

sails with gas, thus making them serv

ship actually flew, and we succeeded in

steering it. I believe that the inflated

Complaints Regarding Breadstuffs.

and retail flour dealers have been re-

ceiving complaints regarding breadstuff

from cooks and housewives, who have

sent back sacks and barrels of flour

marked with the fancy brands and

bought at the highest price. But the

loudest protests have been raised by the

restauranteurs and bakers, who buy

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS MARKETS

Are Strong and Higher.

CORN-May, 25% @28% c; July, 25% @29% c. OATS-May, 25% @24c; July, 25% c.

Cash quotations: No. 2 red wheat, 98c; No.

red, 92@95c; No. 2 spring, 89@91c; No. 3 spring 83@86c; No. 2 hard winter, 89@91c; No. 3 hard

winter, 83387c; No. 1 new spring, 86093c; No. 2 corn, 2540274c; No. 2 oats, 244c.

South Omaha Live Stock.

PORK-Feb., \$0 971/4; May, \$10.071/4. LARD-Feb., \$4.831/4; May, \$4.90. RIES-Feb., \$4.95; May, \$5.00.

flour at wholesale.

trade. Closing prices

nominously failed.

As was anticipated, congress quashed the entire Teller resolution as it came from the senate in short order, and McKinley's sound money policy will prevail while he holds the fort at the White House.

THE report that the heirs of Gen. R. Smith were contemplating to give an endowment fund of \$700,-000 to the Chicago University is publicly denied by the daughters and heirs of the general. They say they're not built that way.

BUSINESS in North Platte last month was twenty-five per cent better than in January, 1897; at least that is what the leading merchants of the city report. The indications are excellent for this increase hold-

ing good during the entire year.

THAT announcement that Willie Bryan would assume the leading role in that proposed financial drama, "The Curse of Gold," seems to have been premature, Willie doubts the ability of the play to draw an audience, and besides some under-study might rob him of some glory.

THE telegraph wires leading. from the Sixth Nebraska congressional district to Washington have not been kept hot with telegrams congratulating Bill Greene upon his latest oratorical effort in the house of representatives. Even the sand-hill farmers don't believe it state.

NORTH PLATTE citizens should not be slow in offering their assistance to the farmers' institute commitstitute may be a successful one. Any move that helps the farmers helps the business of the city. It is pleasing to note that the coming institute promises to be even more successful thau the two held in the past.

THE Nicaraguan canal project is the 1898 meeting in Omaha. It is also at any previous time since its inception. Besides the government surveyors now on the ground, private contractors as well as capitalists are on the way looking for bids and investments. There is a possibility that the project will go through congress before the present session expires.

make political capital, but it ig- that the Oxnard company fears the an- fast and furious, but no sensational in- as balloons, as well as supplying the nexation of Hawaii will have an effect cidents, beyond the hissing of Rhea on the sugar industry. The clause is as (Ky.), when he said that as the "author baggy balloons of the sails, so they were follows : "It is further provided that of the crime of '73" the hottest place in divided into numerous compartments in case Hawaii or any of the Hawaiian hades would be reserved for the present which, when inflated, resemble thin islands should be annexed to the United secretary of state. The vote on the res-States during the life of this contract, olution was, ayes, 132; nays, 182. then and in that case a reduction of 50 cents per ton will be named from all of

the above named prices" (for beets.)

REPORT ON PENITENTIARIES. Commissioner Kent Tells How Things

Run In the East. LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. J .- Recently Deputy Commissioner of Labor Kent visited the penal institutions of New York and upon his return he made a report to the governor of his observa- 015,964 bushels, \$89,643,059, hay, 42, tions as to the working of the new method of handling the prison labor. The New York plan is to establish

workshops and factories in the prisons, where articles which are needed in other state institutions, and which the state has to furnish inmates, can be made, such as clothing, bedding. boots and shoes, etc.

The report is that the plan is working well and giving satisfaction to all concerned except those officials who were the senate during the greater part of formerly able to get fat contracts for the session. After a brief executive friends who supplied these articles. The plan is to use the convict-made goods only in state institutions.

NEW DISEASE AMONG CATTLE.

Nebraska Stockmen In Alarm Appeal the Governor.

LINCOLN, Feb. 2 .- The stockmen are four days overdue, from St. Johns, N. much concerned over a number of com- F., and Halifax, after a desperate en- Wheat Closes Lower, Wh.le Provision munications from farmers at Hooper, counter with pack ice off the New Neb., to the governor, giving details of a new and fatal disease among the cat- ing tale of blizzards there and destitutle of that section of the state. Nothing tion in the coast section of that country. similar has ever been seen in Nebraska, and experienced stockmen assert that dren dead or dying from exposure and the disease is unlike anything they starvation, with abundance close by, have ever heard of. All the letters and hundreds more threatened with a designate the disease as "foot rot." like fate, are the brief details of the Hundreds of cattle have died recently condition of affairs brought by the in that part of the state. Portia.

The feet of the afflicted animals turn proper for Bill to bullyrag his own black in a night and within 24 hours huge arctic floes in plain sight of St. begin to peel and crumble away until Johns unable to move. She managed nothing but the bone is left. This dis- to escape by the merest accident. Many integrates in from three to five days other craft, several of them relief vesand the cattle die in great agony, ap- sels, sent by the Canadian government parently from blood poisoning. It to succor destitute fishermen, had to spreads from herd to herd in a short abandon their errands of mercy and retees to the end that the coming in- time. The cattlemen are greatly alarmed turn to St. Johns, where they were and beg the governor to do something for them. into clear water.

EDITORS END THEIR SESSION.

Nebraska Press Association.

last day of the Press association's business meetings was closed by unanimonsly accepting an invitation to hold

this week. Hundreds have already left perhaps nearer its consummation probable that at the time of the meet. town. The manufacturers have not ing of the National Press association in yet made any statement as to their fu- 4.25; Texas cows, \$2.60@3.45; native steers, \$3.50 ture policy. It is the general opinion @4.95; native cows and heifers, \$2.00@4.30 Omaha, during the exhibition, the Neture policy. It is the general opinion that they will not make any effort to start the mills for some time. The mill hands are apparently as determined as ever to resist the reduction, and some of them predict that the strike will last well into the summer braska State Press association will hold a called meeting in the metropolis. Edward Howard of the Papillion Times was elected president by acclamation amid great applause. F. N. of them predict that the strike will last well into the summer. Merwin of the Beaver City Tribune was re-elected secretary-treasurer by Thousands of Sheep Perish. acclamation and warmly thanked for CHEYENNE, Wy., Feb. 3.-Thousands his efficient services in the past. The of sheep are reported to have perished following vice presidents were elected : First district, J. M. Barnhart ; second from cold and starvation in western Wyoming. The cold has been intense district, L. A. Williams ; third district, for 60 days and old timers say that it is tee has succeeded in expending ten E. Cunningham; fourth district, T. J. the hardest winter they have seen for thousand dollars appropriated by Pickett; fifth district, F. M. Kimmell; the past 19 years. Carbon county has sixth district, Clark Perkins. 500,000 sheep and flock masters there The session concluded last night with fear the loss will amount to 25 per cent. a banquet at the Lincoln hotel, being a Losses among cattle will not be so complimentary tendered by the State heavy, as owners had been preparing living it has afforded the members of the committee for the past eigh-trees members There are preparing all well received, especially those of Mrs. M. G. Perkins of Omaha, who use Report on Relief Work at Dawson. sponded to the toast,"The Club Woman WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.-General Mer riam, under instruction from Acting who responded to the toast, "May It Secretary Meiklejohn, yesterday opened at Seattle the dispatches brought by Please the Court." Special Messenger Wells from Captain Ray, the department's special represen-tative in the Klondike, and forwarded There is a Class of People who undertook to count the supreme judges into office by falsifying the bailot, they overlooked one Simons, a Simon-pure populist, who says that he received nary a crumb. But Simons held an ace up his sleeve in the shape of the secret of how the

sailing power. It would not do to make water bags. The gas tube running into the balloon was tapped in three places to supply gas to the mainsail and rubber Crop Statistics.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-The final esti- tubes carried gas to the two jibs. A mates of acreage, production and value | rudder completed the airship. After of the crops for 1897 made by the statis- many failures, we were successful. The tician of the department of agriculture are as follows: Corn, 80,095,101 acres, 1,802,967,933 bushels, \$501,072,952 value; sail idea is the one that is going to wheat, 39,465,066 acres, 530,149,168 solve the aerial navigation problem." bushels, \$428,547,121; oats, 25,730,375

acres, 698,767,809 bushels, \$147,974,719 value; potatoes, 2,534,577 acres > 164,-426,770 acres, 60,664,876 tons, \$401,390,. 728 value.

Two Appropriation Bills Passed. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-Monday's ses sion of the senate lasted six hours, two of the general appropriation bills, that for the army carrying \$23,433,493 and that for the legislative, judicial and executive departments carrying \$21,658,-529, were passed, the latter consisting of 121 pages occupying the attention of

session the senate adjourned.

FISHERMEN ARE STARVING.

Heavy Pack Ice Surrounds the Coast of Newfoundland. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-The Red Cross line steamship Portia arrived today,

Foundland coast, and with a harrow-Hundreds of men, women and chil-

Four days the Portia was penned in still in the ice when the Portia struggled

Third Week of the Textile Strike.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 1.-The third week of the big strike of the New Bedford cotton mill employes began with affairs in relatively the same posiwith affairs in relatively the same posi-tion as at the outset. It is thought the and stock sheep, \$3.00(63 80; lambs, \$4.00(65.40). exodus of the mill hands will continue

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 2.-Cattle-Receipts, 8, 000; slow to 5glue lower; Texas steers, \$2.50g

this city was restored by noon, but in most of the smaller towns the trolley lines are still crippled.

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The cost of the storm in this city estimated at \$1,428,000.

Bosron, Feb. 2.- A northeast snowstorm, which set in yesterday and raged until this afternoon, completely paralyzed all branches of business and all street car and steam tramroads and for a time shut off communication by wire from all places outside the limits of Boston. The storm was the most severe this city has experienced in 25 years and caused the loss of several lives besides doing a money damage of hundreds of thorsands of dollars.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.-Joseph Leiter, ac Between 1 and 5 o'clock this morncording to experts in the trade, is forcing a foot of heavy wet snow settled ing thousands of people to eat darker over the city and leveled wires in all bread than has ever been seen since the directions. The snow clung to the introduction of the patent roller process poles and wires and aided by a 50-mile of making flour. His control of 15,000, an hour wind, prostrated all telephone 000 bushels of contract wheat means and telegraph lines out of the city. they say, that the millers are grinding More than half the electric lights of the the best grain they can procure, since city went out, and in the suburban their supply of choice No. 1 hard spring towns the fire alarm service was cripwheat has become exhausted, and that pled best is not very good. Grocers

In Newton broken wires falling across others started fires in the electric room of the elegant residence of Charles J. Travelli, the wealthy Pittsburg steel manufacturer, and in two hours nothing remained of the house but ashes. Mr. Travelli's family escaped in their night clothes without saving anything. The loss amounts to about \$100,000.

Late last night the three-masted schooner Charles T. Riggs of Bath Me., dashed on the rocks on the Nahant coast, and it is believed her crew of eight men perished. Today one of the crew has been recovered.

CHICAGO, F a. 2.-Scalping operations con-stituted most of the trading in all the grain and its In the business district it was nearly markets today. Wheat was strong early on a rally at Liverpool, but turned weak later under the leadership of the New York market noon when many employes reached took \$4,800,000 and \$1,200,000 was left their places of employment all subur to be sold and the proceeds devoted to and closed he lower. Corn shows 1-16c decline ban trolley lines having been aban-Oats closed unchanged. Provisions were very strong and, advanced 10@271/2e with a good the devolopment of the property. doned at midnight, and the steam rail-CHICAGO, Feb. 3.-Francis Grable is roads being unable to run more than WHEAT-Feb., 91c; May, 954 (@95%c; July president of the Consolidated Gold two or three suburban trains during Fields company of the Black Hills. At the forenoon. the Great Northern hotel he has an

This afternoon a telephone service as elaborate suite of rooms, containing far as Worcester was established. The wholesale and most of the business distrolled by the company, charts of mintricts of the city were deserted all day. erology and specimens of ore. A large The stock exchange was lifeless and staff of clerks give to the rooms a busitransactions were very limited. Shipness appearance and their luxury of ping in the harbor was damaged greatly furnishings is such as to attract the at and it is feared that many disasters to tention of the caller. coast shipping will be reported when telegraphic communication is restored.

SOUTH OMARA, Feb. 2.-Cattle-Receipt 3,200; steady; native heef steers, \$3.80(04.80 The center of the storm appeared to western steers, \$3.70@4.50: Texas steers. \$3.00@ be in the vicinity of New Bedfor.1, and 3.70: cows and helfers, \$3.00@3.90; canners, \$2.00 @2.90; stockers and feeders, \$3 60@4.70; calves the brunt of it fell on Boston and terri-\$4 00@6.00; bulls, stags, etc., \$2.25@3.60. Hogstory within a radius of 15 or 20 miles. Receipts, 5,000; steady to shade lower; heavy, \$3.60(@3.67); mixed, \$3.65(@3.65; light, \$3.65(@ From meager reports received from the 3.70; bulk of sales, \$3.60@3.65. Sheep-Receipts, 4.830; steady; fair to choice natives, \$3.70@4.40; middle and western part of the state the storm there was less severe. Here about 20 inches of snow fell.

Big Wire and Nail Combination.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 3.-The American Steel and Wire company, in other words, the consolidation of the entire American wire industry, seems to be an accomplished fact. One of the strongest indications in support of the conclusion is a sudden and marked stiffening in the price of wire and nails, which has come generally this week. The biggest undertaking that the iron industry of the world has ever witnessed may be said to be successfully completed. This huge concern, with a capitalization of \$87,000,000, all repre-senting property, owns all the establishfornia scale and other vermin threaten fruit trees. ments in the country with which wire rod mills are connected. It is no mere pool or trust, but an absolute absorption of the property of the concerns con-solidated, and the former owners who senate today. Mr. Fort offered a resolution, which was adopted, urging the Illinois members in congress to ennow hold stock, cannot dissolve the deavor to secure immediate aid from combination by any withdrawal.

Grable brought into existence early in 1896. For a number of years he had been accumulating mining claims in the Black Hills district. When Mr. Grable had some 50 of these claims he thought it was time to float a company. Accordingly he gave several excursions out to the Black Hills from Chicago and Omaha aboat two years ago. The pros- pective mines were near the great	
	PROFESSIONAL CARDS.
	DR. J. W. BUTT,
	DENTIST. Office over First National Bank,
Homestake mine, which has turned out millions for the late Senator Hearst	NOBTH PLATTE, NEB.
and his associates. Thomas Bradley of Philadelphia, who was a large stockholder in a stone com- pany at Edgemont, was also a director in a security trust company of Philadel- phla, of which nobert E. Pattison, the Democratic politician and former gov- ernor of Pennsylvania, was president. Mr. Bradley induced Governor Pattison to be one of the party of six to visit the Black Hills in May, 1896. Governor Pattison was greatly taken with the outlook and on the way back he agreed to take the presidency of the company which was to be formed. Soon after a glittering prospectus of the Union Hill Mining company made its appearance. The company had a capital stock of \$2,000,000 and of this Mr. Grable received \$1,800,000 in pay- ment for the 50 claims, which he deeded over to the company. The remaining \$200,000 worth of stock was to be sold and the proceeds devoted to opening the mines. Mr. Grable went out to sell stock. He sold about \$1,000,000 at prices ranging from 50 cents on the dollar down. After he had got thus far along, he brought into being another company, which he called the Edgemont and Union Hill Smelting company, which was given a capital stock of \$3,500,000. Then the property of the first company was transferred to the new corporation	Offices: North Platte National Bank Building North Platte Neb
	F. F. DENNIS, M. D., HOMOEOPATHIST,
	Over First National Bank, NORTH PLATTE, - NEBRASKA.
	WILCOX & HALLIGAN, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,
	SORTH PLATTE, NEBRASEA Office over North Platte National Bank.
	DR. N. F. DONALDSON,
	Assistant Surgeon Union Pac.fic Reflway and Member of Pension Board, NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA. Office over Streitz's Drug Store.
	E. E. NORTHRUP, DENTIST.
	McDonald Building, Spruce street, NORTH PLATTE, NEB.
	FRENCH & BALDWIN, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,
	NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA. Office over N. P. Ntl. Bank.
and its capital- stock increased to \$6,000,000. Of this amount Mr. Grable	T C. PATTERSON.

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

Office over Yellow Front Shoe Store NORTH PLATTE, NEB.

D. M. HOGSETT

+ Contractor and Builder, +

AND AGENT FOR

ECLIPSE and FAIRBANKS

WINDMILLS.

NORTH PLATTE, NEB.

Mr. Grable, according to his representatives, left Chicago several days ago for a trip through the south, but is expected back before the end of the week. Prussia Bars American Fruit. BERLIN, Feb. 3 .- The Prussian minister of finance, Dr. Miguel, issued a decree yesterday, which goes into effect immediately, prohibiting the importation of every kind of American fresh

fruit. The United States consul at Hamburg, Dr. Hugh Pitcairn, telegraphs BROEKER'S that 16,000 barrels of American apples have been forbidden to be unloaded and

Omaha Chosen as Next Meeting Place of

LINCOLN, Jan. 28 .- The second and

THE Metz investigating committhe populist legislature. About the only result of the expenditure of this big sum of money is the teen months. They are probably very sorry that their exceedingly and the Print Show," and Mr. Howard, soft snap has come to an end.

WHEN the loaves and fishes were distributed to the faithful populists who are injured by the use of coffee. Rewho undertook to count the supreme

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago Live Stock. CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Hogs—Reccipts, 30,000; rather slow and weak at yesterday's closing; hight, \$3.60(3.80; mixed, \$3.70(3.85; heavy, \$3.60 (33.67½; rough, \$3.60(3.70. Cattle—Receipts, 15,500; quiet, but generally steady; beeves, \$3.85 (35.40; cows and heifers, \$2.25(3.40; Texas steers, \$5.50(3.435; stockers and feeders, \$3.85(9) 4.40. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; steady to strong; natives, \$3.00(3.60; westerns, \$3.50(3.455; lambs, 34.95(65.75) \$4.25(05.75.

St. Louis Grain.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 2.-WHEAT -Lower: No. 2 red, eash, elevator, 98c; track, 97%c; May, 97%c; July, 81%c; No. 2 hard cash, 88%g990c. Conn - Easter; No. 2 cash, 23%c; May, 23%c; July, 2714

OATS Firm; No. 2 cash, 24e; May, 23%2.



Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of Grain-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well

as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has the rich seal brown of Mocha and Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 1/2 day, having been passed yesterday by every body the year round. All drug-the price of coffee. 15c and 25c per the house. The resolution was also gists 10z, 25c., 50c. a box, cure guarthe price of coffee. 15c and 25c per package. Sold by all grocers.

Firemen Elect Officers. CHICAGO, Jan. 30 .- The meeting of the National Firemen's association concluded with the election of the followofficers : President, E. A. Wood, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; secretary, E. W. Barkman, Decatur, Ills.; treasurer, H. S. Sailsbury. Whitewater, Wis. One vice president was chosen from each state repre-

Cascarets Candy Cathartic at the rate Call on Lindsay to Resign. FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 29.—The resoof two million boxes a year and it will be three million before New Year's. It lution requesting the immediate resig-nation of United States Senator Lindmeans merit proved, that Cascarets are the most delightful bowel regulator for say came up in the Kentucky senate toevery body the year round. All drugadopted by the senate by a vote of 25 anteed.

that two trains full of American fruit have also been forbidden to cross the ALWAYS FIT. frontier at Emmerich. On receipt of this news, Mr. White sent a strong re-We have been making garments for monstrance to the foreign office, calling

attention to the evident violation of the North Platte citizens for over twelve treaty. At the foreign office it was years, and if our work and prices were learned that the Prussian government not satisfactory we would not be here prohibits the entry of American fruit on sanitary grounds, claiming the Cali- to-day. We solicit your trade.

> F. J. BROEKER, MERCHANT TAILOP



Two Millions a Year

Urge Aid For the Canal Project.

the government for the purpose of con-

it means they're satisfied. The people

of the United States are now buying

structing the Nicaragua canal.

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., Feb. 2 .- In the

Plumber, Tinworker When people buy, try, and buy again,

General Repairer.

Special attention given to

BICYCLE REPAIRING.

WHEELS TO RENT