SILAS HOLCOMB CARRIES NEBRASKA

Heavy Gains Reported for Him in Many Sections of the State.

EARLY RETURNS SHOW AN INCREASED FUSION VOTE.

lowa, Ohio and New York Placed in the Republican Column --- Only Meagre Returns From any of the States Voting Yesterday.

NEBRASKA.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 8 .- The Bee says: Sias A. Holcomb and the two fusion regents have been elected in Nebraska by substantial majorities. The gains of the fusion ticket over the vote cast for Poynter and the rest of the state ticket of 1898 have been practically general throughout the state, which indicates that no material change will be made by the complete figures from the showing of the precincts reported.

Out of 50,000 votes outside of Douglas county, reported in such a manner as to make comparison possible, Holcomb has made a net gain over the vote cast for Poynter of 2,515 votes. In Douglas county, as will be seen by the figures, this plurality is only added to.

One feature of the returns is that Reese has polled practically the republican vote of last year out in the state, and that Holcomb's increase comes aimost entirely from the increase in the

LINCOLN, Nov. 8 .- The Indications are that Reese will have a majority in Lancaster county of about 1,500 votes. Returns have been received from twenty-two precincts, showing a republican gain of 150 votes. The country precincts, which usually go democratic, show small gains for Reese. The county republican ticket will be elected with the exception of perhaps one candidate. The fusion committee claims the election of three candidates, but the returns up to 9:30 this evening do not justify their assertions.

The returns from over the state that have been received at the republican headquarters are discouraging, but the committee is confident that later returns will show a majority for Reese.

Secretary Nelson of the populist committee at 9 o'clock said: "From the present indications I think Holcomb will be elected by at least 13,000 votes. His majority may be more, but

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 8 .- At the hour of going to press returns from the city of Omaha and Douglas county are still incomplete, owing to the unusual delay in counting the new ballot.

The figures so far obtained indicate substantial gains for Holcomb and smaller gains for the fusion ticket as compared with last year. Holcomb, the fusion candidate for supreme judge, has carried Douglas county by a safe majority, but the exact majority cannot be ascertained until the count is tabulated in South Omaha, where the great number of votes polled has impeded the canvass.

ADAMS—Roseland, Juniata, Ayr. Wanda precincts and three wards in Hastings give Holcomb, 908; Reese, 874. Last year, Hayward, 987; Poyn-

Kenesaw. Blaine, West Blue, Denver and Verona give Holcomb, 701; Reese, 701. For district judge, Kenesaw, Juniata, Roseland, Cottonwood, Blaine, West Blue, Denver, Verona and Ayr give Adams, 1,370; Keester, 1,434. Harlan, Mullay precinct, Holcomb,

74; Reese, 6; Adams, 76; Keester, 9. Prairie Dog, Holcomb, 59; Reese, 35; Adams, 47; Keester, 5. Last year, Hayward, 52; Poynter, 115. ANTELOPE-Logan precinct gives

Holcomb, 106; Reese, 61. Last year, Hayward, 51; Poynter, 94. BOONE-Roselma precinct, Govern-

or Poynter's home precinct, Holcomb, Reese, 38. Last year, Hayward, 32; Poynter, 59. BUFFALO-Gibbon precinct, Reese, 124; Holcomb, 142; Armada precinct,

Reese, 47; Holcomb, 47. Last year, Hayward, 124; Poynter, 119. Riverdale precinct, Reese, 54: Holcomb, 83; Grant, Reese, 36; Holcomb. 81; Platte, Reese, 26; Holcomb, 26. Last year, Haywarrd, 117; Poynter,

BURT-First and Second wards, Tekamah, Reese, 220; Holcomb, 108. Last year, Hayward, 205; Poynter, 122.

BUTLER-David City, Ulysses, Oak Creek, Skull Creek and Reading precincts give Reese, 589; Holcomb, 815. Last year, Hayward, 598; Poynter, 706.

IOWA.

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 8 .- At midnight the 2,082 voting precincts in lowa have been heard from and they show a net gain for Governor Shaw and the republican ticket of about sixteen to the precinct. This shows on the face of it a net gain for the state of 32,000 votes, and this gain added to Shaw's plurality of 29,876 in 1897, shows that Shaw, this year, has a plurality of over 62,000 at least. Many of the precincts heard from are in democratic districts and it is very likely that the ratio of gain will be increased by subsequent returns rather than decreased.

E. H. Hunter sends the following: the state, exclusive of Philadelphia and Allegheny, about 50,000. The oth_ Up to midnight reports show that the indications are the Gear people have elected a sufficient number of senators to give them at least 27 votes in the senate with a possible 28, Cummins 8 with a possible 10; democrats, eleven districts; in doubt, 4. This includes 12 republican holdover senators and 8 democratic. In the house, Governor Gear will have 55 votes with a possible 60. Cummins will have 20 to 25, democrats 15 to 20. The republicans in both houses will have from 112 to 120 members. Should the republican membership in both houses be over 120, Gear's vote will correspondingly increase.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Nov. 8.-Incomplete returns indicate that White (dem.) for governor will have 2,000 plurality in Dubuque county. Charles T. Hancock (rep.) is probably elected senator, the first time in twenty years a republican has been chosen to that office. Democrats claim all the other offices

CARROLL, Ia., Nov. 8.-White will carry this county by 230, a democratic loss of 20. Bennett (rep.) is elected to succeed a democratic representa-

OHIO.

COLUMBUS, Nov. 8 .- At midnight 87 out of 124 precincts in Columbus and Franklin county show Judge Nash has carried his home county by 1,835. Two years ago Chapman (dem.) carried the county by 1,139, making the net republican gain 3,184. The republicans have elected their entire county and legislative ticket, including a state senator.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 8 .- Three hundred and forty precincts outside of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Toledo give Nash 47,629; McLean, 41,820; Jones, 6.113. Same in 1897, Bushnell, 46,924; Chapman, 42,795.

With four city precincts and thirtyseven precincts outside the city to hear from in Hamilton county, the plurality for McLean is not far from 1,000. There seems to be doubt as to the rest of the county ticket.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.- Taking all the assembly districts in the state, the republican plurality is 35,600, according to the Tribune's returns, as compared with Roosevelt's plurality of 17,786 last year.

Returns received up to 3 a. m. show the election of ninety republican assemblymen and sixty democrats.

The election in the four counties that make up the city of New York resulted in the election of every democrat candidate on every county ticket, except Gray (dem.) for register in Kings, who was beaten because of his refusal to put in an appearance before the Mazet committee and answer charges made against him. Democratic majorities were about normal, being in New York county over 50,000. In Kings county the democratic vote fell off from last year, when Van Wyck ran exceedingly strong in Brooklyn.

KANSAS.

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 8.-Returns received up to midnight indicate that the republican gain over the state at large will average 10 per cent.

Cowley county is in the lead so far as heard from, showing an average iblican gain of 400 over last year. In Sedgwick county, of which Wichita is the principal cown, the entire republican ticket is elected, except district judge, Hale (dem.) who is re-

COLORADO.

DENVER, Nov. 8.-The election has resulted in a complete victory for the democratic ticket in this (Arapahoe) county by a plurality of from 3,000 to 5,000 and possibly by a clear majority. The silver republican vote will not reach 5,000 out of a total of 35,000 cast in the county.

MARYLAND.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 8 .- Returns from oth the city and state have been very slow in coming to hand and at 2 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning the full vote from only thirteen wards of Baltimore has been received, while in the state not a single county is complete. The thirteen complete wards in the city, with the balance estimateed, show a plurality for Smith (dem.) for governor of 7,541, while in the balance of the state his plurality will probably be between 2,500 and 3,000.

The democrats have carried the three legislative districts in Baltimore and the probabilities are that they will have seventy-five members in the lower house while the republicans appear to have elected but sixteen. The senate will be close, with the chances slightly favoring the democrats for a majority

PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 8.-Estimates from all of the counties in the state indicate Barnett's (rep.) plurality over Creasy (dem.) to be 125,483. In some counties the estimates were necessarily based on meager information and complete returns may change the figures here given.

In 1897, when Swallow (Ind.) carried ten countles in the state, the plurality of Beacom (rep.) was 129,717, and in 1895 the plurality of Haywood (rep.) was 174,264.

"Colonel Barnett's majority in the state will be 140,000. The majority in Allegheny will be about 20,000, and in er candidates will run somewhat ahead of Barnett, as the opposition within our own party has been concentrated on Colonel Barnett."

SOUTH DAKOTA.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Nov. 8.-Chair-Herreid of the republican state central committee says: "I regret the small vote cast in the state, due to the fact that the farmers are busy. Had there been a full vote there would have been a republican landslide. But as it is, we will carrry the state by at least 8,000 majority. This victory is especially gratifying because of the des-

perate efforts of the fusionists and because Senator Pettigrew threw his personality into the fight for all he was

Two hundred and twenty-four precincts in the state give, republicans, 8,691; fusionists, 5,576, clearly indieating a republican majority of 10,000 The Black Hills countles give increased republican majorities over two years

ANKTON, S. D., Nov. 8 .- A little over half a vote was polled today in the city and county election. Returns are coming in very slowly. The city with four outside precincts gives republican supreme judges 100 majority. The Second commissioner district which includes two of the largest wards in the city, gives McGregor 100 majority over Wyman, republican, ankton county will probably go repub-

MASSACHUSETTS.

BOSTON, Nov. 8 .- The republicans carried Massachusetts by 65,000 majority, electing W. Murray Crane gover-The entire republican ticket was elected by practically the same plurality as the head of the ticket and the legislature of 1900 will also be republican by the usual large majority, there being few changes in either branch. The total vote for governor with the town missing, was as follows: W. Murray Crane (rep.) 168,846; Robert Treat Paine jr., (dem.) 103.182.

The senate of 1900 will stand thirtyone republicans to nine democrats, and the house 166 republicans, seventy democrats, two socialists and two independents. This shows a loss of two republican senators and three republican representatives. In addition to the three republican places the democrats have also filled two seats held by independents sast year. The democrats of the first Middlesex senatorial district elected their candidate for the first time.

NEW JERSEY.

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 8 .- The returns at midnight indicate that the republicans have carried the state by about 20,000 p.urality, although there was no direct vote on a state ticket. The republicans will control both houses of the legislature by good working majorities and will have an increased representation in the house of assembly. The republicans have elected senators in Camden, Glouces ter, Somerset, Union and Essex, and propably in Salem and Monmouth. The democrats have elected but one senator, in Warren. The senate will stand 14 republicans to 4 democrats. The democrats lost three assemblymen in Middlesex and one in Salem and the next assembly will be 41 republicans and 19 democrats, as against 337 republicans and 23 democrats last

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 8 .- Municipal election resulted in the re-election of James D. Phelan (dem.) mayor by a majority of at least 5,000 over Horace Davis (rep.) The remainder of the ticket is about equally divided between the republicans and democrats. The tota vote cast wasl 52,881.

Sacremento the republicans elected their entire municipal ticket, with the exception of four minor of-

RHODE ISLAND.

PROVIDENCE, R. L. Nov. 8 .- The election in this state was a dull one and the vote cast was light. Mayor Baker (dem.) was elected for the third successive time with a plurality of about 2,100. Last year his plurality was 3,400. All but one of the democratic candidates on the general ticket were elected.

To Fix Express Package Tax.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8 .- Argument probably will begin tomorrow in the United States supreme court in the case brought to fix the responsibility in the payment of war revenue taxes upon packages sent by express. The case is entitled William Crawford against William M. Hubbell, treasurer of the Adams Express company, and it was brought upon agreement to decide whether the tax should be paid by the shipper or the carrier.

Mr. Crawford is a member of the Merchants' association of New York which association is supporting him in the proceeding, Joseph H. Choate ambassador to Great Britain, was one of the original counsel in the case but since he went abroad has been succeeded by former Judge Allan McDermott. Other counsel for the merchants are James D. Dill and Frederic R. Kellogg. William D. Guthrie appears for the Adams company. The case was decided pro forma in the courts below in favor of the express company.

Touches Off the Dynamite.

HOPETOWN, Cape Colony, Nov. 8. A dispatch which has been received here from Kimberley, dated November 1, says: Apparently the Boer reinforcements from Mafeking have arrived, as the burghers are more numerous and closer all around Kimberley. About 1,200 of them made a dem onstration three miles eastward at Pre mier mine today and opened fire on the DeBeers carts, but no damage was

The explosion of the dynamite magazine caused by the Boers firing the place was terrific. The huts contained thirty-five tons of dynamite valued at

All the wounded are progressing sat isfactorily.

Soldiers Must Pay the Penalty. WASHINGTON, Nov. 8 .- The war department has received the reports in the cases of the three volunteer soldiers court-martialed in the Philippines and sentenced to death for assaults upon natives. While no information as to the nature of General Otis' endorsement has been made public, it is understood that he has approved the sentence of the court, as otherwise the papers would have come to Washington. It is possible, how-

ever, that the approval may be accom-

panied with a recommendation for a

reduction of the sentence.

HEROES ARE WELCOMED

The Fifty-first Iowa Soldiers Met With Open Arma,

GET A MAGNIFICENT RECEPTION

Delay of Some @? the Tros ps Works Disappointment-Scenes at the Depot and in and About the City-Patriotism Manifested on All Sides.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, 1a., Nov. 7 .-Special to the World Herald: Never before in the history of the city did Council Bluffs witness such a demonstration as the reception given by the state of Iowa to the returning Fiftyfirst Iowa volunteers today. Never before, since Council Bluffs was a frontier hamlet, has there been such an outburst of patriotic enthusiasm, Never were returning heroes given a warmer

And Council Bluffs, upon whom fell the burden of preparation, rose to the occasion as even her own people hardly dared to hope. It was done right. Weeks of almost ceaseless labor and planning bore fruit in the perfection with which the program for the day was carried out, practically unmarred by accidents or confusion.

It was hardly daylight when the streets of the city began to take on animation. Uniformed figures began to arrive and discharge their burden of visitors. The townspeople began to come from all directions

Soon the streets in the business part of the city became crowded. Flags, bunting ribbons, badges, streamers, decorations of all kinds, were everywhere. The cries of sldewalk venders of tin horns, the "rubber ball" and all other articles without which a gala occasion such as this could not be a success arose on the air. Carriages rolled here and there, drawn by prancing steeds. The atmosphere was full of strange sounds, and everybody was under the influence of a subdued but visible excitement.

A few minutes before 8 o'clock the signal gun sounded its first warning that the first section of the soldier train was passing the transfer. Immediately the whistles and the bells took up the echo of the report. First one and then another joined in the chorus of sound. From the Omana side of the river the smelter whistle lent its heavy bass and other whistles their shrill treble. The pandemonium smote the ear and turned nerves to a higher pitch. The local depot of the Rock Island became a Mecca. From all directions long strings of people came, walking, running-all hastening. The depot was surrounded by a living sea.

Almost on the hour of 8 the first section pulled slowly to the depot amid a deafening chorus of whistles from all the engines in the neighborhood yards. From all the windows of the long train leaned blue-coated forms waving wide-brimmed hats, handkerchiefs-any old thing. And the crowd about the depot responded with a similar demonstration.

Then came the meeting. Cold words cannot describe it. The throng thickened about the cars as they came to a stop. Anxious eyes scanned the car windows and platforms eagerly. Here and there a father, mother, wife caught sight of the looked-for face, pushed through the mass of humanity, and the long absent one was folded in arms which refused to loose their hold. Laughter, sometimes hysterical, was railroad company and the owner of the mingled with tears and sobs. In a number of cases the soldiers were dragged through the car windows into the arms waiting below for them.

With the music of over thirty bands, led by old veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, the dignitaries of two states and the hundreds of members of fraternities, the boys of the Fifty-first Iowa marched from their trains to their formal reception, cheered by thousands of loyal and patriotic friends on the way. The stars and stripes floated from every house and waved them cheerful greeting. All Western Iowa, decorated with patriotic colors and badges, crowded about them to do them honor. It was a glad welcome home-to Iowa-their own home.

OREGON IS ORDERED TO CEBU.

Prouble May Be Ahead in One of the Philippines.

HONG KONG, Nov. 7.—The battle-ship Oregon, which intended leaving Tuesday for Manila, fired a recall gun yesterday and left during the night. She is sain to have received orders to proceed to Cebu. She was seemingly unprepared for sen.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 7 .- At the navy department today it was said that nothing was known there as to the cause of the Oregon's sudden departure from Hong Kong, or her destination. If she is bound for Cebu, the order, it is believed, must have been given by Admiral watson, Without consulting the department.

Talk of General Lockont.

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.-Contractors, architects, material men and real estate dealers will hold a meeting here tomorrow to discuss the situation in Chicago. Resolutions will be passed looking to the general suspension of building until the various labor organizations consent to modify their working rules. There is considerable difference of opinion, however, regarding the advisability of organization among the contractors and others interested.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 7 .- A warrant was sworn out today for Thomas J. Hunter, formerly auditor of the Atlanta & West Point railway and located in Atlanta, charging embezzlement. several days ago a shortage in the union ticket office at the depot was announced and the agent "checked out." Mr. Hunter left the city several days

before that, at the time experts began

work on his books, and he has not yet

been located. The amount that Hunter

is alleged to have embezzled is not

known.

Railway Auditor Short.

JOHN BULL IS FRIGHTENED. Recurring Reports of Defeat and of Boer

Advances Worry Him. LONDON, Nov. 7 .- This morning's news carries public knowledge with respect to hostilities in South Africa

very little further than the evacuation of Colenso and Stromberg. Those villages, taken together with the announcement that the public must not be disappointed should the transports not reach their destination on the date of the public lists, may necessitate some change of date in the army invasion of Natal.

It was expected that the army corps would land near Capetown, for an invasion of the Transvaal through the Orange Free State, but the landing may now be diverted to Durban, Natal, whither it is expected Lieutenant General Sir Redvers Buller will go in a week or two to investigate the situation for himself.

There is also a possibility of a movement through Delegoa bay, and the admiralty notice regarding the transports simply means in all likelihood that the news of their movement is to be suppressed.

Stromberg was understood to be the depot where stores, tents, guns, ammunition and all the commissariat detail

of the Third division-that under Sir William Gatacre-were in process of accumulation. The stores have been removed to Queenstown, and an obvious explanation of their removal out of the Boer advance from Botalawie and Aliwal North.

In view of the near approach of British reinforcements Boer invasion of Cape Colony could hardly be regarded very seriously. There may, therefore. be a reason for the withdrawal of the stores, which may be intended for East London or Durban. It may be General Buller's intention to send on Colonel Lord Paul Methuen's division, composed of guards and British brigades, to the immediate assistance of Natal. For the use of that division a diversion may be intended of some of the stores of the Third division which are

Reports that Rosmead and Naauwport are also to be evacuated seem to corroborate the idea that General Buller's first business will be to relieve Sir George Stewart White.

in the handlest position to be forward-

The war office announced at midnight that no dispatches had been received beyond those already made public and that nothing further would be issued before noon today. Thus not a solitary official item of news has been posted for nearly twenty-four hours.

INSURANCE DECISION IN IOWA.

Railroad Company Wins Against the Hartford Company.

WASHINGTON, D C., Nov. 7 .- Justice Gray delivered an opinion in the United States supreme court today in the case of the Hartford Fire Insurance company and other insurance companies against the Clicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad company. The action was brought originally by the insurance companies to recover loss paid on an elevator located on land leased from the railroad company in the state of Iowa, which had been destroyed by fire and upon which the insurance loss had been paid. It was alleged that the destruction of the elevator by fire was due to the negligence of the railroad company and there was an effort to hold that company responsible, notwithstanding a stipulation between the elevator relieving the company from responsibility for fires caused by sparks, though even from negligence of the railroad company. This stipulation was attacked, but the decision of the circuit court of appeals held that the case was controlled by local law, and that as the local laws of lowa sustained such agreements, it is not the province of the federal courts to interfere with the practice. The supreme court affirmed this opinion, thus sustaining the contention of the railroad company.

SAMOAN PROBLEM IS SOLVED.

Final Arrangement is Said to Have Been Entered Into.

LONDON, Nov. 7 .-- Although the exact terms of the agreement are still carefully guarded, the Associated Press is able to say that the Samoan question is practically settled and that the finalities will take place within a few days, unless some unexpected hitch

occurs. But it can be said that American control of Tuitila island is confirmed and agreed to, while the United States, it is understood, signified its approval of the projected arrangements between Germany and Great Britain.

Dewey Would a Woolng Go. NEW YORK, Nov. 7 .- Admiral Dew-

ey accompanied Mrs. Mildred Hazen, to whom he is engaed to be married, on a shopping tour today. walking on Fifth avenue the admiral saw a little boy in charge of a nurse, with an admiral's flag in his hand. Hello," said the admiral, "I cannot pass that flag," and he shook the little fellow by the hand and chatted with him for a few moments.

The admiral and Mrs. Hazen walked to the Dewey arch. Here the admiral pointed out the figures to Mrs. Hazen and explained their significance. The admiral was recognized and a crowd collected. He was saluted by a numher of persons, and bowed pleasantly to their salutations.

The admiral was asked by a reporter when he would return to Washington. 'I have no plans," rep.led the admi-"I shall return to the hotel this

Heir to Australian Throne to Wed. VIENNA, Nov. 7.-It is reported here that Emperor Francis Joseph has consented to a morganatic marriage between the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, son of the late Archduke Charles Louis and heir presumptive to the throne of Austria-Hungary, and the Countess Sophia Chotek, on the condition that there be a year's delay. The countess was formerly a maid of honor

of the Archduchess Isabella.

THE DAY IN NEBRASKA

Governor Poynter Issues the Thanksgiving Proclamation.

LET THE POOR BE REMEMBERED.

Two Fatalities From Fire in Gage County-One Dead and Another Cannot Live-A Series of Burg'aries at Holdrege-Miscellaneous Matters Here and There in Nebraska.

Governor Poynter issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation: "Blessed is the nation whose god is the Lord.

"The earth has brought forth bountifully. The early and later rains have not been withheld. God's providence has rewarded the labors of the farmer with abundant harvest. He has protected us from "the pestilence that waiteth in darkness and the destruction that wasteth at noonday." For these temporal blessings let all the people offer Him thanksgiving and praise. Forget not the poor, to whom fortune may have been less generous than to ourselves, and by supplying their needs help them to be thankful.

"Let us remember to express our gratitude to the God of nations for the blessings of liberty which we as a people enjoy and crave His guidance in all the affairs of state to the end that these blessings may be perpetuated to us and our children for-Acknowledging with grateful hearts His guiding hand in the establishment of our government, His overruling providence in our growth to our present greatness, let us seek His aid lest we become proud and a lust of power cause us to forget the exalted mission of the republic and 'A government of the people, by the people, and for the people perish from the earth."

"In accordance with the time-honored custom let all our people, laying aside secular cares assemble in their usual place of worship and upon the day which the chief executive of the nation has designated offer prayer and thanksgiving to God most high.

"By the authority vested in me as governor of Nebraska, I set apart and proclaim Thursday, November 30. Thanksgiving day.

"In testimony whereof I have here-

unto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of Nebraska. Done at Lincoln this 4th day of November, A. D. 1899. "W. A. POYNTER,

"By the governor. "W. F. PORTER, Secretary of State."

Burned to Death.

WYMORE, Neb., Nov. 7 .- John Cornwall, who was so badly burned by the explosion of a lamp, used from his injuries after suffering fearful pain all night. The old gentleman lived alone up over a wagon shop, and it is supposed that he had started down stairs with a lamp, when it exploded and caught his clothing afire. Before help could arrive he was fearfully burned about the face, hands any body, and before he died both hands had been amputated. He is supposed to have inhaled some of the intense heat.

Another catastrophe in which a human life was nearly lost by fire occurred at the home of Tim Rawley, a well known farmer, who lives south of town. Mrs. Rawley was burning some trash in the yard and her dress caught fire from behind and was in flames before she took notice of it, and before she could extinguish the flames her hips, arms and neck were terribly burned. She only saved her life by jumping into a barrel of swiii, but she was so badly burned that it is feared she cannot live.

Buttermakers' Convention.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 7.-E. Sudendorf, of Eigin, Ill., secretary of the National Buttermakers' association, is sending out circulars advertising the convention in Lincoln on February 19 to 23, 1900. The association is offering \$4,500 in prizes and the executive committee is preparing a program which will be calculated to interest all connected with the creamery business, secretaries and managers, as well as butermakers.

The prizes offered are as follows: For the best package of separator butter and for the best package of gathered cream butter, each, a solid gold medal suitably engraved. For the second best package in each class a silver medal suitably engraved. Th buttermaker scoring highest of all will receive in addition to the gold medal \$100 in cash. The winner of the above will not participate in the "pro rata." The butermaker scoring second highest of all will receive in addition to the silver medeal, \$50 in cash. The winner of the above will not participate in the "pro rata."

Burglaries at Holdrege.

HOLDREGE, Neb., Nov. 7 .- The residence of Postmaster E. D. Einsei was entered through a window and \$10 in money and a gold watch stolen. So quietly was the work done that the family was not aroused from their sleep. The burglar then went to the residence of W. H. Campbell, where he also effected an entrance by the window route. While making a search in the bedroom occupied by the daughter she awoke and gave alarm, whereupon the thief fled, taking with him \$7 and two watches, one of which he dropped in the yard.

Eye Put Out by a Pitchfork. STOCKHAM, Neb., Nov. 7 .- Two small boys, children of A. L. Bird, while having a scuffle over a pitchfork, accidentally ran a tine in the left eye of the little son of George D. Gray of this place, Dr. Gordon wa., immediately called and prononunced the pupil to be entirely destroyed.

The parents took the child took York,

Neb., for treatment