FARMER VITALLY CON **CERNED IN RAILROADS**

the American Farmer.

That every city of any size in the country is full of thousands of idle men at the present moment is a fact well known to every reader of newsthe press is not full of comment about perhaps the most prosperous period it is the farmer. As a matter of fact, From 9-25 to 11-30-90.....\$28.72 the hungry thousands who stand in the "bread line" and patronize the free "soup houses" in every large center of population. Nor is this state of affairs due to the policy of any particugrowth of conditions which have been of the Nation-has had a series of slim ties upon the high seas-and that the of course and say nothing about itcrops in most sections, and this nat- handicap has already cost the Ameri- and in the past we have opposed a upon business conditions. Again, we other large corporations-and, in try- to deliver these cargoes. ing to stamp out the abuses of the past, financial wreck and ruin.

largely waste the great opportunity for continued.) That the depressed financial condition of the railroads is largely respon- profit which the foreign war will unsible for the great army of unem- questionably bring to us? This is a ployed was vividly demonstrated by a phase of the present situation which commands the serious thought of every prominent St. Louis newspapaer recently when it showed that nine farmer in Nebraska and the Corn Belt St. Louis manufacturing establish- generally-for here is where the lion's ments which deal in railroad supplise share of the nation's foodstuffs are produced and here is where farmers employed 14,673 men one year ago, whereas now they employ only/4,503, cannot afford to be hampered by inadewith a reduction in their pay rolls quate transportation facilities if they amounting to \$588,700 per month, or are to make the most of favorable over seven millioin dollars a year. If market opportunities.

There is not a single manager of a the effect upon only nine enterprises is as far reaching as this, what would Central or Western railroad who will the figures show if they were available not admit that the present supply of for similar industries and the hundreds first-class freight locomotives and box of other enterprises affected in a cars could not successfully meet the greater or less degreee throughout the requirements of several bountiful crop country? Nearly all of these concerns years-and yet they haven't the funds have on hand hundreds of thousands of with which to supply this equipment dollars' worth of finished equipment and thus be prepared for the emerwhich was ordered by the railroads a gency when it comes-as it undoubtyear or so ago, but which they have edly will.

FARMERS WILL PROFIT. not been able to pay for; in the mean-In this connection, it is opportune time, not being able to pay for goods already ordered the railroads are not to say that the American farmer is cerplacing any new contracts, and unless tain to reap a larger profit from the they receive speedy assistance from a chaotic conditions which exist in Nation-wide standpoint the tendency Europe than any other class of tradeswill be for labor conditions to grow men or citizen. So far as our manufacturers are concerned, while new worse rather than better.

In last week's article we referred to markets are undoubtedly beckoning to the fact that the railroads are the the United States, yet on the other Dec. 29, 1888, by Treasurer largest employers of labor in the hand, for several years to come, the receipt No. 14253.....

and roadbeds of many lines have been tional railroad mileage, and these new statement mailed you, for the reason deterioating rapidly for a number of lines will not be built until American that same should have been rightfully years and hence are in no position to railroad securities are re-established charged to Brown county. handle a big season's tonnage, should as a paying investment-and this, on In regard to patient Winnifred Bathe strain of a heavy crop year sud- the basis of present railroad earnings, ker, I beg to advise that our statement denly descend upon them. That the is out of the question. Nearly all our was not entirely clear. From the What the European War Means to great foreign war will produce the present lines were built years ago, statement charge appears to cover highest prices ever known for the when railroad investments were looked from September 25, 1890, to July 31, foodstuffs produced by the farmer is upon with favor at home and abroad, 1891, which latter date was corrected admitted on all hands, and if there and hence, if there is a class of citi- by my letter of January 9th to Janever was a time when he will need ade- zens in the land who should be vitally uary 6, 1891. This patient was away quate and efficient shipping facilities interested in rescuing the railroads from Norfolk during this period and it will be during the next two or three from the pitiable plight in which they the charge for her covering the folpapers-for hardly a day passes that years-and yet we are actually facing find themselves at the present moment lowing dates.

the American farmer has ever known were it not so tremendously far-reach- From 12-1-90 to 1-6-91......\$15.86 with many American railroads in a di- ing in its effect, the controversy over a lapidated physical condition. No sooner slight increase in railroad rates in any had the great European war burst great agricultural state would largely though she was not offically dscharged upon the world than Congress realized resemble a tempest in a tea pot-a lar political party, but rather the out- that our merchant marine was utterly matter which should be settled in the made only until January 6th. weak and inefficient. Steps were at brief space of time required to apply slowly but surely crystalizing for a once taken to make the best of the sit- the remedy. When a private industry, number of years. In the first place, uation and to repair as speedily as great or small, advances the price of the Corn Belt-the great bread basket possible our neglected shipping facili- its commodities we take it as a matter hre.

urally has had a depressing effect can people million of dollars during square deal for the railroads largely the last few months is so patent that because the people did not understand morrow. have been passing through a period of it requires no extended comment. It is their importance to the nation, beindustrial readjustment-of changing one thing to have markets in all parts cause they were angered at occasional from the loose methods which pre- of the world which have heretofore abuses which strict governmental regvailed a dozen or so years ago over to been supplied by the great warring na- ulation has forever eliminated and bea policy of strict government control tions begging for American goods and cause for some years designing politiof public service corporations and a foodstuffs-but it is quite another cal opportunists have found abuse of sharp inquiry into the conduct of all thing to have American ships in which the railroads an easy road to public Will we now add to the neglect of however, is changing rapidly and that tients from December 1, 1885, to July

the pendulum has swung so far in the an adequate merchant marine the fur- we will soon reach a sane understandother direction that so far as the rail- ther folly of permitting our railroads ing between the people and the rail roads are concerned, at least, it to get into such a weakened physical roads, which are so vitally essential to threatens to precipitate the most of condition that they will break down the agricitural and commercial prothem which are not already in the under the strain of delivering the pro- gress of every community in the nahands of meivers upon the rocks of ducts of the farmer and the manufac- tion, is becoming more and more apturer at our ocean ports and thus parent every day. (Paid adv. To be

Supervisors' Proceeding	gs.
(Continued from last we	ek.)
Kettle, Henry	
from 2-1-90 to 7-1-90	234
Wohill, Michael	
from 3-25-90 to 6-8-90	31
Edgerton, Emma	
form 3-1-90 to 4-6-90	15
Heason, Dolla	
from 3-4-90 to 8-1-90	63
udd, Philip	
from 7-13-90 to 10-28-90	45
Baker, Winnifred	
from 9-25-90 to 7-3-91	44
Total	2,289

Hastings Hospital. Judd, Philip from 10-29-90 to 7-3-91 118.29 Total. \$118.29 .52 Dec. 31, 1899, interest..... \$

Grand Total. \$3,587.53 Credits. Feb. 15, 1892 \$ 169.10 Dec. 21, 1888, by Treasurer receipt No. 14210..... .27

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The records seem to show that she left the asylum on January 6th aluntil May 1, 1891, and charges are

We believe the Winnifred Baker to be correct, and are enclosing herewith letter from Dr. Guttery in regard to

We hope to receive notice of favorable action on this claim, less \$202.74, and hope same may be taken tway to-

> Very respectfully, W. B. Howard, Auditor.

By W. L. Minor, Deputy.

Mr. Chairman: I move that this board may make the necesssary levies in the year 1915, to pay off the amount due the state from Holt county for the preferment. That public sentiment, care and maintainance of Insane pa-

31, 1891, amounting in all to \$3,212.19. M. P. Sullivan. C. A. Fauquier.

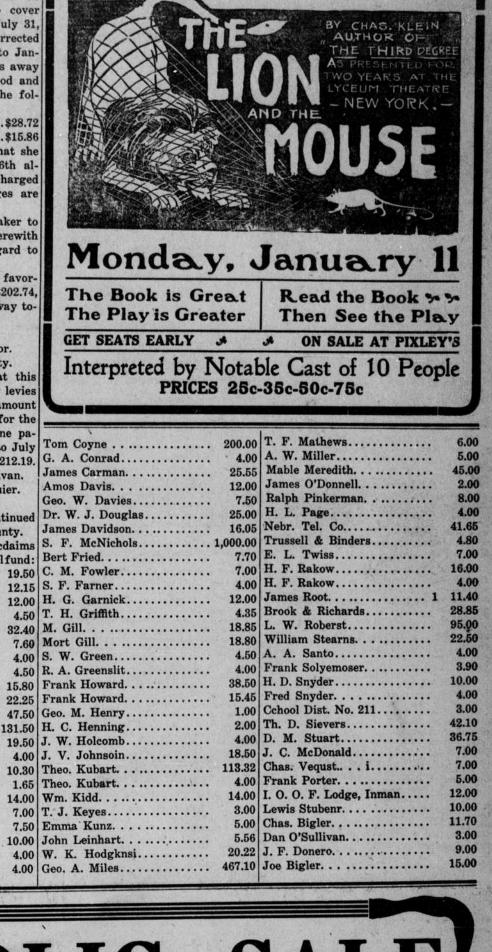
Upon motion the board continued uditing claims against Holt county.

	were allowed against the genera
	R. L. Arbuthnot\$
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	R. O. Anderson
	The Atkinson Graphic
	Chas. Brown.
1.02	H. J. Benjamin
123	James A, Butler
.72	W. B. Baxter
	E. J. Gild
5.43	W. H. Griggs
	Lee Baker
8.87	Lee Baker
	D. E. Beck
.43	W. B. Cooper
180	Chambers Bugle
.58	P. J. Conley
	Frank Campbell
.19	D. H. Cherry
1	Charlie Clauson.

Geo. Crawford.

14.00

The First Time at Popular Prices-the Play Dear to Millions "The Everlasting Success" > Not a Moving Picture





Motion carried.

Upon motion the following cdaims

United States and that during the last splendid trade which we enjoyed in Feb. 10, 1900, by Treasurer fiscal year they paid out over thirteen Germany, England, France, Austria hundred million dollars in wages to and Russia on our manufactured prod- Feb. 14, 1900, by Treasurer the army of men and women who con- ucts is certain to remain demoralized duct their business. We also referred -and thus we will be fortunate if we to the fact that they paid out almost do not lose more than we can hope to a thousand million dollars for steel, gain in new fields, with whose needs coal, lumber and other supplies of we are not yet familiar, and to which which they are the largest consumers it is certain to require some years to in the country, and therefore the chief adjust ourselves.

support of the hundreds of thousands employed in these great industries.

who has no complications ahead of In view of these facts, is it not plain him, and whose flour, pork, beef, mut-

to earn a reasonable income if the ton and other foodstuffs must be demillions of American laboring men are pended upon to make up the shortage which is already looming big in the to be kept profitably employed?

Does not any man know that if the distance because the harvest fields of thousands who are this moment hunt- the most fertile sections of Europe ing for work in Chicago, St. Louis, have been converted into shambles New York, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and for the contending armies. Exports of breadstuffs from the United States in other large cities were profitably employed that it would mean a higher November were valued at \$40,250,000, or almost four times as much as in price for what the farmer has to sell and that it would be reflected in the November of last year, while meat and receipts of every merchant and the cattle exports amounted to nearly \$14,output of every factory in the Nation? 000,000, or a gain of over 20 per cent In view of such a serious state of over last year, and this despite our therefore the amount charged to this

things it must be clear to miserable shipping facilities on the any thinking man that it is of tre- high seas. mendous importance to the whole country that the railroads be permitted ever a time when the farmers of Neto increase rates and readjust their braska and other Corn Belt states can which is \$3,414.93 which should be affairs. Can the average farmer or view the future with as much assurbusiness man afford to oppose the ance, or when they can so well afford small increase in rates which is nec- to treat fairly every other great inessary to once more put the railroads dustry in the nation as now? upon a sound basis? Is not the boring men?

ANOTHER SERIOUS PHASE.

labor, there is another very serious future? phase of this problem which calls for profound thought at the hands of all

receipt No. 14904..... receipt No. 15094..... April 7, 1900, by Treasurer receipt No. 15671..... June 8, 1900, by Treasurer receipt No. 16330 Dec. 12, 1900, byTreasurer receipt No. 17877..... It is the American farmer, however, Nov. 23, 1905, by Treasurer

..... receipt No. 44035

Total. \$ 172.60

Amount due. \$3,415.93 Mr. Chairman: Your committe ap pointed to check over the statement sent to this board in regard to the maintenance of insane patients from Holt county, find that the records in the office of the Clerk of the District Court show that all patients except one Wm. H. Wilbert, said patient being a Brown county charge from December 7, 1885, to March 18, '87 county for the said Wm. H. Wilbert, which is \$202.74. This should be de-In the light of these facts, was there ducted from the amount as shown in said statement from the state auditor after deducting \$202.74 be \$3,212.19

Respectfully submtted,

M. P. Sulivan.

dustry in the nation as now? Putting it in the terms of sound busi-livan, O'Neill, Nebraska. Dear Sir: amount of passenger fare or freight ness policy, was there ever a time Referring to yours of January which the average farmer or other cit- when they should do their part to the 7th, in reference to insane acizen pays out during the year a mere end that American labor may be profit- count of Holt county, will say that bagatelle when measured against the ably employed in all the great chan- the patient Wm. H. Wilbert was first lucrative employment and the buying nels of industry, and that our trans- committed from Holt county on June power of the miliions of American la- portation systems may be kept up to a 7, 1882. Commitment papers signed high point of efficiency, so that it may by Sanford Parker, Clerk, F. M. Benadequately discharge the heavy ship- ner, exemining physician. She was ping burdens which will undoubtedly brought to the asylum by Barnabus Important as is the employment of descend upon it in the not distant Welton, sheriff of Holt county.

Holt county paid for the care of

MORE RAILROADS NEEDED. this patient up until Brown county Nn other single agency in the Nation was organized and the charges on thinking citizens, and especially the has had more to do with the advance- our statement for this patient is from farmer. In last week's article we cited ment of land values than have the December 1, 1885, to March 18, 1887, the fact that in their desperate efforts railroads, and as evidence of this fact, and it would appear that this entire to make both ends meet, many rail- the proximity of a farm to the market charge of \$202.74 during this time roads are "burning the candle at both almost invaribly fixes its selling would be a proper charge against ends"-that in order to bolster up value. Nebraska and every other Cen- Brown county instead of Holt county their securities and keep out of the tral or Western state is still in dire and it will suit this office if you dehands of receivers the rolling stock need of hundreds of miles of addi- duct the \$202.74 from the itemized

As 1 am leaving the county, I will offer at public sale on the John D. Kelly farm 2 miles north and one and one-half miles east of O'Neill, the following property, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m., on

12th January Tuesday,

62 HEAD OF CATTLE

Twenty-two good milch cows, 3 fresh now and balance fresh in spring; 6 2-year-old heifers; 6 yearling steers and 5 yearling heifers; 20 spring calves; 3 fall calves.

17 HORSES AND MULES

One team of bay mares, 10 and 11 years old, both in foal, weight 2,600; 1 black team, gelding and mare, 8 and 9 years old, weight 2,300; 1 bay team, gelding and mare, both 6 years old, weight 2,500; 1 3-year-old mule, weight 1,100, well broke; 1 black mule coming 2 years old; 1 buckskin spring mule; 1 1 bay spring mare colt; 2 geldings coming 4 years old, weight 2,300; 1 gelding coming 3 year old, weight 1,100; 1 bay gelding, 5 years old, weight 1,300; 1 bay mare coming 2 years old; 1 bay mare coming 1 year old; 1 black mule coming 1 year old.

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.

One 8-foot McCormick binder; 2 6-foot cut mowers; 1 McCormickstacker; 2 sweeps; 1 Moline riding cultivator; 2 double-row cultivators; 2 riding listers; 2 walking plows; 1 Moline gang plow; 1 3-section harrow; 1 disc drill; 1 broadcast seeder; 1 disc harrow; 1 grinder; 1 grindstone; 1 fencing machine; 1 fanning mill; 1 steel truck wagon with hay rack; 1 farm wagon; 1 top b uggy; 2 sets of work harness; 1 goodsaddle; 800 bushels of corn in crib; 1 st ack of corn fodder; 7 stacks of No. 1hay; 1 kitchen range, nearly new; 1 2-h ole burner oil stove; 1 kitchen cabinet;1 wardrobe; 2 heaters; dresser, and nu merous other household articles.

PLENTY OF FREE LUNCH SERVED AT NOON

TERMS:-One year's time on all sums of \$10.00 and over with 10 per cent interest and approved security. Sums under \$10.00, cash. All property to be settled for before removal from the premises.

JOHN GENNETTEN, Owner

COL. JAS. MOORE, Auctioneer.

J. F. GALLAGHER, Clerk.