FAVORS POSTAL BANKS (Continued From First Page.)

til countless generations are born and

dead, until private capital will see fit to establish a sufficient number of savings banks conveniently located to the peo-ple? And even if there were sufficient number of savings banks, what guaranty is there that they would be any safer and less liable to break and squander the hard-carned savings of the people than

those that are now in existence?

Bixth. The sixth objection that I have noticed is that there is no way that deposits in the postal savings banks may be utilized or invested by the gov-ernment; and here I might say that the opponents of postal savings banks lay stress on this point as their greatest objection to the bill. In reply, we call attention to the fact that England has already solved this problem by investing the postal savings bank funds in English consols, France has solved it by investing in French rentes, and nearly every other country has solved it in practically the same way.

There are numerous ways that our government can use advantageously the postal savings bank funds. She might build her own postal cars and save the \$3,000,000 which we now pay for the rent of postal cars each year. The postal cars that we pay \$3,000,000 rent for each year can be built for \$1,500,000, and they will just twenty years. Thus and they will last twenty years. Thus by this one investment alone, our gov-ernment can save \$1,500,000 the first year and \$3,000,000 each year there-after, or nearly \$60,000,000 in twenty years, the life of the postal cars. The unds can be used in erecting public buildings and save millions of dollars

that we now are paying yearly for rent. The funds might be used to build a ostal telegraph system, or to purchase the system now in operation. Less than \$20,000,000 would equip a system superior in quality to the present Western Union telegraph system, which is capitalized at over \$100,000,000. It would not only largely extend the number of telegraph offices, but also enable the people to send telegrams of ten words from one end of the country to the other at 10 cents each, and still make a profit for

the government on the investment.

There are dozens of other ways in which the funds can be used similar to the above. My bill provides that the national debt shall be paid off first and then provides ample methods for other investments of all additional funds. In this connection I wish to quote the unanswerable argument of the postmaster general in reply to the same objection. In his annual report he says:

"The system is pronounced impracti-cable by some for the alleged reason that this country, fortunately, unlike the European examples cited in this report, has not enough of a national debt to absorb the hidden savings of the people. There is enough of a national debt, if it should be used for that purpose, to alford investment for such savings during the next ten or fifteen years, after which the wisdom gained from experience may be anfely intrusted with the problem of finding other fields of investment in this

great and growing country"

The postmaster general has given this matter his closest investigation, and here makes a statement that we have alcan see no other way now, we certainly can within the next ten or fifteen years.

It is not necessary to refer to these obpersons making them and with whom they have any weight is extremely small, and probably nine out of every ten who have advanced these objections are interested parties. That is, their private interests are against the common good.

In this connection I might refer to some of the many advantages that the

establishment of a postal savings bank system would be to our people. It would furnish, first, a convenient place for small deposits, where the security was absolutely perfect-as good as the government itself.

We are a money making people, but we are not a money saving people. It has been said that extravagance and improvidence is the greatest defect in American character. I do not think the widespread extravagance and improvience among our people is so much a defect of character as it is a defect of conditions that surround our people. Our people are energetic, industrious and resourceful. But the earnings of a majority burn a hole through their pockets as rapidly as they are received, instead of being accumulated and invested.

The earnings, above necessary expenses, with a large majority are so small from day to day and week to week that there is never enough for a permanent and valuable investment unless it is systematically saved for some length of time. To make it possible for those toward improvidence, it is absolutely necessary to provide not only a number of tion of the country, but there must be country, together with the experience in other countries, proves this.

our people, but it would mean that a greater per cent of the rising generation ould be educated and more imbued with the spirit of patrictism.

Endorses Butler's Speech.

Got your neighbor to subscribe.

BOOK IS OUT. THE NEW

"VOICES OF THE MORNING" NOW READY AND ON THE MARKET.

Tasty Little Volume of Poems Filled With Appeals for Brotherhood and Dreams of the Future.

Better Days.

Better days are coming, while the earth swings ever dawnward. On the Future's mountain tops the morning light is breaking.

War and hate are dying out. The race is moving onward.

Better days are coming and the people are awaking.

Better days are coming. Love from man to man is growing.

Unto peace and brotherhood the whole world now is tending God is over us. The fount of mercy still is flowing. Better days are coming and the evil ones are ending.

Better days are coming. The sweet lessons of the Master Have a meaning new to us, contain a hidden promise, Shining to us through our present darkness and disaster. Better days are coming and the night is passing from us.

Better days are coming; each will love and help the others: All will work together, happy, prosperous, contented: This the hidden lesson is Christ taught us: we are brothers Better days are coming, when the reign of greed is ended.

Better days are coming unto all the lands and races, The old century is dying; the old evils weaken. The new dawn of the new era lights a billion faces. Better days are coming. Through the dark Hope shines, a beacon.

Better days are coming. Tell it to the hopeless toiler.

Bid him rise to manhood and the chains that bind him sever. Smite the tyrant, the oppressor, robber and despoiler. Better days are coming that vill free the world forever.

Better days are coming. Tell the sweet and joyful story. Take it up, ye million voices, till the world is humming With the wonderous prophecy of gladness, hope and glory. Better days are coming, brothers, better days are coming.
—From "Voices of the Morning," by J. A. EDGERTON.

"Voices of the Morning," by J. A. Edgerton, of Lincoln, has been received and surpasses all expectations. It is a beauty typographically, and in every other way. THE INDEPENDENT can give no idea of the volume, better than to say that it is, by all odds, the best collection of verse, put out by a Western author in our time. While the book is not political, it is filled with the impulses and hopes of the new movement. The young author is rapidly assuming the place of the leading poet of reform-the new prophet of the new time.

Every reformer in Nebraska should have a copy of this book. It can be procured at this office at the retail price of one dollar. All orders will be promptly

We cannot attempt an extended review of the book this week, but will give next week a critical and unbiased one written by Hon. A. E. Sheldon, with whose writings most of our readers are acquainted.

We give below a few of the advance press notices the book is receiving from all over the United States:

In another column will be found the publisher's notice of a book of poems by that well-known young author, J. A. Edgerton. We know whereof we speak when we pronounce his powers as superior to the writings of any young author in America. His poems are full of feeling and abound in thought. In many respects they remind one of Will Carleton.-American. Ray, Ogden, Utah.

ready in the national debt a way to invest advantageously these funds for the next ten or fifteen years; and even if we mont (Neb.) Leader.

Mr. Edgerton has won national fame as a writer on economic topics and also as a verse writer of exceptional ability. His poems deal too with political topics, though in no sense partisan. All of them breathe a love of humanity and a desire to lift up mankind.—Omaha World-Herald.

Mr. Edgerton, though a comparatively young man, has already written extensively for publication and some of his poetry has elicited flattering encomiums from men distinguished in the world of letters throughout the country. There is every probability that the new book will meet with a ready and cordial reception, especially in Nebraska, the native state of the author, where he has a wide and favorable acquaintance.—Lincoln Evening Post.

The young author is well known. He has been true to his convictions of reform and should be patronized by every reformer .- Beacon Light, Yankton, S. D. view to learning whether American

The new book should have a hearty reception and ready sale. It will be an ornament to anyone's home.-Iowa Tribune.

recent years, his productions have appeared all over the nation. - Kalamazoo disclosed. It is well understood, (Mich). Daily Gazette. "Voices of the Morning" will be given a special review by B. O. Flower, of look with favor on any action by

the arena, in the Eebruary number of the New Time. It will also be made one of the series of the famous Humboldt Library of New York. THE INDEPENDENT is proud of the recognition being accorded its former edi-

tor and wishes him a God-speed. The new book should be read by every reformer,-Lamar (Mo.) Daily Leader.

The National Banks.

From the beginning the national banks have been an evil influence in the nation. In the hour of great extremity our government was told by the money changers to stand and deliver. It then who desire to save, as well as to encour-, and there obeyed the order of the monage those to save who have a tendency ey power. By giving to the money changers the national banking system the government not only stood and debanks, conveniently located in every sec. livered but by adopting that system has been standing and delivering ever since. farm but receives no interest on his no doubt about the security and stability of such institutions. Nothing can supply this need but postal savings banks. The demand for them in this They caused the issue of the Cleveland bonds and are now working to retire the gold standard and stand as greenbacks and Sherman notes which its strong bulwark today, and these insmount to about \$500,000,000. They satiable blood suckers now set them-Such a system as my bill provides for, would make it possible for one hundred people to save their earnings where one people to save their earnings where one hundred how does, and would make it impossible is in substance to ask the government the issue of all paper money shall be for any depositor to ever lose a cent. to turn over to them so much money as made through them and for their bene-This would encourage and stimulate a clean gift. They want the government fit. They ask nothing less than the saving, which would not only be a bless to issue for their convenience more complete control of the currency that government agrees to make good every dollar it gives to the banks.

We say that the money issued to the banks is a clean gift to the banks. In speech in the senate Monday in favor of a postal savings bank system. Among this way they have received millions upother arguments, he pointed out that with such a system there would never again be an excuse for a bond sale to a syndicate in time of peace. The people's a farm worth \$6,000 gives the government's needs, as the stocking boards of the French peaceants paid off the millards.

New York World. them as a count of money equal to the face value of the bouds they deposit. bank notes. Suppose the charter or contract with the farmer should run for tuenty years with the privilege of being

renewed at the end of that time and so a clean gift to the farmer of \$5,000? rent his farm, he would pay no taxes on it and would at the same time have for his use the full value of his farm in money without interest. For the simple privilege of holding a mortgage the government would give the farmer the full the banks ask to be favored in that the mortgage while the banker rents or loans his bonds to the government at a good interest.

The national bankers caused the adoption of the gold standard and stand as lished American interests in China.

People who know a good thing will get to the Nebraska Shoe Co.'s great Bargain Rubber sale, and get

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 23.—A whipping post bill was introduced in the state

Chaveland Plumbers to strike Chaveland, Ohio, Dea 28 - The journeymen plumbers of this sity will go on strike January 1

RUSSIA HYPNOTIZES CHINA.

SLAVONIC INFLUENCE SU-PREME IN CHINA.

LATEST ORIENTAL MOVES

The "Celestial" Emperor Believes That the Czar Is His Only European Friend-England's Power All Gone-German Training Offloors Being Displaced-Balance of Power.

PEKIN, Dec. 23.—The Chinese government has officially granted to Russia permission to winter a squadron at Port Arthur. Great Britain demands a quid pro quo if concessions have been made to other powers, and it has been suggested that the Japanese and British occupy Wei-Hai-Wei jointly. The situation at Kai Chou bay is unchanged. Germany remains unyielding and the Chinese councils are divided as to whether there should be peace or war with Germany.

China regards Russia as her only friend, and asks her advice alone. British influence is nil, as the result of the failure of the losn negotiations. China is now negotiating a loan with Russia. The latter demands the dismissal of the British railroad engineers in North China, and it is probable that it will be granted. The German drill instructors will be dismissed at the expiration of their contracts and will be replaced by Russians Russian officers have already been appointed to drill the armies of North China

BERLIN, Dec. 23 -The Cologne Gazette maintains the accuracy of the statement that the Russian occupation of Port Arthur was connected with the visit of the British warship Daphne about a week ago. As a proof. of it it points out that there was neither Russian ship nor a Russian consul at Port Arthur at the time the Daphne visited the harbor, and it argues that Russia could only have learned of the visit through China's complaint.

Sr. Petersburg, Dec. 22 -In a strongly anti-British article to-day the Novosti says: "In consequence of the pretension of England to compensate herself for the Russian occupation of Port Arthur by the acquisition of Port Hamilton or Lazareff, and in view of the possibility of the disturbing action of Japan, Europe stands upon the brink of grave diplomatic complications. It is, therefore, well to recall that the reinforcement of the tierman squadron in the Pacific permits Russia, France and Germany to effectively prevent a disturbance of the balance of power."

The Novosti expresses the hope that the isolation of Great Britain with respect to the ether European powers will "paralyze her actions sufficiently to permit the preservation of pe from the dangers threatening it at the present moment."

AMERICA QUIETLY SOUNDED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—It is understood that the authorities here have been unofficially sounded as to the attitude of the United States toward the complications in the Far East with a interests in China were regarded as sufficient to warrant any active step by this government. From what J. A. Edgerton has been an editor and author all his life. As a writer in sources the inquiries have come is not however, that Great Britain would the United States which would serve as a check on the advances of Germany and Russia. The British interests in China are ten times greater than those of Germany, Russia and the United States, and yet, with Germany and Russia firmly located on Chinese soil, Great Britain is left in a sort of cul de sac. It is known also that the run on an infinitum. Would this not be Chinese authorities would welcome a movement by the United States and The farmer would continue to use or that this had been communicated to officials here.

Although these soundings, for they amount to nothing more as yet, have not taken official form, they have been sufficient to gain a pretty general unworth of his property in money. The derstanding as to the attitude of this only difference between this and the way government. This, in brief, is that the United States has no interest in farmer continues to use and rent his the territorial extension now going on in China; that she will not land at any of the coast ports of China, as Germany and Russia have done, and that her only concern is to guard estab-

Cattle Killed by Cold.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 23 .- The sleet storm that prevailed for three days in Texas. has proved more disastrous in its offeets upon stock interests of the West and Northwest portions of that state ing to every family by laying up some thing for a rainy day, but it would, be interest on them and at the same time depositor a better citi-deposit them with the government as security for the gift which they ask the that does not contemplate the over-carity for the gift which they ask the throw of the national hanks is not worth. It would not only mean that there government to make to them in the form of a bank paper. For the worth-less privilege of hoding these bonds the have died already.

> An Arkanean Honorest by China. SAN PRANCISCO, Dec. 74 -- Dr. Noah fields Drake, a graduate student in 1993, has accepted a position in the Tien Tsin university. China, and he will leave for the Orient February L He came here from Cincinnati, Ark.

> Ton Yours for Hyland. KANSAS CITY, Mar. Don. 23 -Ten years in the penitentlary was the sontence imposed upon Thomas Hyland by a jury in the criminal court to-day for hilling Dave Fitzgerald with a single blow of his flat.

FIGHT DID NOT TAKE PLACE

Tommy Tracey and Joe Walcott Enjoined From Meeting.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The fight between Tommy Tracey and Joe Walcott, scheduled for last evening, did not come off as advertised. The postpone ment of the fight was brought about by the action of Judge Brentanto, of the Superior court, who issued an order restraining the fighters from engaging in any contest in the hall that had been secured for the event and declaring that if an effort was made to have the fight he would instruct the sheriff to raid the place.

A Great Smashing of Glass.

New York, Dec. 23. - An eight pound dynamite cartridge exploded in the rear of the Arbuckle coffee building, in Brooklyn, last night. Nearly 5,000 panes of glass in the neighborhood were shattered, and that the explosion was not attended with loss of life is remarkable. The explosion was heard twenty blocks away.

A \$10,000 Package Missing.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 23.-A package containing \$10,000 in cash was stolen from the Southern Express office in this city some time between Sunday morning and Monday morning of this week. Employes are suspected.

Cousin of the President Dead. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The death yesterday of Mrs. Charles R. Miller of Canton, a cousin of the President, was

a sad blow to both the President and Mrs. McKinley, with whom Mrs. Miller was a great favorite. Pink Butterine Law Upheld.

St. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 23.-Judge Lochren has decided that the Minnesota "pink law," providing that all oleomargarine or butterine offered for sale in this state must be colored a bright pink, is constitutional.

Robbers Get Into Trouble. REDDING, Cal., Dec. 23. -Two masked men attempted to rob the Southern Pacific company's station at Keswick last night, but they were driven off by Station Agent Schuckman, who shot one of the robbers.

Two Killed and Two Injured.

Chicago, Dec. 23.-Two men were killed and two were seriously injured yesterday afternoon by a rear-end collision on the Chicago & Eastern Illi nois railroad at Cayuga, Ind.

Worth While,

It is easy enough to be pleasant
When life dows along like a song.
But the man worth while is one who will smile
When everything soes dead wrong;
For the test of the heart is trouble,
And it always comes with the years,
And the smile that is worth the praises of earth
Is the smile that shines through tears

It is easy enough to be prudent When nothing tempts you to stray; When without or within no voice of sin Is luring your soul away But it's only a negative virtue Until it is tried by fire, And the smile that is worth the honor of earth is the one that resists desire.

By the scynic, the sad, the fallen
Who had no strength for the strife,
The world's hishway is cumbered today,
They make up the items of life;
But the virtue that conquers passion,
And the sorrow that hides in a smile
It is these that are worth the homage of earth
For we find them but once in awhile.

—Elia Wheeler Wilcox.

WANTED.

Printing Office Cheap.

A good job and News printing plant for sale awfully cheap. Plant is idle. Address "Kyle, care NEBRASKA INDEPEN-DENT.

Fruit Form to Trade.

Valuable young orchard of 41 acres in prunes, olives and other fruits, in best part of state. Clear, and title is perfect. No irrigation is needed. Change in family prevents moving, and hence will ex change for Nebraska 'and. Address A G. CHAPMAN, Lincoln, Neb.

Lady Printer.

Steady position for competent lady compositor. Address 110, care Inpe-PENDENT, Lincoln, Neb.

Nebraska Statutes for Sale.

Copies of Nebraska statutes for 1893 for sale at \$1.00 per copy. Address Jacob North & Co., Lincoln, Neb.

Wife Wanted

Lady please don't be prejudiced because I advertise. I only ask for what I want, and it is proper and right. Give description of yourself in first letter and I will when I answer. Unincumbered widower. W. W. Walls, Marquette, Neb.

Mid-Winter Hollday Rates.

On December 24, 25 and 31, 1897, and January 1, 1898, the Burlington will sell round trip tickets at one fare, between stations west of the Missouri river not over 200 miles apart. Final return limit January 4th. Full information at B. & M. depot, or city ticket office, cor. O and 10th street.

GEO. W. BONNELL, C. P. & T. A.



Call at ER SHOE COMPANY 1010 P Pt.,

New Goods, New Styles, Low Prices

Farmers

++++++++++++++++++++++++

THREE "BEAUTS."

LINCOLN COAL CO., 1206 O SREET M

·********************

200 Acres in Nurscry 20,000 Trees in Orchard Do you want to Plant -

PEACH TREES Cherry Trees, Plum trees, Apple trees, Grape vines, Small fruit plants of all kinds, shade trees

Rose bushes, Evergreens, etc. that are Home Grown?

YOUNGERS & CO., GENEVA, NEBRASKA.

You are puzzling your head, perhaps, as to what to buy for Christmas.

How would a Dress Pattern suit? May be a Fan or a Purse would be more acceptable? Books are always acceptable. Our stock is large, our prices small. In Knick Knacks we have triffes for Manicuring, Cut Glass Bottles, Traveling

Cases, with complete sets for ladies or gentlemen; an Art Department, second to sone; Clocks, Gloves, Dry Goods-indeed, of all kinds. And overything guaranteed.

The money given back as cheerfully as taken if you are not satisfied.

Send us your mail orders.

Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.,

1505 to 1509 Douglas Street, Omaha, Nebraska