Gratuities Paid to Surviving Soldiers Show Increase for the Year.

#### ARREARS OF WORK BEING MADE UP

Bureau is Now Ready to Take Prompt Action on Claims-Legislation is Suggested for Good of the Service-Number of Claims Rejected During the

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 .- The annual report of Hon. H. Clay Evans, the commissioner of pensions, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1899, presents some very interesting facts in connection with the condition of the pension roll and the operations of the bureau. The pension roll is made up of 753,451 surviving soldiers and 237,415 widows or dependent relatives and 653 army urses. To them last year was paid \$131,617,961, being \$649,496 more than ever before.

The average of each class of pensioners is also higher. The cost of bureaus, attorneys' fees, etc., brought the total expended up to \$138,555,052, being \$1,644,498 less than the appropriation.

The payment for pensions for the year are classified as follows: General law, \$71,115,703; Spanish war, \$28,606; act of 1890, \$64,321,460. Fees paid to attorneys were \$476,969, against \$730,-000 in 1898.

Total number of claims filed during the year, 48,765; allowed, 37,077; restored, 3,914; total allowances, including increases, 89,054; total claims pending June 30, 1898, 635,059; June 30, 1899, 477,239.

The total disbursements to pensioners since 1866 were \$2,389,910,974. During the same period \$15,490,986 went to examining surgeons, \$12,092,-178 to pension agencies and \$62,237,228 for salaries and other expenses of the bureau.

The number of pensioners residing in foreign countries is 4,306, to whom is paid \$633,309. Of this number 2,139 reside in Canada, 415 in Ireland, 605 in Germany and 321 in England. There are four surviving widows and seven surviving daughters of the revolutionary war on the rolls. Hiram Cronk of northwestern New York is the only surviving pensioned soldier of the war of 1812. He is 99 years of age. The number of pensioned widows of the war of 1812 is 1,998. On account of the Indian wars 1,568 soldiers and 3,-899 widows are pensioned. For service in the Mexican war there are enrolled 9,204 soldiers and 8,179 widows. June 30, 1899, the total number of pensioners was 991,519, being 2,195 less than on the same date in 1898.

The report says that considerable progress has been made in bringing up the arrears of work in the bureau. The work on original claims is procurrent and the work of aiding medical examination in increase claims is being pushed so that very little time now clapses between dates of filing and ordering the medical examinations.

The commissioner reports the work in far better condition than at any time since April, 1897, and it is believed that further progress will be attained by the systems instituted in the different divisions.

The commissioner calls attention to the fact that order No. 225, issued June 9, 1893, which provided for a readjustment of rates of pensions previously granted under the operation of order No. 164, is still in force, but he states that no revision of rates under said order has been made under his administration.

During the year 107,919 claims of all classes were rejected in the bureau. A careful analysis of the causes of rejection of so many claims is given, showing that a large percentage of rejections occur in which additional allowance of some kind is claimed.

A full and detailed explanation as to the causes of delay in the adjustment of claims is presented, from which it appears that in nearly every case of unusual delay the fault lies with claimants or their attorneys and not with the bureau.

In order that the present complex system of pensioning may be simplified and to secure a more uniform practice in the future the appointment of a commission on the revision of the laws, rules and regulations is recommended.

Legislation is suggested extending the benefit of the acts of June 17, 1890. to persons who served in the confederate army and afterward voluntarily enlisted in the union army or navy prior to January 1, 1865, and were honorably discharged.

Resignation Rumor Confirmed. WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 .- The navy department has received official confirmation of the Associated Press dispatches announcing the resignation of President Figuero of Santo Domingo, in the following cablegram from Captain Longnecker of the New Orleans:

President Figuero resigned at 4 o'clock yesterday." Otle Will Print a Paper. MANILA, Sept. 1.-(New York

World Cablegram-Special Telegram.) General Otis is arranging to begin the publication of a newspaper next week. The soldiers who have been assigned to duty in the composing room complain that as they have been ordered to set type they want typesetters' pay.

Natives Forced to Retire.

MANILA, Sept. 1 .- Dispatches just received from Cabu announce that the American troops under Colonel Bay-less with two field pieces, sallied, on Monday into the hills, against a band of natives, who recently ambushed four of our soldiers, and who have been generally troublesome. American force found the natives entrenched and drove them from their trenches further into the hills. There were no casualties on the American side, though there were some heat prostrations. The natives' loss is not

#### TREASURY IS FULL OF GOLD.

Largest Amount on Hand in the History of the Department.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 .- Yesterday's treasury statement shows that the amount of net gold on hand was \$247,880,601. This is the largest amount on hand at one time in the history of the department, the next largest amount having been \$246,873,-626, on December 31, 1898. This situation is accounted for by the fact that during the last two weeks or more. the revenues of the government, of which from 80 to 90 per cent are paid in gold, have largely exceeded the expenditures.

At New York the customs receipts, with the exception of from 8 to 10 per cent, are being all paid in gold and at other important points the excess of gold has been nearly or quite as large.

The receipts today exceeded the expenditures by \$1,460,668 and for the month the excess amounts to nearly \$4,500,000. Since July 1, however, a deficit is shown of \$4,036,658. The total receipts for the month are \$49,978,-173, of which \$20,546,697 came from customs, \$24,327,039 from internal revenue and \$5,194,437 from miscellaneous sources.

The expenditures amount to \$45,-518,000, of which \$14,981,000 was charged to the war department, \$4,-598,000 to the navy, \$13,130,000 to pensions and the remainder to civil and miscellaneous interest and Indian accounts. For August last year, the payments to the war department amounted to \$24,115,934.

#### NATIVES RULE THEIR OWN TOWNS

General Lawton Extends Privilege of

Self-Government to Fill pinos. WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.-General Lawton's course in extending municipal government in the Philippines is explained in detail in Manila newspapers just received at the war department. They state that the general has made a tour of many towns along the line of his division, including Santa Anna, Pandacan and San Felipe, and has established in each a complete system of civil government. The inhabitants of the towns are to have entire charge of affairs according to General Lawton's system. The general called before him the principal men of the towns and after pointing out the general purposes and desires of the American government had the natives designate a mayor, vice mayor and head men for the several wards. General Lawton explained to the inhabitants that the United States government did not wish to meddle at all with the local affairs of the people and they were told to proceed with tax levies, to start schools and public improvements and to establish such civil offices as they saw fit.

The people were told that the tax money was to be expended at home and none of it was to be contributed to the general government. General Lawton also established the first civil government at Balinag, Senor Guerrero being installed as captain general. Local governments also have been put in force at Bacoo, Paranac and Las

#### LINCOLN HONORS HER BOYS.

Great Crush of People ut the State House Hurrals for the Boys.

STATE HOUSE, LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 1.-Lincoln people turned out last night when the First regiment arrived from San Francisco. The citizens of Lincoln and all the state for 100 miles on either side of the line of travel of the regiment testified by their presence in immense crowds to the pride the state feels in the regiment as a whole. It remained for Lincoln to show last night that she has a personal and possessory pride in Company D, the company which went from the capital city.

The crush of men, women and children at the state house was a new experience to even those who had stood at the depot Tuesday night and who thought that the feelings of the people had been then and there given full vent. For an hour before the time set for the opening number of the program the corridors of the state house were filled with hundreds, anxious to get within seeing or hearing distance of the stands from which speeches were to be made. To not more than one in a hundred who came was this a possibility, and still the crowds waited, overrunning the state house lawn and waiting in the vain hope that somebody who had been favored with a good place would leave it and permit others to come in.

Quotas of State Filled.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.-Adjutant General Corbin said today that there were less than 100 appointments of volunteer officers yet to be made and they belonged mainly to the states of Wisconsin, California and Ohio. The quotas of the other states are practically full. The president has made a small list from which the remaining regimental appointments will be made and it is expected that the result will be announced in a few days.

Auxious to Enlist.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 1.-Both the army and navy recruiting offices in St Louis are besieged daily by applicants for enlistment and the officers in charge are securing all the men they need. Naval Lieutenant West tonight sent eighty-three men and boys on a special train for the Mare Island navy yard. The men and boys in this contingent were enlisted as landsmen and apprentices, respectively.

Not Auxious for Lad'es. NEW YORK, Sept. 1.-Mrs. Alex-ander Giddings of Cleveland has written to the Dewey reception executive committee, as commander of the "White Escort" of Cleveland, asking for a place in the line during the parade, the describes her command as consisting of "184 young ladies, all dressed in pure white, and carrying bright slik flags." The letter was forwarded to General Roe, who has charge of the make-up of the land parade. General Roe said the other day that only milltary organizations would have a place in the line.

## SITUATION AT RENNES

The Air Full of Rumors in Connection With Dreyfus Trial.

THE ATTITUDE OF GEN. MERCIER

Serious Divisions Become Apparent Among the General Staff-The Tide of Evidence in the Prisoner's Favor-Div ding Lines Have Become Manifest -As to the Gullt of Esterhazy

RENNES, Aug. 31 .- The air of Rennes is filled with rumors of conspiracies and predictions of coups de theatre, but nothing precise can be ascertained. General Mercier's attitude during the last few days has mystifled his followers in the case. He is extremely clever, and the general feeling is that he is preparing something, the existence of which will be revealed in a few

It is now accepted as beyond question that there is a serious division of opinion on the part of the generals. While the case was running smoothly against Captain Dreyfus they all pulled together, but since the tide of evidence began to turn in his favor, as was notably the case during the testimony of Captain Freystaetter and Colonel Cordier, which proved much more damaging to the general staff than the latter anticipated, certain dividing lines have become manifest between the various cliques. General Roget, Major Lauth, Captain Cuignet and M. Gribelin, the principal keeper of the archives of the war office, form one coterie; General Mercier and General Gonse form another and General Billot and General De Boisedeffre a third. According to one report, the first two coteries intend to throw over General De Boisedeffre, whom they feel to be faltering and declare that he is responsible for all the errors and illegalities of the court-martial of 1894, thus making him the scapegoat.

According to another report General Roget, who was not implicated in 1894 and who only fought against Dreyfus because he inherited from his predecessors the responsibility for so doing and placed over-confidence in the accounts of the matter furnished him by the general staff, will cut himself loose from Generals Mercier, Gonze and De Boisedeffre. This is a plausible hypothesis, since Roget has assumed throughout the role of defender of the army and with a large section of the nation, and he probably would not lose by separating himself from the wrongdoers of 1894 and declaring that his opinion had been changed by the evidence given during the present trial.

Yet another story is that the generals are going to give way to the authorship of the bordereau in view of the strong expert evidence, and will admit that Esterhazy wrote it, alleging, however, that Dreyfus furnished the information, not direct to Esterhazy, but to a third person, who acted as intermediary without Dreyfus

knowing Esterhazy.
Today's proceedings behind closed doors will deal with the question of whether Captain Dreyfus was in a position to divulge the information regarding the artillery which was promised in the bordereau. The session will be very important and is bound to have KENESAW, Neb., Aug. 31.—There a tremendous influence upon the judges one way or the other, because they are all artillery officers and will be able to appreciate such evidence better than the cryptographic intricacies that have been laid before them by the handwriting experts.

## M'LEAN HEADS THE TICKET.

Ohio Democrats Name an Editor as Candidate for Governor.

Governor......JOHN R. M'LEAN Lieut. Governor.....A. W. PATRICK Supreme Judge..DEWITT C. BADGER Attorney General......J. G. DORE Auditor.....GEORGE W. SIGAFOOS Treasurer......JAMES. I. GORMAN Member of Board of Public Works ......FLETCHER D. MALIN

ZANESVILLE, Aug. 31.—The democratic state convention closed tonight after a day of dramatic politics. While there were a half dozen other candidates for governor, the McLean men claimed everything with such confidence that they undertook to be magnanimous in minor parts, although they were at the same time careful that the star candidate was not eclipsed. They stated early in the day that the first ballot would have none of "the second choice" vote for McLean, that none of the reserves would be called out until the second ballot and that all the candidates would have their respective votes on the first ballot. In this play McLean was nominated on the first ballot by a half vote and the figuring was so close that the dramatic scene of changes on the second bailot with "second choice" reserves flocking to McLean's standard did not take place. The ticket in full as nominated is given above.

Democrat Succeeds Bland. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 31.—Returns from four-fifths of the voting precincts in the Eighth congressional district in this state and close estimates of the remaining one-fifth give the following vote for each candidate: Judge D. W. Shackleford, democrat, 19.830; William Vosholi, republican, 16,801; W. R. Hale, populist, 614. This gives Shack-leford a plurality of 3,029. Bland's plurality in 1896 was 4,581 and in 1898 it' was 2,843.

Found After Twenty-four Days. BRAINERD, Minn., Aug. 31.—The body of Frank Easte, the aeronaut, who fell in the lake twenty-four days ago while making a balloon ascension, was recovered today by the crew of the government boat Edith. The body was buried by the county.

Wants \$50,000 More for Bellef. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 31-The Porto Rico relief committee will issue an appeal to the public for \$50,000 more to send a second cargo of tood and supplies. Subscriptions to the relief now amount to nearly \$30,000.

#### FIRST NEBRASKA REGIMENT.

Country, Town and City Give the Boys a Most Hearty Welcome.

OMAHA, Aug. 31 .- All through the state the Nebraska First regiment was given enthusiastic greeting. In this city clanging bel's and screaming whistles, fluttering flags and ringing cheers, welcomed back to home and loved ones the boys who, sixteen months ago, shouldered their muskets and marched away to bring it back stained and bullet-torn, but wreathed with the brightest laurels of the long campaign. It was a greeting worthy of the city, worthy of Nebraska and worthy of the gallant regiment that is the proudest possession of the Prairie The soldiers came home to find that they were greater heroes than they had ever dreamed of when they were tempting death in the miasmatic rice fields of Luzon or facing it in the murderous storm of Filipino bullets, Every face they saw was jubilant with welcome, every hand was outstretched in cordial greeting and every cheer that rose from 50,000 patriotic throats voiced the love and sympathy of friends who were proud to do them

Almost before daylight the pilgrimage to the depot filled the motor trains, and long before the hour at which the first section was to arrive the viaduct was jammed with people, and hundreds of busy hands were preparing the breakfast that was to be the first offering to the boys, who were presumed to be hungry for home cooking.

The march from the depot up town was one continued ovation from thousands of people who lined the streets. A little over half of the regiment

came through to this city.

Major Killian said: "I wish we could have brought in all the boys, but home pressure was too strong, When I took a vote of the men of my battalion there were 229 in favor of coming here and only twenty-three who were opposed. On reaching Denver they begun to hear from home, and the committees that were sent out began to get in their work. Last night. just before we reached Lincoln, the Beatrice company voted to come to Omaha in a body, but a few minutes later, after the people there had a chance to work with them, the company decided that it would go directly home in a body. Yes, we are all tremendously glad to get back and no one can blame the boys for wanting to see the folks at home.

Lieutenant Colonel Eager, just as the assembly call sounded for the parade, said: "Two days ago it looked as if we would have nearly the whole regiment in line here, but after we struck Denver, and still later on the way across Nebraska, the home ties began to draw irresistibly. The boys' folks just picked them up bodily and carried them away. When a mother threw her arms around her boy and wept over him there was no more Omaha and no more anything but home.' FALLS CITY, Neb., Aug. 31.-The

old town was all bedeeked with flags and bunting and hundreds of Falls City citizens, headed by the band, marched to the depot to welcome home the members of the Fighting First Nebraska, who went from here, in all about twenty-five.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Aug.—31.— Jacob Windnagel, the only Grand Isl-and boy in the Fighting First Nebraska, left the special train at Hastings and came home last night. Seven members of Company M of Broken Bow also left the train there and came

Nebraska here. The whole town was out with flags. GENEVA, Neb., Aug. 31.-Company

G. First Nebraska volunteers, was welcomed home by almost 10,000 people on its arrival at 8 p. m. Excursions from Hebron, DeWitt, Exeter, Grafton, Shickley and other points along the Burlington helped to swell the crowd, all anxious to give three cheers and a tiger for the home coming soldiers.

YORK, Neb., Aug. 31.-Company A of the First Nebraska arrived in York at a late hour. Their arrival was heralded by shrieking whistles and ringing bells. About 3,000 people crowded and jostled them at the station, but they slipped through the crowd and vanished almost at once. Ample preparations have been made for a reception to them on September 6 in which the entire county will join. The boys are in good physical condition,

## SAY AGUINALDO IS DEAD.

Japanese Paper Reports the Alleged Murder of the Filipino Leader.

HAMILTON, O., Aug. 31.-F. O. Maya and Z. Tang, Japanese tea merchants in this city, today received a copy of the Chu Kizo Shinko, a newspaper printed in Nagoga, Japan, July 22, which contains a dispatch from Manila that has not yet become public in America. Under the heading, "New Philippine Information," the paper prints the following:

"In the latter part of June near San Fernando, Aguinaldo was killed by General Pio del Pilar. Pilar visited him to inquire about the death of General Luna and Aguinaldo answered that he never knew anything about this case and told Pilar to mind his own business. Genera Pialr then called Aguinaldo a liar and pulling a pistol shot Aguinaldo in the forehead, killing him instantly."

Capt Quay Resigns. WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—Captain Andrew C. Quay, son of Senator Quay of Pennsylvania, has resigned from the army to go into private business. He is a graduate of the military academy, class of 1888. His resignation has been accepted by the presider t, to take effect August 31.

Three Regiments Arrive. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 31 .--The transport Grant, bearing the Wyoming, Idaho and Dakota regiments, was sighted shortly before 11 o'clock. The Grant left Nagasaki, Japan, on the 17th inst.

Many lumans Polsoned. MARENGO, Ia., Aug. 31 .- At a harvest picnic near Ladora twenty-five persons were noisoned by cating ice cream. The entire force of physicians here were called to that vicinity. Fatal results are feared in several cases.

# ALL OVER THE STATE

Boy Drowns in the Loup.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Sept. 2.-A 15 year-old son of Carl Mayberger, a wellto-do farmer living near O'Conee, was drowned in the Loup river while engaged with others in seining. He got into quicksand and before assistance could reach him he had been drawn under the water. Twelfth Indiana Cavalry Reunion.

LINCOLN, Sept. 2 .- Jerome Shamp, president of the Twelfth Indiana Cavalry association, has sent out notices for the annual reunion of that regiment at South Bend, Ind., on Wednesday and Thursday, September 27 and 28. Nebraska members of the association are requested to be present.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Sept. 2. Charles Blake, a brakeman on the Kansas City & Omaha railroad, was

Brakeman Badly Crushed.

crushed between two freight cars while trying to make a coupling at this place. He was taken to his home in Fairfield and is in a critical condi-Burglars Operate at Stanton. STANTON, Neb., Sept. 2,-The groc-

was broken into, and about \$50 worth of goods were carried away. The rob-

ery store of J. M. Mitchell at this place

bers gained entrance to the store by prying open a window from the top, after first cutting away the wire screen. There is no clue by which the parties can be identified. Farmer's Neck is Broken. SUTTON, Neb., Sept. 2 .- While Will

Robinson, a farmer living south of town, was hauling a load of shelled corn, his team became frightened at some pigs in the weeds by the road-They gave a sudden leap and Mr. Robinson was thrown to the ground, breaking his neck. Mr. Robinson was about twenty-two years of

Farm House Destroyed. RUSVILLE, Neb., Sept. 2.-The house of Paul Grossenberg, living about fifteen miles southwest of Rushville, was burnt to the ground and everything consumed in the flames except a couple of tables and chairs. The fire is a complete mystery and it occurred while Grossenberg was working on the farm of a neighbor, a mile away. The loss is about \$800. Finds Onion Raising Profitable.

CHADRON, Neb., Sept. 2.-Raising onions in large quantities for market in northwest Nebraska is a new venture made this season by Arthur Weir, a young printer, who left Chadron and went down to Gordon and rented a patch of fifteen acres of bottom land that is under the irrigation ditch and well tilled. Mr. Weir then put it all in onions, and hired a horde of town boys to spend a month weeding onions, swimming and fishing. That army of boys made the crop, and now Weir has nearly a carload of the choicest large white onions to the acre and expects the market to yield him nearly \$1 a bushel. It is a new indus-try here, that many farmers next year will follow. Weir has made a few thousand dollars and the cash is in

Souvenir Flags Civen Away. OMAHA, Sept. 2.-Cadet Taylor, surveyor of customs for the port of Oma was a hearty greeting for the First | ha, and father of two officers in the First Nebraska, and who went to San it arrived and remained with it until it came to Omaha, expresses regret that when the cars bearing the Thurston Rifles to the city Wednesday morning and while the soldiers were at breakfast people tore off the bunting that was stretched along the car and carried away the flags that the members of the company bought at San Francisco to be put in the armory as souvenirs of the trip. About onethird of these flags were taken from the cars. It is understood, of course that those who took them wanted them as relics, but it is not thought that they can get the satisfaction out of them that the members of the Rifles and their friends could if they were in the armory, and therefore it is requested that they be delivered at the armory.

> Norfolk Beet Sugar Factory. NORFOLK, Neb. Sept. 2 .- The factory of the American Beet Sugar company at this place is now on the eve of its ninth annual "campaign," as it is called. Since the factory finished grinding last winter extensive improvements have been made. Commencing last May a force of fifty men was put to work enlarging the grinding capacity of the plant. Six weeks ago fifty additional hands were added to the force and the improvements and repairs are being rushed with the intention of completing the work by the 10th of September. The factory has heretofore been rated as a 350-ton plant. Several times during the last campaign, however, the factory consumed as high as 370 tons of beets in twenty-four hours. To give the plant an increased output, a new second carbonation press and a new crystalfizer have been added and the two vacuum pans, weighing nearly twenty-three tons, each raised six feet. All the machinery in what is known as the finishing end of the factory has also been raised several feet. It is expected that the improvements made and additional machinery added will increase the grinding capacity of the factory to 400 tons, which means that Nebraska will this year largely increase its production of beet augar.

GREELEY CENTER, Neb., Sept. 2 The reunion of the Loup valley veterans closed here Friday and was very pleasant and auccessful throughout. The crowd was not as large as was expected, owing, no doubt to the fact that many are busy thrashing. the speakers were present to fill their places on the program with the exception of Congressman W. L. Stark. He was to have spoken but his private secretary, Mr. Burr, took his place. County Superintendent O'Malley made the address of welcome. Rev. Mr. Britt of Omaha then spoke,

Loup Valley Veterans.

Met Ensign Arthur Ravanaugh. TECUMSEH, Neb., Sept. 4 .- A Tecumseh party has received a letter from Church Howe, United States consul at Palmero, Sicily, in which Mr. Howe speaks of having called on Dewey and met Ensign Arthur Kavanaugh. The letter is written from Naples, under date of August 11, and reads in part as follows: "Yesterday I visited with Admiral Dewey and officers on board the flagship Olympia, at anchor in the harbor of Naples. The officer on duty to receive us as we boarded the Olympia was none other than Arthur Kavanaugh of Tecumseh, to whom I needed no introduction. Young Kavanaugh is the picture of health and a fine specimen of a typical American sailor. He made a splendid record at Manila, and the officers of the Olympia speak of him in the highest terms. He should receive a warm reception from the people of Tecumseh and Johnson county on his return

Safe Blown at Hemingford. HEMINGFORD, Neb., Sept. 4.- The large safe in Miller Z. Wildy's grain office was blown Wednesday night. The robbers succeeded in wrecking and opening the outer and inner doors of the safe, but the steel chest was not tampered with. It is evident that the culprits became frightened and left hurriedly, as a pocket knife, bottle of glycerine and a syringe, with which the explosive was applied, were left near the building and a pouch containing about \$8 in silver, which had not been placed in the chest, but was lying in the safe within full view, was not molested. There was about \$1,300 cash in the chest.

Only One Soldler for Albion. ALBION, Neb., Sept. 4 .- Sidney Eastman, Albion's representative in the First Nebraska, returned August 31 on the evening train from Columbus. All the business houses were closed. Company M, a delegation of the Grand Army of the Republic, a brass band, the mayor and city council, together with a concourse of citizens, escorted the returned soldier from the train to the Albion house, where he was given a reception. It is a noteworthy fact that Mr. Eastman has been in America a very short time and proves that America's foreign subjects are loyal by fighting for his adopted country.

Warm Welcome in S'ght. HOLDREGE, Neb., Sept. 4.-Great preparations have been made for a celebration here of the return of the men of the First Nebraska. Eighteen enlisted from this place and were enrolled in Companies I and E. On Monday the town will be filled with people who come to welcome the soldiers back home. The Grand Army of the Republic will act as special escort in the procession. An elaborate program has been prepared, including a parade, speeches, a bountiful dinner and fireworks in the evening. Free lemonade and 300 watermelons constitute a portion of the bill of fare.

Husband Returns Home Unexpectedly. FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 4.-A. L. Meadows, proprietor of one of the lead-. ing livery barns here, returned unexpectedly from a trip to Mound City, Mo. On arriving at his home he caught his wife and the hostler in his employ in a compromising position. Meadows kicked the door down and attacked the couple with a knife. In the darkness the woman received several bad gashes, the worst being about the throat and breast. In the excitement the hostler made his escape and the Francisco to meet the regiment when neighbors saw him running with but little clothing.

Outing of the National Guard.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 4.-Adjutant General Barry has nearly completed all arrangements for the annual encampment of the National Guard forces of the state, which will be held at Lincoln park, near this city, from September 9 to 14, inclusive. Orders were issued for Troop A of Seward to move overland to Lincoln from its headquarters. This will give the cavalrymen a taste of outdoor service. Adjutant General Barry has completed an estimate of the amount of food necessary for the troops during their stay in camp.

## New Foe to Beet Fields.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 4 .- A new for has appeared in the beet fields of the county and threatens some damage to the crop. It is a worm which spins its web around the top of the plant, then eats the leaves. It has already covered hundreds of acres of the Standard Cattle company's fields. The company has tried several kinds of remedies, but has about concluded it will have to rely upon Paris green to exterminate the pest.

Corporal Hull's Welcome. FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 4.-Fremont gave an impromptu demonstration in honor of Corporal Ariendel Hull, one of its three soldiers who served in the Philippines. He was a member of Company H of Nelson and went with the company to Superior from Lincoln. He arrived home on the afternoon train from that place and 1,000 citizens with band and cannon were at the train to give him welcome. He was escorted to his home by a long pro-

cession. Private Stanley Morrow Very Sick GENEVA. Neb., Sept. 4.-Private Stanley Morrow, who reached home Tuesday with the rest of the boys, was so sick he could not walk and is reported no better.

Neglected to Pay the Bank. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 4 .-

Judge B. S. Ramsey convened district court in this city and listened to the evidence in the case of the Nehawka bank against F. G. Ingersoll, et al. Hon. S. M. Chapman appeared for the plaintiff and Attorney General Smyth for the defendants. The evidence showed that Ingersoll borrowed money from the bank and bought a carkaad of cattie, which he shipped to South Omaha and sold, but neglected to pay the bank.