ELECTRIC FLASHES

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

CIVIL SERVICE LAW

COMMISSION FILES ITS ANNUAL REPORT.

THE THOUSE Some Interesting Statements Contained in the Document-Torpedo Boat Cushing Sent to Havana to

Thwart the Spaniards. Civil Service Report.

The annual report of the civil service commission for the year ended June 30 last has been presented to the president. It begins with a statement to show that after an experience of nearly fifteen years the hopes of the advocates of the civil service law have been largely realized. Considering the few changes in the service under the merit system and the wholesale removals under the patronage system, the economy and efficiency on the one hand is in the commission was organized, unclassified positions have increased 37 per cent. in number, and 43 per cent in cost, while it is constantly making the examinations more practical.

ALASKAN STEAMER LOST.

Forty Passengers Believed to Have Lost Their Lives.

The steamer Islander brings news that the steamer Clara Nevada of Seattle was burned in Lynn canal, and forty men who were on board are supposed to have perished. The Nevada left Skaguay for Juneau on February 5. The day she should have reached Juneau fire was urday. The court sustained the petitions seen on the waters of the canal, and the and arguments to the demurrer filed in opinion is general that the flames were answer to the petition for mandamus. The from a burning steamer. Whether the mayor and other citizens of Alton filed the passengers and crew reached land or answer, stating that they had certain whether they perished is not known. It rights and control over the schools of from Rotterdam for New York. The story is feared that they met with death, as Alton, and it was to this the demurrer was told by Capt. Stenger of the Veendam is the iron and steel market. Less favorable there has been a terrible wind and a snow- made. The sustaining of the demurrer by to the effect that shortly after 5 o'clock on features of the week are the slowness of storm in the north, and small boats could | the court is a victory for the colored popuhardly live. Capt. Irving of the Islander lation of Alton. reports that the weather has been terrific.

DRAPER WANTS A NEW TRIAL

Affidavits and Arguments by Both

Sides Submitted. The motion for a new trial in the case of C. L. Draper for the murder of C. L. Hastings has been argued. Twenty-three affidavits were filed by the defense against five jurors. The prosecution filed twentytheir affidavits was that the former affidavits were not given voluntarily, as a constable called on them and they supposed they were obliged to give them. Hugh Zirkle, one of the jurors, acknowledged that he expressed an opinion, but said it was in a crowd where all were smoking and also the oldest Odd Fellow in this and joking, and that it was only done in a joking way. Judge Shirley will give his opinion next Saturday.

TAMPER WITH U. S. MAILS.

Torpedo Boat Cushing Sent to Ha-

vana to Thwart the Spaniards. It is now known on the highest author-Ity that the real reason for the sending of since been his home. the United States torpedo boat Cushing to Havana was that the Spanish authorities have been tampering with the mail sent the battleship Maine in Havana harbor, says the Washington correspondent of a New York paper. This has resulted in Capt. Sigsbee of the Maine sending a protest to Washington with the suggestion that a regular service be established between Key West and Havana by torpedo boat. On the strength of this protest the torpedo boat Cushing was dispatched to Havana.

Double Missouri Tragedy.

Watson Denny, a wealthy farmer lately from Ringgold County, Iowa, shot his wife in the head at St. Joseph, Mo., and fired a bullet through his own heart. Denny is dead. The cause was the wife's discovery that Denny had attempted to transfer a lot of real estate in Iowa without his wife's knowledge, forging her name to the instruments.

A New Heart Movement.

By means of Roentgen rays Prof. Bouchard of Paris has just discovered a new heart movement. It consists of a rhythmic dilation during respiration, independent of the ordinary movements of the heart, and appears to be the result of a diminution of pressure in the interior of the thoracic cage during inspiration.

Breaks a World's Record. Richard Powers, a member of the Trinfdad (Colo)' Rifle Club, at the regular weekly shoot of the club, broke the world's record for target shooting off hand

at 200 yards distance. Powers made a score of 96 out of a possible 100, the world's record being 95. A Large Movement of Grain Fifteen steamers have been loaded at Philadelphia with grain from the west. tion.

Their aggregate capacity is over 3,000,000 bushels. Thirteen others are under charter for the same purpose.

Noted Irish Editor Dead. C. Redmond, founder of the Waterford News, is dead in Dublin.

Cotton Spinners' Trust. It is asserted that a great combination of the spinners of fine cottons belonging to the Manchester (Eng.) district has been arranged with a capital of about \$30,000 .-000. Sir W. H. Houldisworth, Bart, conservative member of parliament, has been

invited to become its chairman. Sister of Hanna to Wed.

The marriage of Miss Lillian Converse Hanna, sister of Senator Hanna, and S. P. Baldwin will occur this week at Thomaswille, Ga. Miss Hanna is about 40 years old and Mr. Baldwin 29.

NO EMBARGO ON HORSES.

Secretary of State Informed that Germany Has Not Barred Them. The following statement has been made PEACE PROPOSALS BY CUBAN to the secretary of state by the German

ambassador: Certain declarations of the royal Prussian minister of agriculture have evidently been distorted. The minister answered to an inquiry made to him in the Prussian diet that we had to wait if any evidence might be furnished of veterinary dangers from the importation of American horses. Only then in case such dangers should have been proved would there be reason to take energetic measures, or impose a quarantine, so far as we are entitled to do

This explanation was called forth by necessary to forbid the further importation of horses.

STARVED TO DEATH.

for Days. Mrs. Caroline Lang, 85 years old, died at the County Hospital in Chicago Saturday of starvation and her husband, Cornelius Lang, 75 years old, is in the same institution dying slowly from the same cause. striking contrast to the extravagance and Lang was a tailor and when he lost his inefficiency of the other. Since 1883, when job some time ago he and his wife became destitute. For a time the neighbors supported them, but finely they were left classified positions have remained at a had been three days without food and a abolished. Martial law cannot be ordered floor near the door. He had started to erawl to door to bring aid for his wife. Neither [of them was able to speak when her husband cannot live.

Decision of Illinois Supreme Court

in Alton School Case. The Alton public schools case regarding colored pupils having access to all schools was up in the Illinois supreme court Sat-

NEW PATRIOTIC SOCIETY.

American Flag Association Organized in New York.

A new patriotic society was organized in New York last week. It will be known as the American Flag Association, and its membership will be made up from committees selected from the various patriotic societies of the country. Its object will be eight counter affidavits, explaining the to protect the national flag from desecraaffidavits for the defense. The tenor of tion. Among the societies represented were: Illinois Sons of the American Revolution, and Illinois, Michigan and Iowa commanderies of the Loyal Legion.

Oldest American Mason Dead. George Lord, the oldest Mason in the United States and probably in the world, country died at San Bernardino, Cal., Friday. He was born in New York City June 27, 1800, and went to California in 1849. After mining for some time at Steep Hollow he returned to his Iowa home and married Miss Arabella Singleton. He went to California again in 1852 and settled in San Bernardino, which had ever

Alabama Head End Wreck.

A head end collision on the Louisville and Nashville Railway, near Kirkland, Ala., Saturday, killed Will User, engineer; E. D. Davis, fireman, and three white tramps. Henry Davidson, engineer, and Will Lee, fireman, were seriously injured. Charles Harrison, a brakeman, had both legs cut off, and Brakeman Hughes was badly hurt. Both will die. Engineer Davidson forgot to stop at Kirkwere demolished.

Leiter to Export Wheat. It was announced in Chicago Saturday

that contracts for moving \$1,500,000 bushels of Leiter wheat to the seaboard had been made. Of this the Grand Trunk is roads for the haul to the seaboard.

Demands \$35,000 for Libel. Rev. W. D. Rockwell has brought an action for libel against Chancellor James R. Day of Syracuse (N. Y.) University and Dr. James M. Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate of New York. He \$500 in her suit against the Pennsylvania asks for a joint julgment of \$35,000 be- Railway Company for \$5,000 damages for cause of the publication of articles which in juries sustained by a fall in that comhe claims defame him.

Confessed Murderer Free.

Frank C. Crester, who while under arrest n Vallejo, Cal., a few weeks ago for burglary confessed to killing Charles C. Koelonly witness to the killing is dead, and him a few months ago, but the council rethere was no chance of securing convic- fused to confirm the appointment, and re-

Naval Ensign Drowned. Ensign Joseph C. Breckenridge, an officer of the torpedo boat Cushing, was washed

overboard and drowned during the stormy passage from Key West to Havana. The Cushing arrived at Havana Sunday with must be carried in British bottoms, otherthe body. Breckenridge is the son of an wise full duty must be paid on them. inspector of the army at Washington.

Double Seattle Tragedy.

H. C. Bottany was shot and killed Sunday at Seattle, Wash., by Andrew Annen, who afterwards killed himself. The two Geratz will soon meet and proclaim their were partners in a livery stable and had a disagreement over business matters. Both men formerly lived at Schuyler, Neb.

Three Miners Killed.

Peter Biazza, Emanuel Naimo and Michael Sadia were killed at the Newport mine, near Ironwood, Mich., by an explosion of giant powder.

WOULD STOP THE WAR

AUTONOMIST CABINET.

Colonial Government Will Conduct the Negotiations-The Plan Agreed Upon-Passenger of Wrecked Vessel Snatched from Death.

New Overtures to Insurgents.

The radical wing of the autonomist party of Cuba assembled in secret meeting Saturday to discuss the situation, which is considered very serious owing to the conthe cabled statement that the Prussian tinuance of the insurrection, despite the minister of agriculture had said that fact that autonomy has been granted to American horses infected with influenza Cuba. It was resolved to open negotiawere being imported, and it might become | tions with the insurgents in the belief that

the revolution could not be suppressed by force of arms. Anticipating that the insurgents would not accept the new terms, it was resolved that the colonial government would open negotiations, thus saving Aged Chicago Couple without Food the Madrid government from the respon-

The following propositions are among those which will be formally tendered to the insurgents: The volunteers will be dissolved and a Cuban militia formed. The Cuban colonels and generals will be recognized. Cuba will be called upon to indebtedness due for both wars, and will pay \$2,000,000 a year for the crown list. alone. When the police found them they Death sentences for rebellion shall be inated, was occupied by the Herald Cycle week without fire. Lang was found on the by the captain general without the assent of both the house and senate, if those bodies are in session, or without the assent of a majority of the cabinet if they found. Mrs. Lang died within a few are not in session. The actual insurgent hours after being taken to the hospital and party shall have three seats in the first cabinet. An armistice of fifteen days VICTORY FOR COLORED PEOPLE shall be granted for the discussion of the terms of peace.

ON DEATH'S BRINK.

Passengers of a Wrecked Steamer Snatched from the Sea.

The American line steamer St. Louis arrived in New York Sunday morning from Southampton, having on board the passengers and crew of 212 souls of the the steamer when it should be necessary. St. Louis hove in sight and in response to signals stood by, lowered her boats and with the assistance of the Veendam boats took off all on board, the work ending about 5 a. m. As the Veendam was doomed and would be a dangerous obstruction to navigation she was set on fire.

BIBLE BARRED FROM SCHOOLS

Missouri Official Declares Reading It to Pupils Is Illegal.

Attorney General Crow of Missouri on Saturday rendered an opinion in which he holds that it is a violation of the state law to have pupils recite the Lord's prayer or for the teacher to read the Bible as a part of the opening exercises in the public schools of the state. He holds that these exercises are forms of religious worship, and hence are forbidden to be done in a public school house during school hours.

PITTSBURG FIRE.

Remains of Eighteen Persons Have Been Recovered.

The results of the terrible fire and sub sequent explosions at Pittsburg, Pa., las week continue to grow in all their harrowing details. At 110 o'clock Sunday eighteen bodies had been removed from land and met No. 11. Cars and engines the ruins. The list of missing now foots up 35. The impression is strong that many of the missing have met their death under | Liabilities, \$45,000; assets above that

Slattery Has More Trouble.

Joseph Slattery and his wife, the lecturing ex-priest and former sister of charity, reported to have secured 500,000 bushels; who were-mobbed at Savannah and other the Nickel Plate 500,000, and the Lehigh American cities, were charged at a police Valley 500,000 bushels. The cereal will court in Edinburgh, Scotland, Monday be carried on a through rate from Chicago | with selling indecent books, purporting to to Liverpool, so it cannot be ascertained be an "exposure" of Catholicism. The what proportion will accrue to the rail- court was crowded with Catholics and Protestants. Slattery promised to destroy the books, and the case was adjourned in order to enable him to fulfill his promise.

Damages for Mrs. George. Mrs. Annie C. George, widow of the late

Henry George, was awarded a verdict of pany's station in Philadelphia. Mrs. George slipped on a depression in the floor and sprained her ankle.

Chief of Police Commits Suicide. Henry Kline, chief of police of McKeesling in San Francisco nearly three years port, Pa., committed suicide Monday by ago, has been discharged from custody. The shooting. Mayor Carothers appointed

jected his claim for \$500 for his services. Canadian Klondike Order. The department of customs of the

dominion government has issued instructions which provide that goods purchased in Canada destined to the Klondike district

To Secede from Brazil. There is reason to believe that the representatives of the states of Rio Grande de Sult Parna, Santa Catharina and Minas

independent republic. Crew and Passengers Saved. The passenger steamer Marbella was sunk by a collision with the British warship Galatee in Hull roads Friday evening.

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NO NEWS TO M'KINLEY.

Letter Said to Have Been in His Possession a Month.

The New York Daily News states on the highest authority that the now famous De Lome letter has been in the hands of President McKinley for the last month. The story originates from the highest official of the Cuban junta, who, presumably, seeing that the president had no intention of taking up the insult to himself and his country, decided to make the letter public through the press. It appears that when the letter was stolen it was shown to several persons in Havana and then taken to Consul General Lee. Gen. Lee at once cabled in secret code a copy of the document, which was received by the state department in Washington over thirty days ago. The matter was discussed at several cabinet meetings, and it was decided to keep the affair a strict secret. Probably the dispatch never would have come to light had not Horatio Rubens, the counsel to the Cuban junta in New York, taken steps to bring it about.

BIG BUILDING DESTROYED.

Seven Story Office Structure of Lev

P. Morton Burns. Levi P. Morton's seven story office building, in New York, known as the Nassau Chambers building, was completely destroyed by fire Saturday morning. The pay only \$100,000,000 out of the \$600,000,000 Derby Desk Company occupied both Nassau and Ann Street stores and the base-Company. From the Nassau Chambers the fire spread to the four story building adjoining and the clothing store of Maduro Bros., on the ground floor, was quickly in flames. The loss at present is estimated at half a million, the larger share or which will be born by the Morton interests, although it was stated that they are well insured. The Derby Desk Company and the Maduro Bros. are mentioned as the next heaviest losers.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

Renewed Activity in Iron and Steel

the Week's Features. Bradstreet's weekly review for last week says: A number of favorable circumstances and events present themselves this Holland-American line steamer Veendam | week. Perhaps the most notable of these are the renewed activity and confidence in the evening of February 6 three days out spring trade in dry goods to develop at from Rotterdam, the vessel struck a sub- New York and other eastern centers, exmerged wreck, tearing a hole in the ship's cept Boston, and the mild weather in the bottom near the stern and breaking northwest, rendering it likely that retailthe propeller shaft. All the pumps ers' stocks carried over will be larger than were at once set to work, but earlier expected. The advance in cotton the water gained headway and the vessel has undoubtedly imparted a much more began gradually to sink by the stern. The cheerful tone to the southern business boats were lowered in readiness to leave situation and with the advance in iron and steel has done much to add to the confi-This continued until 1:30 a. m. when the dence with which the trade outlook for 1898 is regarded.

Measure Carries Nine Millions. The senate committee on appropriations on Friday completed consideration of the

fortification appropriation bill. The amount carried by the bill as agreed upon is a little over \$9,000,000. Shannon Gets a Reprieve.

Edward Shannon was not hung at Wheaton, Ill., Friday last. Gov. Tanner recognized the powerful petition in Shaunon's behalf and granted a respite of sixty

Rockefeller's Gift to Cleveland. John D. Rockefeller has presented land worth \$25,000 to the city of Cleveland for park purposes. This is the second gift of the kind he has made to the city.

Pianist Hoffman Coming. Josef Hoffman, the young pianist, sailed

from Bremen on February 11, and wil arrive in New York on the 24th. He will make a tour of the country.

Missouri Justice Dies. Justice George B. Macfarlane of the Missouri supreme court, died Sunday as the result of an operation for appendicitis at his home in St. Louis.

Chair Company Assigns. The Buckeye Chair Company of Ra-

venna, Ohio, has made an assignment.

Novelist Fabre is Dead. A Paris dispatch says that M. Ferdinand Fabre, the novelist, is dead.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

Chicago-Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5:75; hogs, shipping grades \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 99c to \$1.01; corn, No. 2, 28c to 29c; oats, No. 2, 23c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c; butter, choice creamery, 18c to 20c; eggs, fresh, 12c to 14c; potatoes, common to choice, 52c to 65c per bushel.

Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 94c to 96c; corn, No. 2 white, 28c to 29c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c

St. Louis-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 97c to 99c; corn. No. 2 yellow, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 49c.

Cincinnati-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 95c to 97c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 29c to 31c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 26c to 28c; rye, No. 2, 50c to 52c.

Detroit-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.60 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 95c to 96c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 30c to 32c; oats, No. 2 white, 28c to 29c; rye, 50c to 51c.

Toledo-Wheat, No. 2 red, 95c to 97c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 29c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 26c; rye, No. 2, 49c to 50c; clover seed, \$3.05 to \$3.10. Milwaukee-Wheat, No. 2 spring, 96c

to 98c; corn, No. 3, 28c to 29c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 26c; rye, No. 2, 48c to 50e; barley, No. 2, 38c to 42c; pork, mess, \$9.75 to \$10.25. Buffalo-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2 red, 97c to 99c; corn, No.

2 yellow, 33c to 34c; oats, No. 2 white, at Franklin. 30c to 31c. New York-Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs. \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.00 wheat, No. 2 red, \$1.04 to \$1.05; corn, No 2, 37c to 38c; oats, No. 2 white, 30c to All the passengers and the crew were 31c; butter, creamery, 15c to 21c; eggs,

Western, 13c to 15c.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Last Year Exceeded the Limit 3-4 to the County.

Tax Levy Exceeds the Limit.

as a consequence the Burlington and Mis- upon the state appropriation for expense souri Roilroad, through its agent, Mr. Thomas, tendered County Treasurer Engles \$8,848.60, the amount of its taxes on the basis of 9 mills for the general fund. This amount Mr. Engles could not accept, as his books called for more. The Missouri Pacific sent its draft for the amount of its tax on the same basis. When the commissioners saw that they were confronted with a lawsuit unless they revised their tax levy, they ordered the treasurer to reduce all taxes % of a mill. The reduction means about \$1,700 less for the county.

OLD SOLDIERS IN CONVENTION

Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. days' session at Norfolk on Wednesday, a large number of delegates arrived in the city Tuesday. Extensive preparations had been made by the Grand Army post in that city and the citizens to give the visitors a fitting reception and entertainment. ing his mother from the vicious animal Business houses were, almost without ex- young Dollar was badly bitten in the ception, beautifully decorated. The en- wrist. The dog then ran down town campment meetings of the Grand Army of about half a mile, biting several dogs on the Republic were held in Cotton's Hall, the way, and attacked a young daughter

n visiting the schools, sugar factory and had no effect. other points of interest. In the evening occurred the first real meeting, at which the address of welcome, an address by Department Commander Ehrhardt and com- companied by a heavy hailstorm and mittee reports were heard, followed by a thunder and lightning. The storm broke campfire. The election of officers recuite in the choice of T. J. Majors of Peru for and frightened a few people by its severity. department commander and Captain Evans of North Platte senior vice commander. The Woman's Relief Corps and Ladies of agged considerably. Frank Austin, who the Grand Army of the Republic had a large attendance present, including every one of the officers. They put in the day in committee reports and regular business.

At Thursday morning's meeting numerous resolutions were introduced and discussed. A resolution asking the United States senators of this state to vote in favor of the immediate annexation of Hawaii was carried by 156 to 45. On the sixth ballot H. B. Stafford of Plainview was elected junior vice commander. Dr. Jaggard of Lincoln was elected medical director and W. P. Pease of Hay Springs as many tenants being unable to find places. chaplain. Hon. Charles F. Manderson T. B. Hord is fattening 7,000 cattle and 25,was elected delegate-at-large to the national convention at Cincinnati. The next encampment it was decided should be held at York. A resolution in favor of substantial additions to the saldiers' homes at Grand Island and Milford was adopted. Delegates to the national encampment were recently patented by C. S. Evans. chosen as follows: Porter Hedge, post No. 214; W. F. McLaughlin, No. 11; S. F. Stiles, No. 4; C. C. Bonner, No. 262; B. T. Blaney, No. 25; J. D. King, No. 5. Alternates, N. T. Dudley, Rock Williamson, J M. Mitchell, William Cratty, Wesley Tucker, George of Broken Bow and Mead. Delegates to the national encampment were instructed to present the name of Dr. A. S. Pierce of Hastings for surgeon general and use all honorable means to secure his election. The question of recognizing the women of the Grand Army of the Republic as an auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic was eloquently dis- braska City February 25 for the purpose of cussed for and against, but on a vote the establishing a county association to work motion in favor of recognition was over- for the establishing of one or more sugar whelmingly defeated. Thursday night occurred a public joint installation of the officers of the Grand Army of the Republic

and Woman's Relief Corps.

In Favor of the Water Works. In the district court at North Platte, Judge Norris handed down an opinion in the case of the Water Works Company aganst the city, in which the former sued to recover money due on hydrant rental. The judge decided that the company was entited to receive all money accruing from a 7 mill levy on the assessment valuation of the city from the timethe water works were first put in.

Robbers Fail to Get Into the Safe An attempt was made to rob the safe in the post office at Cozad the other night Entrance to the office was effected through a window opening into an adjoining room occudied as a feed store. An attempt had been made to drill the safe door and the tools were left lying on the floor near the safe. The robbers had been frightened

Prisoner Gets Away.

Richard Hilligas and Charles Gregory were arrested at York on the charge of stealing calves from a farmer in Merrick County. While being taken to the jail Gregory gave the officers the slip. He has not yet been caught.

New Lodge Formed.

W. H. Brown of Omaha, supreme secretary of the Business Men's Fraternity, has pointed aide on the national commanderorganized a lodge of the order at Franklin in-chief's staff of the Grand Army of the with twenty charter members. A. C. Hart | Repul lic. was elected president and A. R. Peck seetary.

Stock Doing Well. The stockmen in the vicinity of Fullerton report that all kinds of stock are doing

well this winter. Many cattle are being corn fed this season, and severa! thousand head of sheep. Paper Changes Hands. The only populist paper published in

Franklin County, the Sentinel, has changed hands, Hon. T. F. Ashby of and in the future will make it a democratic paper. The paper will still be published badly burned that she died.

Sheriff Will Use Blood Hounds. ton and adjoining counties.

CONVICTS EARN A LIVING.

Produce Now Enough Revenue to

Pay for Their Keeping. The state panitentiary has now become self-sustaining, the receipis being sufficient to keep up the expenses of the institution. The reasons for this are that the new con-The Tax Levy for Nemaha County tracts made with the manufacturers for the employment of the men are higher than ever before and many men are being of a Mill-Means a Loss of \$1,700 employed in addition to the number stipulated in the contracts. The number now at work is 225 and the contracts run from 35 cents to 50 cents per day for each man. Warden Leidigh has expressed his great The county commissioners of Nemaha satisfation at the good condition of affairs County have discovered that last year they at the penitentiary, but says that the instilevied 34 of a mill more than the statutes tution could not be kept self-sustaining would allow. The levy amounted to 9% during the whole year, as the contracts almills for ordinary county revenue, includ- lowed the manufacturers to lay the men ing the support of the poor. The statutes off thirty days during the year, and thisare very plain that 9 mills is the limit, and would make it necessary to again draw

GILMORE HELD FOR MURDER.

money.

Sequel to a Fatal Shooting at a Western Nebraska Charivari.

Irving Gilmore of Glen, Sioux County, arrested on the charge of killing a 15-yearold boy at a charivari, has been bound over to the district court on the charge of murder in the first degree. Mr. Gilmore was visited on the second night of his marriage to Miss Edith Davenport, postmistress at Glen, by a charivari party, which had made dire threats against the young couple, and the members of the party were all provided with firearms, it is reliably stated, which they fired at random on the outside of Mr. Gilmore's home, which Although the annual encampment of the was in the postoffice. To scare away the Grand Army of the Republic and the state | marauders Mr. Gilmore shot through the conventions of the Woman's Relief Corps | window and, almost simultaneously, young and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Frank Miller fell to the ground dead. The Republic were really to begin their two young man's attorneys are confident that he will be cleared.

Bitten by a Mad Dog.

A dog belonging to Clem Dollar of Fairbury attacked Mrs. Dollar, and in defendhaving a seating capacity of 700, the of Edward Kerins, biting her seriously in Woman's Relief Corps at the Methodist the face. A madstone was procured and church, while the Ladies of the Grand applied to Dollar's wrist, adhering tightly Army of the Republic met in Odd Fellows' for several hours and removing a large amount of poison from the wound. An-Wednesday was spent by the delegates other stone applied to the girl's wound

Early Thunder Storm.

Beatrice reports a very heavy rain acover the city about 5 o'clock in the evening During the storm the residence of H. M. Austin was struck by lightning and damwas starting a fire at the time, was severely shocked by the bolt.

Edmisten, charging criminal libel. Simons gave away the secrets of the recount.

Arrested for Criminal Libel.

rested on acomplaint sworn out by J. H.

E. L. Simons of Lincoln has been ar-

scheme. Chairman Edmisten had the warrant issued from Dawson County. Demand for Farms. There is a great demand for farms this spring in the vicinity of Central City.

000 sheep near that city. A New Manufactory.

A corporation is now being formed to erect a factory at Meadow Grove to manufacture the Nebraska Newspaper Folder

Nebraska Short Notes.

The Modern Woodmen of America camp at Geneva gave an entertainment and banqet recently in honor of the fact that the number in the order had reached 150. H. H. Herman, who was arrested at Hastings on the charge of negotiating a

fictitious draft, had his hearing and was discharged for want of requisite proof to bind him over. A. Wail, president of the Syracuse Sugar Beet Growers' Association, has called a beet sugar convention to be held in Ne-

factories. Judge Letton of Beatrice has issued a writ of habeas corpus on the application of John M. Wilson of Deadwood, who wants to get pessession of his three children, who have been living with their mother for several months. Sheriff Nelson went to the house and secured the children after a lively tustle with their mother.

The mother will fight the ease in the A wholesale expulsion of students occurred at the Hastings High school recently. Twenty-six students were ushered before Superintendent Brown and were expelled from school for truancy. The cause of the trouble was the springlike weather. Nothing but a public apology before the whole school and extra work

will put them back as students. Wakefield is agitating the question of putting up a new school building. The contributions to the Cuban fund at

the Ord schools were in all \$22.82. U. Bates was slugged at Bloomington the other night and robbed of \$2.

The Spencer bank reopened Tuesday and paid its former depositors dollar for dollar. While cleaning a revolver Ode Page of

Decatur managed to shoot off one of his Complaint comes from the vicinity of Lodge Po'e that vacant houses are being

stolen from claims in that vicinity. T. B. Horton of Creighton has been ap-

J. W. Tyler of Stanton County lost seven head of cattle by the toppling over of a straw stack. The cattle had eaten away the base of the stack.

L. A. Rodwell ex-postmaster of Ainsworth, who embezzled nearly \$500 from the government, and who is still at large, was seen at Merriman February 2, making

his way for the Black Hills. Little Ruth, aged 3 years and 6 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Grabill of Shenandoah, Iowa, the latter of whom, with her two children, was visiting the Bloomington, having purchased the same family of Joseph Reed of Ponca, fell into a boiler of hot suds last week and was so

Stock on the Grant County range so far this winter has all done exceedingly well with a very little amount of feed. The Sheriff Meninke of Blair has received snow in October caused many to look for a two bloodhounds from Homesville, Ohio. hard winter, but the snow did not last long Hereafter he proposes to use them in and none has fallen since to cause any one tracking thieves and criminals in Washing- to have to feed, and stock has found rustling easy.