

CONFERENCE CLOSED.

MINISTERS APPOINTED TO CHARGES.

A Notable and Very Successful Meeting—Many Ministers Returned to Their Old Charges on Petitions From Their Loyal Flocks.

LINCOLN, Sept. 24.—Ministers met promptly at 8 a. m. yesterday. Rev. John Gallagher conducted the devotional exercises.

W. H. Turrell and F. H. Essert were admitted on trial.

A. E. Chadwick was readmitted. R. G. Adams at his own request was given a supernumerary relation and L. F. Britt on his own motion was granted a certificate of location.

A subscription was taken for the "Conference Minutes fund" and \$320 pledged.

A supplementary educational report was adopted naming E. E. Howard of Edgar and Dr. J. F. Neill of Peru as trustees of Wesleyan university.

The matter of entertaining the next conference was referred to a committee of ten, five ministers and five laymen. The most interesting and impressive scenes during the session occurred when Rev. J. S. W. Dean led the ministers in prayer concerning Wesleyan university. Every minister goes forth confident in the firmness of the institution and loyal to its interests.

By reading the appointments many changes will be seen. The Lincoln district changes presiding elders, and the Nebraska City district has a new presiding elder, Peter Van Fleet.

Some very complimentary resolutions were passed concerning the presiding bishop, the pastors of Lincoln churches and the citizens of Lincoln who so royally entertained the conference.

The chief interest was the reading of the appointments for the ensuing year. At 5:30 o'clock Bishop Newman arose and the business of the conference being at an end, read the following list:

HASTINGS DISTRICT.

W. B. Alexander, presiding elder. Blue Hill, G. W. Hummel. Bromfield, F. W. Benn. Carlston, F. E. Smith. Clayton, E. S. Randall. C. P. Metcalf. Davenport and Oak, R. E. Neal. Doniphan, L. Morrison. Edgar, T. H. Worley. Exeter, W. T. Cline. Fairfield, G. A. Hobson. Fairmont, C. B. Lanfear. Geneva, O. W. Fifer. Grafton, H. B. Seymour. Guide Rock, A. W. Shamel. Harvard, H. Curtiss. Hastings, G. W. Isham. Inavale, A. G. Blackwell. Juniata, E. J. Bird. Kenesaw, F. A. Colony. Lawrence, A. B. Grossman. Nelson, A. M. Perry. Ong, C. W. Wells. Pauline, D. M. Buckner. Red Cloud, J. K. Maxfield. Roseland, G. Shuman. Superior, R. Pearson. Sutton, T. S. Fowler.

BEATRICE DISTRICT.

Asa Sleeth, presiding elder. Alexandria, J. Marsh. Beatrice, Centenary, C. S. Dudley. LaSalle street, G. W. Selby. Belvidere, S. T. Hawkins. Blue Springs, W. H. Mills. Chester, G. H. Wehn. Crab Orchard, J. W. Lewis. Dayton, G. G. Morrison. DeWitt, F. M. Estabrook. Dubois, H. W. Copp. Fairbury, A. A. Randall. Fairbury circuit, M. C. Smith. Filley, R. T. Chipperfield. Hebron, to be supplied. Holmesville, H. F. Smith. Liberty, Frank Mills. Odell, J. G. Day. Ohiwa, G. M. Jones. Pawnee City, J. H. Presson. Reynolds, N. H. Davis. Steele City, J. Gene Walker. Strong, I. D. Willard. Tobias, R. L. Wolfe. Vesta, H. G. Wilcox. Western, Will J. Scott. Wilber and Swanton, J. E. Rippeteo. Wynora, J. S. W. Dean. H. D. Brown, state superintendent of the children's home society of Washington.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.

H. T. Davis, presiding elder. Alvo, J. W. Embree. Ashland, G. I. Wright. Bennet, C. W. Shaw. Cedar Bluffs, W. H. Turrell. Ceresco, R. E. Howard. Cortland, J. W. Warfield. Crete, L. T. Guild. Davey, G. L. Hosford. Dorchester, R. N. Orrill. Eagle, J. T. Roberts. Elmwood, F. A. Campbell. Emerald, F. Cole. Friend, G. M. Morey. Greenwood, A. E. Hull. Groveland, J. H. N. Cobb. Ithaca, D. C. Phillips. Lincoln—Bethel, W. K. Williams; Emanuel, I. C. Lamson; Epworth, R. D. Snyder; Grace, C. M. Shepherd; St. Paul, C. G. Lasby; Trinity, D. W. C. Huntington; Northwest Mission, J. A. Nichols. Mead, S. Kiser. Pleasant Dale, E. Holland. Prairie Home, C. Stewart. Raymond, L. G. Parker. Roca, J. P. Badgley. Sharon, T. M. Hanson. University Place, G. W. Abbott. Valparaiso, A. W. Parich. Wahoo, J. F. Kemper. Waverly, J. R. Gentry. Weston, M. A. Wimsorly. Wabash, H. P. Young.

NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT.

P. Van Fleet, presiding elder, Plains month. Adams, J. G. Stewart. Auburn, John Gallagher. Brock and Talmage, M. Demotte. Cook, J. M. Darby. Douglas, William Cowley. Elk Creek, George E. Price. Falls City, J. A. Barker. Humboldt, J. W. Swan. Johnson, J. Calvert. Louisville, J. C. H. Hobbs. Nebraska City, H. C. Haman. Nehawka, I. Jean. Nelora, C. E. Rowa. Peru, G. M. Gates. Plattsmouth, G. M. Couffer.

BANK SWINDLERS.

Wanted at Kansas City—Governor Holcomb and Party Return.

LINCOLN, Sept. 24.—Lawyers in the office of the governor yesterday evening before Acting Governor R. E. Moore and haggled over a requisition matter. Governor Stone has issued a requisition warrant for Edward Foster, alias George H. Fields, and Harvey L. Barnes, alias E. W. Bailey. They are charged with grand larceny by the Union National bank of Kansas City. They secured \$675 by a smooth system of deposits and withdrawals, taking deposits from both banks on the same day before a check could go through the clearing house and expose them.

The two men were arrested in Omaha during fair week while trying the same game. They had not succeeded and their deposits, amounting to about \$900, are still held, while they languish in the Omaha jail. The Kansas City case was worked up by Thomas G. Conklin, superintendent of Pinkertons at that place. He came to Nebraska as the state agent from Missouri and demands the return of the two men. He was represented yesterday by G. M. Lambertson of this city, while the accused were represented by Attorneys Bartlett and Baker of Omaha.

Lieutenant Governor Moore was of opinion that he could not act, as it was reported that Governor Holcomb was on his way home from Chattanooga and was then in the state. The governor was expected to arrive at 5 o'clock. It was finally decided to postpone the hearing until 4 p. m. today before Governor Holcomb. The accused are also wanted in Milwaukee and St. Paul.

Governor Holcomb arrived between 5 and 6 o'clock from Chattanooga where he took part in the dedication of the national military park. His party consisted of Adjutant General Barry, Col. C. J. Bill of Fairbury, Col. John C. Bratt of Bennett, Col. Fred Miller of Lincoln, Captain Tracy of Norfolk, Col. W. G. Swan of Tecumseh, Capt. Joseph Lyon of Nelson and F. L. M'ary, chief clerk of the executive office. The party made an imposing appearance in the military procession at Chattanooga, all being clad in full regimentals and carrying national, state and regimental standards. All went to the Atlanta exposition and on the return trip were received at St. Louis by a committee from the board of trade.

Sensational Discovery in the Okaloosa, Ia. Hotel Tragedy.

OKALOOSA, Ia., Sept. 24.—M. E. Stinson and his wife were found dead from bullet wounds in bed together at the Asher house yesterday. The double crime was committed by Stinson. The woman, who was only twenty years old, was recognized as Miss Arta Moore, whose parents live at Pano, a few miles from Des Moines. She was a member of the senior class at Grinnell college and it was not known that she was married. The discovery was made today, however, that she was secretly married to Stinson Oct. 14, 1892, by Rev. H. D. Crawford, the record being complete.

WERE SECRETLY MARRIED.

The murderer's home was in Fairfield, Ia., where his father was formerly Rock Island railroad agent. He came here for a day and visited friends and his wife got permission from the college president to visit him here. Stinson met her at the depot and he registered at the hotel as husband and wife. The shots were heard by the police, who rushed to the room, but both had been instantly killed.

CAUGHT AT THEIR WORK

Two Smooth Young Men Attempt to Tap a TUL.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 24.—F. E. Voelker, the furrier on South Twelfth street, tried his hand on a new kind of animal last night. He sleeps in the back part of his store, and about midnight he was aroused by the shaking of the front door. He supposed it was a patrolman. Later, however, he was disturbed by some one apparently trying to get into his money drawer. He quietly slipped out and hunted up an officer, and informed them that there were burglars in his store. The two then secured the aid of another officer and together they entered the store and found the men still trying to get into the till. They threw up their hands when commanded to do so and were promptly marched to the police station, where they gave their names as Thomas Connell and Harry Page. Page is an old timer. They will have a hearing this morning. It is likely both will be sent over the road.

HOLMES TRIAL DATE SET.

Judge Fixes on the 23rd Inst. and Admonishes Attorneys.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 25.—Herman W. Mudgett alias H. H. Holmes, was arraigned before Judge Finletter in the court of oyer and terminer today on the indictment charging him with the murder of Benjamin F. Pitze in this city on Sept. 2, 1894. Upon the advice of his counsel the prisoner pleaded not guilty.

District Attorney Graham asked that Monday, October 25, be fixed for the beginning of the trial. Holmes' counsel objected to this date, but the judge after hearing arguments on both sides stated that he thought Oct. 25 would give the defense sufficient time in which to prepare the case. He then ordered that the trial be set down for that day, with the understanding that when the time arrives neither side could expect to come into court and obtain a continuance on paltry excuses.

Mother and Child Parted.

ALTON, Neb., Sept. 24.—Mrs. Bert Holten and child were drowned Saturday evening while crossing a ravine east of town during a terrific rain storm. Mr. Holten was driving the cart and in crossing the cart was overturned. Holten became separated from his wife and child and was rescued by Mr. Schwanland. The others had then gone down, and their bodies were not recovered until Sunday afternoon.

PRINCE EDWARD OF WALES

Comes to the Front in a Horse Race Scandal.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Something approaching a turf scandal has arisen on account of the extraordinary lightness of the handicap placed upon Florizel, owned by the prince of Wales. Immediately after the acceptance for the carewath stakes were published, 6 to 1 was freely taken on Florizel. One writer says that the only possible solution was a desire on the part of the handicapper to treat the prince of Wales leniently and that the horse would not have been thus favored if it belonged to any one else.

King Leopold of Belgium has sold to Colonel North, the English "nitrate king," a mile of the sea front of Ostend for \$1,500,000. It is said that Colonel North intends to found there an international sporting club, which will be the center for horse racing, glove fighting and athletics generally, with a theater, gambling rooms and public gardens.

It is said that Max Lebandick, who inherited a fortune of \$15,000,000 from his father, a sugar refiner, which he has been industriously trying to dissipate for some time, has fallen into the hands of the same English gang who preyed upon the late Squire Abington, the famous English sportsman.

With the publication of the full correspondence between the Earl of Dunraven and the America's cup committee of the New York Yachting club and Mr. Iselin, a decided change of sentiment has come over the English yachtsmen. While it is impossible to alter the opinion which prevails among Englishmen in general that Valkyrie was beaten out of the America's cup by unfair means, there is reason to believe that authorities on yachting are not all disposed to endorse the course that has been pursued by Lord Dunraven. The most significant indication of this is Admiral Fitzgerald's letter to the Times condemning Lord Dunraven and praising Mr. Iselin for his offer to resell the races.

It now seems likely that the plan of giving to Lord Dunraven a public reception at Cardiff upon his return from New York, as well as the arrangements for an elaborate welcome of Valkyrie's owner, will be abandoned.

IN HONOR OF GARIBALDI.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Taking of Rome Commemorated.

ROME, Sept. 23.—The fetes celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the entry of the Italian army into Rome, which began on the 14th inst., culminated yesterday in the ceremony of the unveiling of the monument of General Garibaldi on the Janiculum hill in the presence of the king, the royal family, the ministers, the deputations of veterans who served under Garibaldi.

The 50,000 people present displayed the utmost enthusiasm. The decorations of public and private buildings were of the most imposing and liberal character. Every mention of the names of Garibaldi, Italy and King Humbert was greeted with loud cheers. The English and American embassies had their flags hoisted.

Ansom Rosenfield Dead.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—Ansom Rosenfield is dead of Bright's disease at his home in this city. His death will recall old California days to many newspaper men and women who knew Mr. Rosenfield through his connection with the "Alta California," of which he was a part owner for many years. Mr. Rosenfield was a forty-niner, and in common with the enterprising men who invaded the Western coast during the lucky year, rapidly accumulated a fortune. He was born in Germany and came to this country in 1842.

DONE UP THE JUDGE.

Sol Hugliett's Crooked Work Growing in Extent—New Victims Found.

MEXICO, Mo., Sept. 23.—The schedule of people who were swindled by the late Sol Hugliett of Wellsville is growing. Judge E. M. Hugliett, who is now holding circuit court here, lost \$60. Mrs. W. Dieckroger and two sons of Wright City and J. A. Foristell, of Foristell, Mo., hold forged notes and fraudulent deeds of trust executed by Hugliett for \$1,500 against the farms of G. A. Burwell, J. C. Mitchell, Mrs. Bergman, W. C. Bush and J. B. Alderson. Many farmers about Wellsville have small clouds on the title to their farms in the shape of bogus deeds of trust. It is estimated that the whole indebtedness will aggregate nearly \$31,000.

Four Killed by One.

MCKINNEY, Ky., Sept. 21.—At the Adams and Trowbridge distillery, in Pulaski county last night five men, one of them named Cain of Mintonville engaged in a game of poker. A dispute arose and shooting began. Cain alone escaped and is credited with having killed the other four. The slain were either shot through the head or heart.

Missionaries After a Heist.

NEVADA, Mo., Sept. 23.—Miss Ollie Crane, daughter of a leading farmer living near Liberal, was on her way to milk the cows Thursday night when an unknown wretch seized her, choked her senseless, dragged her a short distance and brutally assaulted her. Scores of people started in pursuit, with blood hounds. The man will be lynched if caught.

Prefer Buys the Advocate.

TOPERA, Kan., Sept. 21.—The statement is published here that Senator Prefer has purchased a controlling interest in the Topera Advocate, the populist weekly. Three months ago the senator stated that he expected to engage in the newspaper business at the end of his term in the United States senate.

A Sensational Suicide.

St. JOSEPH, Mo., Sept. 21.—Milton Clark of Union Star called at the home of John Lafon last night to see the latter's daughter. Lafon would not accept Clark as a son-in-law, and the latter sent a bullet through his own brain, dying before the eyes of his own household.

Imagines for Ethel.

ROLLA, Mo., Sept. 25.—The jury in the libel case of Joseph Campbell, president of the Rolla state bank, against W. J. Powell, editor of the Rolla New Era, brought in a verdict assessing damages of \$400 against defendant.

EMPIRE DEMOCRATS.

NEW YORK DEMOCRACY IN CONVENTION.

Greatest Gathering Ever Known in the History of Syracuse—Kings County Contest Settled—Temporary Chairman Perry Belmont's Speech.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 25.—The number of Democrats who gathered here to-day for the state convention was the greatest ever known at a similar gathering in this city.

At 10 o'clock the state committee met. Senator Hill was ready quite early, but Chairman Hinckley and some of the others were tardy. The session lasted just six minutes, the only business transacted being the adoption of a resolution that the committee recommend the increase of the state committee to fifty members.

The convention was called to order at 12:25 o'clock by Chairman Hinckley of the state committee, and the Rev. A. H. Falnstock offered a prayer, asking for peace and unity.

Chairman Hinckley then announced that he was directed by the state committee to announce that both sets of delegates from Kings county should be placed on the rolls.

The chairman announced that the state committee had selected for temporary chairman Perry Belmont of New York and appointed Daniel Lockwood of Buffalo and George Foster Peabody of Kings county temporary secretaries.

When Mr. Belmont took the platform he was greeted with applause and when it subsided he began his remarks saying in part: "The selection of your presiding officer is an act of partiality. I am sensible to your kindness and accepting most gratefully the honor you have done me, I ask your indulgence in the performance of my duties."

Mr. Belmont spoke of the conditions this year as compared with those of last year, saying the political skies were much brighter this fall. He paid compliments to Senator Hill, saying: "The swift changes of party power in this state encourage us not to be without hope, notwithstanding recent adverse events." Much would, he said, depend on the way the party should appreciate the lessons of last November and of the past.

On the subject of excise, Mr. Belmont said: "As to our own state there is need of certain reform of certain features of our excise law. Recent misconstructions of their provisions, coupled with harsh, arbitrary and unintelligent construction, render it necessary to legislate to prevent the repetition of official tyranny. The preachers and the churches, the brewers and the saloons should get together, formulate, vote for and enforce a reasonable excise law. Sobriety is very important, but not more so than is personal freedom for sobermen to buy, eat, drink and do what pleases them, if it does not infringe on the rights of others."

On financial questions Mr. Belmont declared that the New York Democracy had always been for "sound money." He said the greenbacks caused the driving out of gold. He concluded with the denunciation of the late Republican legislature.

Mr. Belmont finished speaking amid much applause at 1:24 o'clock. Then Secretary DeForest began the reading of the temporary roll call. The names of Flower, Shepherd, Bell and Bissell were cheered. Contrary to expectations, when the New York district was reached, there was no public notice of a contest until the clerk had read the entire Tammany delegation. During the reading the Tammany men looked at each other. Just as the clerk started on Niagara county's list, ex-Secretary Charles Fairchild arose and said: "I present the contest for thirty-five seats held by the New York delegation just read."

There was a burst of applause that lasted for some minutes and then the chairman said: "Referred to the committee on contested seats when appointed."

In Queens county ex-Mayor Gleason gave notice of a contest, and when Richmond was called a delegate said that contesting delegations there had agreed upon the same representation as had been agreed upon in Kings county, and they desired their names on the roll. It was referred to the committee on credentials. These were all the contests noted.

The usual resolutions were offered in relation to the appointments of committees, and then on motion of ex-Mayor Gilroy the convention adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TO INSURE GOOD SERVICE.

Smaller Postoffices May Be Put Under the Civil Service.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Both the postoffice department and civil service commission are taking great interest in the movement toward putting fourth-class postmasters under the protection of the civil service laws. It is probable that before the end of this administration action will be taken.

There are over 65,000 fourth-class postoffices in the country and the number is constantly increasing. Of these some 20,000 carry salaries of less than \$50 per annum, and at least half are in places where there is much greater difficulty in finding a competent and reliable person who is willing to serve than in choosing between competitors. It is obvious that there can be no question of examination and certification by the usual civil service methods in these offices. Several plans have been suggested and a combination of them will probably be adopted.

Cuban Sympathizers Rejected.

WILMINGTON, Del., Sept. 25.—As a result of the acquittal of the alleged filibusterers there was a large demonstration of Cubans and Cuban sympathizers in the shape of a parade last night. There were 8,000 men in the parade, who, with numerous bands of music, marched throughout the city.

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CIVIL SERVICE RULES.

Extended to the Consular System by Presidential Order.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—The president, by an executive order, issued to-day but dated Sept. 20, has extended the civil service system in a modified form, to all consular officers whose compensation directly and through fees ranges from \$1,000 to \$2,500. This will include about one-half of the total number of consuls who receive more than \$1,000. This change has been gained by reviving in substance an old order of 1873.

Vacancies in the service will be filled hereafter by transfer or promotion, by appointment of qualified persons formerly in the employ of the state department and by appointment of persons selected by the president after passing a non-competitive examination. The order reads:

"EXECUTIVE ORDER, Sept. 20, 1895.—It being of great importance that the consuls and commercial agents of the United States shall possess the proper qualifications for their respective positions, to be ascertained either through a satisfactory record of previous actual service under the department of state or through an appropriate examination, it is hereby ordered that any vacancy in a consulate or commercial agency now or hereafter existing, the salary of which is not more than \$2,500 nor less than \$1,000, or the compensation of which, if derived from official fees, exclusive of notarial and other unofficial receipts, does not exceed \$2,500 nor fall below \$1,000, shall be filled:

(A) by a transfer or promotion to some other position under the department of state of a character tending to qualify the incumbent for the position to be filled; or

(B) by appointment of a person not under the department of state, but having previously served thereunder to its satisfaction in a capacity tending to qualify him for the position to be filled; or

(C) by the appointment of a person who, having furnished the customary evidence of character, responsibility and capacity, and, being thereupon selected by the president for examination, is found upon such examination to be qualified for the position.

For the purpose of this order notarial and unofficial fees shall not be regarded, but the compensation of a consulate or commercial agency shall be ascertained, by reference to the last preceding appropriation act, and, if the office is not salaried, with reference to returns for official fees for the last preceding fiscal year.

The examination hereinbefore provided for shall be by a board of three persons designated by the secretary of state, who shall also prescribe the subjects to which such examination shall relate and the general mode of conducting the same by the board.

A vacancy in a consulate will be filled at discretion only when a suitable appointment cannot be made in any of the modes indicated in the second paragraph of this order.

ALL ABOUT POSTOFFICES.

Annual Report Just Out by Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The annual report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell shows that the number of postoffices in operation in the United States on June 30, 1895, was 20,064. During the year 2,422 postoffices were established and 2,163 discontinued. The total number of appointments for the year was 13,142.

During the year the greatest increase in the number of postoffices was in Oklahoma, 69. Nineteen states show a decrease in the number of postoffices, the greatest loss occurring in Kansas, 55; South Carolina losing 44, and Iowa and West Virginia, 38 each. Fifteen other states show a loss of from 2 to 27 each.

During the year 55,346 complaints affecting the ordinary mail were received; 41,849 referring to letters, and 27,697 to packages. This shows an increase of 2,669 over last year.

Under the head of foreign cases the report emphasizes the superiority of the registry system of the United States over that of most of the foreign countries.

During the year there were 2,240 arrests for offenses against the postal laws, of which number 175 were postmasters, forty assistant postmasters, fifty clerks in postoffices, twelve railway postoffice clerks, thirty-seven letter carriers, fifty-two mail carriers, and twenty-eight were employed in minor positions in the postal service.

The concluding pages of the report are devoted to a series of sketches of important cases. General Maxwell uses strong language in referring to the escape of Killoren, Allen and Russell from Ludlow street jail, New York, their apprehension having been a matter of great importance to the department.

Mrs. Waller Coming Home.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Secretary Olney has received the following telegram from Ambassador Ensis, dated at Paris yesterday: "Mrs. Waller's family arrived at Paris. She has decided not to visit her husband. Impossible to engage passage before October 7, on which day they will sail on the Amsterdam."

Published by the President.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The president pardoned because of ill health, L. A. McKnight, convicted in the Indian territory of malicious mischief in burning a stack of hay belonging to the United States and sentenced March 12, 1894, to ten years' imprisonment.

A Call to St. Talmage.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The congregation of the First Presbyterian church of this city voted to extend a call to Rev. T. De Witt Talmage to call to Rev. T. De Witt Talmage and Mrs. Talmage are members of this church. The question of compensation was postponed for future consideration.

Miner at Full Blast.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Sept. 25.—The seven Reading miners in the Shamokin district have been put on full time until further notice. Five thousand employees will receive \$75,000 additional wages on account of this action.

POOR PEOPLE ROBBED.

Treasurer Vice of the Home Aid Society Skipped Out.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 25.—Charles H. Vice, treasurer of the Home Mutual Aid association, which had offices in the Temple block at Missouri avenue and Walnut streets, has disappeared and taken with him the books of the association and thousands of dollars which have been wrung from the public by false representations within the past eighteen months. He left not a dollar in the treasury with which to pay the claims against the association. All that he did leave was several bushels of printed matter, a cheap desk and a couple of chairs in a bare, uncarpeted room.

The Home Mutual Aid association was incorporated under the laws of Missouri, February 14, 1894. Its first officers were Frank Sullivan of Edina, Mo., president; M. D. Hollister, Kansas City, secretary; C. H. Vice of Edina, treasurer, and W. C. Hollister of Edina, fundraiser. It was incorporated as a fraternal beneficial order. It insured men and women between the ages of 14 and 55 years. An insurance policy for \$1,000 in the concern cost the insured \$2 a month, and for that he got \$1 a day during sickness, not exceeding ninety days in any one year, and \$1 a day when temporarily disabled by accident. If he was totally disabled he got the full amount of his policy, or the full amount was paid to his beneficiary at death. The benefits to women members were as liberal as to men.

Before the association was a year old there was a change in officers and Colonel Adonis Anderson, an aged justice of the peace of Mendon, Mo., became its president. J. F. Snow was made vice president, T. J. Randolph secretary, W. L. Griggs attorney and Dr. C. A. Ritter, supreme medical director. Vice was always its treasurer. August 26 last there was another change in the official staff. Anderson and Vice continued as president and treasurer, but L. Villeroy and William West of Oklahoma were made respectively vice president and secretary of the association. Villeroy and West seem to have been innocent of the condition and purposes of the association when they went into it. They say they were and they have remained here to face the consequences of Vice's flight and to lay the matter before the criminal prosecutor.

Vice is from Edina, Mo., where his father is a farmer.

W. L. Griggs, who acted as attorney for the association up to six weeks ago, says he resigned because he discovered that Vice was grabbing every dollar he could get his hands on and paying out nothing. Mr. Griggs is familiar with the business of the concern since its inception. He says the association had as high as 500 members at a time and that in the eighteen months since its incorporation Vice has taken in \$11,000 and paid out \$5,000 in sick claims. The association never paid a death claim, although several have been presented and there are two death claims for \$500 each now pending. Claims against the association for sick and accident benefits are coming in daily and \$500 worth of them have accumulated since the departure of Vice.

MEN AND ARMS FOR CUBA.

A Strong Filibustering Expedition Evades All Guards.

BOSTON, Sept. 25.—There is deep excitement among the Cuban residents here who have followed the course of the revolt on the island. The reason is the receipt of information that the most formidable expedition of all which have been fitted out in this country, has succeeded in getting out to sea safely and that, if all goes well, it will materially aid the fighting Cubans in their next big battle. Every one of them is now anxiously awaiting to hear that the redoubtable General Enrique Collazo, who is in charge of the expedition, has set foot on Cuban soil. With him are 250 of the flower of Cuban youth, with a force of officers to restrain the recklessness of youth and inexperience. There are the general's brother, Thomas Collazo, Captain Soler and Lieutenants Carlos Marin, Port, Thomas Laza and Carlos Marcia, Second Lieutenant George Serpa, Dr. Anstie, Captain Gabriel O'Farrell and Captain Caspiere of the French army and a French chemist, who proposes to do something in the way of dynamite warfare which will be a surprise to the Spaniards.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

London speculators seem to have gone wild over the Kafir gold fields. Many Illinois, Indiana and Ohio farmers are buying farms in Sedgwick county, Kansas.

Prime Lobanoff has sent to the state department a transcript of the Russian anti-Semitic law.

The president has appointed J. E. Baker, son of the minister, secretary to the Nicaraguan Legation.

Charles Hencock was sentenced to one year in the pen for stealing a \$150 piece of bacon at Murphysboro.

Editor Mose C. Harris of San Antonio, Tex., was assaulted, and stabbed his assailant, Thomas Holt, twice.

The grand jury of Livingston county, Mo., has been instructed to investigate the recent failure of the bank of Dawson.

It is said the managers of the bond syndicate will, as a farewell act, restore the gold reserve to the \$100,000,000 point.

Federal judges in different districts are at war over the question of jurisdiction in Northern Pacific receivership matters.

Advices from Mississippi valley points show that the cold wave extends down the Mississippi valley from the lakes to the gulf.

Wanted Disbar Louisa.

CHILLICOTHE, Mo., Sept. 25.—A great sensation was created in this city when it was announced that disbarment proceedings had been begun in the circuit court against Charles A. Louisa, a prominent attorney and member of the law firm of Davis, Louisa and Davis, and late Republican candidate for congress in the second district. The charge is attempted subornation of perjury.