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WASBINGTON, January 26 .- [Special Telegram]-Commissioner Sparks of the general land office to-day received delegations from Aberdeen (Dak.) and Omaha (Neb.) In each instance his visitors called to protest against certain rulings of the land office, and learn from the commissioner verbally something definite regarding his intentions. The Aberdeen delegation presented a long memorial, signed by Delegate Gifford and several other western representatives, setting forth the troubles of the land business. It was claimed that the withholding of patents and the cancellation of entries were inflicting hardships upon innocent persons and frightening capital out of the new settlements. The burden of the address in effect was that the receipts given by the district land officers should be final, in order that

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money loaned on such receipts would be secured. Another feature of the memorial was the statement that investigation of fraudulent entries after the issuance of land office receipts inflicted injury upon the innocent purchasers of the land.

Commissioner Sparks met the vari ous phases of the case in the following sentiment: "The land office receipts cannot be final under the law. If you wish the law changed you must appeal to congress. The decisions of the courts are plain upon this point. This department cannot amend the law. It is our duty simply to enforce it. A person more Northern capital will find its way loaning money upon the land office receipt and taking a mortgage is perfectly secure if the entry was made in good faith. I apprehend that no man loans money upon public lands in this stage | reasonably safe investment. without knowing something about the improvements, the actual residence and does he is not ordinarily prudent. The bona fide settler who is making his home upon the land, and has substantial improvements, will not be molested. The man who goes there with all he has, enters land in good faith, maintains a

bought a new carpet and a specimen of the kind of biped hog mentioned had ruined a considerable area of it during one evening's chewing performance. It was publicly announced in church that he would have to buy a new piece of carpet or stand a law suit for damages and a criminal prosecution for misdemeanor. Everybody will be glad that one such individual is to be taught a lesson .-- Philadelphia Times. It is neither in the interest of truth nor to advance the welfare of Florida that half the reports of the recent damages by the cold wave in that state are published. Undoubtedly great damage has been done, but that the state has received any shock from which it is im-

THE tobacco-shewing young man who

decorates the floor, regardless of where

he is, will be very apt to give a certain

Harrisburg church a wide berth hereaf-

ter. The church in question had just

possible to promptly recover is absurd. Frequently the seeming calamities that visit communities are in reality but blessings in disguise, as the handsome buildings that now stand where tumble down tenements once were the order on the streets of improved Chicago bear witness. If this experience teaches the people of Florida not to devote their land entirely to the production of one fruit it will probably have been cheaply learned. As for the assertion that no to Florida, it may be said that Northern capital will find its way to any and every place where it can secure profitable and

THE civil service law is a thorn in the the good faith of the pre-emptor. If he sides of the spoils Congressmen, but they do not care to fly from the ills of a want of patronage to the worse ill of a want of votes when they come up for re-election. For this very convincing reason the House committee on civil habitable dwelling, and does what he service reform has decided to report adean in the way of cultivating his farm, versely upon all bills looking to a reis a safe person to loan money to. He is not going to be disturbed. On the peal of the law. It is understood, how This house has been completely renovated contrary, I mean that he shall be pro- ever, that the committee is not averse tected. It is the chap who is not mak- to amending the law under the claim of





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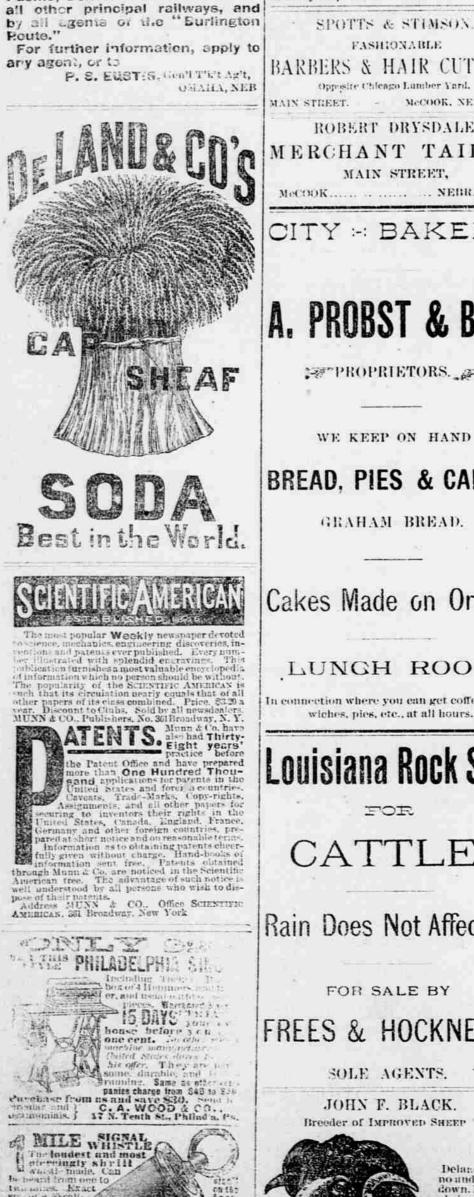
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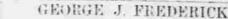
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