#### MANY CANDIDATES IN THE FIELD

Indications That It Will Be Some Time Before Choice is Made-Some of the

the committee on privileges and elections, through Chairman Waltmore, man against Reasm, from Custer tenure, qualifications, duties and salacounty, no cause for contest had ben ries of commissioners of the supreme Dodge, reported on the following years, salary \$2,400. A bill for an act bills for passage: Providing that to amend section 1 of article i of so on, having those candidates by pe county attorneys shall not be elected chapter xiv of the Compiled Statutes tition a position on the extreme right in countles having less than 3,000 of the State of Nebraska, entitled population. The present limit is 2,-House roll 40, by Bouller-Extending mechanics lien laws to wells than 1,000 inhabitants may become and windmills. Requiring annual payment of \$300 license by vendors signed by two-fifths of the freeholders. A bill for an act to authorize ture and saie thereof. To provide for appeal in actions of forcible entry and detention. To provide penalties for illegal voting in villages and school districts. To allow Lancaster county to retain office of deputy county attorney; necessitated by decrease in population. Among bills introduced are the following: A bill for an act to correct certain abuses and to prevent unjust discrimination of and by life insurance companies doing business in this state between insurance ing their duties and fixing their comof the same class and equal expectations of life, in the rates, amount or payment of premiums, in the return years. A bill for an act to amend sec ternal beneficiary societies. A bill for vides penalty and imprisonment from an act to prevent and punish individ- one to five years for destroying ballot uals, firms, corporations or dealers in boxes or poll books until after time paints and oils or paint stuff from for beginning contests has expired. selling or disposing of for use any quire all dealers in said materials to the amount of each ingredient of Kinkaid, 3; which said paint is composed. A bill repeal said section as it now exists; amends law governing sheriffs' fees for conveying convicts to the penitentiary by providing that vouchers shall be approved by state auditor; that the sheriff be allowed \$3 and his assist ants \$2 a day and 10 cents mileage. The joint vote for senator resulted as follows: Allen, 53; Berge, 3; Crounse, 0; Currie, 19; Hainer, 6; Harlan, 3; Harrington, 1; Hinshaw, 16; Hitch-cock, 56; Kinkaid, 4; Martin, 2; Meiklejohn, 28; Morlan, 1; Murphy, 2; Rosewater, 15; Sutherland, 1; Thomp son, D. E., 32; Van Dusen, 1. Absent Baldrige, McCarthy, Wilkenson, Zim-merman, Murray, McCarthy paired with Murray.

HOUSE.-The house on the 17ta made a few rapid forward strides by passing one bill, indefinitely postponing three and placing six on general file, besides adopting the committee on privileges and elections' report in the case of Allan G. Fisher against birds with the state of Nebraska, to ical with senate file 11, which was of allowing the latter to retain his the state of Nebraska and defining its were introduced, as follows: An act seat as representative from the Fifty- powers and duties, and to repeal an to amend section 10 of chapter lxxxila initely postponed was one by Fowler of fish commissioners for the propa- of 1899, entitled "Soldiers and Sailof Fillmore providing for submission gation and distribution of fish in the of constitutional amendments to a vote public waters of Nebraska," approved 10 as now existing. An act to provide of the people and requiring a majority February 24, 1879. A bill for an act of all votes for and against to carry, directing the manner in which the Among bills on first reading were the cash derived from the industrial defollowing: An act to authorize coun- partments of the Institue for the Deaf ties, towns and precincts to own, equip, and Dumb and the Institute for the construct, establish and manage a Blind and from other sources may be telephone toll line and telephone sys. disbursed by the superintendents of tem and to authorize counties, town- the said institutes, and directing the ships and precincts of this state to levy taxes and vote bonds for the equipment, establishment, construction and management of said telephone toll lines and telephone system and to provide for one levying a tax for the payment of the same and interest thereon. A bill for an act to establish a state board of charities and corrections and to define its duties and powers. to make an appropriation therefor and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith. A bill for an act to amend section 127 of chapter Harlan 1, Hinshaw 9, Howe 3, Kin-laxvii of the Compiel Statutes of 1899, kaid 5, Martin 1, Melklejohn 18, Merrelating to the issuing of tax deeds by cer 0, Murphy 2, Newell 1, Norval 1, county treasurers and to repeal said Owens 1, Rosewater 8, Thompson 17, original section. Prescribes form of Tucker 2, Van Dusen 0, bond for county treasurers. A bill for an act to repeal section 75, chapter xxvi, entitled "Elections," and to amend section 78 of said chapter. Relates to the opening of election contest cases in presence of legislature. A bill for an act to prohibit lumber dealers, coal dealers or other persons. companies, partnerships or associations from entering into any contract Relates to form of deed for county by the Lancaster county representa-Crounse 10, Currie 22, Hainer 6, Hays ber will cast two votes as his name is Harlan 2, Harrington 1, Hinshaw Hitchcock 57, Martin 3, Metkle-Baldrige and Beisner, paired with Carl Morton were passed as follows:

tives devoted practically the entire life of Carl Morton are immortal, and propriation bills were read and recommended for passage. Majority and that the memory of his life, character mended for passage. Majority and to the reading of house bills, which and example is a rich legacy, second minority reports were submitted in the eyebrows.

John J. McCarthy of Dixon, providing for the appointment of nine supreme court commissioners and as many stenographers. The following bills were read the first time: A bill for an act for the relief of state treasurers who have paid out money for guaranty bonds furnished by surety companies. Allows \$3,000 for Treasurer Stuefer for year 1901 and \$2,000 to take up claim of former State Treasurer Meserve for that amount. A bill for an act to regulate and fix the salaries of the More Important Measures Introduced clerk and reporter of the supreme court, providing for the payment of the same and providing for the disposition of all fees and costs collected HOUSE.—In the house on the 18th by him, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith. Fixes salary at \$2,500. A bill for an reported that in the contest of Pig- act to provide for the appointment, found, and recommending that the court and stenographers therefor, Procontestee be retained in his seat. The vides for nine commissioners to be apreport was adopted. The committee pointed by unanimous vote of the su judiciary, through Loomis of preme court judges, terms to be two "Cities of the second-class and villages. Declares that villages of more cities of the second-class on petition the board of public lands and buildings to purchase a tract of land not exceeding eighty acres, suitable for gardening purposes, for the Norfolk insane asylum at Norfolk, Neb., price of land being limited to \$3,000. An act to amend section 2, chapter xeilia, ar ticle iii, Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for the year 1899, and to repead said original section 2. to organization of irrigation districts. An act authorizing the appointment of supreme court commissioners, definpensation. Provides for five commis sioners, salary \$2,500, terms three of premiums, dividends, rebates or tion 197 of chapter xix of the Criminal other benefits; not applicable to fra- Code of the State of Nebraska. Pro-

SENATORIAL VOTE-The joint paints or oils or other materials used vote for senator (second ballot) rein the manufacture of paints, and re- suited as follows: Allen, 57: Crounse, quire all dealers in said materials to 10; Currie, 20; Hainer, 5; Harlan, 2; print upon each can or package sold Hays, J. R., 1; Hinshaw, 16; Howe, 1; Lindsay, 2; Meikeljohn, 26; Morlan, 1; Murphy, 2; Norval, 1; for an act to amend section 36 of Richards, 1; Rosewater, 14; Sheldon, chapter 56 of the complied statutes of 1; Sutherland, 1; Thompson, D. E., 31; the state of Nebraska of 1889 and to Thompson, W. H. 58; Van Dusen, 3.

> HOUSE.-The house met on the 15th at the usual hour. At 11 o'clock balloring for United States senator took as its provisions are covered by laws senators at 11 a. m. tomorrow, and place, after which there was a recess session was devoted to the reading of new bills, among which were the following: A bill for an act entitled 'An act to amend section 4392 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for the year 1897, being section 109 of article , chapter ixxvii of the said statutes, entitled "Revenue," and to repeal said ection as now existing, and also to repeal sections 2278, 2279 and 2280 of said statutes. A bill for an act to provide for the humane shoeing of horses, mending bills for passage, was placed prescribing the qualifications of a on general file without motion. Senhorseshoeing in cities having a pop- act relating to riots, was recmmended ulation of 5,000 inhabitants or over for passage, as was senate file 10, refor its violation and to secure its en-uables. The committee recommended forcement. A bill for an act to pro-senate file 30 for indefinite postponestate treasurer to create funds which shall be known as "the cash fund for the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb' and "the cash fund for the Institute provide for the appointment of inspectors of manufacturing mechanical mercantile, educational and other public establishments and defining their providing for a penalty for the viola- Harlan county, who was seated, The vote for senator resulted as follows: Crounse 7, Currie

HOUSE.-The house of representative began its third week's session on cattle being shipped and asks that a the 14th and besides arranging for a vote for United States senators made considerable headway with the second mal butchered. The petition was read reading of the bills. The bill appro- and placed on file without reference. printing \$3,000 for the payment of Only two bills were introduced during Treasurer Stuefer's official bond for the the day, both being by Martin of Richyear 1901 was withdrawn by Tefft of ardson. One is a bill which provides or agreement to pool or fix the price Lancaster. the introducer, by the that a county judge may hold court in at which lumber or coal shall be sold unanimous consent of the house. The another county when the judge of that and to provide punishment for viola- measure will be changed to include an the same. A bill for an act appropriation for veimbursing exto amend sections 76, 78, 79, 80 and 82 Treasurer Meserve for money paid for the present Slocum law and provdes of chapter laxviit, of the Compiled his official bond and in this form will that the license shall afford no pro-Statutes of Nebraska, entitled "Roads." again be submitted to the legislature tection to persons other than those treasurers. A bill for an act to pro- tive. On motion or Representative agents or servants. The senate prohibit the manufacture, sale or shipping Hall of Burt county, it was decided to into the state of impure beer; to pro cast the first votes for United States vide for the enforcement of its pro- senators tomorrow morning at 11 after which they returned to the senvisions and penalties for its violation. o'clock, independent of any arrange, ate chamber and adjourned. The fol-The vote (third) for United States sen ments made by the senate. According ator resulted as follows: Allen 57, to the terms of the motion, each memcalled, one for senator to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator 17. Hitchcock 57. Martin 5. Sutherland 1. Hayward and one tot a section of john 24. Rosewater 15. Sutherland 1. Succeed John M. Thurston, in the order named. Resolutions to the memory of named. Resolutions to the memory of named. Hamilton. The fusion vote was cast That we deplore the death of Carl Morsolidly for Allen and Hitchcock, ex-cept one vote for Sutherland and one for Harrington. and sorrowing hearts we tender our sympathies to those bereaved and as-sure them that the influences of the

here now reached the number of 153. Only to his living presence. That this the Johnson-Hodges case. The maper of the presence was the one introduced by spread upon the minutes of the house Mr. Johnston. Among bills introduced preamble and these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the house and that copies be sent to the family

SENATE.-In the senate on the 18th

Senator Pitney of Webster county proposed a measure intended to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. He would give the various county boards authority to pass such measures and enforce such decrees as they might see fit to prevent the introduction and spread of disease in their respective counties. To the same end, he would empower them to establish a board of health. Bills on amend sections 140, 159 and 160 of chapter 26 of the compiled statutes of Nebraska for 1699 and to repeal said sections 140, 159 and 160 as they now exist, a proposed amendment to the election laws, providing that the party polling the highest number of votes for head of the state ticket at the last general election shall have the first place at the left of the ballot. The second highest the next place and so on, having those candidates by pe-A bill for an act to amend section 152 of chapter 77, article 1, of the consoli-dated statutes of 1899 of the state of Nebraska, and to repeal said original section 152. This would provide a license fee for the state of \$100 instead or \$30 for peddlars of matches clocks jewelry, etc. A bill for an act to amend section 9 of chapter 28 of compiled statutes of Nebraska of 1897 and to repeal said section as it now exists. This is the bill favored by the state sheriff's association and relates to their fees. Senate file No. 117, by Senator Pitney-A bill for an act to amend section 130, chapter 26, of the compiled statutes of the state of Nebraska, and repeal said original section. A bill for an act to prevent the spread of contagious and infectious theases. Emergency clause attached A bill for an act to amend sections 152, 153 and 154, chapter 27, article 1, of the compiled statutes of Ne-braska for the year 1899, relating to Revenue," and to repeal said sections so amended. This relates to the licensing of peddlars, hucksters, etc. A bil for an act to locate and establish two additional normal schools and to provide for the erection of buildings and for the receiving of donations for the same. A message from Governor Dietrich was read announcing that he had attached his signature to house rolls No. 11 and 12. These were measures, appropriating funds for meeting the expenses of the session.

SENATE.-In the senate on the 17th the committee on railways reported senate file 16, which is a curative act, as its provisions are covered by laws already enacted. The committee on until 2:30 p. m. Most of the afternoon miscellaneous subjects reported that senate file 1, relating to county commissioners, is similar to a bill referred to the judiciary committee, and a motion was made that this bill be so referred. The report was piaced on following manner, that is to say: The general file. The judiciary committee roll of the senate shall be called and reported on senate file 3, which is a curative act relating to the criminal code, and recommended it for passage The report, as were all reports recom gorseshoer, regulating the practice of ate file 4, being an amendment to an in this state, and to provide a penalty lating to the theft of money or valtect fish, game, song and insectiverous ment, inasmuch as it is almost identcreate a game and fish commission for favorably reported. Only the bills ors," and to repeal gaid original secthe selection and nomination of candidates for public office in metropolitan cities and cities of the first and regulations for the conduct of such elections, and to provdie penalties for the same.

SENATE-The session of the senate on the 16th was short and uneventfor the Blind." A bill for an act to ful, the body during the time it was in session being occupied with work of a routine nature. The senate convened at 10 o'clock and after roll call by the secretary the oath of Senator duties, powers and compensation, and Johnson, the contesting member from read to the senate. Van Boskirk of being chapter 12a of the Seventh edi-Hox Butte presented a petition from 11. Davidson 0, Dietrich 1, Hainer 4, his constituents, who come from the cattle-raising section of the state, asking the legislature to pass an act the object of which is to prevent cattle stealing. The petition recommends that the act provide that railways receiving cattle for shipment require the shipper to show a clear title to the further provision be made requiring butchers to exhibit the hide of the anicounty is disqualified for duty. other contains several amendments to named in the license, their employes, of balloting for United States senators lowing senate files were introduced. An act to amend sections 5, 13 and 25 of chapter 1 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska of 1899, and to repeal said original sections. An act to authorize county judges to hold court and per-form the ministerial duties of their office in counties other than the county of their residence.

SENATE-Forenoon and afternoon sessions were held by the senate on the 15th, the feature of the forenoon being the vote for United States senawhich will be found elsewhere At the afternoon session the house ap-

jority report was adopted, thus senting Mr. Johnston. Among bills introduced were the following: An act to pro-vide for subjecting corporate stock to execution and attachment, and the manner of proceeding therein. An act to require a stamp or label on every bail of binder twine sold, offered or exposed for sale within the state of Nebraska, and providing a penalty for the vilation thereof. A joint resolution to amend sections 2, 4, 5, 6 and 13 of article vi of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, entiled "the Judicial Department," and providing for nine judges of the supreme court and for a division of their duties, their selection, terms of service and their salaries and to repeal said original sections. The vote for senator resulted as follows: Allen 14, Berge 0, Bryan 0, Crounse 1, Currie 8, Davison, S. P. 1, Dietrich 0, Dunn, I. J. 1, Hainer 1 Harlan 1, Harrington 0, Hays, J R. 0. Hinshaw 3. Hitchcock 5, Howe 1, Kay 0. Kinkaid 0. Martin 0. Meikle-john 3. Mercer 1. Morian 0. Murphy 0, Newell 0, Norval 1, Owens 0, Richards 0, Rosewater 4, Sutherland 0, Thompson, D. E. 6, Thompson, W. H

9, Taylor 1, Van Duzen 2

SENATE.-The session of the senate on the 14th was an active one, and a large amount of business was trans-There were only a few bills introduced, but the greater part of them are quite interesting measures Senator Meredeth introduced a meas ure which is intende dto do away with the sale or handling in any manner of igarettes in the state, making the penalties so heavy as to be prohibitive. One of the most interesting bills yet introduced was that relating to the protection of fish and game and song birds, offered by Van Boskirk of Box The bill was prepared by experts and is pronounced one of the best measures of the kind ever drawn Miller of Buffalo introduced two bills. One provides for the repeal of the law creating the position of oil inspector, without providing a substitute, and the other relates to the salary and duties of county commissioners, its intent being to cut out much of the pay these officials have been in the habit of receiving. The gentleman from Buffalo thinks commissioners should be allowed a mileage of 5 cents per mile and \$3 a day for actual time put in, and provides a running scale of the maximum amount to be paid by counties, the amount being regulated by the county's population, and ranging in amount from \$50 to \$1,200 a year. The latter amount, according to the bill, could only be drawn in counties having a population of over 70,000 inhabitants A number of bills were read for the econd time, ordered printed and referred to their respective committees Harlan of York then made a motion senators at 11 a. m. tomorrow, and providing how the voting should be done, the motion being adopted. Following is Senator Harlan's motion That the first vote for United States senators shall be taken at 11 o'clock on the 15th day of January, and in the each member shall as his name is called by a viva-voce vote name one person for senator in congress from Nebraska, to fill the existing vacancy, being the term expiring on the 3d day of March, 1905, and one person for senator in congress from Nebraska for the full term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March, 1901."

LEGISLATIVE NOTES. Senator Reuting of Clay county has introduced a bill in the senate providing for the location and erection A committee of seven, five south. third district. Among the bills indef- act entitled "An act creating a board of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska the speaker, and two senators, to be appointed by the lieutenant governor. shall decide upon the location of the schools, the only restriction being a general nomination of candidates for that not less than fifteen acres, with a suitable building, be donated those interested in their establish ment at certain points. Fifty thoussecond class; to prescribe rules and and dollars are to be drawn from the state treasury for the erection of addi-

tional buildings. Senate file No. 114 is a bill for an act to amend section 66 of an act entitled, "An act incorporating metro politan cities and defining, prescribing and regulating their duties, powers and government," and to repeal an act entitled. "An act incorporating metropolitan cities and defining, regulating and prescribing their duties, powers and government," approved March 30 1887, and all acts amendatory thereof, tion of the compiled statutes of the state of Nebraska (edition of 1895). entitled, "Cities of the metropolitan class," and to repeal said section 66 as now existing. This is the measure proposing charges in salaries and

bonds of certain Omaha officials Business is not expected to progress well until the senatorial matter is out of the way. There are legislators who opine that choice will not be made for everal weeks.

The first vote for senator in both the houses was largely of a complimentary character.

## Talleyrand's Home.

The historic home of the Marquis de Talleyrand is now an unsentimental railroad yard in Jacksonville, Fla. writes Victor Smith from there. He lived here during his voluntary exile from 1784 to 1796. At a relent exhibition of some relics some of the old furniture which belonged to him was shown to the public. Over the front gate of his place, when his successor and heir was a resident of Jackson ville, was a board bearing this legend; The Public Generally Welcome, ex--." mentioning the name of a man he hated. Not long ago the property was sold to the Baxter Lumber company, and the beautifully adorned back yard is now all railroad tracks and naval stores,

The Bay State Has Plenty of Books Massachusetts has now only four towns in which there is no public library and they are very small ones being Marlborough, Gay Head, Lake ville and Norwell. It is doubtful if any other community of 2,800,000 inhabitants can equal that.

Cocoanut oil thickens and darkens

# PROTECTION ASKED FOR

Live Stock Breeders Want a Law Passed Protecting Their Industry.

# FAVOR A STATE VETERINARIAN

Legislation Asked to Provide Funds for Safe-Goarding Stock Interests-Disease Carrying Off a Good Many Hogs in Platte County.

LINCOLN, Jan. 21.-The improved live stock breeders' association in session here, passed the following resolutions:

"Whereas, The live stock industry of Nebraska is constantly menaced by infectious, contagious and other animal dieeases through interstate traffic in live stock and natural causes, thus frequently requiring stringent quarantine or hygienic regulations under qualified and competent official control, therefore,

Resolved, That we favor the pass age of a live stock law providing for a state veterinarian with abundant fiancial support, and with authority to act in any emergency which may arise in the live stock industry so as

to protect the sound range and farm herds of the state." "Experience With Tame Grasses and Clovers in Eastern Nebraska' was the subject of a paper given by William Ernst of Tecumseh. On account of the danger from prairie fires and the grasshopper pest in 1870, which menaced the farm of Mr. Ernst in Johnson county, he was persuaded by friends to remain, and he has since come to regard eastern Nebraska as second to no part of the union for farming and stock raising. He gave his experience with blue grass and timothy, relating how in the first years they failed to profit him, because he allowed his stock to crop the pasture too close. He contended that Nebraska is given enough rain always to maintain pasture rands if only it is not allowed to go to waste. Water does not sink through the sod so rapidly and when pasture embraces any sloping lands, furrows laid here and there, which will tend to check the draining of the water to lower ground, will afford the meadow adequate moisture. The question of kinds of grass or clover is one of growth rather than choice. - The ones that grow best and are most dependable are the ones used. Alfalfa, the speaker said, was his most reliable pasture and meadow grass. His cattle tures consisted of a mixture of English blue grass, or orchard grass, timothy and red clover. English blue grass, he said, beats all the tame grasses he ever used. It mixes well with red clover and the cattle will not bloat on the mixture. This paper was discussed by Prof. T. L. Lyon, W. A. Apperson and others.

OMAHA, Jan. 21.-Colonel J. North of Columbus was in the city and speaking of affairs in the neigh borhood of his home, said: "Platte county would be in good shape were it not for a disease which has carried off the majority of the hogs of the county. It is conservative to place the figure of the loss to Platte county farmers at \$500,000 in the last three or four months. Men with droves of 400 and 500 head of hogs find them selves, now that the plague has exhausted itself, with ten or fifteen hogs, while droves of 100 and 200 head have been completely wiped out. months the farmers have been combating the disease without apparent result and the loss in hogs is only a part of the total loss to the farmers.

## Twenty Cases of Smallpox.

MINDEN. Neb., Jan 21.-Doctors and visitors of this vicinity report that in the neighborhood of the farm of Mr. Bader, who brought the smallpox to this county and who lives ten miles northwest of Minden, there are about seventy cases of smallpox now there being only one severe one. Mr. Bader, in his attendance at a Christmas exercise at a school house exposed nearly 100 people and nearly ail have taken the disease.

## Sent Back to Industrial School.

KEARNEY, .. eb., Jan. 21.-A young man by the name of Frank Waugh, second cook of the Midway hotel, who, it is charged, stole an overcote from the chef at the hotel, has been brought back to Kearney from Republican City, where he has been staying for a month. Young Waugh was on parole from the industrial school and was sent back to the school to serve out his time.

## Quarantined House Burned.

CALLAWAY, Neb., Jan. 21.—The residence of H. L. Doxsee was discovered to be on fire, and although anattempt was made to save the property, nothing could be done on ac count of the high wind, and the entire building was consumed in less than half an hour. The inmates were quarantined with what was pronounced smallpox, but all escaped without injury.

J. D. Bullock, who died in Liverpool, England, the other day, acted as a confederate agent in that port during our war of the rebellion and negotiated for the building of the rebel cruiser Alabama.

## Crushed by the Cars.

FREMONT, Neb., Jan. 21 .-- Mrs. George Gauger was run down and seriously injured by an out-bound passenger train. The accident occurred inside the city limits. Mrs. Gauger was walking along the track going in the same direction as the train. When the engineer blew the whistle she stepped from the track, but he saw he was liable to strike her in spite of this and reversed his throttle. As the engine passed, she fell toward it. Her left arm was horribly crushed. necessitating amoutation this after-

#### BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Ex-Chief Justice Sterling R. Cockrill died at Little Rock, Ark., of pneu-

monia. General Beekman de Barry, U. S. A., retired, died at his residence in Wash-

Indications point to the election of William A. Clark as senator from Montana.

Frederick Wickham of the Norwalk O., Reflector, the oldest editor in Ohio, died, aged 89. Charles W. Byron, a wealthy busi-

ness man of St. Joseph, Mo., died sud-denly of heart disease. The Canadian Pacific Railway com pany has acquired the Canadian Pa-

cific Navigation company, Grip is epidemic in New York. It is not so violent as in past years, but there is a good deal more of it. The exports from the South German consular districts in 1900 amounted to \$40,176,933, an increase of \$1,476,-

Hugo Bettauer, a naturalized American who is connected with the Ber-liner Tageblatt, has been expelled from Prussia as an obnoxious for-

Samuel Lewis, the notorious money lender and usurer, who has been called the "greatest and meannest of modern Shylocks." is dead at London,

England. Grief, caused by the death of his young wife soon after marriage, im-pelled Robert E. Lee Pryor, of Eastbrook, W. Va., to send a bullet through his brain.

The annual cost of destructive insects to the United States is said to be \$300,000,000, and even this doesn't cover the wear and tear to our nervous systems.

The first act of Mayor Ames of Minneapolis on assuming the reins of office was to dismiss 105 policemen who were opposed to his election during the recent campaign.

It is officially reported that 400 Japanese fishermen are missing from Yokohama, and that they are supposed to have perished in a storm January 10, off the west coast. Mifflin Marsh, who sixty years ago

in a modest little shop in Wheeling, W. Va., originated the "Wheeling stogie" and who was known as the "stogie king," died, aged 83 years.

A. F. Dreutzer of Chicago and Olaf Bergstrom of Nebraska have made arrangements for colonizing about 100,-000 acres of land in Fentress and Morgan counties, Tennessee, with Finns. A South McAlester, I. T., dispatch

says the Indian wife of N. B. Sloan, a white man, better known as Bony Sloan, would like to know what has become of him and is searching to that end. James B. Ireland died at his home

at Skillman, Ky., aged 104 years. He was possessed of all his faculties to the last, his mind, bright and clear; carrying him beck to events of the early years of the last century. Frederick Harrison, the noted Eng-

lish philosopher and critic, has accepted an invitation from President Gilman of Johns Hopkins university to deliver a lecture at that place during his coming visit to this country.

After three days as a refugee from justice, J. E. Wood, the Shreveport, La., absconding messenger of the Wells-Fargo Express company, committed suicide at Orange, Tex., just as the authorities were about to arrest

him for his crime. W. J. Bryan anonunced that the first issue of his paper, the Commoner, will appear Wednesday, January 23. The printing will be done by contract, but the mailing and all other business de tails will be under Mr. Bryan's su-

pervision. One may learn from the following press clipping what constitutes an "agreeable surprise," in the opinion of Iowa Modern Woodmen. The Lansing (Iowa) Journal says: "The Rossville Woodmen sprung an agreeable surprise on Owen Kayanaugh last Wednesday by a force of men turning out and husking thirty loads of corn for

him. Joseph Yates Paige, for the last six years chief clerk of the comptroller of the currency, died in Washington. The house of the Texas legislature ordered the appointment of a com-

mittee of seven to investigate charges preferred against Congressman J. W.

Fire at Gering, Neb., destroyed half a block.

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," resumed his church work in Topeka, Kan., after an absence in Europe and the east. Mr. Sheldon is preparing to make a vigcrous entry into the law enforcement campaign of the state.

Mail advices from Madagascar, datted December 16, report the drowning of fifty natives from the capsizing of

a barge.
Artist Zorn has compelled H. Clay Pierce of St. Louis to pay \$12,000 for three portraits, \$1,200 interest and the court costs.

King Oscar of Sweden has recovered his health and will resume the reins of government January 21.

Dispatches announce that Admiral Cervera, who commanded the Span-ish fleet that was smashed by the Americans outside Santiago harbor. July 3, 1898, is lying at the point of death near Cadiz.

John Stevenson of Cherokee, Ia., in growing a new set of teeth in this' his 78th year. He is an inveterate tobacco chewer.

The attorney general of Ohio has brought a suit in the supreme court to test the validity of perpetual franchises in Ohio.

Lord Lionel Cecil, half-brother of the Marquis of Salisbury, is dead.

Mrs. Ann Lake, wife of William Lake, a shoemaker at Newark, N. J., droped dead from excessive laughing A friend told her a joke on the street and she entered Henry Westwo bakery convulsed with uncontrollable

laughter The University of Wisconsin law chool, which was closed on account of a smallpox scare, was thoroughly fumigated and reopened.

Secretary Long keeps on 'tis deak an alarm clock to remind him of ap-pointments regarding which he is very particular.