State Commissioners Working in Norfolk.

TWO HOOP NETS THIS MORNING

Were Found With Forty. Six Fish at Five Dollars Per-Henry Raasch Had Set Them-Officers are Down Northfork Today.

[From Saturday's Daily.] In the two hoop nets that he had strung in the Northfork river, Henry Raasch, who lives north of the city, caught more than the mere bunch of forty-six fish that had gotten entangled Base Ball Clubs That Wo. in the meshes last night. Besides these, which might not have been a bad haul in themselves, he found, when he came to examine the nets, that he had three officers of the state waiting for him to of clubs will be played than have hereto- sp help look after the load.

State Fish Commissioners George B. Simpkins and George L. Carter of Lincoln, arrived in the city yesterday and, accompanied by Deputy Commissioner Rainey, of this city, made a search along the banks of the stream. At the farm of Herman Rassch they found two hoop nets strung. When Henry came along to take them in, he was taken in himself by the surprise party. The nets were brought to the city and now lie in them. the yard at the home of Mr. Rainey on Second street.

There are other nets along the river, it is said, and the trio of commissioners left this morning in a boat to find those Agan is already here and there may be that are between here and the mouth of

The fine is five dollars for each fish caught, which will make Raasch's price about \$230. The commissioners came Norfolk's Horses are Harnessed to from Ewing yesterday where they had found a net and a man who had been exporting the fish by trunk loads. It cost him \$845.

#### "SI PLUNKARD."

Night's Performance. [From Saturday's Daily.] It was a good house that greeted the

"Si Plunkard" company on the closing night of the season at the Auditorium and the audience indicated quite a keen appreciation of the performance. From a critical point of view the play and the actors do not attain the highest standard, but it is of a class that wears well with a large number of theatre-goers and the fact that the company was greeted by a full house while Herman's "Othello" received scant patronage would indicate that it is of a character that appeals to a large number of Norfolk people, and it has been here so Arrived in Shape of Cement-Fear often that they know just what to expect. It might be submitted to a toning down prosess, without diminishing its popularity. The elimination of a few characters and the shading off of rived, in the shape of a carload of ce- them. Underneath the upper layers, ducted by Rev. J. F. Poucher of the M. others should be accomplished with advantage from a dramatic standpoint Norfolk tracks. and not prove disastrous to the production in point of popularity. Mr. and brusqueness of his part to outweigh gravel for the building, on account emphasis and the character is somewhat overdrawn. Joe A. Weaver as straight up and down and it was feared characters. The orchestra music was have cut into it and caved off the sides. one of the best and most highly appre- The hole is so ne miles from the city on ciated treats of the entertainment, a the farm of Fred Wegner. number of high grade selections being given, those from King Dodo and The Prince of Pilsen being especially popu-

The Auditorium will be dark until the opening of the season next fall, unless leased for special entertainments.

### A FINE RAIN.

Soil in the Vicinity of Norfolk Soaked Last Night.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] The weather clerk is readily forgiven for the disagreeable wind that prevailed yesterday if the splendid rain of of last night was the re-ult of the blow. The moisture commenced to fall in showers about supper time and after dark it settled down to quite a steady pour which was continued throughout the night and followed by drizzling showers during today. Up to 8 o'clock this morning almost an inch of rain had been precipitated, thoroughly moisten-

ing the ground to a considerable depth. That such a rain was needed for the starting of seeds and helping along the growths that have started as shown by the fact that the ground absorbed most of the water that fell, and vegetation has grown preceptibly since the storm set in. If some warm, sunny weather could but follow an untold amount of good would result.

The forecast of today is not encouraging, however, to the greatest benefit possible. Rain or snow and colder is on the program and the fact that the temperature has been falling since last night is an indication that it will be carried out.

## TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

Sunday School Rally in Afternoon and Address at Night.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] Norfolk as observed by several of the the business men of the city but some churches, under the auspices of the W. trouble has come up in regard to the

feature of the asternoon, at which time a program of music, recitations and short addresses was given that proved ntertaining and instructive to those at-

vice at the M. E. church, the address being by Rev. Qunicy Lee Morrow who spoke from a general temperance standpoint, laying particular stress on the WIRES INTO CITY ARE ALL CUT. duties of christian citizenship when it comes to voting. Mr. Morrow has a voice of pleasing quality and spoke enterrainingly on a subject that has been much discussed in recent years, and offered many new thoughts. A large number of people attended the service

TEAMS NORFOLK Veb State Use tions weather able.

Daily J this society son, it is probable that a different string fore been met. The towns in northeastern Nebraska are largely out of the game this year and it will be up to Norfolk to telegraph wires are down indiscrimin- hour. play with new aggregations.

Spencer will have a team, Butte another, and Bonesteel a third. These and the few buds that have ventured will be available and want to play, out too soon were punished for their Then there is a chance that a league boldness. will be formed of Omaha, South Omaha and Council Bluffs teams, in yesterday and along toward evening it

come back and others have written.

#### BETTER STYLE IN DRIVERS.

Good Looking Rigs.

[From Monday's Dally.] and carriages been so attractive and weight of the ice. pretty in Norfolk as they are this season. Any number of good looking animals have appeared in the harness for city Auditorium Season Closed With Last driving and the new buggies, ranabouts, and the like are good to see.

There is everything from a twowheeled sulky to the automobile, and & O., and the circuits on the Norththe streets are lively with them all. From early in the morning until late in the night there are rubber tired wheels turning on the avenues and the tendency seems to increase with the warming weather. Sundays find strings of vehicles of all sorts going here and there enjoy pretty drives and who know that Norfolk is a good place to find them.

## FIRST CARLOAD OF MATERIAL.

Gravel Pit Caved in.

ment, which stands at present on the the streets are in wretchedly muddy E. church. Around the site there was nothing

doing this morning. Something of ex-

## PIANO CONTEST.

Interest Growing in Votes on the Hospe Instrument.

The Hospe piano contest is growing some in interest and a large number of votes are being cast. The count up to yesterday was as follows:

The state of the s	
Gertrude Austin	4,09
Queen City Hotel	1,18
May Johnson	59
Bessie Widaman	21
Railway Hall.	12
A O U. W	9
Minnie Parr	9
Constance Reinhard	6
Second Congregational church	1
Knights of Pythias lodge	
Paul Rudat	
Ramond Hoagland	
George Rhode, jr	
Samuel of the same	

# DOING OF ELKS.

Will Establish Reading Room-To Give May Party.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] At their last meeting, the Benevolena and Protective Order of Elks held their first initiation under the new administration, taking in five new members. It was decided to establish a reading

room in the club, with current litera-

ture and magazines at the disposal of

The Eiks will in all probability give a May party on the 5th of the month. A committee of five was appointed at the last meeting, on arrangements.

### PROSPECT A LITTLE DARK.

Base Ball Park is the Trouble Just at Present.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] The outlook for base ball is a little dark just at present. There has been Yesterday was temperance Sunday in no difficulty in securing support from C. T. U. A rally of Sunday school grounds that may put the team out of children at the M. E. church was a the playing.

In the evening there was a union ser- Unprecedented Storm for This Season Raging.

Vegetation Will Suffer Very Much. Fruit Trees Damaged to Some Extent-Just How Badly is Not Known. Latest Snow in Many Years.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] In literal accordance with the flags that were run up on THE NEWS office yesterday morning, when the predictions said rain or snow, and colder, the weather man slapped Norfolk in the face with a bunch of sleet and ice and w which has rivalled the famous ice

of several Thanksgivings ago h has not been equaled in the

As a result of the storm telephone and ately, vegetation is enveloped in a layer of ice a quarter of an inch thick

The temperature began to fall rapidly which case Norfolk may go in with savored of winter frigidity. At 6 o'clock water was freezing and later in the Leatherby, who made such a tear on evening sidewalks became dangerously come; "Reddie" Johnson would like to whitened earth loomed up, clad in a cloak of crystallized dampness.

Norfolk was cut off almost entirely lines that run into the Norfolk telephone exchange from other points, only a single solitary piece of copper stood Ewing remained together and every Never before have the driving horses other one was snapped off by the

Not a wire running out of the Western Union Telegraph office was up this morning, and there was no possible communication. Every piece of metal that came into the Union Pacific station, all that go out along the C. St. P. M. western railroad were cut completely. Out in the open country the storm seems to have done more damage to the wires than the city, for a few lines on the local exchange were left in talking

Linemen were put out very early on and everywhere, carrying people who all the railroads and on the telephone service so that the broken wires have been getting mended through the day and the city connected up once more. Trees in some instances along the

avenues have been sadly bent to the ground but will in all probability re-The first shipment of material for the the tender blades are easily broken off months. The funeral will be held from new government building has now ar- by the batting of the icicles that hold the house at 2 o'clock, and will be concondition.

be good.

Twenty-one years ago, with corn starting out of the ground, snow came on May 15.

The temperature fell to 26 and the rainfall until 6 o'clock last night amounted to nearly an inch and onehalf. After that it froze and could not be measured.

At 10 o'clock this morning the snow began falling again and is now practically a raging blizzard. Business is suspended so far as trade is concerned and the streets are nearly deserted.

It is not considered that the storm did so serious a damage as would a sharp, cold frost and if the sky should clear by tonight a more severe attack upon budding vegetation may be expected.

The snow was the result of a great area of cold dropped from Canada, over the two Dakotas. It was snowing at Helena yesterday morning and the wave was accurately forecasted by the weather bureau.

### SOCIALLY.

[From Saturday's Daily.] Cards Tonight.

Mr and Mrs. E. P. Weatherby will entertain at cards this evening, in their home on the corner of Koenigstein avenue and Thirteenth street.

### Theatre Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Koenigstein entertained at a theatre party last even- such disregard will be prosecuted to the ing for their guests, the Misses Young limit. of Stanton and Mr. Dorr of Boston.

### This Afternoon.

Miss Edith Morrow entertained their work with them and are chatting merrily through it all. At the end of

[From Wednesday's Daily.]

Ladies' Afternoon Today. Mrs. E. T. Mittelstade is entertaining a company of ladies this afternoon please say advertised. at her home on the corner of Koen-

igstein avenue and Twelfth street. They were invited for 4 o'clock.

Reception Postponed,

The reception that was to have been given at the home of Col. and Mrs. Fish Commissioners Have De-Haves this evening for Rev. and Mrs. Weills, has been postponed until tomorrow evening on account of the unfavorable weather.

Whist Club Last Night.

The West Side Whist club was very pleasantly entertained last night by Mr. Louis C. Mattelstadt at his home on the corner of Koenigstein avenue and Twelfth street. A large number of the members braved the storm for the evening's pleasure. Supper was served, following the play.

Surprise Party.

Miss Bessie McFarland was surprised by a number of her friends last night at her home on Philip avenue in celebration of her birthday. When the party called the hostess was absent attending the entertainment at the M. E. church, of the year for many, many but was surprised when she returned to find her friends awaiting her. The time was enjoyably passed until a late

#### WILL WORK IN THE BEET FIELDS.

Russians and Hungarians Have Gone to Norf

[From Monday , Lully.] Lincoln, April 27.—Special to The demand for labor for the beet fields. Pierce county, was taken yesterday. The sugar companies will plant a third The four in the neighboring county from communication with the world more beets than ever before, and are have their trial set for May 5. by way of the wires. Of the dozen searching the country for men and All five of these nets were destroyed women who desire work in the fields, this morning which makes eight in with the shooting, the police have ar-Russian and Hungarian peasants make three days that have gone to the good. the best laborers for the beet fields and For years there have been nets in the the storm. The line from Norfolk to are eagerly sought after. The beet Northfork and nothing has been done, workers live in cottages erected in the The commissioners have now pretty fields and seldom leave them from the thoroughly cleaned them out, and fishopening of the season until the harvest | ing will be more open. is over. Whole families are engaged in | Before Justice Eiseley Saturday after the Grand Island factory was in Lincoln fined accordingly. Henry Raasch was Monday to contract for the labor of three | chalked up for just a score of the scaly hundred Russians consisting of men, creatures, at five dollars per scaly, and three hundred has been contracted for taxed ten and costs by the court. at Omaha and are already at work. The companies are still in search of game and fish commissioner, George laborers and will spend more than \$40,- Carter and County Attorney Mapes pros-

#### RESULT OF A FALL

Earl Bland Died Last Night at Home of His Parents.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] Earl, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. sume their normal positions when Bland, died last night at 10:15 at the their burdens leave. Lawns are family home corner of Sixth street and covered with a glassy, grassy crust and Park avenue, aged 7 years and 3

The death of the little boy was quite Farmers and fruit growers in the vi- sudden and proved a severe shock to cinity of Norfolk report that all of the his parents. He had been playing up-Lewis in the title role gave evidence of citement prevailed, however, among fruit that was out in any way will be stairs Sunday, and in coming down he some merit, but he permits the comedy the men who have been hauling roined, but that there may be some slipped and fell on the fourth or fifth slight hope for that which was retarded. step from the bottom, rolling to the the finer sentiments that might receive of the condition of the gravel This will give a possible chance for floor. He apparently felt no ill effects pit. When they left it the banks ran cherries and apples, but conditions must from the experience until Monday noon, be favorable for this. The melting when he complained of a pain in the "Ezra Page" was one of the best that the heavy rain of last night must be slow and a sharp sun will not side. He grew worse rapidly and suffered excruciatingly until death came A snow so late has not been known to his relief last night. The physician in this section for over a score of years. in attendance decided that a blood vessel in the stomach had been ruptured by the fall and although everything possible was done for the little fellow he passed away at the hour stated.

### TELEPHONE STRIKE OFF.

Harry Wright Receives a Message Making Such a Statement. [From Wednesday's Daily.] Harry Wright, one of the linemen

employed by the Nebraska telephone company, received a dispatch this morning from Lincoln stating that the strike had been declared off. It was signed by a member of the committee appointed by the union to present the matter to the officials of the company.

The linemen will probably return to work at once. Mr. Wright, who has been visiting his parents in this city since the beginning of the strike, owing to the fact that his gang walked out and left him, will probably return to his duties after a few days.

### **EVADING QUARANTINE LAWS.**

People Will Hereafter be Prosecuted to the Limit.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] the city regarding persons who are go to school today because he rode a evading the quarantine laws. A great many cases have not obeyed the rules is rough. and it is said that hereafter any case of

Letter List. List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice April 28, 1903.

W. P. Anderson, P. P. Browne, Mr. small company of ladies this afternoon Lute Early, Mrs. Mattie Elledge (2), at her home in the Heights. They took Mrs Estella Evans, Mr. F. S. Griffith, Ernst Harlow, Mrs. Cassie Helcher, Mr. Wm S. Malone, Mr. McGrow, Mrs. the afternoon it is planned to serve Manerva Read, Mr. Geo. E Smoper, Mr John Taggert, Frank Anigley. If not called for in fifteen days will be

sent to the dead letter office. Parties calling for any of the above

JOHN R. HAYS, P. M.

stroyed That Many.

TWO HAVE BEEN PROSECUTED.

Found Three Saturday, One Yesterday and Four More Today-All but One Had Expensive Meat in Them. Hearing Set May 5.

[From Monday's Daily.] A buggyful of gasping black suckers gathered a big crowd of men in Norfolk avenue this morning, and opened their ugly mouths to satisfy the curiosity of the onlookers. It was not the fact that there were fish in a buggy which brought the people, but the idea that there were samples from the nets which Special Deputy J. W. Rainey had found in the Northfork river and the fact that each beastly sucker would cost someone five dollars because it happened to get into a sein instead of on a hock.

Early this morning Rainey went out to search the waters for nets, and he had no trouble in finding them. Four nets made his haul. Three of them were north of the city, in Pierce county. These belonged to Fred Oestrich, John Krueger and August Oestrich.

One about a half mile south of Norfolk News: The Norfolk and Grand Island belonged to a farmer named Maas. In beet sugar factories are making prepathus net there were no fish, so the the university team last year, wants to slippery. With the dawning of today a rations for an extra heavy "run" this net was merely destroyed. Another beseason, and as a result there is a strong longing to William Degner, north in

the work and receive \$20 per acre for noon two men were tried and found the season. Representative Ferrar of guilty of seining for fish, and were the fire two persons were burned to women and children, who will be taken costs. Frank Lehman had drawn a to the fields next week. A force of pair in the meshes of his net and was

The complaint was filed by the state 000 this summer for beet field workers ecuted. W. M. Robertson was attorney for the defense. The men paid their fines and were released.

In finding the nets the commissioners, G. B. Simpkins of Lincoln, George Carter of North Platte and Special Deputy J. A. Rainey of this city spent the entire day. The nets that they found were brought to the city and cut up. The fish were distributed.

# NO TROUBLE ABOUT GROUNDS.

They are in Good Hands and all Will be Fairly Treated.

[From Wednesday's Daily.] W. H. Johnson says it looks as though some one is trying to give an erroneous impression in regard to the use of the grounds for base ball this year. He and a number of others who are interested in driving horses, some time ago made arrangements to lease the grounds during the season, and although the lease has not yet actually been executed they are in virtual control of the grounds at this time, but in the absence of organization no one is in authority to make a price on the use of the grounds, nor has a price been made to anyone. When the horsemen effect an organization they will be in position to meet the base ballists on a footing that will be satisfactory all around. Base ballists, firemen and any others who may want to use the grounds for public good will be fairly treated and there need be no fear that any legitimate amusement will be forced out on account of rent. It is the plan of those persons who have taken the grounds to foster such enterprises as will bring people to Norfolk during the eason rather than to drive them away.

# BAD WIND BLOWING.

That, and Chapping People's Faces, is All it Does.

[From Tuesday's Daily.] A terrific wind has been rolling into Norfolk all day long from the direction of the Gulf of Mexico, and has whistled around the corners in a way that is bad to hear. The tremendous breeze has blown very little dust, comparatively. The reason for this is that it blew all of the dust there was, yesterday.

People who are forced to be out in the open air show the effects of the weather in their firy red faces and nearly There is a great deal of complaint in blistered lips. One chap was unable to pony all of yesterday, and he thinks it

> It Was Singular. [From Monday's Daily.]

A Norfolk lad insisted in school this morning that the word five was plural because it meant more than one. His teacher tried every way to persuade him that there might be one five and there might be more. Finally she held up one hand.

"See my fingers," she said. "They make one five. How do you spell it?" "F-i-v-e," he said.

"Well," she went on, confident of winning her point. "Here are two hands. That makes two fives. How do you spell that?"

"T-e-n," he answered, and that was

singular, too.

THIRTEEN HURT IN WRECK.

Passenger Train Derailed at a Cross-

ing Near Toledo. Toleds, O., April 29 .- A southbound passenger train on the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton road was derailed at Bates Siding, four miles south of this city. Thirteen people were injured, seven seriously, but none fatally. The most seriously injured were brought back to this city and taken to the Toledo hospital.

The injured: B. A. Wolffe, Findlay, head badly cut; M. Brown, fireman, Lima, scalp and face wounds; F. W. Fang r. Indianapolis, traveling salesman, face badly cut and hip bruised; William Channels, Avis, O., scalp wounds; Sherwin Johnson, Tontogany, O., back injured; Bert Dewcest, Weston, O., bruised about face and neck; Miss Ida Wadd, Pemperville, O., cut about head; Mrs. J. W. Lufkin, Bays, O., hip bruised; Miss Lucy Cass, Ottawa, O., head cut; Charles Scott, Bowling Green, O., face cut; H. Kerske, Toledo, hip bruised.

When the accident occurred the train was running about twenty-five miles an hour and the accident was due to the turning of a switch at a crossing. The engine and all of the cars left the track and were thrown upon their sides.

VICTIM GETS NO WARNING.

Wealthy Dry Goods Merchant of New York Shot Down.

York, April 29.-Leopold Worthelmer, a wealthy dry goods merchant, was shot three three times in his home in West One Hundred and Fifteenth street. He was wounded in the chest, arm and right side, and is in a serious condition. Charged rested Joseph Simpson.

The injured man is a member of the firm of Maron & Wortheimer, dry goods merchants, who recently were burned out at their place of business in Third avenue. Simpson, the police say, was employed there as a watchman prior to the fire. At the time of

The motive of the shooting is a mystery both to the police and to the Wortheimer family, and Simpson, who was very cool when arrested, refused to make any statement. All Simpson would say was that Wortheimer owed him money for something he had done and had refused to

COLLISION AT NEW HAMP Southbound Freight and Accommoda-

tion Trains Meet on Same Track. Albany, Mo., April 29.-In a collision between a southbound freight and an accommodation train on the Burlington at New Hampton five men were seriously injured. They are: W. C. Elder, station agent at Albany, cut about the head and badly bruised: M B. Shamblin, station agent at Bethany. severely bruised and cut; Dr. Cavanaugh of New Hampton, leg broken and bruised; Albert Rodecker of Dar-

lington, Mo., leg broken and bruised. The four rear cars of the accommodation train left the track, the coach and one other car rolling down a twenty-foot embankment and turning over

Investigating Boodle Schemes. St. Louis, April 29.-The report of the commission on criminal jurisprudence of the Missouri senate two years ago was prepared by attorneys for the baking powder trust in New York. It was delivered to Daniel J. Kelley, who sent it to Lieutenant Governor Lee, and it was then given to the chairman of the commission. Senator James T. Orchard. This fact was developed by Attorney Folk in his investigation of state legislative boodling schemes. It is believed the information came from John A. Lee,

grand jury. Steagald Says He Is Not Guilty. Sioux Falls, S. D., April 29.-Henry A. Steagald appeared before Judge Jones and pleaded not guilty to the charge of shooting and killing Frank Bowen, a grain buyer at Benclare, a little town east of Sioux Falls. The crime was committed on Feb. 27 last while Steagald was agent of the Illinois Central Railroad company at Benclare. The defendant appears on the verge of mental and physical collapse. He will be tried during the

who was again a witness before the

present term of court. Three Suicides at Washington. Washington, April 29.-Three persons committed suicide in this city this morning. All used carbolic acid as a means of ending life. The three suicides were Leonard H. Mangum, a former clerk in the census bureau; Guy E. Padgett, a real estate and insurance agent, and Mrs. Sadie Plummer, a young woman, whose husband keeps a lunch room on Pennsylvania

Convention for Des Moines. Des Moines, April 29.-The Repub-

lican state central committee at its meeting here decided to hold the next state convention on July 1 in Des Moines. Hon. George D. Perkins was chosen as temporary chairman.

Philippine Judge Resigns. Santa Fe, N. M., April 29 .- W. H. Pope, judge of the court of the first instance of the Philippine islands, has resigned and, owing to shattered

health, will return to Santa Fe to take

up his residence here again.