

NEWS OF THE WORLD

TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES BOILED DOWN.

Most Important Events of the Past Six Days Carefully Collected and Condensed—Foreign and Domestic Doings Chronicled for Busy People to Read.

Russia has occupied Port Arthur. Chris Von der Ahe is to quit baseball.

Germany is sending troops and arms to China. Italy has been shaken by strong earthquakes.

Sweden and Norway are at sword's points and may clash.

Alphonse Daudet died at Paris while dining with his family.

Theodore Durrant was re-sentenced to hang January 7 next.

Prince Henry has departed from Kiel to sail to Chinese waters.

The biscuit and cracker companies have combined. The capital is \$30,000,000.

Hon. J. W. Daniel was unanimously re-elected senator by the Virginia assembly.

After the first of the year Dallas, Tex., will be headquarters for the M. K. & T. R. R.

Senor Ismael has been entrusted with the task of forming a new cabinet for Chile.

Wm. J. Bryan gave a dinner to Mexicans and a few Americans at the City of Mexico.

J. H. Martindale of Seranton, Kan., was found frozen to death in a pasture near town.

Gertrude Prince, a white girl of Hayes, Wis., eloped with a negro and married him.

Minnesota and the Dakotas are having blizzards big enough to seriously impede business.

State Senator Ellsworth of New York will make another effort to get his anti-cartoon bill passed.

The next annual convention of the national republican league will be held at Omaha, June 14-16.

The Illinois Protective Building and Loan association, with head offices at Springfield, is hopelessly insolvent.

Fire destroyed the wholesale grocery of the Letts-Fletcher Co. Marshalltown, Ia. Loss \$132,000; insurance \$95,000.

Alexander Hogeland was re-elected president of the boys and girls' national home and employment association.

Theodore Durrant has stated that he will never hang. It is suspected that when all hope is gone he will commit suicide.

At its meeting in Nashville, the American Federation of Labor passed a resolution opposing the annexation of Hawaii.

Ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster says England is ready to grab Hawaii in case the annexation treaty is rejected.

The French government contemplates the suppression of the newspapers which are alleged to be systematically inventing Dreyfus stories.

The big auditorium and hotel at Kansas City, owned by Alexander Frazier and valued at \$225,000, was destroyed by fire. No lives were lost.

It is expected that the big drainage canal, which is to connect lake Michigan with the Illinois river at Joliet, will be completed by the autumn of 1899.

It is rumored if Italy seeks to collect indemnity for the murder of an Italian subject, President Sam of Hayti will be forced by the people to declare war.

William Terriss, a well known English actor was stabbed to death while entering the stage door of the Adelphi Theatre at London. A super is supposed to have done it.

The Hotel Dakotah, at Grand Forks, N. D., burned to the ground. It is feared that C. C. Howe and wife, and a passenger agent of Minneapolis, Minn., perished in the flames.

Wm. Carr was hanged December 17, at Liberty, Mo., for the murder of his three-year-old daughter whom he threw into the Missouri river, after weighting the body with stones.

Captain-General Blanco has written the Spanish legation at Washington that expelled Cubans may return to the island if they will promise to be good. The government offers to protect them.

The schooner Susan B. Thurlow, from New Brunswick to New York, foundered on the rocks off Cushing Island, three miles from Portland, Me., and all but one of the crew perished.

The funeral of Mother McKinley, held December 14, was attended by many thousands of people. Business in Canton was practically suspended and the city in mourning.

Governor Leedy announces that he will present a scheme to the Nebraska irrigation convention for a 1,000-mile canal from Montana to Texas, the cost of which would be \$300,000,000.

John Straub of Elk City, Kas., is dead. His two sons are dying and a Mr. Reed and his daughter are seriously ill, caused from drinking coffee into which rat poison had accidentally dropped.

Just at present the eyes of the world are centered on China. The powers are distrustful of each other. High officials believe there is no special significance in German occupation of Port Arthur, but the movements of the powers are being watched with interest. If England follows the lead of Germany and Russia, France will forthwith follow suit.

The Illinois State Grange and the American Federation of Labor have passed resolutions favoring postal savings banks.

Notices of a reduction of over 11 per cent in wages, in effect January 3, has been posted in the Falls River cotton mills district.

Henry N. Clark was arrested at Cripple Creek. He is accused of embezzling \$8,000 of the First National bank at Bridgeport, O.

At Paris, the famous artists' model, Lucie Hagerland, had her beauty spoiled by vitrol thrown at her by another model, named Juicicelli, in a fit of jealousy.

Texas was recently visited by the worst sleet storm in years.

It is said that Fitzsimmons has decided to give Corbett another fight.

It is said that Prince Bismark is rapidly declining, mentally and physically.

Samuel Gompers was re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor.

The American Biscuit company, the recently formed trust, is to invade foreign markets.

A number of Nebraska people were injured in the wreck of the Northwestern Overland at Valli, Ia.

John Redmond, the well known Irish leader, is coming to America to speak on the rebellion of 1798.

It is reported that Mrs. Lease is to go back Kansas and run for congress from Jerry Simpson's district.

La Minerve, the only French morning paper in Montreal, has suspended, after an existence of half a century.

Washington Hising, postmaster at Chicago under Cleveland, is dead. Heart failure caused death suddenly.

The big jewelry house of Mermord & Jackard, St. Louis, was destroyed by fire. The loss will reach \$350,000, fully covered.

Pardee hall, the pride of Lafayette college, Eaton, Pa., recently burned. The loss in botanical and other collections, books, etc., is incalculable.

London papers, in commenting on Kaiser Wilhelm's august utterances at Kiel on departure of the German fleet to China, say the emperor is "stark, staring mad."

The twelfth committee of the French chamber of deputies has decided to invite the government to submit a bill to the chamber establishing bimetalism in France.

Dover castle, the historic landmark of Dover, England, was visited by a disastrous fire which completely gutted the eastern portion of the old building and damaged that on the west.

German occupation of Kiao-Chau in China is to be followed by Russia occupation of Port Arthur. England is clamoring for a slice of the Chinese cake, and the mix-up may be followed by war.

Forty years ago the river steamer Arabia sank in the Missouri river near Parkville, Mo. Among her cargo were 165 barrels of whisky, which have just been discovered in a sandbar by river diggers.

One man was killed, one fatally injured and a number of others slightly hurt by the bursting of a fly wheel at the South Third street plant of the Oliver Iron and Steel company at Pittsburgh, Pa.

The whole gang of five bandits who recently held up the "sunset special" on the Southern Pacific at Stein's Pass, N. M., has been captured. The penalty for train robbing in New Mexico is death.

Thirty-five women have left New York under guidance of Mrs. Hanna Gould, daughter of a Long Island Quaker, for Klondike. All are well-to-do, and it is one of their purposes to "grab stake" the miners.

The committee appointed by Governor Adams of Colorado to investigate the recent Indian troubles in the vicinity of Lily Park, has reported. The report is an almost complete vindication of Game Warden Wileox.

The dead body of Mrs. Margaret Hogan was found in her store on Congress street, Mobile, Ala. An investigation showed the place had been robbed and the woman's brains knocked out with some blunt instrument.

On orders from Pekin the Chinese troops have been withdrawn still further from Kiao-Chau bay to prevent a conflict with Germany. Viceroy Chang-Chi-Tung denounces the cowardice of the Pekin authorities in yielding to Germany and declares his own readiness to lead the troops against the Germans.

Lieutenant-Colonel Joaquin Ruiz, aide-de-camp to General Blanco, who was sent to urge insurgents to accept autonomy, was killed in accordance with a decree issued by Gomez that the death penalty be given all persons who attempt to induce chiefs of the rebellion to surrender. Consul-General Lee made an attempt to save him but without avail. Sixteen hundred pacificos have joined the insurgents.

A special ca. dispatched by the Alaska Trade committee is now on its way east from San Francisco. It contains an exhibit of Alaskan products and Arctic costumes and is accompanied by Secretary Carmen, ex-Governor Shaekly and Charles R. Taylor, who will speak to the people en route regarding the recent gold discoveries and the advantages of San Francisco as a point of departure for the Klondike.

Hon. Wm. J. Bryan addressed the Mexican chamber of deputies on his visit to the City of Mexico. He was cordially greeted, the congressmen arising out of respect for their distinguished guest.

The Spanish government, it is announced, is again negotiating with the Armstrongs of England, this time for a cruiser of 4,300 tons, said to be worth \$300,000, built for Japan, but which Japan does not want. The vessel is said to be practically ready for sea.

Cigarettes in a Will.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Dec. 18.—The will of George S. Seaton, who died a few days ago, leaving a valuable estate, has been filed for probate. Mr. Seaton divided his property nearly equally among his children and grandchildren. In case any of the legatees become addicted to the use of cigarettes, their share shall be given to some charitable institution.

Chinese May Be Citizens.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Representative Smith, of Illinois, by request, introduced a bill to-day to permit the naturalization of Americanized Chinese, making eligible only male Chinese of good repute, resident in the United States for ten years, who have discarded the Chinese dress, adopted that of this country and who speak English.

Lewis Leland, Hotel Keeper, Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Lewis Leland, one of the Leland family of famous hotel men, died to-day, aged 65.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM OVER THE STATE.

A Complete Review of the Past Week's Happenings in the Tree Planters' State—Succinct Summary of the Most Important News.

One hundred and thirty-seven car loads of celery were shipped from Kearney this season.

Marvin Stafford, while out hunting near David City, accidentally shot himself through the arm and left side. It is not thought the wound is mortal.

As a number of 100-pound sacks of sugar were being raised to the second story at the Norfolk sugar factory, one fell on a workman named Amerine, breaking a rib and bruising him.

William D. Kirkland, a painter aged twenty-three, attempted to commit suicide by taking laudanum in his room at the Commercial hotel at Shelton. Medical assistance arrived, however, in time to save his life.

Arthur Hoagland of North Platte, a Union Pacific brakeman, while trying to make a coupling at Julesburg, Col., slipped and fell beneath the moving train. He managed to wriggle out in time to save all but his left arm.

Five tramps attempted to take possession of Turner & Brenner's elevator office at Winslow for a lodging room, and Marshal Cavanaugh found it necessary to shoot one of them in the leg with a shot gun in order to dislodge the gang.

Winford Vernon, aged twenty, son of a farmer near Crab Orchard, while on his way to Tecumseh in a buggy, was struck by a train while crossing the track at a point where it was almost impossible to see an approaching train. Young Vernon was injured internally, and may perhaps die.

Mayor Moores of Omaha has demanded a trial by jury in the action in quo warrantu instituted by ex-Mayor Bronateh to test Mr. Moores' right to hold the office of mayor, the relator claiming that Mr. Moores was in default as clerk of the district court and therefore ineligible under the constitution.

W. D. Acor of Fremont was arrested and taken to Omaha by United States Marshal Allen to answer to having violated the postal laws. When arrested the old gentleman was greatly agitated. In writing to H. D. Blakelie, his former partner, he used language which the department construed as reflecting upon Blakelie's character.

Warden Leidigh has asked Governor Hoolemb to take steps to place Fred Andrews in the reform school. Andrews was sent up from Dodge county for one year for the theft of a bicycle. The warden says the youth gives his age as sixteen but that he does not look to be older than twelve, and that he is averse to having so young a lad mixed up with a lot of hardened criminals.

Local freight train No. 39 on the Elkhorn was wrecked between Arlington and Bennington. The train left Omaha a double-header, with twenty-six cars of merchandise under Conductor Forney. On the big hill between the stations mentioned the train broke in two and came together at the foot. Five cars were smashed, three of them beyond repair and the contents generally wrecked. The track was clear before passenger trains began to move.

Ex-Land Commissioner A. R. Humphrey appeared as attorney for Custer county clients before the board of educational lands and funds. In the matter of a protest of W. H. Forsyth against a lease covering a certain quarter section it was claimed that Forsyth had an extension of contract from ex-Land Commissioner Russell. It was shown that no extension had been granted. The board laid the matter over to the January meeting in order to give time for the collection of evidence as to service of notice.

C. N. Jones, Rock Island agent at Harlan, swore out a complaint before United States Commissioner Billingsley at Lincoln charging Claud H. Temple with obstructing the mails. Jones, on November 24, was carrying the mail between the depot and the postoffice, when a personal altercation ensued which resulted in the complaint. Temple is a physician and was recently appointed a pension examiner. The assault is alleged to be because Jones did not call in the physician when his wife needed attendance.

Dick Eastwood, the ten-year-old boy of Lincoln, charged with opening the United States mails and with forgery in signing a mail order not for him, and with two other felonies in destroying a \$50 draft and keeping two letters, was bound over to the next term of United States court. He furnished a \$500 bond signed by E. Hunger, R. Malone and A. E. Hargreaves. The federal laws make no provision for infant offenders and it is a matter of speculation what will be done with the boy in case of conviction, as it would not do to give him ten or fifteen years in the penitentiary.

An effort is being made by Harvard citizens to secure a creamery, and there is a disposition to "push" things.

A meeting of the county treasurers of Southwest Nebraska was held at McCook and steps taken to test the decision of Attorney-General Smyth's opinion touching the question of treasurers fees, which has the effect of reducing their salaries about \$280. The test will be made in the name of Treasurer John A. Pearson of Phelps county. A fund has been created, atorneys will be retained and the opinion closely contested.

Kenesaw has a newly organized creamery association.

The mayor of Hastings has abolished slot machines by a rigid order.

Indianapolis, Ind., has a curfew law patterned after the original Lincoln, Neb., measure.

Farmers in the vicinity of Auburn have subscribed \$4,000 stock for a modern creamery at Auburn.

Fire destroyed about 100 stalls at the fair grounds in Lincoln, entailing a probable loss of \$2,000.

Perry Whalen was arrested at Fremont for trying to pass checks, the signatures to which were forged.

Judge Holmes of Lancaster district court recently granted a divorce to Mrs. Nellie A. Francis of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Enemies of James Cook, a farmer, living near Plattsmouth, drained his pond dry and thus shut off his supply of ice.

Herman Neal and Jule Wittmire, arrested at Oakland for stealing grain, have been bound over to the district court.

Senator Allen has introduced a bill to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Joseph McGraw of Lincoln.

Governor Hoolemb will deny the jurisdiction of court in the case of Expert Helbig's claim against the legislative investigating committee.

Mrs. Fred Hoyt of Gordon died after a short illness and it was discovered her system was full of poison from a patent medicine she had taken for rheumatism.

Boston capitalists have accepted the proposition of Fremont's business men, of a bonus of \$50,000 and forty acres of land, and will establish a sugar factory at that point of 500-ton capacity.

Several stores, a barber shop and the schoolhouse at Elba, in Howard county, were recently looted. The net cash receipts netted less than \$15, but about \$1,500 worth of notes were secured.

The state printing board let the contract for printing 11,000 copies of the Lincoln day program to the State Journal, its bid of \$5.65 a page being the lowest. The program is to be used in the schools February 12.

Herbert Jellison, a B. & M. brakeman, had his hand pinched and elbow injured somewhat in the yards at Table Rock recently. The wounded arm was dressed by a surgeon and it is thought his hand will be saved.

Deputy United States marshal Allen of Omaha arrested T. M. Davis, colored cook at the Merchants hotel at Fremont. He is wanted by Iowa authorities and is charged with selling liquor without a special government license.

Mr. Proskowaty of the imperial and royal consulate of Austria-Hungary at Chicago, has been supplied with a copy of the Nebraska anti-trust law by Secretary of the State Porter. The consul requested copies of the law to send to his home government.

John Gillespie, a well known Nebraska pioneer, died at his home in Lincoln. Mr. Gillespie's greatest work in the building of Nebraska was connected with the selection of the site for the new city of Lincoln and the removal of the seat of state government to the new location. As territorial auditor and a member of the capital commission he had as much to do as anybody now living with the birth of the city of Lincoln.

Judge Dickinson made quick work of the motion to set the Bartley case down for hearing at the close of the present term of court, for before any of the attorneys had a chance to say anything he announced that on the showing made by the defense and the question as to the legality of the summoning of a jury at that time, he would put the case over until the next term. This will only delay the trial about two weeks, as it will come up at the head of the docket at the February term.

The body of an unknown man was found on the main line of the B. & M. road a short distance west of Stockwell's brick yard southwest of Lincoln. The back of the man's head was crushed in and nearly every bone in his body must have been broken, for his feet lay in a natural position when found and his face and breast were turned to the ground. The body was almost stripped of the clothing which was found at intervals for more than a mile along the track. His identity is not known, but it is believed he is a resident of Denton a town a little west of Lincoln.

C. L. Davidson of Tarrytown, N. Y., wrote to Secretary of State Porter to find out if Nebraska had a law against progressive euchre. He was told that there was not and never had been.

State Superintendent Jackson, as one member of a committee appointed to formulate a plan and to ascertain the sentiment of the educational people towards a proposed educational convention in Omaha during the exposition, has sent out a circular letter to superintendents in other states. The date suggested for holding the educational convention is the week beginning June 20.

Eva Henderson has sued the City of South Omaha for \$10,000 damages to her property, sustained by reason of street grading.

As a result of running a rock, Justice Wintersteen of Fremont is laid up with a wrenched back. He was thrown out of his sleigh.

Dick Eastwood, a 16-year-old bell boy at a Lincoln hotel has been apprehended for theft of letters for guests. He usually went after the mail, and purloined the letters between the office and the hotel. He implicates another lad, Ernest Beck. Both may go to the reform school.

BARTLEY AGAIN SUED

FOR EMBEZZLEMENT OF SCHOOL FUNDS.

First Term Bondsmen Defendants in an Action to Recover \$335,000 of School Money—Petition of Attorney-General Smyth.

Suit in the name of the state has been filed against ex-State Treasurer Bartley and his first term bondsmen for \$335,000. Attorney-General Smyth filed the petition in the Lancaster county district court. The amount sued for is said to represent school funds. It was originally included in the suit brought in Douglas county for \$556,000, but as the embezzlement of school funds occurred at the state capitol the offense complained of took place in Lancaster county and for this reason a separate suit is instituted.

The sureties who signed Bartley's first term bond qualified collectively for \$250,000 over and above liabilities.

The bond sued upon was approved by two different governors. It was approved by James E. Boyd, the outgoing governor, January 5, 1893, and by Governor Crouse January 16.

The attorney-general states in the petition that he brings this action as well of his own motion as also by the request and direction of the governor.

It is recited that Bartley was elected treasurer in November, 1893, for a term of two years, beginning the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January 1893; that Bartley took the oath of office January 5, 1893, and gave bond for the term, which bond was approved January 5, by the governor and the defendant's delivered the bond to the secretary of state for record on that date. The terms of the bond were that Bartley as principal and all of the sureties were bound unto the state in the sum of \$250,000 for the faithful performance of the principal's duties as state treasurer. Bartley served until January 3, 1895 when he surrendered his office to his successor, namely, himself, and continued to hold the office until January 7, 1897. It was the duty of Bartley as treasurer to receive and keep all public money's belonging to the state, and to account and pay over all moneys received by him to his successor.

The petition alleges that Bartley did not well and truly perform the duties of treasurer during his first term, but on the contrary refused in divers matters and particulars to do so.

For assigning specific violation of the bond the attorney-general alleges that Bartley, in the county of Lancaster, on or about May 24, 1894, did unlawfully convert to his own use \$335,000 of state money, which sum he has "fallen and refused to account for to the state of Nebraska in any manner whatever." Judgment for this amount with interest, is asked for.

In an affidavit the attorney-general swears that he believes the parts stated in the petition to be true, and the reason why plaintiff does not make the affidavit of verification is that it is not competent, in its sovereign or corporate capacity, to do so.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Some Figures which May be of Interest to the Reader.

State Superintendent Jackson is at work on his annual report to the governor. Information relating to public schools is set forth in the report. It is shown that the cost of educating children has decreased during the past two years, but so has the average wages of teachers. Expenditures of all kinds have decreased as well as the indebtedness of schools, though the value of district property remains about the same. The following statistics are for the school years ending July 2, 1897, and July 2, 1896. The first column of figures represents 1897, and the last column 1896:

Table with 2 columns: 1897 and 1896. Rows include: Counties, Districts, School houses, Teachers employed, Average monthly salary of teachers, Total number of pupils, Total amount paid for books and supplies, Total amount paid for fuel, Total amount paid for other expenses, Total amount paid for all expenses, Total amount received from parents, Total amount received from other sources, Total amount received from all sources, Total amount of indebtedness, Total amount of property, Total amount of surplus.

Carl Mersheim, who sells cigars on Loest street in Omaha for a living, has brought suit against August Arriens, one of the proprietors of a local milling company, claiming \$40,000 for the alleged alienation of his wife's affections and her ruin and dishonor.

The district court room at Plattsmouth was crowded to overflowing when the preliminary hearing of Herbert Mecum, the man accused of assaulting young Peter Curtis at Union a month since, was held Judge Archer, Curtis, the lad who was held up, beaten, gagged and bound and left for dead, was sufficiently recovered to appear on the witness stand and identify the prisoner as his assailant. Sufficient evidence was presented to justify Judge Archer in binding him over to district court under a thousand dollar bond. The trial will probably come up before a special jury panel at the present term of court.

KANSAS CITY'S BIG FIRE

The Auditorium Totally Destroyed—A Fine Theater in Ruins.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—At 3 o'clock this morning a man rushed into the Auditorium hotel from the street and told the night clerk that the building was afire. He had seen it from the street through one of the windows on the top floor. The night clerk turned in the alarm to the fire department, but the flames had gained such headway and the fire service was so poor that little was done to save the building. When the sun came up this morning the Auditorium theater and hotel, from roof to cellar, was a smoking pile of ice and ashes and crumbling walls. The fire destroyed entirely the beautiful building, one of the most perfectly appointed theaters in the United States.

In the southwest corner of the building, just under the cornice, were the servant's quarters, and it was here that the fire started. No one knows its origin, but it is supposed that two electric wires became crossed and threw out little sparks which set afire the furniture of one of the unoccupied rooms. The fire must have begun before midnight. It smoldered for an hour, working its way about the unoccupied room, devouring quietly the woodwork, the bedding and the furniture, gathering enough strength for the onslaught.

Through every corridor and hall of the big building the cry rang out, "Fire! Here! Get up and save your goods!" A few guests were aroused instantly. They put on their clothes and rushed out into the halls. They did not lose their senses, but set about rousing the guests. Women, children and men scrambled out of bed and rushed to the door at the knock and the warning cry, but were told to take their time about dressing, as the danger was not immediate.

In five minutes from the time the alarm was turned in the hotel was swarming like a bee hive with the guests. Comparatively few of the guests were panic-stricken, however. The women went down in the elevator and the men took the baggage down the stairs. For half an hour the guests sat in the parlor on the first floor next to the office and heard nothing but the most reassuring reports. They had seen no fire and smelt no smoke and they began to regard it all as a huge joke. They stood around the office and the parlor and joked about it and called it a surprise party. If they had known the real danger, if they could have learned that the whole building was doomed, they would have had plenty of time to save everything of value in all the rooms, including even the furniture. But the real state of things was not known, or if known, was not told to them.

Firemen came in the hotel office and the parlor and told the guests that they need have no fear, as the building would soon be saved. They did not seem to realize the extent of the fire. When they did realize it they lost their senses and rushed frantically about, without direction or control. They swarmed up and down the stairs in the smoke and the darkness, shouting and screaming orders that no one heeded or understood. They stamped and raved like mad men at times, and when guests who knew the hotel told them where the fire could be got at best, they told them to mind their own affairs and the firemen would take care of the building.

The fire was forced by the play of the hose in the hands of the firemen through the open door of the fire-proof wall into the hotel. As other flames had run across the roof and eaten downward into the actors' quarters near the hotel kitchen on the lower floor, the doomed hotel lay between the two fires and could not be saved.

The theater was managed by Burgess & Paxton of Omaha, and the Woodward Stock company, at popular prices, had been playing at the theater since October 8, to an immense business.

The total loss, as near as Alex Fraser, the owner of the building, can now estimate, is \$300,000. On this he had \$78,000 insurance, making his net loss about \$222,000. The building cost originally about \$300,000.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Two Opposing Kansas Delegations See the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Yesterday was Kansas day at the White house, and both factions of the politicians of the state who are here in search of patronage, had their innings before President McKinley. Colonel D. R. Anthony and Representative Curtis were the first callers to get President McKinley's ear about that much-disputed control of the Kansas patronage. They argued that Senator Baker's recommendations in the matter of Kansas appointments be followed to the letter.

They had scarcely left the President when Cyrus Leland and a party of his followers, including Calvin Hood and J. M. Simpson, came in at the main door of the White House. The two delegations did not speak as they passed by.

Local Kansans think Baker will win out in his fight with Leland, and that he will control Kansas patronage in the future.

FOR CRUELTY TO HIS WIFE

The Postmaster of Sedalia, Mo., Loom His Entire Family by Court Decree.

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 22.—In the Pettis county circuit court to-day Judge Longan granted a divorce to Mrs. Katherine R. Hart from V. P. Hart, postmaster of this place, on the ground of general indignities. The custody of the children was also granted to the plaintiff. The divorced couple were married in Linn county, Iowa, July 18, 1878.