THE SEMI-WEEKLY TRIBUNE. IRA L. BARE, Proprietor. TERMS: \$1.25 IN ADVANCE. NORTH PLATTE - NEBBASKA.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Admiral Dewey has promised to visit Detroit in June.

The Hutchison (Kansas) Salt company has increased the wages of its employes.

The health of the mad king Otto, ot Bavaria, is completely broken and the end is expected soon.

The United Fruit company is going to immediately expend over \$500,000 on its sugar plantations in Cuba

An imperial irade just issued at Constantinople orders contracts to be signed with foreign shipbuilders for renovating eight antiquatedr ionclads.

Burglars entered the First National bank of East Brady, Pa., dynamited and looted the safe. The bank officials refused to make any statement of the amount taken, but the loss is said to range from \$6,000 to \$10,000.

Mrs. H. H. Libbe, the beautiful young wife of a rich wholesale flour dealer of St. Joseph, has brought suit for divorce, making sensational charges of cruelty against her husband. He was formerly a business man of Marceline, Mo.

Mindee Chowagoe, the negro-Indain who escaped from jail at Marshall, Mo., after assaulting Sheriff Joseph Wilson and his little son and shooting the sheriff's wife in the arm when she came to their assistance, was lynched by a mob of angry citizens.

The Great Northern railway, in accordance with its promises, has placed 10,000 shares of its stock on sale at par for its employes. No employe receiving \$3,000 a year or over may buy stock, and none may hold fore than \$5,000 worth.

Jim Howard, the man accused of firing the shot that killed William Goebel, came from his home in Clay county, and took the train at that place for Frankfort, where he goes to surrender himself to the authorities. Howard mays he will have no trouble in proving his innocence.

A dispatch from Lebobmo, dated Thursday, May 3, says the king of Swaziland has ordered the Swazies to hasten their harvesting and assemble for weeping for the dead killed. The Malagan chief and nine women and children have been killed at the Majangas plains, and the plains have been strewn with the bones of murdered natives.

Justice Andrews, of the suprems court of New York, granted permission to William J. Arkell, receiver of the Judge Publishing company, to divide the assets pro rata among the creditors. The amount realized from the sale of the assets was \$997. The expenses were \$122, leaving \$847, less the fees, for division among the creditors, who filed claims for \$273,516.

All reports from the ranges west and north of Deadwood show that the season will be a great one for the wool G. G. Dennis, division freight crop. agent for the Elkhorn Railway company, who has returned from a trip lep cour

A SENSATION BY CLARK He Leads His Resignation as United States Senator From Montana.

HIS OPINION OF THE INVESTIGATION

Considers That It Was Not Fair and Says the Committee Would Have Reached an Entirely Different Verdict Had All Irrelevant Testimony Been Excluded-Other Washington Matters.

WASHINGTON, May 16 .- Senator Clark of Montana today announced his resignation from the United States senate.

The sensation was sprung in the senate today soon after the body convened. Scarcely had the routine business been concluded when Clark of Montana rose and addressed the chair on a question of privilege personal to himself. Clark said: "It had not been my intention to disturb the recognized traditions of this most honorable body by intruding my opinions upon any questions that might arise for consideration during the present session, but the question called up toway for discussion so vitaily concerns my own interests and the interests of the great state which I have the honor in part to represent, that I shall ask the indulgence of the senate, while I, as briefly as possible, submit some remarks referring first to the character of the investigation; second, to the majority report of the honorable committee on privileges and elections, which has submitted findings adverse to the retention of my seat in the senate; third, to the conditions existing in the state of Montana for a number of years prior to my election which justified my political action; and, lastly, a statement as to the course I deem best to pursue in the premises.

"it is not my desire to cast any aspersions upon the mouves which actuated the distinguished senators composing the committee, and yet, with the most respectful consideration for the learning, legal ability and eminent standing of these genuemen, I am forced to the conclusion, which I believe meets with the concurrence of not only a large number of senators on both sides of this chamber, but also to 80 per cent of my constituency in the state of Montana, regardless of political affiliations; that the methods of procedure in the investigation of this matter were manifestly unfair, nonjudicial and that they resulted in a verdict of the committee entirely opposite to that which would have occurred should the evidence have been confined to that which was admissable and pertinent to the issue.

"I contend that an investigation involving a seat in the highest legislative body of this nation, as well as the honor of an individual chosen for that position by the people of one of the sovereign states thereof, should be conducted in a strictly judicial manner and that in the proceedings the established rules of evidence should be applied. It is well known to everybody that this was not the case. It is true that there was a strong effort made by the honorable senators from Alabama, Maryland, Kansas and North

CONCENTRATE ON THE VALE. Boers Will Make a Desperate Stand or

the Border.

BRANDS DRIFT, Sunday, May 13 .-General Rundle has completely checkmated the attempt of the Boers to come south again and the enemy are retiring before the persistent advance of the British. Many have been captured or are surrendering. There were 150 of these yesterday and today, among them President Steyn's brother. The Ladybrand district is clear o Boers. They have evacuated Mequatling's nek and are now near Lindley. LONDON, May 16 .- It is officially announced that Dundee has been occupied by the British.

KROONSTAD, Monday, May 14 .-- It is reported that the whole of the Boer forces are concentrating on the Vaal withdrawing from Biggarsberg and the southwestern borders. It is computed that not more than

2,000 Free Staters will fight on the Vaal.

Railway communications with this place are expected to be open on Thurs day. The transport is working smoothly, the troops and horses are receiving full rations, water is plentiful and the health of the troops is excellent.

LONDON, May 16 .- The war office has received the following dispatch from General Buller:

"DUNDEE, May 15 .- We have oc cupied Dundee. About 2,500 of the enemy left yesterday for Glencoe, where they entrained. Their wagons also left yesterday by De Jagers drift and the Dannhauser road. Their Kaffirs said they were going to Laing's nek. Almost every house in Dundee is completely looted: The Navigation colliery is all right. The machinery of the Dundee collieries is destroyed The houses of the town are damaged, but are structurally intact

UNVEILS SHAFT TO FARRAGUT.

Admiral Dewey Dedicates a Memorial t Ilis Old Commander.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 16 .- The final day of Admiral and Mrs. Dewey's tour was spent at Low's Ferry, thirteen miles west of Knoxville, the birthp'ace of Admiral Farragut, under whom Admiral Dewey served in the civil war. The admiral and party, eccompanied by various reception committees and members of the Daughters of the Revolution and many citizens, left the city early today by boat for the birthplace and arrived there at noon. The site of the old Farragut homestead was visited and Admiral Dewey formally unveiled the marble shaft erected to mark the birthplace of the first admiral. Upon it is engraved: 'Birthplace of Admical David Glasgow Farragut, born July 5, 1891 Erected by Bonny Kate Chapter, Daughters American Revolution Knoxville, Tenn. Dedicated by Admiral George Dewey, May 15, 1900." Following the unveiling Admiral Dewey made an address in which he naid a high tribute to Farragat and recounted his associations with him. A4dresses were also made by Mrs. Charles A. Perkins, representing the Daughters of the American Revolution. Colonel L. D. Lyson and Judge O P. Temple. The latter presented Admiral Dewey with a handsome mirature of Admiral Farragut done on ivory in a case upon which is engraved: "Preented to Admiral Dewey on the occa

FINDS THE LAW GOOD BULLER AT WORK IN NATAL. Reports Are Received of English Sac

ceases at the Biggaraberg.

LONDON, May 15 .- A dispatch received by the Associated Press from Pietermaritzburg, Natal, timed 12:05 p. m. today, brings the first intimation of a success attained by General Buller in northern Natal. The sender of this dispatch evidently assumes that news of the affair has been received direct from the scene of hostilities,

for he merely says: "General Buller's official telegram notifying his success at the Biggarsberg, received her an hour ago, has given keen satisfaction. It is confidently anticipated that Dundee will be occupied by the British today. The residents of the north country are delighted, as forcing the Biggarsberg means that they will speedily be enabled to return to their homes."

Another dispatch to the Associated Press, dated Stone Hill Farm, 8:20 this morning, says:

ment ponds. There were five decisions under the federal law and one under "After four days' march eastward, at the foot of the Biggarsberg ridges, in the state law, but two of the former class applied, as did one of the latter the direction of Helpmaakar, which class, to the taxation of government was occupied by the federals, the secbonds. The court held that neither ond brigade, Sunday, led the attack. under the state nor the national enact-Dundonald's cavalry broke the Boe.s' ment were national bonds exempt from center and Bethune's Horse advanced taxation. The validity of the general on their extreme right. In the direc federal law was affirmed, but it was tion of Pomeroy a small party of held to be purely applicable to legaburghers occupied a ridge overlooking cles, and not to the entire estates of Helpmaakar, but they did not wait deceased persons, the court holding for the assault." that the tax is on the passing of lega-

Recent British scouting in the direction of Dundee has shown that the federals were in great force on the Biggarsberg. So, apparently, General Buller concluded that it was necessary to clear them from his rear before commencing a movement in the direcby Justice White and those relating to tion of the Drakensberg range. If that is his plan he has possibly divided his forces, sending one column eastward to threaten Vryheld and Utrecht and take Laing's nek in the rear, while a westbound column attempts to form a junction with the forces of Lord Roberts, via the Harrismith railroad.

opinion is a very voluminous one and Telegrams from Kroonstad indicate discusses exhaustively every phase of that General French's cavalry is keepthe law. Referring to the "progresing touch with the Boers, but perhaps sivo" feature of the act Justice White Lord Roberts will be compelled to said it was conclusive that it creates order a brief halt of his main body in order to allow the troops to recuper-"It simply provides," he said, "for ate after the exhausting marches of the progressive rates on the property mentioned in the opening sentences, the past week.

All the correspondents agree that to all intents and purposes the Free Staters have severed their military alliance with the Transvaal, though scattered bodies, they say, will possibly hold out here and there for some time.

At the same time a dispatch from Capetown, dated today, says a proclamation will be published this week annexing the Orange Free State. It is also said that General Botha, the commander-in-chief of the Boer forces. threatens to resign if any preparations are made for the wanton destruction of property.

PLANS FOR GERMAN NAVY.

European Country Will Probably Heed the Warnings Given.

NEW YORK, May 15.- A special to the Herald from Washington says: It is the belief of well informed department officials here that Germany will heed the warnings given her by Secretry Root and Senator Lodge by more Explains Need of More Artillerymen and strongly urging the passage of the bill

Looking Backward Forty Years and Indulging in Reminiscences.

EARLY NEBRASKA DAYS

THE ADVANCEMENT WE HAVE MADE

The Old Town of De Soto-The Want of Faith in Nebraska's Possibilities-Removal of the Capitol to Lincoln-Opportualties to Secure Rich Acres That Were Allowed to Escape.

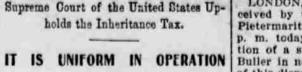
LINCOLN, Neb., May 16 .- Looking backward over a period of forty-three years T. P. Kennard of this city tells of an interesting incident connected with the removal of the state capitol from Omaha to Lincoln.

"Just forty-three years ago the 24th of April I left St. Louis by steamboat for Omaha. There were no railroads through Iowa or Missouri in those days with the exception of a short road of a few miles up the Missouri river. It took us fourteen days to make the trip to Omaha, which was then but a straggling village of only about 1,000 or 1,200 inhabitants. My recollection is that there was only one brick house in the city and that was located about where the Omaha bank building now stands. I wanted to go to De Soto, twenty-two miles up the river, and as couldn't get a conveyance of any kind. had to walk the entire distance. It wil lperhaps be interesting to the younger citizens of Nebraska to know that De Soto at that time contained three banks, ten or twelve stores and had a population of from 400 to 500 and was a county seat. Today the place is nearly vacated. In those days De Soto was by all odds the largest and best town north of Omaha and was looked upon as a village with most promising prospects.

"When I came to Nebraska noboyy expected to live to see Nebraska a state. They thought this was a pretty good place in which to make something and then go back to civilization. It was the general impression that none of the upland or land lying away from the streams could be cultivated and I remember that when the capital was located here in Lincoln the old Omaha Republican referred to the place as being 'on the confines of civilization, uninhabited and uninhabitable, except for coyotes, Indians and prarie dogs. I could have taken a homestead within three miles of where the capital now stands, but I was not sanguine enough of its posisbilities to avail myself of the opportunity. We all thought the land west of the Blue river would never be settled. Today land 150 miles west of this city stands better from an agricultural standpoint than did anything in this vicinity when the captol was located there. Taking this into consideration no man is warranted in placing a limit upon the agricultural possibilities in store for western Nebraska.

Nebraskaps Killed in Alaska.

FREMONT, Neb., May 16 .- A report which was circulated here last November that Bert Horton and wife, former residents of this county, had been illed by some Indians n from Skaguay, Alaska, has been verified by a letter received by C. F. Horton of Scribner from J. M. Tanner, deputy United States marshal at Skaguay, He writes that the unfortunate couple were killed by a band of Indians some time in October. Their bodies were not recovered until March 15, but were in such condition as to be easily recognized and were buried under the auspices of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.



Construction of the Statute by Justice White Full and Explicit-Applies Only to Individual Legacies-Estate as

Whole Not to Be Assessed as Such. WASHINGTON, May 15.-The su-preme court of the United States to-

day announced opinions in the case

arising under the inheritance tax pro-

vision of the war revenue act and also

in a case involving the applicability

of the state inheritance tax law of New

York to estates composed of govern-

cles of distributive shares of personalty

with a progressive rate on each de-

termined by the sum of each of such

The decisions dealing with the fed-

eral law as a whole were handed down

The principal decision in the list handed down by Justice White covered

the case of Eben J. Knowlton and

Thomas A. Buffum, executors of Edwin

F. Knowlton, brought here from the

eastern district of New York. The

which is described exactly as it was in

the act of 1864. Now, as the act of 1864

taxed, not the whole estate, but each

particular legacy or distributive share,

the conclusion cannoe be escaped that

the present law does the same thing,

except that there is added thereto a

Then he took up the question as to

whether the law commands that the

progressive rate shall be measured by

the amount of a legacy, or the whole

personal estate, the conclusion being

reached that it was not the intention to

tax the entire estate, "but the sepa-

rate and distinct sums of items of per-

The conclusion then was announced

that the tax is "on the legacies and

distributive shares, the rate being pri-marily determined by the classifica-

tions and being progressively increased

according to the amount of the legacies

government bonds by Justice Shiras.

legacies or distributive shares.

no new subject of taxation.

progressive rate."

sonal property passing.'

or shares.

clip will be between 5,000,000 and 6,000,060 pounds this year. Considerable of the wool has been sold in advance for 16 cents per pound.

Bishop Thomas O'Gorman, just re turned to Sioux Falls from the Rosebud Indian agency, brings the news that he has baptized into the Catholfe faith the fierce old Sioux chief, Two Strikes. He is \$1 years old, and in his day scalped many a white man. Bent with age, with watery eyes and wrinkled face, he knelt at the chancel rail and received the sacrament. He was one of a class of 150.

Views have been taken of the orchards of Miller and Pancake, in the vicinity of Rodney, W. Va., for exhibition at the Paris exposition. These orchards are the largest in the world, and contain 250,000 peach and plum trees. The owners planted 181,000 trees last year and cleared for planting 1,735 acres of timber land. The first season their orchards began to bear they shipped 100 car loads ot peaches and plums.

Several of Philadelphia's big banks have consolidated.

The war department has decided that the revised Cuban tariff shall go into operation June 15 next. It is stated that the purpose of the revision was to make good grave defects in the Porter tariff, which experience has developed. Representative McClellan of New

York has introduced a bill repealing the war revenue tax on beer.

The president has issued a proclamation extending for six months from April 11 the time allowed Spanish subjects to announce their allegiance, in accordance with the treaty of Paris.

The Missouri supreme court has affirmed the death sentence of six men. Rev. C. M. Sheldon has given \$500 of his share of the profits on the Christian Daily to the Topeka Y. M. C. A. He had already given \$1,000 to the India famine fund and \$1,000 toward a detention hospital at the city jail.

Robbers made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the Lynn (Mass.) five cent savings bank.

General Edward S. Bragg, commander of the famous Iron Brigade, was thrown from his horse at Fond du Lac, Wis., and his right leg broken in two places.

Mt. Vesuvius is in a state of eruption.

Forty members of the Mafia have been arrested at Palermo, Sicily. One offered violent resistance and fired upon the police. A great impression as been caused by the arrests, and i. is expected that others will be made.

The Tenth Iowa district Republican convention at Algona unanimously renominated Congressman Jonathan P. Dolliver.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt and M. Couelin, it is announced, will make a tour of the United States, to last six months.

Carolina, at the beginning of the investigation, to exclude all the irrelevant place, Knoxville, Tenn., May 15, 1900." testimony, but their efforts were unavailing.

"The senators who filed a minority report expressed in emphatic terms their condemnation of the proceedings in this respect, as well as a denunciation of the character and practices of the principal attorney and of some of their witnesses who testified for the prosecution.

Bristow to Take Charge.

WASHINGTON, May 16 .- The postmaster general, after a protracted interview with the president, announced that Joseph L. Bristow, fourth assistant postmaster general, will proceed to Havana Wednesday to take charge of the postal affairs of the island of Cuba. The postmaster general declined to say whether or not Director General of Posts Rathbone would be suspended. It is said, however, that the fact that General Bristow will assume these duties does not necessarily indicate that Mr. Rathbone will be relieved of all connection with the service. General Bristow outranks the director of posts and the latter might operate as a subordinate.

Proceed on Government Job.

CHICAGO, May 16.-The Tribung says: Work on the postoffice building is to be resumed immediately, regard less of the demands of Chicago labor unions or of the existing labor troubles. Contractor J. A. Peirce, so Architect Henry Ives Cobb announces, will employ any capable man, regardless of his affiliations with labor organizations. The federal government will be depended upon to protect such workmen.

A large portion of the stone that will be used in the construction of the postoffice building will be that which has been cut by non-union toilers.

No Evidence of a Striks.

KANSAS CITY, May 16 .- Street car strike's continued to lose strength and today there was hardly a semblance of a strike on the Metropolitan lines. In every part of the city full complements of trains are being operated without the least friction. The strikers' threat yesterday to pull the crews off their cars had fallen fiatly and today not even threats were in evidence.

No Increase for Freight Handlers.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 16 .- The general superintendents of both the Erie and New York Central railroads in New York have absolutely refused to treat with the striking freight handlers here on the subject of an increase of wages

Neeley Leaves for New York.

MUNICE, Ind., May 10 .- Charles F. W. Neely departed for New York late this afternoon to be present at his preliminary hearing in the Cuban postal embezzlement case Thursday.

sion of his visit to Farragut's birth

Chicago Has a Riot.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 16.-Several workmen were injured in a fight which took place today in front of a building in course of construction at 20 Seeley avenue. A riot call was turned in and upon the arrival of the police the crowd scattered, leaving M. L. Brown, a non-union worker, on the ground suffering from a wound in the head. He was removed to the hospital, but the police were unable to make any arrests. Half a dozen others received wounds from flying bricks and scraps of iron, but left the scene unassisted. The trouble arose over the the artillery in shape. The situation employment of some non-union men on the structure.

President's Summer Plans.

NEW YORK, May 16 .- A special to the Herald from Washington says: After the adjournment of congress President and Mrs. McKinley will go to their Canton home to remain the greater part of the midsummer.

Bank President Sentenced.

BOSTON, May 10.-In the United States court here today Charles H. Cole, former president of the now de funct Globe National bank of this city, who recently pleaded guilty on several counts of an indictment charging him with misappropriation of funds of the institution, was sentenced to serve eight years in Greenfield jail.

Klopoch Aids Sufferers.

BOMBAY, May 16.-Louis Klopsch of New York, publisher of the Christian Herald, has arrived here and is starting on a tour of the famine districts. He has handed to the international missionary committee three lacs of rupees, about \$145,000, for distribution among the famine sufferers.

Philadelphia Has the Cash.

PHILADELPHIA, May 16.-At a meeting this afternoon of the finance committee of the citizens' national republican committee the announcement was made that all of the \$100,000 pledged by this city to the national republican committee for convention purposes has been raised.

"OLD GLORY" ON EIFFEL TOWER.

Largest American Flag in the World to Float in Paris on the Fourth.

WASHINGTON, May 16.-Ferdlnand W. Peck, United States commissioner general to the Paris exposition, recently requested the loan of the large flag which hangs in the pension office. It was the intention, he said. to float it on the Eiffel tower on the Fourth of July. Secretary Hitchcock has decided to grant the request. This is the largest American flag in the world, measuring 26x50 feet.

the Other Provisions.

ROOT TALKS FOR THE ARMY BILL

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Secretary Root today explained to the house military committee the advantages which would accrue from the passage of the senate army reorganization bill. He dwelt especially on the proposed increase of the artillery arm and the Increased rank given General Miles and General Corbin. He said that the effect of the bill was to increase the army 5,000 or 6,000, endrely in the artillery, this increase extending over a period of years. While differing from the provision originally recommended, Root approved the senate amendment, as it would permit the War department to go to work and put

now, in caring for seacoast fortifications was just as foolish and impracticable, the secretary said, as that would be of a man who built a fine house, equipped it in the most perfect manner and then went away and left it to take care of itself. There are millions and millions invested in fortifications, he said, with no one to take care of them.

Sugar Company Troubles

TRENTON, N. J., May 15.-The pa pers in the suit of Robert J. Trimble against the American Sugar Refining company were filed in the court of chancery today. Trimble, who is a stockholder, charges that the company has more than \$1,000,000 of surplus and that this surplus is now being used to depress the price of sugar and to force Arbuckle Bros., independent refiners, to illegally restrain trade. The bill prays for an injunction and asks that the American Sugar Refining company be compelled to exhibit its books

and show what surplus it has and what is being done with it.

Oleo Man Gets Off.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15 .- The president today commuted the sentence of Joseph Wilkins, convicted in Philadelphia for frauds against the oleomargarine law. The sentence, which would have expired on May 28, is commuted to expire today. It is stated that Wilkins served seventeen days in jail while awaiting trial, which, by the president's action, is made a part of his term of service.

VOTE TO REPORT CANAL BILL.

Only One Dissenting Voice on Motion to

WASHINGTON, May 15 .- The senate committee on interoceanic canals today ordered a favorable report on the Nicaragua canal bill as it passed the house.

There were only five members of the committee present at today's meeting. A motion was made to report the bill and without debate the vote was taken. Senators Morgan, McBride, Harris and Turner voting in the affirmative, and Senator Hanna in the negative.

providing for the increase of the nav desired by the German empire.

It is understood that the administration expects Germany to try to block, diplomatically, every plan which may strengthen the position of the United States, as in the case of the Danish West Indies, but it is not supposed for a moment that she will go to the extent of hostilities. It is thought to be her policy to continue the colonization of Central and South America and Asia Minor because they are undeveloped places in which immigrants may live without restrictions.



Senate Passes Naval Appropriation Bill After Five Days' Discussio

WASHINGTON, May 15.-After discussion lasting five days the senate today passed the naval appropriation bill. Practically four days were devoted to the consideration of the armor plate proposition, which was agreed to finally as reported by the committee with the exception that the secretary of the navy is authorized to make contracts only for such armor as may

be needed from time to time. The secretary of the navy is authorized to procure armor of the best quality at \$445 per ton, but if he be unable to obtain it at that price, he is then authorized to pay \$545 per ton for the armor for the battleships Maine, Ohio and Missouri, and proceed to erect an armor factory to cost not to exceed \$4,000,000, one-half of which amount is made immediately available. The committee's proposition carried by a vote of 32 to 19.

EIGHTH DIVISION ADVANCES.

Greenfell and Brabant Closely Following

THABA N'CHU, Sunday, May 13.-The Eighth division with its front extending thirty miles was yesterday moving forward. General Greenfell and General Brabant followed the Boers, reaching Newberry's Mills and capturing great quantities of flour and grain. General Brabant's main force with Campbell's brigade of guards and General Boye's brigade have cleared the country.

The Boers are splitting up and retiring in the direction of Clocoland.

Money for Big Muddy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15 .- The senate committee on commerce today ordered favorable reports on amendments to the sundry civil bill appropriating \$250,000 for an emergency expenditure on the Missouri river and the same amount for the mouth of the Columbia river.

No Decision in Kentucky Case.

WASHINGTON, May 15 .- The su-preme court today adjourned for a week without announcing a decision in the Kentucky governorship case.

Pension for Wm. Lewis' Mother.

OSCEOLA, Neb., May 16 .- Judge T. H. Saunders has received a telegram from Congressman Stark at Washington that the house of representatives had passed a bill for the relief of Lydia Strang of Osceola allowing her a pension of \$12 per month. Mrs. Strang is the foster mother of the irte William Lewis of company E. First Nebraska, killed in the Spanish war, and the first soldier from Nebraska to give up his life.

Hastings People Pleased.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 16 .- Hastings people are pleased that this city has secured the G. A. R. reunion for the next three years, and will pledge themselves that the veterans and their friends will receive a royal welcome and the best of treatment during the period of their annual gathering.

Reception to Commander Reese.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., May 16.-Judge John Reese, who was elected commander of the Department of the Grand Army of the Republic of the state at its encampment at Beatrice was tendered a reception in honor of the distinction conferred by the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, ladies of the Woman's Relief corps and citizens of Broken Bow.

Child Drowned in a Bucket.

EDGAR, Neb., .Iny 16 .- Clyde Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jones of ilis city, was drowned in a large bucket sitting on the ground at the edge of the back porch. The little fellow, about 1 year old, was crawling about on the porch. He crawled to the bucket and slipped in head first. When found life was extinct, although he had not been with his head under water three minutes.

Hoetfelker Pleads Guilty.

FREMONT, Neb., May 16 .- In the district court Henry Hoetfelker pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzling \$2,100 of the public funds of Dodge county and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. In answer to the usual question if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced upon him, he asked the court to be lenient and said that the cause of his troubles was the heavy losses he sustained in the Dodge fire the previous year. He appeared wholly unconcerned at his sentence.

Favor the Measure.