

OVER THE STATE.

BEATRICE has a champion egg eater. Jack Robinson, a colored man, the other day consumed on a waver two dozen raw eggs in less than five minutes.

REV. BOYD of Valley went to Monmouth, Ill., to attend the reunion of brothers and sisters at the old home, in honor of the golden wedding of their parents, who are still living.

JOHN SINGIEL of Bancroft does not complain of Nebraska. He came here a poor man, and sold his farm the other day for \$13,120. He will retire from the cornfield and live on the interest of his money.

SAM McCORL and Wade Sherley, two young men, lost their lives by drowning while skating near Salem. Both young men were highly respected in the community.

O'DILLON GAGNON, a farmer living five miles southeast of Campbell, while returning from Red Cloud, ran into a ditch and tipped the wagon over, the corn falling on his head, killing him instantly.

A MEETING of the managers of the state board of agriculture is called for the Millard hotel, Omaha, December 12, at 7 p. m., to wind up the year's reports and prepare for the annual meeting in January.

A LARGE and enthusiastic mass meeting was held at the county court house in North Platte for the purpose of petitioning congress to recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents. Resolutions to that effect were unanimously adopted.

A GRAND musical festival and circus, given for the benefit of the Associated Charities, will be held at Omaha on December 11th and 12th. Half rates will be given on all railroads in eastern Nebraska and western Iowa, good to return until the 15th.

THE city board of stockville met and appointed by Case to go to Curtis and investigate the rumor that smallpox existed in that place. He returned and reported that the rumor was true. Next morning the board enforced a quarantine against Curtis.

A SAD misfortune has befallen the family of John Kimmery of Pierce county. Mrs. Kimmery became very much excited over religious matters, which soon developed into a case of insanity, and she was taken to the Norfolk asylum, where she died.

A WASHINGTON dispatch says that ex-Senator Paddock had a conference with Senator Smith in reference to extending the time of payment for the Otoe and Missouri lands in Southern Nebraska, and also relative to the rebate to be allowed purchasers of these lands. Nothing definite was agreed upon, however, and another conference will be held soon.

A MOST interesting case has just been finished in the district court at Chadron before Judge Bartow, wherein Dr. J. I. Lease, a prominent citizen and a leader of the straight democracy, was sued by a young man whom he had hit over the head with a cane on account of alleged slander preferred against him, for \$1,000. The jury was out only a few hours, and returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

THE case of Rev. Cole, pastor of the Congregational church of Grand Island against the Western Union Telegraph company for \$1,995 damages, was concluded last week, the jury bringing in a verdict awarding plaintiff \$50 and costs. Rev. Cole's cause for action was the failure of the defendant company to deliver to him a message announcing his mother's death, he not becoming aware of the latter fact until after the funeral.

CARL JOHNSON, one of the prominent Scandinavian farmers of Polk county, living about seven miles northwest of Osceola, met with a severe accident. He had come to town to trade and as he was driving near the Kilbourne flouring mill the workmen blew the noon whistle, scaring the team of mules. They ran away, throwing Mr. Johnson out. He was bruised up badly and it is feared may be injured internally.

A MUSIC dealer in Chadron has sent a violin to a man living at Pine Ridge agency who bears the longest name on record in that part of the state at least. His name is Irish Francis Maycock The Rising-Sun-and-Moon. His postoffice address is a close second and is Medicine Root Creek, Kyle postoffice, Pine Ridge agency, Shannon county, South Dakota. He is a white man and not an Indian as his name would seem to indicate.

REPORTS received at the office of the secretary of state show that the Grand Island sugar factory there was made out of the beet, on which the state is charged with a bounty, 2,106,075 pounds of granulated and 433,425 pounds of yellow sugar. The factory quit paying \$5 per ton on beets on the first of December, so that there is no claim attaching for bounty on what is now being turned out, and the figures of output only include what was made while the bounty price, \$5, was paid.

WASHINGTON DISPATCH: In looking up pension case Representative Mercer made a discovery of interest to many old Nebraska soldiers, being the present whereabouts of a number of men who served in company D, First Nebraska cavalry. The list is as follows: Captain Jon C. Potts, Kingman, Ariz.; Sergeant George H. Ellis, Watkins, N. Y.; Corporal Joshua A. Burson, Seymour, Ind.; Private Walter J. Hardin, Fort Worth, Tex.; George Abner, Elk Creek, Neb.; John Stevens, Lynn, Mass.

GEORGE KISSELL, of Dodge county, arraigned on the charge of incest with his daughter, was discharged, the evidence not being convincing.

REV. JOHN HEWITT, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity of Lincoln, has been called to St. Paul's Episcopal church in Columbus, O.

J. C. THOMAS, formerly known as the firm of Thomas & Ira, who has been doing business in Nebraska for about fifteen years, keeping a drug and grocery store, was closed up by creditors.

O. D. VAN HORN of North Loup was so badly injured by the antics of a bucking broncho that he died in a few hours.

University Expenses. J. S. Dales, secretary-treasurer of the Board of Regents of the State University, has filed with the governor his report of the expenditures of university funds for the six months ending November 30. The board of regents meets tomorrow at the university, when it will be acted upon by the members. The report is as follows: University fund, salaries and wages appropriated, 1895, \$45,981.59; current expenses, 10,384.54; library building, 10,718.55; secretary's cash, university fund, 121.23; agricultural experiment station, 4,212.50; experiment farm, cash, 298.94; Morrill fund, installment, 6,818.78; special library fund, university matriculation and diploma fees, 659.12; law school expenses, 1,943.11. The report also shows the condition of the various funds available for university work.

Meeting of State Dairymen. The eleventh and annual meeting of the Nebraska Dairymen's association will be held in the chapel of the State university on December 17, 18 and 19, 1895. The opening session will be on the evening of December 17, at which there will be an address of welcome by Chancellor McLean, responses by prominent members of the association and others, the annual address of the president and the report of the secretary.

At Wednesday's session there will be papers read and discussions on the following topics: "Visiting a Creamery," W. W. Johnson, Archer; "Two Years' Practical Experience in Pasteurizing Cream for Butter Making and Sweet Cream Trade," E. J. White, Brighton, Colo.; "B 41," by a representative of the Conn Butter Culture company, Waterloo, Ia. "B 41" is the name given to a new system of developing a uniform flavor in butter by a well defined method of ripening the cream. "Alfalfa for the Dairy," L. F. Stoddard, Kearney; "The Farmer Man's Dairying," H. F. McIntosh, Omaha; "Presentable Butter for Market," John Bethune, Lincoln; "The Cost of Producing a Pound of Butter," D. P. Ashburn, Gibbon.

Thursday's session: "The Effect of Foods on the Dry Substances of Milk," Prof. T. L. Lyon, State university; "What the Country Merchant Can Do for the Private Dairymen," W. E. Riddell, Omaha; "The Jersey Cow for Nebraska Dairies," F. W. Vaughan, Fremont, Neb.; "My Methods in the Private Dairy," Harvey Johnson, Logan, Iowa.

An Irrigation Map. The state irrigation board will, within a few weeks, issue a map which will show by suitably colored lines the exact location and length of every irrigating ditch in the state. The map recently issued by the state board of transportation, on which the railroads and streams of the state are laid down, will be used as the basis of the new map.

The valleys of the Platte, Republican, Niobrara, Elkhorn, Loup and most of the smaller streams will show a network of mains and laterals which will astonish those who have not kept track of the amount of work which has been done in the irrigation section. State Engineer and Secretary Howell has called in the services of Alexander Schlegel of the land commissioner's office to make the drawings for the map.

Another Irrigation Convention. The McCook Tribune wants a Republican valley irrigation convention to be held in that city some time in February. The convention to be called for the purpose of general irrigation discussion and the taking of definite steps for organizing the valley of the Republican and Frenchman rivers, under the new state law, into districts to be bonded for the construction of irrigation works.

The State vs. Ex-Treasurer Hill. After the first jury trial of the case of the state against ex-Treasurer Hill there was left of the \$15,000 legislative appropriation \$8,709.19. From the itemized account in the governor's office it is learned that of this sum \$2,379.24 has been drawn, leaving a balance of \$6,429.95. There are a few small items yet to be drawn against this amount. The amount of \$2,379.24 is made up of the following items: E. Wakely, \$500; G. M. Lamberton, \$250; clerk of the supreme court, \$261.05; jury expenses, stenographic work, etc., \$1,268.19. The contract between ex-Governor Crouse and Judge Wakely provides that the latter is to receive \$3,000 for carrying the case to the supreme court, and \$5,000 should he recover an amount from the bondsmen equaling \$100,000, and the same proportion of \$2,000 for any sum under \$100,000 recovered.

Christian Workers Meet at Chadron. Chadron dispatch: The Christian Endeavor societies of northwestern Nebraska will hold a big convention at this city December 14 and 15. President W. A. Denley and Secretary Miss Minnie Newby of the local organization are using their best efforts to make the affair a great success. Delegates are expected from all of the neighboring cities, and many interesting papers will be read and discussed. The music is to be made a special feature; Prof. Bennett's choral class being the principal attraction. All delegates from abroad will be entertained free of cost, and much good is expected from the convention.

Heavy Loss of a Farmer by Fire. WILSONVILLE dispatch: A barn belonging to William Campbell, five miles south of here burned last night, together with eight head of horses and mules, thirty head of hogs, six tons of hay and several sets of harness, the damage amounting to \$2,000.

Omaha Treasury Muddle. OMAHA, Dec. 14.—Some lively developments over the city treasuryship are imminent. A. G. Edwards, who was recently elected, was unable to secure a local bond. He got several bond companies to sign the instrument, however, which was so unusual and objectionable to Omaha citizens that the mayor would not approve it. This was on the theory that the companies, having no available assets in Nebraska, could not be forced to pay in the event of litigation. The old city treasurer holds over. The treasurer-elect talks of bringing mandamus proceedings.

Editor Sent to the Penitentiary. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 14.—James B. Wilson, editor of an Indianapolis paper, was sentenced by Judge Baker, of the Federal court, to two years in State's prison for sending obscene literature through the mails.

AS TO OUR FINANCES.

DEMAND FOR A TREASURY INVESTIGATION.

It is Possible that Congress May Order the Same—Experts to Make a Thorough Examination of the Books in Order to Find Out Why Secretary Carlisle Has Delayed Payments of Important Public Works.

A Financial Inquiry. WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Several Republican members of the House have been in consultation since the President's message was made public as to a method whereby they could secure a definite statement of the condition of the treasury. Mr. Walker of Massachusetts will endeavor to bring about an investigation of the finances by an expert, under the direction of the committee on appropriations. To this expert departmental officers will be requested to give any information in their power and he is to prepare a statement of the following matters: All claims against the United States that were not paid before July 1, 1895, that have been favorably reported upon by any committee of the House and upon which such claims the court of claims has rendered judgment in favor of the claimant; all claims on which the court of claims has rendered judgment in favor of the claimant, but which have never yet been passed upon by any committee of the House; a list of the acts of Congress providing for any public work, where the work was completed and paid for prior to July 1, 1895, the statement to give the date of the act, the total sum to be expended under the act (or estimate thereof) and the total amount appropriated under or because of the act; the date upon which the first moneys were paid out of the United States treasury under each appropriation and the amount of money paid out during the calendar year under each appropriation up to July 1, 1895; the value of so much of all government work done and approved of by the proper officers, on or before June 30, in each year of the four years prior to 1896 which had not been paid for prior to July 1 in each year; when any of acts mentioned were passed to provide premises to be used in the place of premises for which the Government was paying rent, the rents paid in each quarter of any calendar year since the passage of the act to be given.

One of the aims of this plan is to substantiate the statement made by Republicans that Secretary Carlisle has delayed the payment of appropriations and held back public works in order that the treasury may make the best possible showing.

Trust Agent Convicted. The Texas Law Proves Effective Against the Standard Oil Monopoly. WACO, Tex., Dec. 14.—The trial of the first of what is known as the Standard Oil Trust cases was ended yesterday, when E. T. Hathaway of Denison, agent at that point for the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, alleged to be a member of the Standard Oil Trust, was convicted of violating the anti-trust statute of Texas, and the jury assessed his penalty at \$20 fine. There are four other defendants awaiting trial, and the indictments include Messrs. Rockefeller, Flagler and the leading Standard and Waters-Pierce Oil Companies' officials, although none of them have been arrested. The case will be appealed at once, and the much disputed question of the constitutionality of the Texas anti-trust law will be thoroughly tested.

Democratic Call Out. The National Committee to Meet January 16 to Fix the Next Convention. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—W. F. Hartry, chairman of the Democratic national committee, to-day instructed the secretary of the committee to notify the members to assemble in Washington January 16 for the purpose of selecting the time and place for holding the next Democratic national convention.

The Walter A. Wood Case Dropped. ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The attorneys for Mrs. Pattison, wife of the late Admiral Pattison, in the matter of the application to the attorney general for permission to begin proceedings in the courts looking to the dissolution of the Walter A. Wood Mowing and Reaping Machine company, have withdrawn their case. It is understood that the town of Hoosic Falls will take up Mrs. Pattison's stock at par value.

Bicycles for Policemen. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Last night the first squad of policemen, mounted on bicycles, in this city, went on duty. Hereafter four mounted patrolmen will be constantly patrolling the boulevard. The bicycle corps will do duty just the same as any other policemen, except that they will also regulate the traffic of vehicles and prevent fast or reckless driving.

A Truant Husband Brought Back. BELTON, Mo., Dec. 14.—J. S. Burson, formerly a jeweler of this town and Harrisonville, who deserted his family and eloped with a woman from Knob Noster, Mo., was captured in Texas last Monday. Sheriff Holton of Cass county arrived with him yesterday and he is now lodged in jail at Harrisonville awaiting trial.

A Noted Driver Dead. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—John A. Goldsmith, the noted driver and handler of trotting horses, died to-day in the Presbyterian hospital. He had gone to the hospital to have what he thought a trivial operation performed. He never rallied.

General News Political Dinner. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—Hon. John C. New, formerly consul general to London, and who has had charge of all of General Harrison's campaigns, gave a dinner last night in which there is supposed to be some politics. The guest of honor was ex-President Harrison, and at the other side of the host was seated William R. McKeen, president of the Vandavia Railroad Company, and a declared candidate for the United States Senate, to succeed Voorhees. Other celebrities present were Judges Wood and Baker, of the Federal court, General Lew Wallace and James Whitcomb Riley.

GIANTIC TRUST FORMED.

Eastern Trunk Lines Perfect Their Traffic Combine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The greatest railway trust of modern times was practically perfected in New York yesterday when the railroad magnates of the new joint Eastern Traffic Association, formed from the Old Trunk Line and Central Traffic Associations, met and appointed a board of three arbitrators. President Roberts presided and at the close of the meeting it was announced that the following gentlemen had been chosen arbitrators of the new association: J. F. Goddard, New York; Garrett A. Hobart, New Jersey, and ex-Governor Jacob D. Cox, Ohio. Frank H. Hoyt was elected secretary to the board of control. The new agreement signed by the different roads in the association will go into effect with the first of the new year. The new joint traffic association of January 1 will begin its five years' agreement to control the policy of thousands of miles of railroad and settle all questions and differences by arbitration. The association will have jurisdiction over all traffic, passenger and freight, to, from or through the Western terminal of the trunk lines. The managers will pass on all applications for changes in rates and rules and their action upon all questions, except as to rates and fares, will be subject to appeal to the board of arbitrators. The board of control will decide appeals in regard to rates and fares.

This association embraces all the railroads between Chicago, St. Louis and the Atlantic seaboard. In the face of this gigantic combination of capital all other trusts fade into insignificance. This pool represents more than \$1,500,000,000 in capital. The importance of this organization is beyond estimate. If it stands the tests of law it will work a revolution in transportation interests. The stated object of the combination is to make the stocks and bonds which represent this fabulous capital pay better dividends. The promoters of the enterprise deny that they contemplate raising rates. But it is reasoned that when maintaining rates means compelling railroads that are carrying passengers and freight cheap to advance their rates to the level of those which are not giving the service cheap, the effect is substantially an increase of rates. The six railway "kings" responsible for this scheme are: Chauncey M. Depew, New York Central, 2,800 miles; Sam Sloan, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 1,000 miles; George B. Roberts, Pennsylvania, 8,700 miles; M. R. Ingalls, Chesapeake & Ohio and Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis, 4,700 miles; E. B. Thomas, Erie, 2,100 miles; Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, Grand Trunk, 4,600.

HAYWARD'S RECORD.

The Murder of Another Woman Laid to Him. STILLWATER, Minn., Dec. 1.—When Claus A. Bixt was told of the rumor that Harry Hayward had confessed to instigating the murder of Lena Olsen, a domestic, in Duluth, in the fall of 1894, he said: "All I know about that is that Lena Olsen once lived at the Ozark flats, and that Harry was intimately acquainted with the person who is supposed to have gone with her to the place of her death. The woman's dead body was afterward found floating in the Mississippi at St. Paul. My impression was that it was Harry who killed the floater. I know he expected and planned to kill me after I had done his bidding to hunt poor Ging girl. He came to my room no less than five times after I got back, but as I was in great pain from the drugged whisky he had given me, my wife was with me, and he didn't get the chance."

The Quereast of Wagers.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 14.—This morning a contract was signed between George J. Mold, an ex-letter carrier of this city, and Cash Henderson, proprietor of the New York store, by which the former agrees to make a tour of the world in four years from January 1, costumed as a clown and speaking no word except to and through a ventriloquist figure which he carries, to start penniless and return with \$20,000 honorably earned on a wager of \$10,000 put up by Henderson. Mold is to be accompanied by E. F. Kinnear as a representative of Henderson to see that the contract is fully carried out.

The Match Trust's French Deal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A contract has been made with the French government by which the Diamond Match company receives a bonus of \$100,000 for the use of its machines in the manufacture of matches, which is a government monopoly in that country. The company will receive \$100,000 a year during the life of the contract, which is for five years, with the privilege of renewal.

Fatal Runaway Accident. MILAN, Mo., Dec. 14.—A fatal accident occurred near this city last night. William Mendonhall, his wife and little daughter Bessie started to town, and while going down a steep incline the team became unmanageable and ran away. A piece of the tongue struck the little girl on the head, completely tearing her skull away. The parents also received injuries which may be fatal.

Was Not Billy Myer.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Billy Myer, the middle-weight pugilist, denies that he was one of the principals in the Myer-Stewart mill near Jeffersonville. He adds that he has retired from the ring and does not know the identity of the man who is using his name.

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HONORS TO THURMAN

COLUMBUS PAYS TRIBUTE TO HIS MEMORY.

Hundreds of People, From the Governor of the State Down, Gather at the House of Death.—The Services Conducted by a Venerable Preacher.—Borne to the Grave by His Grandsons.

The funeral of Allen G. Thurman, COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 16.—With simple yet solemn ceremonies the body of Allen G. Thurman, jurist, statesman and beloved citizen, was consigned to the earth this morning. The entire city felt the loss and joined with the bereaved family in their grief. The funeral was held at the Thurman residence at the corner of Rich street and Washington avenue at 10 o'clock this morning. Even before the appointed hour the house was surrounded by sorrowing friends, who were gathered to pay the last tribute to the memory of the beloved dead.

The Thurman Club, named for the "Old Roman," and in whose affairs the dead Senator took the greatest interest during his lifetime, met at their club rooms and marched in a body to the house. Governor McKinley and the State officials met in accordance with a prearranged plan and together proceeded to the residence, as did also the city officials, headed by Mayor Allen. The postmaster, acting under special permission from Washington, had closed the office and all the employees, as well as the other government officials in the city, attended. In addition to these were numerous private citizens from every walk of life, making an immense concourse. Probably at no time has there been a more notable gathering in the city of Columbus on such occasion.

The members of the family, the Governor and party, and such of the friends as could be accommodated, were admitted to the house previous to the beginning of the services, and then the doors were closed until the brief exercises were concluded. The Rev. J. L. Grover, who conducted the obsequies, was a lifelong friend of the Senator and is himself bowed under the weight of years, having passed his 80th milestone in life's journey, and his white head shook and his voice trembled as he proceeded. The venerable pastor began by reading the 90th Psalm, and followed with a brief prayer. The services were simple in character, there being no music, and consisted of the reading of the Episcopal burial service and 1 Corinthians, xv. 20. Following this the Rev. Mr. Grover recited the Lord's prayer and then pronounced the benediction. There was nothing whatever in the nature of a sermon, nor were there any other words spoken. Simplicity had been the desire of the dead man and his wishes were respected. For two hours after the services had been concluded a steady stream of people passed through the residence and looked for the last time on the noble old face.

There was but few floral designs. On the coffin were palm leaves, holly and floral designs of simple variety. Having consented under pressure to share their grief with the public during the morning, the family was left alone with their dead after the body had been viewed. During the afternoon the immediate members of the family of the deceased accompanied the body to Green Lawn cemetery west of the city, where it was consigned to the grave. The services there were even more simple than those at the house, consisting only of a prayer as the body was lowered to its last resting place, the Rev. E. L. Rexford of the First Universalist church, being the officiating minister. The pallbearers were mostly grandsons and near relatives of the judge.

RED CROSS ACCEPTS.

It Undertakes to Distribute Armenian Relief Contributions. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The American Red Cross Society has decided to accept the duty of distributing the relief funds for the Armenian sufferers, and has issued the following statement: "Owing to the unanimous and urgent appeals from the friends of humanity, representing nearly all of the people of this country, the American National Red Cross has decided that it must accept the sacred trust of endeavoring to relieve starving Armenians in Asia Minor. According to conservative estimates there are 350,000 utterly destitute people in that country who will have to be assisted six or eight months—until the next harvest. Fully realizing the difficulties and dangers to be met, the Red Cross will start for Turkey as soon as sufficient funds are placed at its disposal, or guaranteed to insure success. Funds may be sent to Miss Clara Barton, president and treasurer of the American National Red Cross, Washington, D. C. Authorized agents to receive funds and materials will be published in a few days. The Red Cross also suggests that goods, grain and other materials may be sent by chartered steamer."

The Red Cross party, including Miss Barton, will leave immediately after being assured of a sufficient sum to carry forward the work. The start must be made at an early day, as it will take five weeks to get to the distressed district, and the demands of the suffering people are urgent.

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LIQUOR STATISTICS

One Drinking Place for Every Ninety-Three Men in the Country.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—There are 208,388 retail liquor dealers in the United States holding licenses from the commissioner of internal revenue and 4,555 wholesale liquor dealers. There are 10,486 others who deal only in malt liquors at retail and 5,655 who sell only malt liquors by wholesale, making a total of 229,084. In addition to these there are 1,440 rectifiers and 1,771 brewers, making a grand total of 332,295 persons or firms who hold licenses from the government of the United States to make and sell intoxicating drinks.

Assuming the population of the United States to be 65,000,000, this gives an average of one liquor dealer to every 280 men, women and children. Assuming again that two-thirds of the population are women and children and temperance people who do not patronize saloons, it will be seen that there is one drinking place for an average of ninety-three men in the country. This is a good text for temperance advocates.

The largest number of saloon licenses issued in any one state was 41,176 in New York. Illinois has the second place with 17,853, Ohio 15,817, Pennsylvania, 14,113 and California 12,773. Among the prohibition states Iowa seems to have the most prosperous liquor traffic. She has 100 rectifiers, 18 breweries, 76 wholesale liquor dealers, 4,631 retail liquor dealers, 318 wholesale dealers in malt liquors, 160 retail dealers in malt liquors only, making a total of 5,213 engaged in the liquor business. Kansas comes next with 2,580 persons and firms engaged in making and selling liquor, including 1 rectifier, 3 brewers, 13 wholesale and 2,252 retail liquor dealers, 59 wholesale and 270 retail dealers in beer.

It is a curious fact that there are 635 more persons and firms engaged in the liquor business in the prohibition State of Iowa than in Kentucky, where the manufacture of whisky is considered a fine art and its consumption an accomplishment.

Alaska, Indian territory, North Dakota and Vermont are the only States and territories without wholesale liquor dealers. Alaska, Florida, Indian territory, Maine, Mississippi, North Carolina, Vermont and Wyoming have no breweries.

Detroit's Chief Magistrate Suffers Inconvenience for the Public's Good.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 16.—Mayor Pingree got a free ride yesterday morning through refusing to pay his fare on a Citizens' Company's car, unless the conductor should sell him six tickets for a quarter. Last night he repeated the experiment twice and was put off each time. The conductor who allowed the mayor to ride free has been temporarily suspended. The mayor intends to make a test case of the question, although there is no ordinance requiring the company to sell six tickets for a quarter.

The Chinese Back in Port Arthur.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says that several Russian warships watched the formal re-entry of the Chinese into Port Arthur. It is believed here that China, as a reward for Russia's intervention in her favor with Japan after the war, will permit the Russian Pacific fleet to winter in Kian-Chu bay.

Warner and Reed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Politicians are discussing with considerable vigor some of the possible results of the Republican national convention going to St. Louis. The latest suggestion on the subject of presidential candidates is this ticket: Warner of Maine, president; Warner of Missouri, vice president.

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Quotations From New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere.

Table with multiple columns listing market prices for various commodities such as Butter, Eggs, Spring chickens, Dressed turkeys, etc., with prices per unit.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Contracts for new mail pouches were awarded to a man named Quinn of Cincinnati. Secretary Herber will ask congress to give him authority to award contracts for six new battleships. Fire destroyed the Montrose hotel at Montrose, Mo. Joseph Jeffries is in jail at Columbia, Mo., on a charge of murdering his father. South Dakota Methodists are to give a bull fight to raise money to build a church.