of Nebraska was called to order at 9:30, with an attendance of about 400 delegates. The list of delegates elected to attend the national encampment at Buffalo was read as follows: J. W. Horton of Stanton, George W. Martin of Fullerton, F. W. Simpson of Omaha, J. C. Knapp of Palmer, Fred Myers of Lincoln, David Morgan of Minden, J. B. Waumburgh of Kearney. The alternates are J. W. Cress of South Omaha, R. Lafountaine of Cheyenne county, C. W. Douglas of Bloomington, P. H. Berry of Ord, R. G. Heckman of Fairmont, A. H. Palmer of Arapahoe.

Norfolk was chosen as the place for holding the next encampment. The convention then proceeded to the election of officers. It was voted that the adjutant cast a unanimous vote for John A. Ehrhardt for department commander. Mr. Ehrhardt was called upon the stage and in a short speech thanked the delegates for the honor. The rules were again suspended and the adjutant general cast the entire vote for Thomas Majors for senior vice. For junior vice, Thomas L. Hull of Omaha, John Evans of North Platte, E. Rising of York, John Rees of Broken Bow, H. W. Chase of Polk county, were nominated, but when it was seen that John Evans was the choice of the entire delegation all others withdrew and Evans was unanimously elected.

The next was the election of medical director and A. S. Pierce was re-elected. Rev. Charles A. Hale of Orleans was unanimously elected for chaplain. For council of administration there were 10 candidates. Those elected were:- L. N. Edwards, Fremont; Edward Brown, Alex. Graham, Beatrice; W. S. Askwith, Omaha, L. D. Cunningham, Kearney.

A resolution was passed requesting the legislature to repeal the law providing for the appointment of the visiting and advisory board of the soldiers' home, and that power to discharge an inmate shall be referred to the board of public lands and buildings or other authority.

The man with consumption used to be considered just as good as dead. His doctors condemned him to death just as surely as if he had been convicted of murder and must die on the scaffold at dawn.

All that has been changed. There is now no reason for the consumptive to despair. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption. That is a startling statement, but a true one. Consumption is fed by impure blood. It is an accumulation of impurities in the lungs. If the blood is made pure and filled with the purifying properties of the "Discovery" there is nothing to replace the tuberculous matter that is coughed up and expectorated. Gradually the lungs become free and clear, the lung lining becomes sound and healthy, and the disease is conquered. Then begins the process of flesh building and soon the hollow cheeks are full, the step is firm and elastic, and health blooms in every feature and in every action.

"I was taken ill in February, 1892, with headache and pain in my back," writes H. Gaddis, Esq., of No. 313 S. J. Street, Tacoma, Wash. "I called in a doctor and he came three times. He said I was bilious, but I kept getting worse. I took a cough so that I could not sleep only by being propped in bed. My lungs hurt me, and I got so poor that I was just skin and bone. I thought I was going to die, till one day I was looking in a little book of Dr. Pierce's and I saw where the 'Golden Medical Discovery' was recommended for a cough. I tried a bottle of it and it did me so much good that I tried another one and it made me sound and well, so I can recommend it to anybody. It saved my life."