OVER THE STATE.

MISCELLANEOUS STATE MATTERS.

THE Nebraska Live Stock Shippers' association held its second meeting in the Exchange hotel at South Omaha on the 15th, being called to order by President Gibbs of York. Nearly all those who were present at the first meeting answered to the roll call, and the membership was augmented by eight new recruits. Considerable business was transacted, the principal of which was the adoption of a resolution declaring that unless the commission men locate at Omaha, Lincoln and other Nebraska points, deal fairly by the shippers, they will be forced to take their trade to other markets. While preferring to patronize the home markets, they do not consider it the right thing for the commission men to place buyers of their own upon the road, thereby injuring the business of the regular shippers; and furthermore they protest against the practice, which seems to be prevalent to some extent, of delaying the shipments made by the shippers in order to push the stock bought by their agents to the front and obtain first sale.

NELLIE RUSSELL of Omaha, a somewhat attractive 13-year-old girl, was sent to the reform school on the 15th by Judge Neville. She was brought into court by her father who charged her with incorrigibility. She will be kept at the farm until she is of age or reforms.

THE Bowen Herald says that John Daugherty of Indian Creek and L. W. Bryan of Bodarc while out hunting ran upon a drove of deer nine in number, and after an hour's brisk work succeeded in bagging seven and wounding one out of the bunch.

Miss Bechert of Omaha, fell into a well a distance of twenty feet, and strange to say was but slightly hurt.

Washington special: R. E. Gaylord of Omaha was presented to the president today by Congressman McShane. The president was surprised that Gaylord was not after an office. Mr. Cleveland said: "As soon as I get through with this, meaning the presidency, Ishall go to Omaha to look alter our interests there. I am pleased at Omaha's growth. It has a great future."

BLAKELY, in Madison county, has organized a lodge of Good Templars, starting out with a membership of nineteen.

H. J. RIVER, a prominent citizen of Fairbury, died at Los Angeles, Cal. The remains were brought home.

Hastings claims over \$10,000 inhabi-In the legislature up to the 15th, 116

bills had been indefinitely postponed. On Valentine's day Elder Howe, the guardian of the poor of Lincoln, received three letters each containing \$5. The

money has been used where it done the most good. A MAN named John Francis, while driving into Kearney with a load of hay, was thrown off, striking his head upon the frozen ground, cutting a large gash and fracturing the skull. He was unconscious for a number of days, but is improving

slowly. THE G. A. P. hall at Hastings will be dedicated on the 22d inst.

A PROFESSIONAL burglar was bagged at Lincoln the other night. He was captured by a member of the legislature, through whose effects he was going at the time of

BURGLARS have been operating at Weeping Water, but without very great success. GEORGE HALL, the watchman who was assaulted in Hammond's packing house, in South Omaha, having his skull crushed, will not live. The man charged with the deed has been arrested. He formerly held the place that had been given to Hall.

At Smartville, George, the twelve-year old son of Joe Smith, got on the north bound train to purchase a newspaper, and being detained in making change, did not attempt to get off until the train started. He jumped backwards, falling on his head on the platform, the severe jar rendering him insensible. He will not die.

BEN McCoy, of Auburn, s. well known contractor, was struck by a locomotive at South Omaha last week, receiving quite

King Theebaw has advised the Burmese to

submit to the British rule. It is rumored that a charter will soon be

granted to the lodge of Masons at Wahoo. This will insure the chapter for the Royal Arch Masons at that place.

A BILL, reported as more especially to to meet the case of Mr Scully, who owns 150,000 acres of land in Nuckoils county, which he refuses to sell at any price, has peen introduced in the legislature to make the lands of a non-resident alien at his death revert to the state.

FRED GROSS, a business man and capital- of labor and industrial statistics. To apist of Kansas City, is in Omaha with a propriate \$3,988.80 for compensating view of putting in another cable line this Charles A. Johnson for destruction of his year. His proposition is to build seven and a half or eight miles of cable if he can secure a franchise from the city council. A company will be formed with a capital stock of \$100,000, all to be invested in Omaha, and the plant is to be first-class-

\$1,200 cars and \$875 grips. WASHINGTON special: Eliza L. Meyser has been appointed postmistress at Endicott, Neb., vice John Convers, resigned; at Village Creek, Ia., Daniel B. Brennan, vice James B. Brennan, resigned; at Volney, Fred W. Tangerman, vice J. P. Emerson, resigned.

Brown county has eight flouring mills in operation.

A LEGION of Select Knights has been or-

ganized at Grand Island. A BILL has been introduced in the legistions to the free passage of fish up and down the streams.

THE commissioner of lands and buildings is issuing a large number of deeds the present winter on school lands wherein final payments are made and final title passes.

TICKETS for the Patti performance in Omaha will range from \$1 to \$4, according to choice of location of seat.

RAILWAY postoffice service has been established on the line of the Burlington & Missouri River railroad in Nebraska between Fairmount and Chester, distance forty-eight miles, to take effect February 21, the line to be known as the Fairmount and Chester railway postoffice. Railway postoffice service has also been established on the line of the Nebraska & Colorado railroad between Edgar and Curtis, Neb., distance 153 miles, to take effect February 21, the line to be known as the Edgar and

Curtis railway postoffice. A very sensational divorce suit was filed in the district court of Lancaster county last week. Matilda Bailey figures as the plaintiff who prays the court to sever the nuptial bonds that bind her to Thomas Bailey. The parties in the con are well-known residents of Seward county, where they have mainly resided since their marriage at Lyons, Ia., in August 1868. Mrs. Bailey is now living in Lancas ter county, while her husband, who is said to worth \$75,000, still operates the Sewcounty homestead.

GOVERNOR JOHN M. THAYER, department commander, G. A. R., of Nebraska, has issued a circular in which he says that for the purpose of securing the location of the Ninth annual reunion of soldiers and sailors to be held this year at such time as may be designated, sealed proposals will be re ceived at department headquarters in Grand Island until March 12, from cities, towns and villages of the state. Propositions must be accompanied by a written guarantee endorsed by five or more responsible persons, that their locality will furnis free of charge, at least 240 acres of ground, seventy-five tons of hay, fifty tons of straw and 100 cords of wood all delivered by or before the first Friday prior to the reunion; also a good quality and sufficient quantity of water, forty tons of ice delivered during the week; tents, camp equipage, munitions of war, and all other articles necessary for use and convenience at such a gathering.

SENATOR MANDERSON has got an appropriation through the senate of \$100,000 to enlarge the postoffice and custom house building at Omaha.

THE Blair waterworks paid for themselves on the occasion of the first fire, doing splendid execution and saving the town from what at the outset threatened a costly conflagration.

SAM STEVENSON and Jim Lindsey, of Omaha, had trouble about the same girl and agreed to settle the affair in a "friendly bout." Twelve stubborn rounds were fought in the presence of about one hundred persons. On the thirtsenth round both men refused to toe the mark, and the fight was declared a draw.

THE NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE LINCOLE, Feb. 12.-House.-A large printing and public posting of schedules of freight rates was indefinitely postponed. Senate file number forty-three, the threecent passenger rate bill, was advanced to third reading, the motion by which it was placed on general file being reconsidered. H. R. No. 96, appropriating \$5,000 for ex-Gov. Furnas, was formally reported. H. R. No. 414, the bill creating an industrial home, was reported for indefinite postponement, but on motion of Young, was placed on the general file. Wilsey offered a resolution setting forth that there were in the hands of the committee on banking and currency several bills that were given them thirty days ago, and which ought to have been reported long ago, and requesting the committee to report immediately on the bills in their hands. The resolution was rejected.

LINCOLN, FEB. 12 .- SENATE .- The Lincoln charter bill was read the third time, and when put to vote was passed by the unanimous vote of the senate. When the order of bills on their third reading was reached in the afternoon, under which the Omaha charter was the first on the list, Lininger stated that several members were absent, and moved that the order be suspended. The motion carried, and this order, with the Omaha charter at the front, will be the first thing before the senate Monday. The judicial districting bill was read the third time and passed. No other business was transacted except to receive the reports of a few committees, and the senate adjourned until Monday at 2 p. m,

LINCOLN, Feb. 14.-Senate.-The entire forenoon session to-day was consumed by the third reading of the Omaha charter, and a portion of the afternoon was taken up in the completion of this formidable task. When the reading had been completed, at 3:45 p. m., Robbins, of Valley, moved an adjournment, stating that several gentlemen who wished to be here when the bill was acted upon were absent, one or two of these being sick. The motion was lost by a vote of 10 13. A vote was then taken which resulted as follows: Ayes-Burnham. Calkins, Casper, Conger, Duras, Fuller, Heartwell, Higgins of Cass, Higgins of Colfax. Keckley, Lininger, Majors, Meiklejohn, Moore, Robbins, Schmiuke, Snell, Sprick, Ste ling. Tzschuck, Wolbach, Wright-22. Noes-Bonescell, Campbell, Lindsay, Linn and Shervin. Absent-Brown, Colby, Holmes and Vandemark. Excused from voting-Kent and McNamar. The senate then went into committee of the whole and considered a few bills of

small importance. LINCOLN, Feb. 14 .- HOUSE .- The following bills were passed: To establish a bureau property in the endeavor to capture a murderer in Burt county. To provide for disposition of unclaimed moneys in the hands of the county treasurers collected as penalties for unpaid taxes. The bill to provide for collecting delinquent taxes by distress was lost, receiving only 44 votes, with 43 in the negative. The bill did not receive a constitutional majority, which is 51. The same fate befel the bill to allow road overseers \$2 per day, provided that they should not receive more than \$30 per year. The vote was 45 to 36. The bill to provide for appointment of commissioners of deeds in foreign counties and legalize their actions, was recommended for passage. The senate memorial and resolution, urging upon congress the passage of the inter-state commerce bill, was indefinitely postponed. LINCOLN, Feb. 15 .- SENATE .- The prohibition amendment bill was the first on third reading in the senate this morning. It was moved and carried to recommit by

A BILL has been introduced in the legis-a vote of 11 to 7. S. F. No. 23, Colby's lature to prohibit all kinds of fishing in the bill, providing for the arbitration of conwaters of Nebraska except with a hook troversies between corporations and laborand line. It also prohibits all obstructers, was passed by a vote of 18 to 8. S. F. No. 28. Bobbins' bill, regulating the issuing of liquor licences, was passed by a vote of 19 to 8. S. F. No. 45. Snell's bill, granting the right of municipal suffrage to women, was defeated by a vote of 17 to 11. S. F. No. 97, relating to cities and villages, was recommitted to the committee of the whole. S. F. No. 64 was recommitted to the general file. S. F. No. 145. Kent's bill, relating to the publication of reports of the agricultural and horticul-

tural societies, passed by a vote of 26 to 1.

Lincoln, Feb. 15 .- House .- The bill for establishment of a soldiers' home was or dered engrossed for third reading. Grand Island was selected as the place for the home. After receiving a large number of reports from committees the house went into committee of the whole for consideration of bills relating to the public institutions. The committee on public lands and buildings not being ready to report the committee rose and asked for further time. This was granted and the house immediately went back into committee of the whole for consideration of bills on the general file. Egaleston's bill appropriating \$50,000 for a building on the University grounds, was taken up for consideration. It was recommended for passage. A large number of other bills were considered but none of them were of importance. An effort was made to make the report of the committee on privileges and elections relative to the contested case of Snell vs. Mc-Kenna a special order for 2 p. m. to-morrow, but it failed. The following resolu-tion was passed: That the state board of public printing be and is hereby instructed to enforce the provisions of the contract for the printing of the house rolls and sen-

LINCOLN, Feb. 16 .- SENATE .- The following bills were passed: Relating to the taking of depositions. Providing that sales of school lands which were sold without first being offered at public sale shall not be invalidated for that reason. Fixing the fees of county officers. Providing for the annexing of territory by cities of the second class and villages. Amending the proceedings in replevin cases. Relating to the execution of deeds. Defining the boundaries of Thomas county. Providing for the formation of new counties out of existing

LINCOLN, Feb. 16.-House.-The public buildings committee reported unfavorably on the bill for the establishment of a home for indigent children. A minority report signed by Diller, Bailey and Minnix, recommended the passage of the bill. Whitmore advocated the passage of the bill. The nouse went into committee of the whole at 10:30 to consider the special order, the bill establishing an asylum for the incurable insane at Hastings. After long discussion the committee agreed to recommend the bill for passage and the house adopted the report by a vote of 50 to 39. The bill providing for the establishment of a soldiers' iome at Grand Island was put on its passage and passed by a vote of 92 ayes, with no dissenting votes. Agee's bill providing for the establishment of a normal school at Aurora, was recommended for passage. Mr. Whitmore introduced a resolution asking our members of congress to urge the president to make the appointments for the new land offices in Nebraska, so that they may be confirmed at the present session of congress. The resolution was

LINCOLN, Feb. 17 .- SENATE. - The senate consumed several hours vesterday afternoon over the bill repealing the railroad commission law. A favorable report was agreed upon by the committee of the whole with but little opposition, but when it came to the adoption of the report a fight was made by the enemies of the bill. After number of committee reports were re- Sterling introduced an amendment which seived. Whitmore's bill providing for the practically substitutes for the bill the commission bill agreed upon by the joint committee of the two houses. After much debate the bill was recommitted to the committee of the whole by a vote of 16 to 15. the president casting the sixteenth and deciding vote. After a little business had been transacted Sterling moved that the bill with its amendments be printed and made a special order for Monday at 10 o'clock a. m. The motion was carried.

LINCOLN, Feb. 17 .- House .- The Omaha charter bill was referred to the judiciary committee. The following bills were passed: Relating to registration and judgments against counties. Relating to mechanics' and laborers' liens. Appropriating \$50,-000 for the erection of an industrial school building upon the university campus. Providing for issuing and payment of school district bonds. Prohibiting non-resident aliens from acquiring real estate in Nebraska, and providing that property now held by such owners shall revert to the state on their decease and the heirs be paid its value out of the school fund. Relating to the purchase, lease and sale of railroads in certain cases. Making 3 cents a mile the maximum passenger rate upon all railroads of the state. The bill now goes to the governor for his signature. Providing that articles of incorporation must fix the highest amount of indebtedness and liabilities to which the subject shall at any time be subject, which must in no case except in that of risks of insurance companies guaranteed and collateral trust, bonds of trust and loan companies, and deposits in banks, exceed two-thirds of its capital stock. Providing that counties and towns shall be liable for damages for personal injuries caused by defective highways and bridges.

LINCOLN, Feb. 8.-SENATE.-The senate met and after spending about two hours on bills on the first and second reading, adjourned until 10 o'clock next Wednesday morning. This is not a longer adournment than is allowed by the constitut tion, as Sunday and Washington's birthday, two holidays are included in the time.

LINCOLN, Feb. 18.-House.-The forenoon was consumed by the house in a debate upon the railroad commission law, which came before the house on a motion by Whitmore to make H. R. 192, the joint committee commission bill, a special order for 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The yeas and nays were called on the motion to make the bill a special order for 3 p. m., and it was lost by a vote of 62 to 32-less than a two-thirds affirmative vote. As soon as the order of bills on their passage had been finished, Agee moved that H. R. No. 192, the committee commission bill over which the struggle was had this morning, be taken up for consideration, and moved the previous question. The previous question was ordered, and on roll call the vote stood: Ayes 64, noes 28. The first ten sections of the bill were adopted. The following bills were passed: H. R. No. 44 -Aiken-Amending the road laws. H. R. 179—Dempster—Providing for the appointment of registrar of deeds, H. R. No. 146-White-Relating to secret societies.

FOUR GREAT LIBEL SUITS.

St. Louis dispatch: Col. R. D. Lanaster, surveyor of the port, and an intimate friend of Senator Vest, will file in the circuit court to morrow or Monday libel suits against the New York Herald, the New York Tribune, Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette and John M. Glover the damages in each case being placed at \$100,000. Congressman Glover, who has been for years a bitter political foe of Lancaster, recently wrote an open letter to Senator Vest, which was given general circulation among politicians, and which charged Lancaster with grave political crimes. The papers named are alleged to have printed some of the allegations made in the letter in their issues of January 25.

A dispatch from Victoria, British Columbia, in announcing the building of the Canadian Pacific shops at Yale states that no through mail has been receive for tweeve days on account of snow blockades, and that the telegraph lines along the track have been pros-

At the M. E. revival meetings in Madison thirty-seven conversions were made.

THE CONGRESSIONAL BUSINESS.

To Get Through With It Congress Will Have

to be Active.

Washington special: Very little work will be done by congress during the remaining seventeen days of the session other than that on the floors of the two houses. Committee work, with only two or three exceptions, is finished, and there will be no further meetings. The proceedings on the floor will, too, be conducted with great rapidity, and while some days may be thrown away in useless debates, others will be fruitful of unusual results. The statue

cations quite uncertain. In the senate to-morrow Senator Cameron intends to call up his bill providing for the construction of war vessels, and hopes to have it passed with little talk.

of various measures destined for final pass-

age before March 4th continues to be of

Senator Hale intends to ask the senate to consider his bill, of the same character, very soon thereafter. The anti-Mormon bill is anticipated from the conference com mittee by the senate to-morrow or Tuesday, and will likely be disposed of at once. The river and harbor bill will be ready for discussion by the middle of the week. This will consume two or three days, in all probability. Wednesday after 2 o'clock has been set aside for eulogies on the late Senator Pike of New Hampshire.

To-morrow is District of Columbia day in the house of representatives, when vari ous measures of interest to Washington are to be considered. Tuesday Chairman Belmont on the committee on foreign Mairs, will ask the house to complete the consular and diplomatic bill debate, which was begun early last week. Wednesday eulogies on the late Senator John A. Logan Illinois are to be delivered. The legislative, executive and general appropriation bill is to follow the completion of the consular and diplomatic bill. This measure has much new matter in the form of changes of salaries of officers and will excite considerable debate, probably consuming the remainder of the week. Mr. Hatch will insist, if opportunity offers, that his pleuro pneumonia bill and the experimental agricultural station bill be considered. It is ikely that the conference committee on fortifications will report during the week, and its report is privileged and may be considered at ouce. A pressure is being brought to bear for an early report from this committee, and when it reports the same pressure will be exercised for immedi ate consideration of the report, so as to relieve the committee on appropriations from the responsibility on the subject, there being a number of bills before it making appropriations for coast defenses, and it is intended that the measure which will be reported by the conference on fortifications shall be a substitute for these bills, and that the committee on appropriations shall thus be relieved of the whole ques-

If the senate acts on the anti-Mormon conference report it will likely be taken up in the house during the week. Friday is private bill day, but it is generally conceded that it will be set aside, as the house is disinclined at this late day, when there is such a press of general measures, to give up a day to private ones.

DOTS AND DASHES.

D. T. Todd, the leading fruit-dealer at Des Monies, was found dead in the ice-box at his warehouse. The police report that a strong odor of gas and chloroform pervaded the place, leading to a supicion of suicide. His watch and casin lay on a box near his body.

Managers of large ranches in Indian Terrifory report that the winter has been the mildest for five years, and that the loss of stock will only be from 2 to 4 per cent. Ad vices from the Yellowstone ranges are to the effect that two hundred thousand head of cattle are suffering terribly for grass and water, and carcasses can be counted by hundreds along the river.

C. A. Scofield, a leading citizen of Winnipeg, was on Saturday night killed in his office with a knife, and his body was dragged to the

river and pushed down an air-hole. On a farm near California, Missouri, L. D, Wright and Miss Thompson were killed by the bursting of a saw.

The house of representatives passed the senate bill for the ret rement of the trade dollar, with an amendment providing that its recoinage shall not count in the bullion required to be coined under the Bland law.

A bill has been introduced in the Nebraska house to provide for the stamping of merchandise made in the peniteutiary. The Northern 'Pacific road is building a car

to supply light, heat, and pure water to pas-

senger trains. It is to be placed immediately behind the locomotive. An incendiary fire at Anaconda, Montana, burned thirty buildings, valued at \$75,000. The Knights of Labor have purchased for

general headquarters a building on North Broad street, Philadelphia, for \$65,000. The United States government has 150,000 Springfield rifles fored away, and is still manufacturing the antiquated weapon at the rate of 40,000 per annum.

General R. B. Potter is reported to be seriously ill at Newport, Rhode Island.

A Dispatch from Winnipeg announces the death of Lieutenant Colonel MacKeant, who led the Ninetleth battalion in the campaign against Louis Riel.

For the first five weeks of 1877 the railway construction was double that of the same period last year.

A SENSATION IN AUSTIN.

A special from Austin, Tex., says: There is quite a sensation here to-day among the members of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows, which has been in session during the week. It is alleged that Mr. Thomas M. Joseph, of Galveston, and for ten years treasurer of the Grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Texas, is short in his accounts in a sum ranging all the way from \$12,000 to \$30,000. Suspicion was first formed nearly a year ago by a draft drawn on Mr. Joseph being returned unpaid. Subsequently other drafts drawn on him and which should have been promptly honored, were returned unpaid and an explanation was demanded by the grand master. It was not satisfactory and the matter was laid before the lodge at this session. Mr. Joseph was present to be reinstalled as treasurer for the coming year. he having been re-elected at the last annual meeting, but on the representations made by the grand master, the lodge before proceeding to install him, demanded a new and better bond and that he produce the cash and United States bonds in the lodge treasury amounting to about \$30,-000. He left for the ostensible purpose of complying but thus far has failed to return, and prominent officers of the grand lodge express the opinion that he is short for a large sum, perhaps the entire \$30. 000. There are also grave doubts about the solvency of his bond, given a year ago."

RIOTING IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, Feb. 16 .- An Odessa dispatch says was occasioned by the discharge of 2,500 women and children in accordance with a new law. Chief Orloff and his assistant, Shakaroff, were murdered by the mob and officers at the mill were completely wrecked and the entire plant, including machinery, was demolished. The outbreak was fomented by socialists.

the stockholders of the Central Missouri the consolidation scheme and elected directors in the interest of the Vanderbilts.

A bill to punish strikers who interfere with the lawful employment of other persons by a fine of \$500 and imprisonment for six months, passed the Texas senate with only three dissenting votes.

THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

What is Being Done in Both Branches of the National Congress.

SENATE, Feb. 12 .- The chairman of the committee on naval affairs reported back with amendments the bill "to increase the naval establishment," and gave notice that he would call it up Monday. The amendthe effect of fixing the bonus to be paid the contractor on the first knot in excess of such a character as to make prognostithe contract rate of twenty knots to be obtained by the proposed new cruisers at a additional knot \$200,000. The aggregate of the appropriation, \$21,800,000, has not been changed. Hale reported back from the naval committee, with an amendment, the bill introduced by him yesterday to provide for the insurance of the naval establishment and gave notice that he would call it up at an early day. The postoffice appropriation bill was then considered until adjournment.

> House, Feb. 12 .- The trade dollar bill was considered. The house has agreed to the amendment to the senate trade dollar bill, providing that the recoinage of trade dollars recoined under this act shall not be considered as a part of the silver bullion required to be purchased and coined under the Bland law. The amended bill passed. As passed the bill provides that for the period of six months after the passage of this act trade dollars, if not defaced, mutilated or stamped, shall be received at face value in the payment of all dues to the United States and shall not again be paid out or by any other means issued. That during the above periods the holder of such trade dollars may receive in exchange for them a like amount of value, dollar for dollar, in standard silver dollars or in silver coins, and that all laws authorizing the coinage and issuance of trade dollars are repealed. The house then went into committee of the whole on the diplomatic and consular appropriation until the hour of

SENATE, Feb. 14.-Dale and Dolph, from the conference committee on the senate bill restoring to the United States certain lands granted to the Northern Pacific railway company, reported that the committee had been unable to agree. The report was adopted and a new conference ordered, Dolph, Teller and Cockrell being reappointed on the part of the senate. Merrill introduced a bill for the issue of subsidiary silver coin. Referred to the committee on finance. Butler introduced a bill for the erection of a national memorial bridge over the Potomac river from Washington to Arlington. Referred to the committee on public buildings and grounds. The Eads ship canal bill was taken up and discussed until adjournment.

House, Feb. 14.- The following was introduced by Mr. Lawler: Resolved, That the secretary of state be requested to inform the house whether the treaty of Ghent, by which peace was consummated between the United States and Great Britain in December, 1814, ratified by the senate in February, 1815, is construed to inhibit the United States from maintaining an effective navy on the northern lakes bordering the dominion of Canada, and also whether the construction by Great Britain of the Welland canal is not, in effect, a violation of the treaty of Ghent, and in case of war with that country, a menace to the safety of our lakeboard

SENATE, Feb. 15 .- The presiding officer presented a communication from the secretary of the treasury in regard to the need of appropriations for a wharf and other buildings at Sitka, Alaska. Referred to the committee on appropriations. The bill to increase the naval establishment was taken up but not disposed of. The Eads Tehnantepic bill was then considered. Van Wyck offered an amendment that no stock shall be issued until fully paid for in money at par value and no londs issued until the full amount of the stock has been subscribed for, and 50 per cent, of it paid for. Vest modified Van Wyck's amendment as to provide that no certification of stock shall be issued until the same shall be fully paid for in money of its par value; that no bonds in excess of the amount of the capital paid in, shall be authorized or issued until such capital shall amount to \$10,000,000; and that no bonds shall be disposed of at less than their par value. Pending action, the bill went

House, Feb. 15 .- Hammond (Ga.) submitted the conference report on the anti-Mormon bill and it was ordered printed and laid over. Thomas, (Ill.) from the committee on naval affairs, submitted a report to increase the naval establishment. The house then went into committee of the whole on the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. Various items of increase in the compensation of consuls were ruled out on points of order. Without completing consideration of the bill the committee rose. Messrs. Cobb, Van Eaton and Payson were appointed conferees on the Northern Pacific land forfeiture bill. The house then adjourned.

SENATE, Feb. 16.-Both parties in the senate held an "order of business" caucus this morning. The list of measures on the calendar, prepared by the republican caucus committee, was laid before the democratic caucus, and certain changes were indicated to the order in which it was desired the measures should come up. The senate then resumed the consideration of the bill to increase the naval establishment. Senator Maxey supported the bill and said he was not only in favor of building war vessels, but of fortifying every seaport in the country. The question was then taken on the amendment offered yesterday by Senator Hale and it was adopted without division. Other amendments were adopted and the bill passed. Senator Blair offered resolutions in honor of his late colleague, Senator Pike, and addressed the senate in culogy of the deceased senator. After further eulogiums by Senators Edmunds, Dolph, Manderson, Jones of Arkansas, George, Evarts. Palmer and Oheney the resolutions were adopted and the senate, as a further mark of respect, adjourned.

House, Feb. 16 .- The house to-day insisted upon its amendment to the senate trade dollar bill and agreed to the conference requested by the senate. Mr. Belmont, from the committee on foreign affairs, reported back the senate retaliatory bill with a substitute therefor, which was ordered printed and recommitted. Mr. Hatch, of Missouri, attempted to secure consideration of the pleuro-pneumonia bill. but abandoned the attempt when it was evident the point of no quorum would be raised against his motion. At 2 o'clock, in pursuance of the previous order, public the recent riot at the Demidoff spinning mills business was discontinued and Mr. Thomas, of Illinois, called up the senate resolutions expressive of respect to the memory of the late John A. Logan. Eulogies were also delivered by Messrs. Butterworth, Holman, Henderson, of Iowa; Rogers, McComas, Weaver, of Nebraska; Wilson, of West Virginia; Cutcheon, Rice, O'Hara, Osborne, and Anderson, of Ohio, and then as a further mark of respect to and Kansas City Short Line roads have ratified the memory of the deceased the house Hogs-Good to choice...... 4 75 @ 5 50 the consolidation scheme and elected direct-

SENATE, Feb. 17 .- The senat result consideration of the bill to provide for increase of the naval establishment (Hale's bill). The amendment offered yesterday by Butler (requiring vessels to be "for seaservices") was withdrawn. The bill wasthen passed—yeas 46, nays 7. The nays-were Coke, Jones (Ark.), Plumb, Vance, Van Wyck, Vest and Voorbees. The bill provides for the construction of heavilyarmored vessels for coast defense and also for gunboats and torpedo boats, and appropriates \$15,400,000 to be available during five years from March 4, 1887. The senate then resumed consideration of the Eads Tehnantepec ship railway bill. It ments made by the naval committee have recites that the government of Mexico hasgranted to Captain Eads a concession for construction and operation of a ship railway across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and has authorized him and his associates hundred thousand dollars, and for each to obtain a charter either in Mexico or elsewhere. Amendments offered were agreedto and the bill passed

House, Feb. 17 .- The message of the

president, returning, without his approval, the bill appropriating \$10,000 for a special distribution of seed, to the drought-strickencounties of Texas, was laid before the house this morning. Lanham, of Texas, moved that the bill and accompanying: message be referred to the committee on agriculture. The motion was lost. The question was then put: "Would the house pass the bill, the president's objections to the contrary notwithstanding." and was answered in the negative; yeas 83, nays 160. Hammond (Ga.) called up the conerence report on the anti-Mormon bill, and Bennett of North Carolina spoke against the adoption of the report. The reports was adopted by a vote of 202 to 40. The house then went into the committee of the whole on the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. Belmont offered a substitute for so much of the bill not already disposed of. This was adopted, and the bill then passed. Randall, from the committee on appropriations reported back he sundry civil appropriation bill with the senate amendments, recommending concurrence in twenty-two of those amendments and non-concurrence in 236 amendments. Pending action the house adjourned. SENATE, Feb. 8.-Edmunds presented the

conference report on the Utah Polygamy bill in the shape of a substitute for both the senate and house bills, and it was agreed to, 37 to 18. The bill now goes tothe president. The senate then proceeded. to the consideration of the river and harbor bill. The bill reported by the committee on commerce, as a substitute for the bill, passed by the house, was read and various amendments were offered by the chairman of the committee (McMillan) and were adopted. Edmunds moved to strike out section 3 (which provides for the acquirement, by condemnation, of land or material necessary in the prosecution of the work of improvement) and the provisoauthorizing the secretary of war, when the price asked by the owner shall be reasonade, to purchase property without further delay. Adjourned.

House, Feb. 18 .- On motion of Townshend (Ill.) the senate amendments to the invalid pension bill were non-concurred in, and a conference was ordered. Townshend, from the committee on appropriations, reported the bill appropriating \$4. 663,104 for the payment of Mexican and other persions. Committee of the whole. Weaver (Neb.) called up the vetoed pension bill of Simmons W. Hart. The house refused to pass the bill over the veto; yeas, 148; nays, 98-not the necessary twothirds in the affirmative. The house then went into committee of the whole for further consideration of senate amendments to the sundry civil appropriation bill. After disposing of 156 of the 260 amendments the committee rose and the house took a recess, the evening session tobe for the consideration of pension bills.

WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE.

New York special: The Tribune quotes a democrat of national prominence, who has had a confidential talk with the president, as saying that Cleveland is firm in his determination not to be a candidate for renomination and re-election. The reason he gives for this decision show him to be a much greater man than many of us have given him credit. Smith M. Weed alsosays this statement is somewhat in the line of his own information, and adds that the drift of sentiment over the country seems to be in a favor of nominating Governor Hill as Cleveland's successor. Ex-Mayor William H. Wickham says, if reports get out that Cleveland says he will not be a candidate for renomination, it will go far to make him the nominee of the party. "It looks like a piece of shrewd politics for him to take this position.'

A TRAGEDY UNEARTHED.

Denver special: This morning news of a terrible tragedy was received from Boulder county. On Monday last Wendoline Mole a German ranchman on the left hand of the creek, shot his child dead and fired two bullets into his wife's breast, leaving her for dead. He then fled to the mountains. Mrs. Mole cannot recover. Having two days the start, the murder is still at large, No cause whatever is known for the act.

THE MARKETS.

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WHEAT-No. 2	569	sm.	57
BARLEY-No. 2		(0)	
RyE-No. 2	34	(4)	35
Corn-No. 2 mixed	20	(4)	20%
OATS-No. 2	19	(0)	20
BUTTER-Creamery	20		
BUTTER-Fresh dairy	16		
Eggs-Fresh	15	(a)	
CHICKENS-Per 7	8	604	9
TURKEYS-Per th	11	Cas	12
LEMONS-Choice, perbox	5 00	(a)	5 25
ORANGES-Per box	3 50		
APPLES-Choice per bbl	4 00	60	4.50
Beans-Navys, per bu		60	
Oxioxs-Per bushel	1 00	(a)	1.40
POTATOES-Per bushel	55	(4	60
Wool-Fine, per th	16		
SEEDS-Timothy	2 20		2 50
SEEDS-Blue Grass	1 30	ta	
Hogs-Mixed packing	4 95	(m	5 05
BEEVES-Choice steers	3 75	(a)	4 10
SHEEP-Fair to good	3 50	(0)	4 09
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Oats-Mixed western	36		38
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	NEW YORK.
	WHEAT-No. 1 red 93 @ 94
	WHEAT-Ungraded red 93 @ 95%
	CORN-No. 2 495/6 FO
	OATS-Mixed western 36 @ 38
	PORK12 25 @ 12 75
	LARD 7 02 @ 7 05
	CHICAGO.
	WHEAT-Per bushel 731/@ 74
	Corn—Per bushel 345/69 35
	OATS-Per bushel 24% 25
	Ронк13 00 @ 13 72%
	LARD 6 72% 6 6 75
	Hogs-Packing &shipping. 4 25 @ 5 50
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	Sheep-Natives 3 00 @ 5 00
	ST. LOUIS.
	WHEAT-No. 2 cash 77%@ 78%
	Corn-Per bushel 33% 34%

Dats-Per bushel		27	(0,		28
Hogs-Mixed packing	5	25	(0)	5	40
ATTLE-Stockers	2	00	(0)	3	00
SHEEP-Common to choice	3	00	(4	4	00
KANSAS CIT	Y.				
WHEAT-Per bushel			04		60
Corn-Per bushel		28	400		29
DATS-Per bushel		26	(14		26
ATTLE-Feeders	3	25	(4)	4	00