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THE city council ought to take advantage of the presence of Mr. Myers, the court-house architect, and consult him in regard to the proposed city hall.

"Sunor" may become popular in the polite circles of the cast, but the cowboy of the rowdy west will stick to the old name for the realm of his satanic

Now that Omaha is to have her census taken would it not be well to inquire into the inflation methods of Kansas City? Would it not be advisable to engage the population ltars of that city to ensist our enumerators?

Some fault is being found with the mugwump postmister of New York, One of the charges is that it takes longer, as a rule, to get a letter across the river from New York to Brooklyn than from New York to Philadelphia. This reminds one very much of the mall facilities between Omaha and Council Bluffs. It takes about as long to send a letter from Omaha to Connell Bluffs as it does to send it

Is there is any further change to be made in the grade of Farnam street hill it should be done before the court house approaches are built. Now that Mr. Myers, the architect of the court house. is here, it would be advisable for the city council to consult him in the matter. We understand that Mr. Myers says that the street can be cut at least three feet more if it is done at once so he can modify his plans.

word and reproach among men on account of its being applied to a worthless war vessel. The Herald might slso have said that the fair fame of Omaha is being trailed in the dust by our inglorious base-ball club. We would suggest that the ball club be put on board the war vessel "Omaha" and sent to sea. If this were done, we might never see them

laborers for railway work in Gautemala overlap which Mayor Chase found when has grown to alarming proportions. Mr. Boyd went out was a mere estimate. if these Methodists and Baptists and These men are enticed on board of vessels It is certain, however, if all the liabilities Presbyterians would quit drinking whisky and that the necessity of a change in the at New Orleans by agents who get ten in the special funds and floating debts had half the liquor calcons would be closed. dollars a head. This species of white been scraped together and computed A woman that marries a man with whisky slavery is something that ought to be with an additional estimate of the city's in his breath is the biggest fool in the investigated by the state department. If expenses from April to July, 1882, there world except one who stirs his toddy for the half of what is told be true a great would have been a grand total of floating him after she is married." We are led to outrage is being perpetrated by design- debt in excess of \$60,000. ing scoundrels. Every person engaged in the nefarious business should be hunted down and punished.

merchant who created a sensation in St. damages arising from grading, but there Paul some years ago first by is also a proportion for damages to his immense business owing to persons by reason of accidents. How cutting prices, and second by his fall- is any city council to pay ure for \$1,700,000, recently died in in advance for such localities. A man or Florida where he had an crange grove valued at \$500,000. Mr. Harwood bridge or sidewalk any day and secure carried a life insurance of \$200,000, the judgment for \$10,000 or \$20,000. Would annual premiums on which amounted to such a debt constitute an overlap? \$10,000. He died suddenly of concussion of the brain. As usual in the case of such heavy insurance a report has been started that his death was the result of suicide, and already the matter is being investigated. In all probability litigation "will follow, but we apprehend that the outcome will be, as it has been in similar cases, that the insurance will have to be paid.

A SPECIAL dispatch to the Kansas City Journal, eminating from the Lincoln Journal, office announces that Charles H. Gere will be named as one of the secretaries of the railway commission. The also is charged as an overlap, and al correspondent, who is an employe of the Lincoln Journal, naturally pays a high Mr. Boyd's administration, his predecescompliment to Mr. Gere, "editor-inchief." He pronounces Mr. Gere "an The arrant humbug of the thing must be able and fearless writer," and says:

Mr. Gere belongs to the stalwart faction and, politically speaking, has no patience with statesmen of the Van Wyck style Possessed of much valuable information he will unquestionably at once prove the leader of the railway commission. He does not expect to relinquish his editorial duties entirely.

We are not surprised that this "able and fearless writer" has no patience with statesmen of the Van Wyck style. Mr. That the editor-in-chief of the monopoly during the summer. organ will at once prove, or attempt to prove, himself the leader of the railway commission, we have not the least doubt. may be an overlap constructively, but as That he will furnish valuable information a matter of fact the grading has not been to the railways is an undenlable fact, done, and consequently we don't owe while at the same time he will aid and snything on that account. Now, then, comfort them in every way possible by how much is the real overlap? Comput. Omaha has more music to the square his "able and fearless" writing in his ing two-thirds of the judgments due as inch every day in the week than any paper, as he does not expect to relinquish originating from the grading as charge- other city in the country. his editorial duties entirely. The space able to overlap, and adding to it the \$26, devoted to the interests of the railroads

MUNICIPAL OVERLAP. When Mayer Boyd in his address at the citizens' convention a few days prior to the election asserted that to the best of his ability to learn the condition of the city finances there was not less than \$88,000 of floating debt to be met, he was pooh-poohed by the supporters of the Murphy administration, who boddly asserted he was jumping at conclusions

idly asserted he was jumping at conclusions nd that the amount was much less. Within the past week at the instance of the mayor Auditor Long has made an estimate of the "overlap," of expenditures above the funds, carried over from the last administra-tion and finds the startling fact that with the bills held back, the existence of all of which

From the message sent to the council last

auditor of the total amount of the overlap and ind it to be \$111,204,32, made up as follows,

tion).
Salaries, police, (four months)...
Salaries, fire (four months)...
Salaries, general fund(two months)
Bills and accounts allowed...

3,000 00 -Omaha Herald,

We have no desire to re-open the city

campaign, but the uncalled-for attempt to make political capital out of our munleipal debt by parading inflated and misthe city great injury. The statement markable success in converting the peo-

liably informed that the over-

have called for, will show it." Now, Mayor Chase derived his Inforbut as a matter of fact neither Mr. Jewett no books of debit and credit kept during THE industry of kidnapping American Mr. Boyd's administration. The \$40,000

Now let us see what part of the \$111, 000 is an overlap. There are \$36,000 in judgments against the city. A portion Presbyterians" of Nashville have taken of these judgments is doubtless an over-NORMAN B. HARWOOD, the dry goods 1sp caused by confession of judgment for

weman may tumble through a defective

Next we find \$12,558 sewer rebate. In what way can that be called an overlap? to put the angels on half rations." Here The sawers were constructed and the cost assessed upon adjacent property under the matic sentences which go straight to the prevailing system of special taxation, but mark like a bullet, nearly every one of through a decision of the supreme court which is a text within itself for a sermon: the council was compelled to re-assess, and as a matter of equity it assessed a portion of the outlay against the whole city. This was unavoidable and in no way can be regarded as an overlap.

Then we have \$27,000 in salaries of the police force, fire department and city officials generally, which is computed for the last quarter of the fiscal year. This though the salaries are payable under sor is charged with this so-called overlap. apparent to everybody when it is borne in mind that the salaries of the mayor, marshal, and members of the city and we venture to say that he will create council were raised by the legislature, and consequently caused an overlap for which Mr. Murphy and the awaits him everywhere. In his own peformer council should not be held respon-

months, \$3,015. This is about as much posite field. He will prove the great Gere has not forgotten Mr. Van Wyck's inflated as the water-gas with which this antidote to Ingersollism, and hence his exposure of the Journal printing frauds city is supplied. The gas bills average advent will be halled with delight by resome years ago, which explains why he less than \$1,000 per month, and there is ligious people everywhere. While he has no patience with Senator Van Wyck. no reason why they should average more aims to influence the common people, the

> Lastly, we have an overlap of \$3,000 for the West Farnam street grade. That 250 for bills and accounts allowed,

from that the \$40,000 overlap which Mr. reducing stock with a vengeance. Boyd transmitted to Chase and Murphy and we have an excess of \$13,250 created during the past two years. During that period the city expended nearly a million for public improvements. There is more than \$13,252 left unexpended in some of the special fands. bills held back, the existence of all of which is not yet, if one may judge from the suits being brought under the recent decision of the supreme court for damages by Why then should Mayor Boyd let it go is on the verge of bankruptcy, if it were hight by the mayor, the following showing of the city floating debt is taken:
"I have had an estimate made by the bonds command a premium of .03; above par. This premium, paid by a leading local pank, which is thoroughly familiar tenses and reckless assertions the overlap at present is but a trifle larger than it was two years ago. It will be wiped out entirely by the funding bonds. Nobody tirely by the funding bonds to any credit for that bonds as a measure of economy.

ANOTHER GEORGIA WONDER.

The state of Georgia continues to carry leading figures, demands a prompt and the prize banner as the wonder-producing vigorous refutation. When Mr. Boyd, region of this country. It was from in order to get votes, asserted before the Georgia that the electric girl came. She "citizens' convention" that the Murphy was followed by a man who was a Heradministration had piled up an overlap of oules in strength. The greatest anake \$88,000, he might have been excused for stories have originated in Georgia. The exaggerating on the ground of campaign most startling social sensations are license, but when, as mayor of Omaha, hatched in that state. Nowhere can he officially tells the council and ad- such big watermelons be found as in vertises to the world that the city has Georgia. And now the latest Georgia been unlawfully run into debt for over wonder appears in the shape of a revival part of President Cleveland, whose \$100,000 he stultifies himself and does lat, who is meeting with the most rethat the overlap of expenditures carried ple of the south. He is the sensation of over from the last administration amounts | the day, and no such religious excitement | American public. to \$111,000 is untrue. An overlap ment has ever been stirred up in the south means a debt created in as that which has been created by although not numerous, are well organmeans a debt created in as that which has been created by ized, active and xealous in their cause. excess of the legal limit of 90 Sam Jones, as he is called. He is not a They claim that for a country which is per cent of the tax levy. Mayor Boyd graduate of any theological school, and anxious to extend its dominions and its knows, or he ought to know, that the has no such a title as "reverend." He is commerce beyond the seas a silver cur-\$111,000 which the city will owe at the a plain, uncultured man, and does not rency is essential. They therefore beend of the present fiscal year is not an claim to be even an evangelist. Sam, fairly embarked in sundry schemes of overlap by at least \$60,000. It does not however, has a head full of sense, and colonization, and feeling the necessity of become Mayor Boyd to charge up the his ideas are expressed in language that relieving the farmer of the stress of low responsibility for this overlap to his preis plain and pointed, even if it is not sition to convoke a new bi-metallic condecessor, since he himself is responsible always grammatical. He is a philosopher ference. With this view they introduce for the greater part of it, if a mayor is to in the rough, and an enthusiast in the in the present reichstag a resolution to be responsible for such a debt. When cause of religion and reform. Sam Jones the effect that "the chancellor of the em-Mr. Boyd went out of office as mayor talks to the common people as well as at pire be requested to take initiatory steps two years ago. he left an overlap of \$40,- them, and his quaint sayings and apt THE Herald says that the name of 000. His successor, Champion S. maxims, peculiar to the wonderland of 1881, in order to bring about the resump-"Omaha" has become in the east a by- Chase, said in his message to Georgia, have struck a popular chord, tion of the coinage of full weight silver the council, April 11th, 1882, "I am re- Wherever he appears he attracts immense crowds, and the work that he is lap in the general fund at this date is doing is certainly having a telling effect. \$40,000, and that a report, such as I He is coming northward, and his march is one grand triumphal procession. Sam Jones has reached Nashville, Tennessee, mation from the then city clerk, Jewett, where it is no unusual thing for him to their great disappointment the governtalk to fully five thousand persons. The ment declared that there was an ample nor anybody else could compute the exact gamblers and saloon-keepers of Nashville supply of gold coin; that since the adopamount of the overlap in 1882. Therewere caused bitter attacks to be made upon had coined 1,922,000,000 of marks in said: "I am tired of hearin' these liquor culation in Germany, according to the dealers and bartenders abused, because conclude from the fact that several raloons have since been advertised for sale that "these Methodists and Baptists and

Jones' advice and sworn off. As to culture, the Georgia revivalist says, "It's only whitewash on a rascal. I'd rather be in heaven learnin' my A B U's than in hell reading Greek." The lesson taught by this sentiment is that without honesty and manhood culture is worthless. He holds out the promise that every good man wil lbe provided for in some way, as "heaven is on a dead level with every good man," and that "God will feed an honest man if he has are a few samples of Sam Jones' epigram-I despise theology and botany, but I love

religion and flowers. A lie is always on the down grade, but th truth you have to hitch an engine to. I can get along better with most everything

in this world than with people who talk too The best woman in this town is the woma who has waded through trouble that ar angel's heart could not have endured, When God wants to strike us with affliction let us

not run, but stand and take 'em. Many good christians sleep so sound tha the devil can come up and saw off their heads

with a dull caseknife before they wake. A novelty is always appreciated, and Sam Jones is certainly a novelty in religion. He has a broad field before him, last the greatest enthusiam in the way of revivals ever known. A cordial reception culiar way, Sam Jones is as great a philsopher and as great a wit in the interest Next we find an item of gas for two of religion as Bob Ingersoll is in the opmost cultured and refined are attracted philosophy.

> THE brass band has been made an important feature in the art of advertising. We venture to say that, as a consequence

The testimony of the Brighton ranch of the B will as usual be filled by his fearless ar- \$300 of old sewer accounts, and \$2,700 of company in the United States court

an aggregate of \$53,250, which represents but the company has returned only 700 the overlap that Mr. Boyd found when of that number to the assessor of Conter he came into office in April. Deduct county. This is what might be termed

SENATOR VAN WYCH.

The Nebraska Republican Who is Said to be a Favorite at the White House

Washington Special dispatch to the Graphic Reports have gone out from Washington that Senator Van Wyck is the most welcome and influential of republican visitors at the White House. The tidings will not excite much alarm among those who recall the sturdy fight made by Van Wyck during the past winter to forfeit the uncarned railroad land grants and to curb the rapacity of the land grabbing corporations generally. Doubtless the president can obtain a good deal of wholewith our municipal finances, affords some information from the Nebraska striking proof that this false alarm about senator. In this connection your corthe \$111,000 overlap does not affect respondent may quote the subjoined copy of a letter recently sent by the senato shrewd financiers. In spite of false pre- in reply to an invitation to address the

We are engaged in a work which in the end, through much labor and oblequy, will triumph. The world moves slowly, even in that portion where we boast that the people direct. We have been tending towards the same condition as when the barons allowed the vassals barely bread sufficient for subsist ence. A condition of laws and society which makes possible the abstraction by Goulds and Vanderbilts of hundreds of millions from the toil of labor is abundant proof of the statement. Again thanking you, I remain,

The Question of Silver Coinage.

In view of the importance which the silver question is likely to assume upon the assembling of the Forty-ninth congress, and the undoubted attitude of opposition to further silver coinsge on the views as expressed in his inaugural may or may not be modified, the action of foreign governments on like subjects is a matter of considerable interest to the

The double standard men of Germany, lieve that the government, being now toward a new meeting of the monetary conference which adjourned in the year coins by the United States, by the Latin union, by the German empire, and by all such states as would join with these

countries.' The resolution was signed by Von Schorlemer, Von Kardorff, Frege and Leuschner, all members of the reichstag and belonging to different parties. To closest researches, not less than 1,700,-000,000, which amount was deemed sufficient to meet all the wants of commerce government policy with reference to the standard had not been shown. The reso lution was, after a lengthy and interesting discussion, put to a vote and defeated by a large majority.

Sly Sam Randall.

Carp, in the Cleveland Leader. A noted democratic congressman, whose name, were I permitted to use it, would add weight to his words, said to me last night in regard to Logan's election; President Cleveland has received a great blow in the election of Logan. It is a cut directly at the administration, and in favor of the policy and principles which are diametrically opposed to it. Legan has been an open opponent to civil ser-vice reform. He has been opposed to tariff reform, and he has been one of the bitterest denunciators of the confeder ates holding any supremacy in govern-ment councils. The fact that a republican was elected in the democratic district means that the democrats are disgusted, and are willing to let the administration know it by keeping away

from the polls." SLY SAM RANDALL'S DEEP GAME, "It means also that Randail has had his finger in the pie, and it is him that Logan must thank for his election. Sam Randall is playing a deep game here at Washington, and he intends to run the democratic party or rain it. It was not the first speaker, Mr. E E. Meyers, of the law dedicates, speaks in and of itself that he loved Logan, but that he hated Detroit, the architect, whose duty it was the pride of its author, the people. It is Morrison and tariff reform. Randall's to turn the building over. In substance friends in Illinois were told that Logan must be elected and Morrison defeated. This intimation being circulated in the county where the new man was elected, together with the diseatisfaction with fully. And I desire to congratulate the motives. Let not of extravagance posses I think Sam Randall is laying his plans sion of such an excellent structure. To for 1888, when he confidentially expects Mr. D. L. Shane, the superintendent, the records of the people, that place be-to become the presidential candidate of and the builders is due the honor of this yould destruction the volumes of titles his party. It is true he has lately pro nounced himself as an advocate of Cleve-land's renomination in 1888, and he thus forces Morrison, Carlisle and his other not an unpleasant word has ever passed forces Morrison, Carlisle and his other enemies to follow him in this cry. Now, Cleveland in his letter of acceptance distinctly declares that he will not be a can-

didate for a second term, and after Ran-da'l being so kind as to push him to the commissioners. front Cleveland cannot do otherwise than remember Randall and decline in his favor. Besides Randall's principals, those of the east, are the same as Cleveland's, barring the civil service reform ideas which will, I believe, die a natural death before four years have passed, and he will want a man chosen in his place who will carry out his policy. I can tell you there is no deeper, slyer, and more far-seeing wire-puller in the democratic party than Randall, and he is not teady most cultured and refined are attracted ing Cleveland and hanging around the to him by his elequence, wit, logic and philosophy.

Cleveland and hanging around the white house for anything less than the biggest game in the hunting fields of American politics " "Suppose he doesn't get it?" "Well, you have heard the story of the blind Samson, who pulled down the temple when his enemies thought he was

out bringing down the whole structure.

powerless. Randall defeated will be the

olind Samson of the democratic party,

and if he goes down he will not fall with

THE NEW TEMPLE.

Dauglas County's Modern Court House Dedicated to Its Use.

An Immense Crowa of Sight-Seeing Visitors Under the Great Dome -Lively and Interesting

Ceremonies.

Douglas county's magnificent new temo'clock farmers, with their wives, sons then consisting of F. W. Corless, B. P. great center of attraction. The heavy rain of Wednesday put many husbandalso left the roads in rather bad condition for travel, prevented, however, as from coming as were expected. But notwithstanding these difficulties,

hundreds of wondering eyes peered into the decorated halls and embelitshed apartgratified with the work performed and through the beautiful structure. Doors were all thrown wide open, and the county officials, though rushed with business, were ready to ex-tend each visitor a hearty welcome and do all possible to make their stay pleasant. The most delightful treat of the occasion was to be had from the balcony view around the dome. It cost a little climb ing effort to get up there, but the scene presented more than repayed the effort. Laying below, the city, embowered in green foliage, and stretching away in every direction the broad rolling prairie, and through its centre the "Big Muddy winding and rushing on its ceaseless course to the briny deep, a finer picure could not well be conceived.

And thus the day passed. At 8 o'clock dedicatory exercises were o take place. Long before that time, the building was crowded with people, and hundreds went away who could not gain admission to the court room. Scores of ladies graced the occasion with their presence, and three bands furnished music. They were the Musical Union, the Union Pacific and the Ancient Order of Hibernians organizations. On his own responsibility, County Clerk Leavitt had gotten up an elaborate programme, the front page containing an excellent cut of the building and these wards: "Dedicated May 28th, 1885 cost \$204,

On the second page was this inscrip-

"Opening of the new court house Douglas Co , Thursday, May 28, 1885, at 8 o'clock p. m., the officers of the of an already great and strong state. court and members of the bar in their With us and a part of us are not a few respective place in the court room. On the third page appeared the follow-

PROGRAMME: Presentation by E. E. Myers, architect, of the completed building to the county commissioners.

Presentation on behalf of the county com-

rs to the court and the County, Hop. J. O. Cowin.

Acceptance and dedication on tehalf of the court. Hon. Eleazer Wake'y and Hon. James Acceptance on behalf of the people, Hon.

Hon. John I. Redick.

commissioners, Richard O'Keeffee chair- servants, "well done." man; Frank W. Corliss and George E. Timme; and the bar committee, G. W. Ambrose, B. E. B. Kennedy, W. J. Connell, E. W. Simeral, and W. A.

Redick appeared. Mr. Ambrose presided and called the meeting to order. Within the bar and their sanction, by their command, at jury box all the ladies for whom there their cost. For them and for those who was room were given seats. The county commissioners, the architect, Mr. E. E. Myers, the superintendent, Mr. D, L Shane, and the builder, Mr. John F. forever. Coots, eccupied positions in front of the judges' stand. On the bench rat those two dignitaries of legal fore and learning, Judges Eleazer courts. In substance he said.
Wakeley and James Neville On their "The wisdom and experience left were seated members of the bar, and strains of lively music floated out upon the soft night air from three bal-

In calling the assembled multitude together, Mr. Ambrese said that he was cality then where such action is asked to be acting in behalf of the commissioners, and the honor bestowed gave him great pleasure, and he desired to introduce as

that gentleman said: The work commenced here three years erected to its cause, a court house shall age has been executed and the contract be untarnished by the exercises within has been filled to the letter most faith its walls, of haste prejudice or selfish completed edifice. From the beginning and adjudicated rights, cannot be exbetween any of the men conducting the between any of the men conducting the could not, with economy, be erection of the building, and I take spearything short of what it is. colal pleasure in now turning it over to the Let the officers who designed and di-

TO THE COURT AND PROPLE. The second speaker was Gen. John C. Cowin, whose appearance was greeted with a round of applause. He commenced his remarks by saying: "That which the human mind most earnestly seeks and unconditionally demands in earthly affairs is justice.' Acting upon and guided by the experience and wis-dom of ages in the administration of man's worldly affairs, the people of the state of Nebraska have made it a part of the fundamental law of their government that all courts shall be open and every peracn, for every injury done him in his lands, goods, person or reputation, shall have a remedy by due course of law and house, and in pursuance of these requirements of government and duties imposed by law, these walls within which we now stand, have been reared and this build-

edifices by which it is surrounded.

and decrees, the labor and results of the prodriated to their own use, courts for more than 30 years. The question of a new building began to rip- fellow-citizens upon its completion and ple in the public mind and gradually ple in the public mind and gradually grew into activity; but, with all matters publicly considered, so with this move—court within these walls, which can exment, there was great diversity of cite only admiration and awe! I con-Where be located, what cost and whether it should be built at all. themselves with paltry hundreds when ple of justice was according to previous Pending this class of public opinion, entheir very jury room is redolent of couragement formally opened to the couragement from some, implacable options And not least, I congratarrangements, formally opened to the position from others, in the month of public yesterday and last night. By ten July, 1878, the board of commissioners, what client would haggle or dispute over and daughters, began to arrive in the Knight, and Fred Drexel, determined to less, of a fee, when his cause has been city and wend their way toward the act, and proceeded to secure half of the won-or lost, as the case may be-amid block now occupied. The speaker fol- carved woodwork and brilliant chands lowed at considerable length, with a his-tory of the building, all of which has al-

men behind with their spring work, and ready been given in these columns and need not be repeated here. Further along Mr. Cowin referred to his tion for travel, prevented, however, as own familiarity with the principal for the first beats of the returning fur details of the work from its beginning. For the past sixteen years, it had been to the song of the cordelier, shall soon be his duty to advise the commissioners in repeated the scenes of the old court the capacity of attorney for the county, and during the entire progress of this wretched tramp, whose only knowledge work from its inception to completion, I of law consists of the constitutional proments of that stately pile, then went have been called to their councils in all away with their owners, pleased and matters involving legal interests, and have always open to listen to the wittlesens of been acquainted with the labors of the board and its individual members during result accomplished. During the after the whole time. Eventually the entire noon hours an increased influx of visitors block was secured at a cost of \$19,913. mounted the marble steps and lefsurely In September 1880, bonds to the amount enjoyed a tour of interesting sight-reeing s appropriated out of the general revenue fund. The bonds were sold at a premium. September 1, 1881, blds were opened, and the contract was let to John E. Coots, of Detroit, Mich., for \$198,616. The actual cost of the building is \$204,-151 06, the excess of \$5,535 06 over the contract price being occasioned by changes made necessary as the work pro-

gressed Finally, in closing he said: "On behalf structed to say that this building is now ready to assume its duties and perform functions in the important department to which it pertains. But, grand and majestic as are these walls, rising above the city on this beautiful eminence, looking out upon the habitations and pursuits of more than 60,000 people in this city, and destined to look upon her hundreds of thousands of souls yet unborn; yet their chief imthe city and county's fair and lovely portance is what they signify as the abiding place of equity, honor, conscious, wisdom and justice.

DEDICATED BY THE COURT.

"It is a pleasing duty on behalf of the

people of this county," said Judge E. Wakeley, who was introduced as the third speaker, "to accept from the com-missioners this building, now finished and henceforth to be devoted to its sppropriate uses. It is not unusual to mark, by fitting ceremonies, the accomplishment of important work intended for public benefit. The completion of this structure is here taken note of. It has been reared in this metropolia of an already great and strong state. still in manhood's vigor to come back the fresh remembrances of those rude pioneer and territorial beginnings strongly contrasted with the surroundings of this hour. Architecture is a development of civilization, yet in its lateral and best inal shall be punished, the innocent shall sense not of human origin. The Alnighty, in the plan and frameof his universe, teaches the sublime rules and grand symmetry. Humane architecture is an evolution, developed into aspira-James W. Savege.

The old court house and its history, Hon, When the people of this county directed The old court house and its instory, from their commissioners to go forward with the past jurispudence of Douglas county, Hon. James L. Woolworth.

Reminiscences of the bar of Douglas county, the design and arrangement, in its design and arrangement, in its design and arrangement. tails and entirety, it should meet the requirements for which it had been ordered, The bar of the future in Douglas county, Arthur C. Wakeley.

On the last page the names of the county they are ready to say to these, their

Your trust has been discharged with fidelliy. You eave no accusation of improvidence or extravigance, and least of all, of corruption, to meett And now. we surrender to the people this completed bullding. It has been reared with come after them, it has risen. And now we formally declare that it is dedicated to the public use and the public behoof

JUDGE NEVILLE.

Judge Neville was the next speaker called, and he too talked in behalf of the

"The wisdom and experience of ages has given to the judiclary regulating power in the machinery of government. The legislative act and intent is considered by the courts and by their judgment the executive forces are invoked. The loexercised is a spot of pride to the citizen and to that place he points for evenhanded justice. This very temple, which a grand structure for a grander cause. The intent of the law is, that when the thought of extravagance possess any citizen in this construction. The walls that incase travagantly made. Each citizen of the county must see that a court house erected in this wonderful, growing city rected this beautiful construction and public pride take unto themselves a full measure of praise. This building, the federal court house and postoffice, the city hall and board of trade building contemplated, the High school temple and other school buildings upon every hill top and in every valley, speak in broader tones than I can tell, the enterprise, thrift, and intelligence of our new born city. APPROPRIATE AND HUMOROUS,

One of she most enjoyable speeches of the evening was that delivered by Judge Savage. Being introduced, the judge in abstract said:

I rejoice, Mr. Chairman, that the committee charged with the conduct of the justice, administered without denial or exercises of the evening have given me a delay. It is by law made the duty of the power of attorney, coupled with an incounty commissioners to provide for terest of counsel, to receive on behalf of the use of the county a suitable court the people of Douglas county this stately and conspicuous edifice. For it is far more easy to accept than to refuse so munificent a gift. True, there may be those who will say that it seems a work of ing constructed, a monument to justice supererrogation, a vain ceremonial, to and a fitting companion to the splendid make a donation to us of a building

fullness of their destiny, Omaha and and enhanced expenses may declare that Douglas county grew far beyond the ca-pacity of the old court house, and the scriptural aphorism that "It is more old building itself became an unsafe re-ceptacle for the vast interests it contained is in no such spirit that we receive and the warrant of all titles, the condition accept the small portion of this building of all lots and lands, and the judgments that these judges have not already ap-

And I congratulate all classes of my should gratulate clients, for what jury in an acshould tion for personal damages would concern three or four hundred dollars, more or liers like thesa? Here, then, upon this spot where

within the memory of younger men than I, the chieftains of the Omahas and Otoes gazed down the river in spring to watch house. Here will come the homeless and viston that courts of instice shall be counsel and the repartees of witnesses. Here on my right will sit the jury. Ah! how pleasant would be the administration of justice could the box be slwsys filled attractively as to night, jurymen will be the only ones who will regret the old court house. for they will miss the convenient rail in front on which they were wont to rest their weary feet, without any fear of scratching the varnish. And here above all will sit the judges, and long may they sit here, hapless victims of loquacity, sighing, in the words of the poet,

"Men's tongues are voluble, And endless are the modes of speech, and far Extends from side to side the field of words,"

of the county commissioners I am in- or ready to exc'aim with Eliphaz, the Temanite: 'Should a man utter vain knowledge or fill his belly with the east wind? Should he reason with unprofitable talk, or with speeches wherewith he can do no good? But in sober earnest I am one of those

who believe that the man we ennoble and dignify the administration of justice, the more certain is justice itself; that the more cleanly are our dwellings the purer are our thoughts; the more magnificent the altar the more devout will be those who minister at it. "The place of justice," says Bacon, "is a hallowed place." Believing this, we accept, at the hands of our worthy commissioners this beautiful building, and we hope and believe that it will long remain as a monument of their good taste and painstaking care. We hope and believe that it will long look down, by day, upon a presperous, wealthy, and growing city, upon happy homes, crowded warehouses, and bustly

streets. And if at night it shall look down, as it will, upon far different scenes, upon want and woe, and sching heads and aching hearts, and penury and disease, and grief, and vice and crime, and passions that ripen into crime, still may the dawn ight up the figure with the bandaged eyes that surmounts our dome; that all men may know that within these precincts the outraged shall find redress, the wronged shall be righted, the crimbe shielded, and justice and equity shall prevail as long as the foundations of our government endure.

THE OLD COURT HOUSE.

Mr. John M. Thurston told about the distory of the old court house: "In selecting me to deliver a sermon on the old court house, the reason given was that my appearance and daily walks so atrongly resemble one of the clargy." The old court house is desarted. Soon t will live only in our memories. Clinging to its history are events that call for special notice. The fair matrons and lovely misses have there tripped the light fantastic and on its platform the mimic tragedy and drama have been enscted. Political conventions and all other kinds

of meetings mark some of the passing

events. The spirit which these many

years has invaded it now ceases to give it

life. The new lives and the future welcomes it. The place where the old court house stands will soon be occupied by a magnificent structure dedicated to commerce. The old judgment reats may be overthrown, but the decrees, and judgments rendered therein will live on while time lasts. At its bar none but the wicked felt afraid, and none but the

guilly received its condemnation. But in passing from the ola to the new, we should not lay saide the juris-prudence of the old. I shall be sorry to see the cld court house destroyed. Sixteen years ago a man sat upon its bench who has done as much to place the supreme court reports on a par with neighboring states as any other man,

ON JURISPRUDENCE.

The Hon, James W. Woolworth replied to the past jurisprudence of Dougas county. Jurisprudence is a large word, said he, and it seems to be fitted rather for large than small things, therefore we sometimes talk of the jurisprudence of Rome, England, America, etc., but Douglas county, what a small place on earth, and what a little lot of people it has had, and to talk about the jurisprudence of the county. But after all, this little spot has given to the people of the country a vast amount of jurisprudence. Only recently there emenated from Douglas county litigation an opin-ion adopted as the rule for practice in all the courts of the country. Some remember that on an appealed case from Douglas county there also issued from the United States supreme court an opinion deciding the length, breadth and rights of settler's claims on public lands. In the past the jurisprudence of this county was often adninistered in a very curious way.

REMINISCENCES OF THE BAR, SOUTH The reminiscenses of the Douglas county bar were related at length by Hon. Jno. S. Redick. One of the first men he met, on coming here, was E. Es-tabrook, a tall, fine looking gentleman, endowed with extraordinary attainments. The speaker commenced his practice before a man who has long since crossed the dark river, Judge Wm. Pitt Kellogg, and after him came another Kellogg, to man whom some called uncle, others father but his decisions were always the same. The city had no silver tongued orators in t those days, like California Iowa and other states, but she had good orators all the same, who have become distinguished lawyers. The names of William A. Little, Mr. Poppleton, James M. Wood, Robert A. Howard and Affred Many years ago, by rapid strides to the some grumbling at increased taxation These left of the bar, he said, are the