THE O'NEILL FRONTIEF SEED CORN SPECIALS

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James Stillman, the New York bank-er, has established a new record as patron of opera, having obtained for the coming season two parterre boxes for a total of 101 performances, which, at the rate of \$100 a performance, makes a total output on the part of the banker of \$10,100 for the pleasure of whenssing grand opera from the "diamond horseshoe." The owners of the celebrated first row of boxes—those upholstered in red plush and supplied James Stillman, the New York bankthe celebrated first row of boxes—those upholstered in red plush and supplied with good chairs—are, with a few ex-ceptions, kind enough to allow certain of their friends to occupy their pre-clous vantage points—for a considera-tion—and their consideration is the tion-and that consideration is \$100 a performance.

In Paris some patient person has been collecting statistics about women journalists. There are 600 of these, he declares, who live by journalism in England, as against 2,193 in the United States and 1,200 in Germany. Of the latter 27 per cent. deal with literature, 18½ per cent. with political economy, 10 per cent. with pedagogy, 4½ per cent. with housing problems and 3½ per cent. with politics. The same statper cent. with housing profiles the same stat-istician asserts that the incomes of these women vary from 1,000 francs (\$200) to 6,000 francs (\$1,200).

In the following quality formal let-ter the parents of Welsh brides some-times bid their friends attend the wedding and bid them also not come empty ding and bid them also not come empty handed: "Whatever donation you may be pleased to bestow will be thankfully received and cheerfully repaid when-iver called for on a similar occasion. The parents of the bride and bride-groom-elect desire that all gifts due to them on that them will be returned to them on the above date and will be thankful for all favors granted."

Oscar Hunt, one of the Carlisle football team, is an Indian millionaire. He is from Oklahoma and has been at Carlisle for some months. When the government bought land from the In-dians the Hunt family had a great deal to sell and Oscar found himself owner of seven figures. His teammates call of seven figures. His teammates call him "Heap Big Money Chief, Head of the Spondulix." He is studiously in-clined and off the gridiron wears

In advertising the Japanese are mak-ing great strides. The agents of the government tobacco monopoly, in adertising their goods in Manchuria, eclare that their cigaret "administers fe," "supports the spirits;" "this ciglife.' aret, of government manufacture, is sweet and of good quality, famous, once tried always to be liked;" "will cause the smoker to feel as if in a dream like unto the Mountain Woo-Shan" Shan.

All the mountains in Switzerland have suddenly been reduced in height by about ten feet. In 1820 the tip of a certain rock in the lake of Geneva, was calculated to be 376.86 metres, above ocean level, and on this basis all the summits of the country were cal-culated. Recently the discovery was culated. Recently the discovery was made that an error had been made in fixing the height of that rock, and that 3.26 metres lower than it was marked.

The present labor government of South Australia has an attorney gen-eral, A. H. Peake, who is utterly in-nocent of law. In the Adelaide crimi-nal court recently a defending coursel raised the objection that the information had been sworn by an attorney general who was not legally qualified to hold the position, but it was not sustained by the judge.

An old inhabitant of the village of Maids Moreton, near Buckingham, in England, has passed away. She was Miss Mary Jones. She never possessed a clock or a timeplece of any descrip-tion during the whole of her lifetime of eighty years. She timed her move-ments accurately by instinct, as primi-tive preprior do tive peoples do.

The Rev. Tom Collins, well known in the East End of London as the costermongers' parson, is enormously popular with the people among whom he labors.

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Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 12 .- The value of pure seed corn will be given its annual demonstration by the seed corn special train, which will start December 18 and run over the Burlington lines in Nebraska for eleven days.

Trains.

Professor Lyon, of the agricultural department of the state university will deliver lectures to the farmers along the route, while other agricultural experts from the universities of Illinois. Missouri and Iowa will accompany and assist him. Literature pertinent to the subject will be distributed.

The seed corn special will carry an audience coach, in which the lectures will be given at certain stops provided by schedule. The latter also provides for lectures at points to which farm-ers will be carried on regular trains without cost. They will also be re-turned home free of charge. The farmers are also to hear much

about soil culture and improved methods of raising corn. The special's first day's work will be

to cover the ground between Lincoln and Wymore. Stops of fifteen to fifty-five minutes will be made at twenty points.

SMOOTH TRICK OF JAP.

Bilked His Countryman Who Askea Aid in Sending Money Home.

Kearney, Neb., Dec.* 12 .- Large numpers of Japanese laborers are employed at railroad work and otherwise in this vicinity and, as is usual with such people, they are temperate and frugal. As soon as they have saved a sum of money they send it to the Yokohama of money they send it to the foronama Specie bank, of San Francisco, for safe keeping. The money is sent by postal money order and as most of the men cannot write English, they are obliged to get outside assistance in making out

The first Jap to come here was "Little Sam." He was a bright fellow, spoke English well and worked as porter in saloons and hotels. When the other Japs began to arrive, he became their counsellor and cruide and was much counsellor and guide and was much sought by them.

Last week Sam and another Jap called at an office and asked the man in charge to make out an application for a money order, as DeMizuna, the com-panion, wished to send \$175 to San Francisco. The application was made out and DeMizuna counted out the money to Sam in the presence of the

gentleman. Tuesday DeMizuna called at the office and showed a receipt from the bank for \$17.50. It was in Japanese as well as English and he could read it. Investigation at the postoffice showed that Sam had sent but \$17.50 to the bank and that he had destroyed the original application and substituted another one. He left here several days ago, tating that he was going to Omaha.

COOK STOVE EXPLODED.

Family at Pierce Narrowly Escape. Serious Injury.

Pierce, Neb., Dec. 12,—The range in the kitchen of a A. Cross, living near here, blew up and nearly wrecked the house and contents, when the owner attempted to heat the water in the tank which supplies warm water to the bath and other rooms of the house. Mrs. Cross, one girl and the baby

NEBRASKAN IS OUT.

President Removes T. R. Matthews of Fremont for Acts of Misconduct.

Washington, Dec. 11 .- The president Washington, Dec. 11.—The president has summarily removed from office United States Marshal T. R. Matthews, of the District of Nebraska, for alleged nisconduct in connection with the case misconduct in connection with the case of Richards and Comstock, who were recently convicted in that state of 11-legally fencing the public domain. The sentence of the court was that the defendants should remain in the custody of the United States marshal for six hours. The president has infor-mation that Matthews immediately turned them over to the custody of their counsel.

heir counsel. Mr. Matthews' home is at Fremont

and he is one of the leading republicand he is one of the learning reparts ans of Nebraska. The sentence referred to was pro-nounced by Judge Munger and was se-verely criticised at the time by Sec-retary Hitchcock, who characterized it

as wholly inadequate. Official anger was further aroused when information reached here to the effect that the marshal had turned the defendants over to the custody of their counsel immediately after sentence. The removal of Marshal Matthews yes-terday was the result.

TO INVESTIGATE INSURANCE.

Nebraska Life Underwriters Make Re-

quest of Governor Mickey. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 9.—The Life Under-writers' Association of Nebraska, through its president, John Dale, and secretary, Joseph B. Clark, both of Omaha, sent to Governor Mickey a letter asking him that in calling an extra session of the legislature he consider resolutions recently adopted by that association demanding a full legislature investigation of insurance companies doing business in Nebraska. If not by a legislative committee, the asso-ciation asks that the investigation be given over to expert actuaries, who have a stand. ing in the community.

CROOKS GET EIGHT YEARS.

Geo. Parker and Joe Lynch Arc Sen-

tenced at Ponca. Ponca, Neb., Dec. 9.-eGorge Parker and Jon Lynch were sentenced by Judge Graves to eight years each in the state penitentiary in Lincoln, Neb., for burglary committed upon the saloon of F. E. Matejka at Wakefield on the morning of November 7. The men will be taken to Lincoln next week by Sheriff Maskeli to begin their long term of imprisonment. The maximum long term of imprisonment. The maximum penalty is ten years. Lynch was manifest-ly affected by the sentence. He broke down and took his chair before the judge finished his remarks. Parker appeared

BONDSMEN ARE FREE.

Nebraska Loses \$646,318 Suit for Funde

ealm.

Lost in Embezzlement. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 9.-The supreme ourt rendered a final decision in what is known as the Bartley bond case, affirming the ruling of the district court of Douglas

county, dismissing the suit and releasing rom liability the bondsmen of former State Treasurer Joseph S. Bartley. By the decision the state of Nebraska loses \$646,318 that Bartley was convicted of embezzling.

ABANDON DEEP HOLE.

Ashland, Neb., Dec. 9.-The Burlington Railway company has at least for the resent abandoned the sinking of its new well at Ashland. For a month the well gang has been at work and has sunk the well to a depth of 206 feet. Almost im-mediately below the surface the drill struck slate, followed by layers of ochre, andstone, coal and lead lime stone. The arill has been in the latter foundation for over 150 feet and the stone has become so hard the last few days that but a few inches have been penetrated each day.

FIVE YEARS FOR FORGERY.

Ponca, Neb., Dec. 9.-Roy Furber, ailas Raymond Stone, has been sentenced by Judge Graves to serve five years in the state penitentiary for uttering a forgery. County Attorney Kingsbury recommended leniency and Furber probably will be paroled at the expiration of one year's serv-

ice in the state prison. Furber is charged with having forged in Woodbury county a deed to a half sec-tion of land in Logan township, Dixon cribbed for David Duey 2200 bushels in cribbed for David Duey 2200 bushels in county, Neb. He acknowledged the deed before Merle R. Bliss at the bank Leeds. The deed represented that the land had been transferred to him by Jackson Beach. He then attempted to raise a loan of \$5,000 from loan agents at Ponca, but got no money.

NEGRO SENDS BULLET INTO ANOTHER'S HEART

Two Colored Men at Omaha Quarrel Over Money and a Death Results.

ASHLAND ON A BOOM

By Spring Every Available House and Room in the Town Will Be Occupied-Railroad Extension Is

Cause of the Business.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 8.—Lee Jarrott, a mulatto about 33 years of age, em-ployed as porter at the union station, was shot and instantly killed Tuesday night about twenty feet from the front door of his residence by his wife's brother, Leslie Allan, colored, whom Jarrott had chased from the house with a knife during an altercation over money matters.

MANGLED BODY FOUND.

Victim of an Accident Was Badly Mutilated.

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 7.-The stranger found mangled beside the railroad track east of the union passenger station is be-lieved to have been James White of of Scotts Bluffs, Neb. Letters found in the pockets indicate

this to be the case. If so, the dead man had been working in a blacksmith shop. The body was horribly mangled. On leg was severed and carried a mile down the track. The other had been run over. The right arm was severed at the elbow and the right leg was crushed into a

shapeless mass. No vital part of the body, however, was touched by the wheels, and unless White died at once from the shock, he suffered terribly from the cold until death relieved

him. The thermometer was registering close to the zero point at the time of the accident.

IS A STRANGE STORY.

Panther Causes Consternation at Little Town of Martinsburg.

Allen, Neb., Dec. 7.-A local newspaper in its last issue contained the following story concerning the excitement at Martinsburg: "Great excitement still pre-vails at Martinsburg and vicinity over the tinsburg: doing of an escaped panther which is ter-rorizing the people. Harry Filley who was over to the Burg this week reports great commotion among the people. The pan-ther is one of two which escaped from a traveling show while exhibiting at Elk Point. The animals made their escape during a stampede caused by the report of the sudden eruption of the volcano at Mt. Ionia An attempt ways made to canture Ionia. An attempt was made to capture the animals when they were swimming the Missouri river to the Nebraska side, and one was lassoed, but hung itself in mid stream with the lariat, which had the other one escaped and is roaming up and down South creek in the vicinity of Martinsburg. It is said to be a monster In size, making a track 4x6 inches and its claw marks are 3½ inches deep."

WHO IS CHAMPION HUSKER?

Nebraska Man Declares He Car

Husk 175 Bushels in a Day. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 7.—The corn yield all over Nebraska seems to range from 30 to 55 bushels per acre, and is considered a bumper crop. Wagers add interest to the work of some of the buskers. Near Fair-bury H. A. Day made a bet with Louis Loubin that he could husk 65 busheds of corn in ten hours. He won easily, as he husked 75 bushels in the allotted time. Ben Fisher, a young Bohemian farmer near Barneston, Neb., wagered that he could husk 150 bushels of corn in one day. His opponent dropped out of the race at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when Fisher had completed 143 bushels. Fisher declares that he could have husked 175 bushels had he worked until sunset. Harley Herald, of Chester, claims to be the champion corn

cribbed for David Duey 2,200 bushels twenty-one days. In one day he husked 136 bushels. The best husking story of all, however, comes from Surprise, Neb., where Ezra Ward anonuces that he is ready to meet any and all comers in a ten-hour contest for a substantial wager. His friends de-clare that Ward can husk and scoop 230 bushels of corn in ten hours in fair weath-

PAT CROWE ACQUITTED

The Notorious Nebraska Kidnaper Wil Now Be Tried for Highway Robbery.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 9 .- Pat Crowe, who has been on trial on a charge of shooting with intent to kill Officer Albert Jackson on the night of September 6, was last night acquitted. He was re manded to jail, where he will be held until he can be tried on the charge of highway robbery, in connection with the kidnaping of Edward Cudahy, jr., son of E. A. Cudahy, the millionaire packer, which occurred five years ago. The other trial will probably commence within a few days.

CONTEST FOR SPORTSMEN.

Marksmen from Four States Will Enter the Big Shoot of Omaha Club.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 9 .-- Nebraska sportsmen are preparing for a shooting tournament to be held in Omaha, December 12 and 13, under the auspices of the Omaha Gun club. The tournament will last two days. The first day and a half will be devoted to a general pro-gram. On the afternoon of December gram. On the afternoon of December 13 will be the big event, a shoot be-tween teams from Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri.

The first two states will be represent-ed by ten men each. The joint Kansas and Missouri team will be composed of and Missouri team will be composed of five men from each state. The losing team is to bear the expense of the match and will entertain the victors at a banquet in the evening. The group of Nebraska men is one of the strongest to select for a championship team anywhere outside of Illinois, according to a number of prominent sportsmen conversant with shooting matters.

USED FLAG TO ADVERTISE.

Two Omaha Men Will Now Answer Before Nebraska Court.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 9.—"Nick" Halter and Harry Hayward, of Omaha, will appeal their case against the flag law, passed by the last legislature, in which suit the men were fined \$100 each for using the flag as a trade mark in advertising their beer. The case will go to the United States supreme court, the men having lost in the Nebraska courts,

A BRUTAL ATTACK.

Coleridge Butcher Cruelly Beat His

Wife, Breaking Four Ribs. Coleridge, Neb., Dec. 8.-While partially under the influence of liquor, Henry Haack, a butcher by trade, attacked his wife upon her refusal to give him \$19 of her own money, which she had earned washing clothes, and in the assault choked her, pulled hair from her head, bruised face, knocked her down with his fist and kicked her when down, breaking four ribs. He went out into the country after the trouble to make arrangements regard-ing some butchering. He was followed by Constable West and Marshal Weidenfeld. but returned ahead of them to town, and went to ins home, where he armed himself with a skinning knife. The officers shortly after placed him under arrest, and he was arraigned before Justice Hanham, but during the preliminaries he slipped out of the room and started down the street flourishing the knife, which he had se-creted on his person. The officers and citi-zens gave chase, and in taking away the knife and compelling Haack to surrender the marshal used his billy with telling ef-The prisoner was again arraigned, fect. but the justice continued the hearing awaiting the presence of the county at-

BOTH PLEADED GUILTY.

torney.

Men Who Helped Blow Up Safe in Wakefield Saloon on Trial.

Ponca, Neb., Dec. 8.—George Parker and Joe Lynch, allas "Yorky," charged in the district court with burglary at the saloon district court with burglary at the saloon of F. E. Matejka on the morning of No-vember 7, pleaded guilty. Judge Graves will pass sentence this week. The penalty is from one to ten years. Robert Ray, alleged to be a third member of the gang, who was brought here from Sloux City last week, will Monday put up a strong fight. The evidence against Parker and Lynch

was strong. At the time of their arrest the men had a phial of nitroglycerin and taken from

"OVERLAND LIMITED" WRECKED AND NINE DIE

Rock Springs, Wyo., Is Scene of a Terrible Disaster Early Today.

TRAIN HANDS ARE KILLED

Two Mail Clerks, Three Cooks, Twe Electricians, Engineer and Brakeman Are Dead as Result of a Collision.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 9.-Nine persons were killed and eleven train employes and seven passengers injured in wreck of the "Overland Limited" pa Das wreck of the "Overland Limited" pas-senger train on the Union Pacific, five miles west of Rock Springs, Wyo, early today. The limited was run into head-on by a freight train and both engines demolished, and the dynamo car, mail car and dining car on the limited burned up. Several bodies of the dead were incinerated. The dead

JAMES BUSBEE, Omaha, a cook. ED ROSEBHAUM, Oakland, Cal., a

JOHN LAWS, Omaha, a cook. TWO MAL, CLERKS. ELECTRICIAN STIGERS AND AS-

SISTAN

ENGINEER BRINK, Rawlins. ENGINEER BRINK, Rawlins. BRAKEMAN SMITH, Rawlins. Passengers injured: One man (would not give name): J. C. Hooper, Salt Lake; M. C. McCoy, Kansas City; Mrs. A. C. Bickness, Oakland, Cal.; Miss Edna Lissaci, San Francisco; Mrs. Maud Riley, San Francisco; Mrs. G. Cook, San Francisco; S. M. Hulett, San Francisco.

San Francisco. Taken to State Hospital.

The Wyoming State hospital, located near Rock Springs, was convenient to the point where the wreck occurred and to this institution the injured were re-moved and made comfortable without great delay. The extent of the injuries of those caught in the forward cars has not been definitely learned, but it is believed none of them will prove fa-tal, although several were seriously hurt

A temporary track was built around the wreck and traffic is not seriously delayed.

Ignored the Orders.

Several trains had been badly delayed at Granger, with the result that four passen ger trains were running close to each oth-er. The freight had received positive orders to meet all four of these trains at Ahsay and officials say the orders were either misunderstood or misread. Relief trains, wrecking cars and large numbers of physicians were immediately dispatched from Rock Springs and Granger and are now at the scene of the wreck.

RESCUE "OLD IRONSIDES" Secretary Bonaparte Finds Storm

Gathering About Him Over

His Report.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 9.-Two grand-daughters of Commodore Chas. Stew-

art, who commanded the Constitution, sent a telegram to the secretary of the navy protesting against using the old frigate for a target. Miss Margaret Parnell Stewart and Miss Frances Rod-

ney Stewart, the senders of the tele-gram, are visiting friends in this city.

They added the signature of their sis-

ter, Miss Elizabeth Tudor Stewart, of New York, where the three reside with

their mother. They are first cousins of the late Chas. Stewart Parnell, leader of the Irish home rule party in the British

The telegram follows: "Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte, Secre-tary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.: As the granddaughters of Commodore Charles Commuter the commended the

Charles Stewart, who commanded the Constitution, we wish respectfully to enter our earnest and heartfelt protest

parliament.

He talks with them on sporting mat-ters, preaches in his shirt sleeves while they sit and smoke, and sometimes he intersection of the spectrum of the spectru smokes with them.

Lake Titicaca, the highest navigable lake in the world, is to be tapped for electric power to run the Peruvian rail-ways and to supply a surplus sufficient, it is believed, to enable Peru to take a prominent place among the manufac-turing countries. turing countries.

A London coroner remarked recently that a law should be passed against the use of old medical prescriptions. Prescriptions useful at one time, he said, may be deadly when used again by people whose physical condition has, wholly changed.

Methodists of this country have un-dertaken the task of raising \$250,000 for an India Jubilee fund. Bishop Tho-burn is chairman of the committee on the fund, and will go to India to take part in the celebration, which is to be held at Bareilly.

After walting seven years for Charles H. Evans, the son of the late Solomon rans, to appear, the Methodist church of Rochester, N. Y., becomes the bene-ficiary to the extent of \$28,933.47, under will of the elder Evans, who died n July, 1898

John Clarke, "the walking king," was walking around the world for a wager till November 4. On that day he was arrested at Grimsby, England, for stealing two rings, and will not be able to resume his walk for eight months. onths.

The men employed by the Bombay otton mills are agitating for longer hours. They ask for a return to the old thirteen-hour day in place of the present day of twelve hours, with extra payment for the additional hour.

One of the British naval officers cap-ured on the Morocco coast by Valiente, he bandit, wrote to some friends in bandit, wrote to some friends in rland recently: "El Valiente is a w handsome man and quite a gen-

The British war office has announced hat it cannot give official recognition polo, and that the use of horses which are on public charge for this are is strictly forbidden

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford opean who was allowed, by invita Japan. This was in 1868.

the of the youngest American mayors red November 7 is Guy Patrick of encerville. O., who is just turned 23 H. M. Wolfe, of Germanold. vn, O., is 24.

The substitution of manufactured and cut tobacco for the time-honored has not met with universal apval in the British navy

Mrs. Cross had just entered the room ind was standing in the doorway, else she would have probably been killed. Mr. Cross had left the house and

Mr. Cross had left the house and escaped injury. The cause of the accident was ascer-tained soon after the episode had oc-curred. The stove has an attachment from the hot water tank which sup-plies warm water to other parts of the house by means of pipes. It is sup-posed the fire went out and the water being low in the tank the pipes froze. When the fire was started the next morning the steam accumulated and not having its usual escape by means of the pipes caused the explosion. The range was a complete wreck and the walls and ceiling of the room were hadly damaged.

CHICKENS IN MAIL BOX.

Mail Carriers in Nebraska Are Appre ciated for Their Labors.

Pierce, Neb., Dec. 12.--Mail Carrier Joseph Forseth, who runs on route No. 3 from this place, was agreeably sur-prised recently to find three dressed ducks and four chickens in various mail boxes where he stopped for the letters and to deliver the day's mail. The parties along the many lines of free delivery in this part of the state appreciate the service and honor the men who brave the weather to be promut'n getting the mail to the doors prompt in getting the mail to the doors of the farm houses in time. In many instances the mail carriers have found sacks of corn and other gifts near the

boxes, with the donor's name attached.

JURY SAYS NOT GUILTY.

Man Who Shot Brother-in-Law Over Mother's Corpse Goes Free.

Hastings, Neb., Dec. 12 .- The jury in the Budnek case brought in a verdict of not guilty. The defendant was charged with having shot his brotherm-law, Peter Smeal, on Saturday even-ing, October 7, with intent to kill. The shooting took place in the death chamber of the defendant's mother and the phots were fired over the corpse of Mrs. Budnek.

USED VERY POOR CHOICE.

Nebraska Farmer Tells of His Method of Selecting Seed Corn.

Laurel, Neb., Dec. 12.-W. H. O'Gara, who owrs a farm near this place, says who owrs a farm hear this place, says that he raised one of the best crops of corn this year in the county and all the method he used in selecting the seed was to open his crib and scoop up all the shelled corn off the floor, sift out the cobs and silks and place it in the planter. He adds, however, that he would not advise all farmers to do this for he was sore that bis to do this, for he was sore that his corn was of the standard grads.

PECULIAR ACCIDENT AT YORK. York, Neb., Dec. 9.-While walking hom William Anderson, druggist, recently from Marquette, Neb., met with a painful accident that may mean the amputation of his hand. He shoved his right hand in his trousers pocket and instantly an explosion occurred, and on withdrawing his hand he found it badly shattered. At first he thought he had been shot. Then he remembered that in his pocket was an insulated percussion cap and in some manner this cap exploded, supposed by a match in his

ARCHBISHOP APPLAUDS

Messmer Warmly Champions Omaha Bishop in Excommunication Mat-

ter-Lesson Taught in Time. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 9.-Archbishop Messmer is out as the champion of Bishop Scannel of Omaha, whose recent edict re sulted in the excommunication of Miss Hamilton, for attending the marriage of a

divorcee. The archbishop defends Bishop Scannel",

Archbishop Messmer's letter is, in part,

as follows: I am delighted with the stand taken by the bishop. While it has created an unde-sirable sensation in Catholic and non-Cath-olic circles, it will do a great deal of good by calling emphatic attention to the super-iority of a principle over mere sentimental-ity and social forms. It is about time to call a halt regarding the indiscriminate attendance of Catholics at Protestant re-ligious services. as follows:

attendance of Catholics at Protestant re-ligious services. Not that I would inaugurate an era of intolerance. Far from it, But I am of the opinion that intolerance essentially inher-ent in religious truth and divine law, natural or revealed, is fully compatible with the widest and most cordial tolerance in social intercourse, joined with sincers-mutual respect and charity and with friendship of the truest type. But it would seem that with the fuller freedom of social intercourse, with the growth and spread of seem that with the fuller freedom of social intercourse, with the growth and spread of civil comity and polite manners, and with the passing of sectarian prejudice and animosity, many of our Catholic people or losing that fine sense of religious discerne ment, as sensitive as a mariner's needla, which knows so well how to distinguina, between religious principie and decorum, on the one hand and social comity and friendly communion on the other.

AVENGE CHINESE ATROCITY.

Hong Kong, Dec. 8.-Mail advice from Lien Chau say the commission a.p. pointed to inquire into the massacre of American missionaries early in November, has examined thirty witnesses and that twenty-five implicated persons, in-cluding a Budanist monk, have been urrested. It is anticipated three of the ringleaders will be executed

BOOM AT ASHLAND.

here has given an impetus to every-thing. Vacant houses in Ashland are now an unknown quantity and the

SCHOOL FUND IS LARGE.

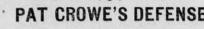
Treasurer of Nebraska Announces Sum to Be Apportioned. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 7.—State Treasurer Mortensen has made his report regarding the apportionment to be made among the various schools of the state, having certified to the state superintendent this morning

The books of the state treasurer last action in a letter which is likely to attract a good deal of attention. Archbishop Messmer's letter is, in part, known to the superintendent today.

The apportionment is about \$9,000 less than in December last year, but this is due to the fact that the railroads have not yet paid their taxes this year.

STRIKES AN ARTESIAN WELL.

Homer, Neb., Dec. 7.-A Winnebago dis-batch says that the Great Northern road has struck an artesian well at a depth of "05 feet at that town.



prosecution rested its case before noon. The sudden termination of the state's The sudden termination of the state's evidence came as a complete surprise, as about twenty-five witnesses had been summoned, while only seven were placed on the stand. The defense was consequently entirely unprepared to present its side and was granted a post-persent it side and was granted a postto almost an hour. ponement until this afternoon to sumponement until this alternoon to sum-mon Crowe's witnesses. Crowe was positively identified by Policeman A. H. Jackson and Dan Lahey. Harry Col-lins, of Wood Rock, Wyo., and Police-man Jackson testified that Crowe fired the first of the fusillade of shots.

the \$40 which had been safe. There were caught by a posse of citizens headed by Marshal Smith while fleeing from Wakefield shortly after they had blown the safe. The explosion of ni-troglycerine had hurled the safe door through a plate glass window, wrecked the saloon and aroused nearly the whole town.

The men are desperate crooks and have long police records. Parker is known un der the aliases of Frank Alexander, George B. Kerby, Tony Lewis, George Jones and George O'Brien. He has served four years in the Nebraska state penitentiary for burglary and another term of one year in the Lincoln penitentiary. Lynch is a "keyman," safe blower, burglar and thief. He has served terms in penitentiaries in the ieast.

FIRE AT CREIGHTON.

Norfolk, Neb., Dcc. 8.-Fire gutted a bus finess block at Creighton, Neb., doing dam-lage to the extent of \$10,000 and destroying four business houses. Those burned out were: Hanford's harness shop, loss \$2,000; Balvig shoe shop, loss \$1,000; O. & A. Jac bs, grovery, \$6,000; Green, barber, \$1,000. The losses were all pretty well insured. Nurenburg's saloon was saved with diffacelty. The fire started in a stove in Hanford harness shop, it is thought. The fire started in a stove in the

FIREBUGS FINED.

Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 8.-Earl Fairbanks, and Bert Luke, the two youths arrested ere last summer after a number of mys-erious fires had alarmed Norfolk, and who were charged with arson at the time, were fined \$25 each and costs yesterday in district court at Madison, the charge having been changed to "attempting to burn a barn or stable," to which they pleaded guilty.

JAPS IN CAR WHICH BURNS.

Kearney, Neb., Dec. 4 .- About thirty Japanese railroad laborers narrowly esaped cremation at Amherst at any early hour this morning. All escaped without serious injury, however, except three, one of whom was badly burned, and taken to the hospital at Grand Island. The fire is supposed to have started from the heating stove in the car.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 8.—Following the examination this morning of the state's witnesses in the trial of Pat Crowe, the prosecution rested its case before norm rive in time to save her boy's life. When train reached the Thirty-first street station passengers who had feared to break the news to her carlier told her that her little boy, Joseph, had been dead for

> Anthony, Kan.-While Mrs. P. G. Wal-Anthony, Kan.-while suffs, F. G. Wal-ton, wife of the president of the First Na-tional bank, sat reading in her home, a thief raised the window of an adjoining room, entered and escaped, taking with him a jewel box containing a gold watch. four diamond rings and several diamond pins valued at \$8,000.

against the proposition to use as a tar-get that beloved relic of the war of 1812, identified with some of the glorious achievements of the American navy. We believe with ex-Secretary Long, that so long as a plank remains "Old Ironsides" should be held in reverence and preserved. Margaret P. Stewart. ' "Frances R. Stewart. ' "Elizabeth T. Stewart."

IN HIS OWN DEFENSE

Patrick Talks Fifteen Minutes Before Sentence to Die in Electric

Chair Is Given.

New York, Dec. 9.—After making a final personal plea to the court in his own behalf, Albert T. Patrick, the law-yer, convicted of the murder of Wil-liam Marsh Rice, last night was sen-tanced to die in the electric chair in tenced to die in the electric chair, in the week beginning January 22 next. Sentence was pronounced by Justice Rogers in the criminal branch of the state supreme court. Notice at once was given that an appeal to the su-preme court of the United States on a writ of error will be taken. The ap-plication for the writ, it is said, will be as a stay of execution. Patrick was taken back to Sing Sing tonight.

taken back to Sing Sing tonight. After being brought to this city from Sing Sing Patrick listened twice to a rehearsal of all the details of his case by the district attorney and it was long past nightfall when, apparently feeling the court was about to decide against him, he arose to speak in his own be-half. Once during the proceedings Pat-rick had been asked by Justice Rogers If he had anything to say before sen-tence should be passed upon him, and had remained silent by direction of his lawyers. As the case neared a close Patrick grew restless while listening to the arguments both for and against

him, and arose unexpectedly in his place and pleaded to be heard. His action caused a stir in the crowd-ed court room, and the lawyers held a hurried consultation. Patrick stood pale and anxious, awaiting the court's permission to proceed. This nermission permission to proceed. This permission permission to proceed. This permission was finally granted and Patrick spoke for nearly fifteen minutes. His voice at first a bit husky, grew clearer as he proceeded and the judge, attorneys, and all in the court listened attentively, ap-parently impressed by the unusual situation situation

Patrick urged that there was no direct evidence that Rice had been killed, and reiterated his claim that he had been convicted on manufactured evident

Justice Rogers then ordered Patrick to stand up and sentence was passed. Vincences, Ind.-Lizzie Nolting, mother

of Joseph Nolling, who is in jail here awaiting trial for the murder of Her-man Pelpmuir at Freelandville two months ago, died last night from grief. Five years ago Jonas Nolting, another son, was charged with killing Professor Len French, but was acquitted. Yesterday Yesterday Gus Nolting, another son, stabbed a miner at the Rig Muddy coal mines.

PAT CROWE'S DEFENSE Prosecution Suddenly Ends Case at Omaha After Making a Strong

plans for several new ones to be erected in the spring have already been drawn.

The Sioux City Extension Makes Business for the Town. Ashland, Neb., Dec. 8.—Indications are that the opening of spring vill bring to Ashland a substantial boom. The building of the Great Northern