NEBRASKA NEWS.

F. S. Tracy has been installed as postmaster at Winside. Utica will store water for fire protection in a huge cistern.

The Kearney Congregational church celebrated its silver anniversary.

Scarlet fever at Belgrade has stopped educational work for the time being. Polk county caught nearly five inches of rain in less than a week.

At a stock sale near Mead the other day fresh cows brought as high as \$51. Over 1,000 ducks have been shot in the reservation near Crawford within the last two weeks.

J. N. Gaffin, of Colon, is said to have the finest flock of 2,000 sheep ever brought to Saunders county.

A Burt county lady ninety years of age took the first premium at the county fair on fancy lace work.

Mrs. Lydia Griffling, an early settler in the vicinity of Table Rock, a very estimable woman, died last week. Joseph Lloyd, of Cass county, has

peach tree that was well loaded with a second crop when the frost came. Charlie Raymond, of Gering, is home from the Klendike with about \$30,000

in the gold dust of the constitution. Mrs. R. J. McCracken died at Bayard after a brief illness. She was thirty-five years of age. A husband and five children mourn. Superior has a bootblack who al-

ways drifts back to town when times are good. He has put in his appearance again this fall. Newspaper men of all parties are

cleaning up their rooster cuts prepara-tory to the coming crow. None of them expect to dine on crow. A carpenter of South Sloux City is manufacturing portable corn cribs. When empty they can be rolled up and

filed away for future reference. The convention of delegates of the mother houses of the Lutheran deacon-esses adjourned at Milwaukee last

week to meet next year in Omaha. The National Education association is thinking of holding their 1898 meet-

ing in Omaha. A committee was there the other day looking the ground over. Wallace has a full crop of rattle-snakes this season. Ted Funk shot nine of the shiny reptiles within a few

rods of the schoolhouse the other day. A hunter at McPherson lake, east of Columbus, shot and killed a fine speci-men of a bird of the grallatores, or wader, measuring five feet nine and a

The Gretna schools and all of the neighboring district schools are closed on account of diphtheria. There have been two fatal cases and there are two others which are considered danger-

One of the barges of the pontoon bridges at Decatur sank while a small bunch of cattle was crossing. A number of cattle slipped into the river and had to swim ashore, but none were

John Nagle, of Seward county, swatted an old man across the head with a neckyoke and nearly broke his skull. He will answer to the charge of assault with intent to do great bodily

While in the act of entering the John Logan, near Gering, George Ringler was shot by Logan, the injury not being very serious. He was

fore the district court. Over \$43,000 of outside capital is invested in sheep feeding in Hall county, representing 23,321 head of sheep and over \$142,000 of foreign money is

invested in cattle feeding, representing over 5,000 head of cattle. The 5-year-old son of Martin Wernsman, of Cedar Bluffs, tried to climb into the wagon by using the hind wheel for a ladder. The team started

and the little fellow's leg was broken before it could be stopped. The insanity commission of Dodge county held a session to act on the charge made against Tura Peterson, of Hooper, and adjudged him insane. He is a young man 21 years of age, and

has been afflicted for the past year. Register Hinman, of the United States land office at North Platte says that many more filings on government land are being made this year than last. The good crops and prices of the last season are largely accountable for the increase in filings.

The Blair creamery is finished and will be put to work separating milk. Its capacity is 15,000 pounds daily and with proper management will probably receive a good patronage. The contractors will commence the erection of creamery at Arlington at once.

The receivers of the Union Pacific railroad, whom Fred Ruathainer sued for \$2,000 lamages recently for an accident that befell him on the road in Laneaster county, insist that he has sued the wrong corporation. The road running into Lincoln, they say, is the Omaha & Republican Valley road.

Two fine silver mugs were stolen Nebraska from the Watson house, The police were notified and suspicion rested upon a deaf and dumb man who has been about the city for ome days past. He was locked up and soon found to be the guilty party.

The Swedish Lutheran church at Greeley Center was dedicated last The crowd in attendance was very large and the financial encouragement was most flattering. Swedish people are congratulated upon their new and handsome church struc-

The general merchandise store of J. M. Wandra & Co., at Weston, was burned. The building and stock are entire loss, also Dr. Smith's office, which was near the store on the west. The stock and building were valued at \$6,000, insured for \$3,700. Most of Dr. smith's library and office fixtures were

Lew Troutman, who lives northeast of Benedict, met with quite a serious accident. While shelling corn he got his hand fast in the sheller and tried to draw it out by putting his other hand against the sheller to aid him to extracting his fastened hand, and got it fast. Some of his fingers had to be amounted.

THE NORTHWESTERN THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE.

Condensations that Embody a Good Deal of Information Without Requiring Much Space-Foreign and Domestic Newsy Notes on All Subjects.

Monday, October 25. Severe earthquakes have occurred in

Algiers. Eighty-seven warships are building in Great Britain.

The thermometer reached 86 degrees in Omaha on the 24th.

Work on new ships of the navy is delayed by lack of funds. Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, the Arctic ex-

plorer, arrived in New York. There is great exodus from Selma, Ala., on account of yellow fever.

General Weyler announces that he will leave Havana October 29. Nebraska is figuring on lighting all

of its state buildings by electricity. Deposits in Kansas banks have increased 45 per cent since January 1st. The Prussian department of agricul-

ture has resolved to encourage fruit growing. Mrs. Lily Langtry benefits to the extent of \$1,500 yearly by the death of

her husband. The probability is that the Burlington will buy the Grand Island & Northern Wyoming and the Big Horn South-

James Wallace Knox, the famous turfman and former owner of Nut-wood, committed suicide at Kenosha,

Colonel Schaeffer, an officer in the army of Luxembourg, has been selected as provisional commissioner of the powers for the island of Crete.

William H. Dole, president of the People's bank of Pomona, Cal., and of the San Antonio Light and Power company and a reputed millionaire, is

The porte has demanded the recall of two American missionaries from the province of Aelppo on the pretext that their mission for the distribution of relief is likely to cause disturbance,

Tuesday, October 26. Luetgert's second trial will com-

mence October 27. The Yukon river is closed and boats laid aside for the winter.

The Spanish note to the United States fills thirty-eight pages. George S. Hobbs, auditor of

Southern railway, has resigned. New York bankers complain of too much idle money in their coffers. Congressman Mercer is putting up

some business buildings in Omaha. None of the injured of the New York Central wreck are expected to die. Investigation shows the Chillan government to be perfectly solvent.

Silas Hamilton, an Iowa gold seeker, was drowned in Fort Summit lake. St. Joseph's stock yards are to be increased to four times its present size. Francis Turner Palgrave, the poet and essayist, died in London, aged 73

Aunt Nancy Daniels, a colored woman, is dead at Sacramento at the age of 119 years.

A new device is being tried on the state railway of France which, placed 250 yards from a station, will stop the train at that distance.

In Kansas City C. E. Riley, a traveling man, shot and probably fatally wounded "Doctor" Allen, who, he says, was familiar with his (Riley's) wife.

Wednesday, October 27. Distastrous floods are reported in

Italy.

A fabulously rich gold strike is reported from Georgetown, Colorado. Caroline Talman of New York, who

died October 20, left \$126,000 to char-

The ex-treasurer of the Greek nation is said to be short in his accounts about \$30,000.

Captain Ray, the army officer sent to Klondike, has made his first re-port to the War department

A detachment of the West Indian regiment, stationed at Lagos, has started for the frontier of the Hinter-The postmaster general nas appoint-

ed John P. Clum of California chief of the mail depredations division in the postoffice. "Kid" McCo and Australian Billy

Smith have been matched to box six rounds in Chicago November 13, for a purse of \$3,000. The western roads and the Southern

Pacific have finally decided to submit their differences regarding immigration business to arbitration.

Wm. Carr of Liberty, Mo., is under arrest for having taken the life of his three-year-old daughter by throwing her into the Missouri river.

The Union knitting mill, Hudson, N. Y., was destroyed by fire and many of the 300 persons employed in the mill had narrow escapes from death.

Thomas Gold Alvord died at Syracuse, N. Y., of old age. He was speaker in the assembly in 1858 and was elected Heutenant governor in 1865. The world's triplet record for a mile was lowered from 1:44 to 1:41 by Mc Duffice, Church and Wowler, in the

Grove track, Philadelphia. The '98 wheels will be without chains.

face of a strong wind, at Willow

December wheat sold in St. Louis above one dollar. The horse Guinette made a mile in

2:05 at Louisville. The Wabash railway general offices in St. Louis burned.

Nansen, the distinguished Arctic explorer, ta in Washington.

Good rains have fallen all over the southern haif of Kansus. An even twenty met doath in the New York Central disaster.

During the year the Union Pacific received grants for 995,455 acrea. The fever situation at New Orleans

continues monotonously the same. Yellow fever is increasing in Memphis and people are fleeing from the ter of state and member of the Prus-

Rev. C. L. Berry has been convicted of wrecking the bank at Pawnee, Ok-

Hon, William J. Bryan will not be invited to make a political speech in New York.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Army of the Tennessee convened in Milwaukee.

Chauncey Dépew intimates that dynamite had something to do with the accident on his road. American bicycles will be barred in

the national show, Crystal Palace, London, in December. E. V. Debs is speaking to Boston's working people on his co-operative

commonwealth project. During a quarrel Bookkeeper Metz shot his employer, W. T. McCormick, through the heart at Rome, O.

William Carr, under arrest in Kansas City, confesses that he tied a heavy stone to his little three-year-old daughter and threw her, breathing and conscious, into the Missouri river,

Mrs. M. C. Linn, of Galatin, Kas. gave birth to triplets, all boys, and she has ramed them Leedy, Simpson and Bryan. Jerry Simpson seat the warnan a sliver dollar because she named one after him.

Friday, October 29. Yellow fever has broken out at Mazatlan, Mexico.

The Kansas Pacific railroad will be sold December 15. Fierce forest fires prevail in por-

tions of Pennsylvania, Two married daughters get the bulk of the Pullman estate. Senator Morgan, of California, is re-

covering from a severe illness. Warm weather is increasing the yellow fever scourge in New Orleans. At Redwood City, Cal., Thomas Flannery shot and killed his father.

A large elevator in Buffalo burned, together with grain valued at \$106,000. There is provision for only 2,000 people at Dawson, and there are 6,000 to feed.

Speaker Curtis, of the Illinois house, was maried in Cleveland to Miss Mary E. Griffin.

A thousand people fled from Memphis in one night to get away from yellow fever. The total value of the estate of the

late George M. Pullman is shown to

be \$7,600,000.

The influenza has reappeared at Berlin and many persons have been attacked by it. The Canada Pacific has made ar-

rangements to issue \$1,200,000 preferred stock in London. It is aid that General Jamat will

succeeds General Sausier as commander-in-chief of the French army. Mrs. Sarah Albert Woods Perry, wife of Right Rev. William Stevens Perry, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Iowa,

died in Philadelphia. British capitalists promised only £1,000,000 toward the purchase of the Union Pacific railway, the other £9,-000,000 being found in the United States.

The net earnings of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul for the month of September were \$1,152,897, an in-crease of \$141,778 over the same month of last year. At the regular monthly meeting of the trustees of the New York Sun

Printing and Publishing company Mr. Paul Dana was unanimously elected president of the association and editor of the Sun, to succeed his father, Charles A. Dana, deceased,

Vice Consul General Springer, at Hapartment that the Spanish authorities have pardoned Frank Agramonte and Tomaso Julio Saenz, two American citizens, who have been imprisoned at Santiago de Cuba since June, 1895.

Saturday. Oct. 30. Cleveland's boy baby will be named after his father.

A distinct shock of earthquake was felt at Centerville, Mo. M. Gaston Bethune, the well-known artist, is dead at Paris. Sweden and Norway will send a ship

to hunt for Prof. Andree. President McKinley has issued his Thanksgiving proclamation.

The Crow Indians are again becoming troublesome in Montana. In the Orphans' home in Anderson, Ind., an epidemic of typhoid prevails. Mrs. George was prostrated and was

cared for byy the friends of the family at the hotel. Iowa State Baptist convention honored Mr. Remley by again choosing

him president. Topeka (Kansas) councilmen would oar hats from churches, theaters and

all public places. Senator Wolcott of Colorado has one to Colorado to negotiate fresh

bimetallic proposals, The National Pythian Press association at Nashville chose Indianapolis

for the next meeting. Charles Ross, charged with robbing the Pacific Express company at Milford, Kan., was convicted.

Count Henry de Penalosa, one of the leaders in Paris of the Carlist movement, has arrived in New York. Andrew Carnegie says he has offered the Carnegie armor plate works to the United States government.

Mr. Bryan, in a speech in Ohio, referred to Hanna as the "Chier conspirator in the campaign of last year.' New South Wales has appointed a veterinary inspector at San Francisco for American horses to be shipped to Australia from that port.

The postoffice department has completed arrangements for the direct exchange of money orders between the Inited States and Egypt. Twelve Baldwin locomotives have

arrived at Tien Tsin, China, for the Tien Tsin-Lukuchiao (Pekin) railroad Fight are of the Mogul type. The police of Paris today setzed a German comic paper, the Lustig Plat-ter, contained cartoons ridiculing

President Faure and the French republic. The Berlin Reischsanzieger publishes formal notice of the appointment of Baron von Buelow, recently German ambassador at Rome, as minister for foreign affairs with the rank of minissian ministry.

HENRY GEORGE DEAD

SUDDENLY SUMMONED IN THE EARLY MORNING.

Death Thought to flave Been Due to Apoplexy, Brought On, Perhaps, by Too Hard Campaign Work-Mrs. George Prostrated Over the Sad and Sudden

Sudden Death of Henry George.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30 .- Henry George, the candidate of the Jeffersonian democracy for mayor of Greater New York, died in the Union Square hotel at 4:45 o'clock yesterday morning. Death is thought to have been due to apoplexy. Mr. George arrived at the hotel about 1 o'clock in the morning. He had just come from several large mass meetings in the boroughs of Queens and Brooklyn. The work of the night seemed to have told on him. He complained of being tired, but his friends and relatives who awaited him thought it only the natural fatigue that follows such hard campaing work

as Mr. George has been doing. Not long after reaching the hotel he retired. Mrs. George awaited him. It was about 2:30 o'clock when Mrs. George was awakened. She found Mr. George sitting in an arm chair. I am not feeling quite comfortable,"

said Mr. George to his wife. "Won't you go back to bed?" quired Mrs. George, anxiously. 'I will sit here awhile,' was the re-

Mrs. George at once grew anxious as to her husband's condition. Mr. George gradually grew incoherent and lapsed into semi-consciousness, Mrs. George was now thoroughly alarmed and called her son, Henry George, jr., from an adjoining room. Frank Stevens was also called in. Mr. George was now unconsicious. A call was sent to Dr. Kelly of 117 East Fifty-ninth street, and he came without delay. Mr. George was still unconscious. All efforts to revive him failed. Without a sign of recognition to those around him he passed peacefully away at 4:45 o'clock.

Henry George was born on September 2, 1839. He received a common school education and then went into a counting room. He was also a sailor and afterward learned the printer's trade. In 1858 he reached California, where he worked at the printer's case until 1866, when he became a reporter and afterward an editor, working at different times on the San Francisco

Times and Post. He returned to New York in 1880 and went to England and Ireland the following year, where he was twice ar-rested as a suspect, but afterward released when his identity became established. Mr. George is best known to the world at large through his writings upon economic questions, notably his work entitled "Progress and Poverty," published in 1879. His other works are: "Our Land and Land Policy," 1871; "Irish Land Question," 1881; "Social Problems," 1893; "Property in Land," 1884; "The Condition of Labor," "An Open Letter to Pope Leo XIII," 1891, and "A Preplexed Philosopher," (Herman Spencer,) 1892.

In 1886 Mr. George was nominated by the united labor party for mayor of New York, polling 68,000 votes, against 90,000 for Abram S. Hewitt, the demo-cratic nominee, and 60,000 for Theodore Roosevelt, now assistant secretary of the navy, republican. After his nomination for mayor by the Jeffersonian democrats a month ago, Mr. George made an extremely active canvass, speaking several times every evening and working from early to the campaign is most sensational incidents, its attacks on Richard Croker and Senator Platt, whom he threatened to prosecute for various crimes such as levying blackmail upon city con-tractors and aspirants for office, should he be elected mayor. His candidacy gave to the coming election its greatest element of uncertainty, for, according to expert politicians, it was practically impossible to estimate how much of Bryan's vote of last year would go to George instead of Van

The funeral will take place Sunday

afternoon. Weather Bureau Expanding. WASHINGTON, Oct, 30.—Chief Moore of the United States weather bureau, in his annual report to Secretary Wilson, calls for an appropriation of \$1,044,050 for the next fiscal year and says this will admit of the establishment and equipment of new stations in important centers of population. An investigation has been made as to the influence of climate, season and weather on sunstroke and the conclusion reached that sunstroke became imminent during the summer months when the mean temperature of any one day or of several successive days equals the normal maximum temperature of the period. Twenty experimental kite-flying stations are contemplated this year and confidence in the great value of the ultimate result is expressed.

Prof. Andree's Halloon. CHRISTIANA, Oct. 30 .- Dispatchea received here from the island of Vardi in the Arctie ocean off Finmark which, with Vardoehus, is the most northern fort, says the public there is fully convinced of the truth of the report that a whaling ship sighted Prof. Andree's balloon floating September 28, near Prince Charles promontory, Spitzenbergen. The news has caused considerable depression among

the friends of Prof. Andree. Brakmo, the Arctic explorer, propoed to sail for Prince Charles promon-tory in order to investigate the truth of the story told by the crew of the

Thirteen killed by Explosion TORRES, Mex., Oct. 30.-A disastrous explosion occurred in the Amarshaft of the Grand Central muce ar Minas Priestas. Thirteen men were killed outright and three sustained probably fatal injuries. In some undetermined manner a large quantity of giant powder blew up in the fourth level of the shaft. So great was the force of the explosion that out of four men who were stationed fully 200 feet distant three were killed in a untly. Six of the recovered hodies are totally unrecognizable. The Grand Central mine was recently purchased for \$1,000,000 by an English syndicate.

. THANKSGIVING DAY.

It is Named by the Proclamation of the President.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.-President McKinley today issued his first Thanksgiving day proclamation as follows: in remembrance of God's goodness to us during the past year, which has been so abundant, let us offer unto Him our thanaksgiving and pay our

vows unto the Most High. Under His watchful providence in-dustry has prospered, the conditions of labor have been improved, the rewards of the husbandman have been increased and the comforts of our homes multiplied His mighty hand has preserved peace and protected the nation. Respect for law and order has been strengthened, love of free institutions cherished and all sections of our beloved country brought into closer bonds of fraternal regard and gener-

ous co-operation.

For these great benefits it is our duty to praise the Lord in a spirit of humility and to offer up to Him our most earnest supplications. That we may acknowledge our obligation as a people to Him who has so graciously granted us the blessings of free government and material prosperity, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, do hereby designate and set apar: Thursday, the 25th day of November, for national Thanskgiving and prayer, which all of the people are invited to observe with appropriate religious services in their respective

places of worship.
On this day of rejoicing and domestic reunion let our prayers ascend to the giver of every good and perfect gift, for the continuance of His love and favor to us, that our hearts may be filled with charity and good will and that we may be ever worthy of His beneficent concern.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the

United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-ninth day of October, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-second Wm. M'KINLEY.

By the President, JOHN SHERMAN, Secretary of State.

UNION PACIFIC DEAL.

Attorney General McKenna Talks at Length About It.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 .- Attorney General McKenna, in speaking of the present Union Pacific situation, said: There has been a great deal of misapprehension in the matter of the separation of the sales of the Union Pa-cific and the Kansas Pacific properties The fact is, we have not separated them in any sense in which they were not separated, except that the time between the sales has been lengthened out. Formerly the Union Pacific property was to be sold November 1 and 2, which rule will now go on, and Kansas Pacific on the 3d, 4th and 5th of November, That sale has been postponed until December 15.

The reorganization syndicate did, ft is true, guarantee, if the government would proceed to foreclose, that bids on the two properties aggregating \$50,-000,000, would be made; but there was no statement as to what part of that sum should rest on the Union Pacific and on the Kansas Pacific, respectively. Now we have been assured our full claim on the Union Pacific and beyond that point the government can not,

of course, bid. On the Kansas Pacific property, the sale of which has been postponed, there must be a bid of \$12,3000,000 or no sale. made by Judge Sanborn's division of the interests. This sum will give the government about \$5,000,000 and the bid may run very much above that figure. The government will get dollar for dollar of its debt on the Union Pa-

cific, and in consequence of that re-

sult the Central Pacific must, in se'tle-

ment of its indebtedness, pay same. It can not escape from that now, and this administration thinks it is entitled to the credit for bringing about this condition of affairs, Who would have thought, even as late as a month ago, that the United States would ever get out all the mon-ey she had put into the Union Pacific? venture that nobody except the president and myself. I think we done very well. We started with a proposition from the organization committee to pay \$45,000,000 for the road. Now it has agreed to pay \$58,000,000 for the Union Pacific alone, leaving the Kansas Pacific line to be disposed of sep-arately. At most, if the Kansas Pa-cific be sold at its lowest possible price, under the terms of Judge Sanborn's decree, the government stands to lose \$7,000,000. But the government will get every dollars of its debt on that line, as well as that on the Union Pacific. The road is a good one—a profitable local line if nothing else, and

\$30,000,000 of securities for the Kan-sas line—a fair indication, certainly, of their idea of its value.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 .- President McKinley left Washington at 4:30 for Cincinnati for the Ohio trip which has been planned for several days. Secretary Porter accompanied him. The president will stop in Canton, and the arty will return to Washington next Thursday

After a search for heirs extending

over a score of years, the vast estates

of Imbaly Clarke, now appraised at

well worth the \$20,000,000 necessary to

reorganization committee in its pros-

ctus provides for the placing of over

clear off the government debt.

\$25,600,600, seems about to come to its rightful possessor, the daughter of Clarke, a mine owner, who died in Australia over twenty years ago. WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.-The cabinet held a short meeting Priday, lasting only about an hour.

ness was brought forward and the only

matter considered was not of a depart-

mental nature, but an abstract of the

Spanish reply which Minister Wood-ford had cabled to Secretary Sherman. NEW YORK, Oct. 30 .- It is not unlikely that all bets on the mayoralty contest will be declared off as a result of Henry George's death. It is estimated that something like \$150,000 has been wagered on the Stock exchange.

PLEA IN ABATEMENT.

ANSWER IN THE STOCK YARDS CASE FILED.

What Attorney General Smyth, Who is Made Party Defendant, Has to Offer-Denial in Regard to Value of Lands and Yards-As to the Late Legislative Act-Obeying Its Provisions.

The Stock Yards Case.

Attorney General Smyth has filed with the federal court an answer in the stock yards case, being a plea in abatement to part and an answer to the balance of the complaint.

In the plea the attorney general, wno is made a party defendant in the case, says that it is not true that this suit is not brought by collusion with the stock yards company or its officers to confer on the United States court jurisdiction. It is set forth that the officers of the company tried to induce the governor to veto the bill, and that after it had been signed the officers had made many statements to the effect that its provisions would never be enforced,

In the second paragraph the defendant denies that the defendant company would, if not restrained, submit to the provisions of the act or any part thereof, and alleges that "as between the plaintiff, Simpson, and the defendant company it is a friendly suit by which the company seeks to transfer its controversy from the legislature, where it was beaten, to your honors and to the court."

In the latter part of the answer the attorney general denies that the plaintiff, Simpson, is a resident of the state of Massachusetts, and that the interest of the plaintiff is worth \$2,000, exclusive of costs. He admits that the defendant company transferred to Fowler Brothers 1,000 shares, Swift and Comany 1,000 shares and Armour & Co. 1,500 shares, all free of cost.

The answer denies the seventh paragraph of the bill, which appears in the following words: "The said yards, counting the value of the lands and the said works, are now worth more than \$6,000,000; twice that sum expended would not replace its plant and secure the business which it enjoys.

The answer further says that the railroad companies haul a great deal of stock to and from the yards, and that it is greatly to the interest of the railroad companies to be connected with the yards, and that the said connections were made because they were a source of great profit to the railroad companies. The answer denies that the defendant company has by due process increased its capital to \$6,000,-000. It is admitted that the lands now occupied by the city of South Omaha were before the location of the yards used (for aggicultural purposes, and that since that time they city has been built, but the claim that South Omaha has a population of 12,000 is denied, as is also the statement that lands in thec ity adjoining the yard, are worth \$20,000 an acre. The claims that the company is a private company doing a private business, and that the company, equal with the railroads, is engaged in interstate commerce, are

also denied. The denial is made that the act passed by the legislature interferes with interstate commerce, and deprives the defendant company of its property without compensation. It denies the allegation that the act limits the charges below a reasonable rate, and says that the answering defendant has no means of knowing what would have been the revenue of the company during the years 1895 and 1896 had the rates in the act been in force, and asks that the company be put upon its proofs on

these points. The attorney general, in the answer, says he does not know what he would do in the event said company and its officers refused to obey the provisions of the act, and that "he did not have at the time said bill was filed, nor has he now any opinion with respect to what his conduct would be in respect to the contingency referred to.'

The State University. The close of the fourth week of ac-ctual work at the State University of Nebraska shows an increase in the enrollment of the institution of 20 per cent over last year. This indicates an enrollment of at least 1,800 students for the year. There is a notable increase in the attendance from the North Platte country. More university spirit is evident than ever before. There is general enthusiasm and unity

in all the work of the institution. Nebraskan Killed in Colorade

Michael Walsh, a miner employed in a lease on the Kohnyo, in the part of Victor, Colorado, was fafally injured by the explosion of a missed shot. He was picking out the powder with a spoon when it went off, tearing away his arm from the elbow down fracturing both legs and bruising him about the head. A companion who was working with him was slightly injured. Walsh was from McCook, this state, where he has a brother residing.

Prospects of Fall Wheat,

The soaking rains this country, says a Juniata dispatch, has received in the last few days have done the ground and crops inestimable good. The ground is thoroughly moistened to a depts of three feet and fall wheat will go through the winter in excellent shape. There never were better prospects here at this time of year or a larger acreage sown than now. farmers are jubliant and are satisfied that the "good times coming" near at hand if they have not already

Severe Loss to Ogalalla.

The Ogalalla flour mills burned a few days ago. The building cost \$27, one and carried no insurance. mill was not in operation, but would have been in a few weeks. It is not known how the fire originated. \$46,000 FOR FARMERS

Forty Thomsand Dollars for Fatmers. The Oxnard beet sugar factory at Grand Island paid out to various farmers for beets delivered in September, the amount of \$40,000.