## PICKED UP ABOUT THE CITY.

News Gathered from the Courts, Police and Other Circles.

DROPPED THROUGH THE ICE.

An Unknown Man Loses His Life in the Missouri - Flames at the Paxton-Criminal Notes.

Judge Dandy entered judgment for the defendant in the two cases of Wood vs School District No. 10, of Sherman county and Craig vs ditto. These suits were on some bonds issued by the district in question for the erection of school houses. On reconvening after dinner. Judge Dendy took up the case of William Heysers, the Union Pacific, another personal damages case, the plaintiff bringing suit for indemnity for injuries received.

In the case of Rogers vs. Drake and Smeth, the large Words and sent the suit of the case of the plaintiff bringing for the case of the c

Smythe, the jury Monday evening found a verdict for the defendant. The defense was conducted alone by Judge Hull.
W. L. Rothwell, deputy sheriff of Knox

w. L. Rouwell, deputy sherid of Black county, and E. B. Mewer, western agent for the Norwegian plow company, came in this morning to attend the sait of Deer, Wells & Co. vs. R. Bollman, sheriff of Knox county, which they hope to have advanced on the docket. The suit involves some \$5,000 and contains points of commercial interest.

The court then took up the trial of Peter Gros vs. the Union Pacific. Gros sues the railway for \$2,000 damages for the loss of his son, run over and killed two years ago. Gros' boy was employed at the nail works, and one evening upon quitting work attempted to board a freight train running into the city. In some manner, which point is in dispute, young Gros fell under the wheels and was cut to pieces. The company holds that he fell through his own inability to hold on, while the plaintiff avers that the boy was driven off by the train crew, who threw coal at him. The jury went out at noon.

A suit was filed in the district court yesterday, entitled Nancy C. Steinbeck against Fred Steinbeck. The action is brought by Mrs. Steinbeck to secure a divorce from her husband.

According to her petition, she was mar-ried to Mr. S. on the 24th day of September, 1885. She lived happily with him until the 20th day of November, 1885, when he set upon her and beat and bruised her in a horrible manner. Since that time he has practiced cruelty upon her to such an extent that she is afraid to live with with him. Mrs. Stein-beck says that her husband is possessed of considerable property and is trying to dispose of it so as to prevent her from ob-taining alimony at his hands. In addition to asking a divorce from him she prays that he may be restrained from dis posing of his property until suitable rangements for alimony are made. The temporary injunction has been issued.

An Unknown Man Drowned.

Coroner Drexel was notified early last evening that a man had been drowned in the river while attempting to cross on the ice. He immediately visited the spot where the accident occurred, just north of the Union Pacific bridge, but as the body had disappeared under the lee, nothing could be done. The only person who saw the man break through the ice was the bridge watchman. He noticed a man walking on the ice near the west shore of the river, when suddenly the ice gave way and the man disappeared. The watchman immediately made an effort at resene, but without avail. The only trace dentity of the man is his hat which was picked up on the ice, but so far it has revealed nothing as to who he

Shooting Outrage at Madison.

It is learned from Madison county citizens now in the city that Madison, the county sent, is torn with dissensions between rival hog buyers. Mr. M. Kell ner is a very well known dealer in live pork, and he seems to be the center of the rumpus. He is charged with using false weights in making his hog purchases, and has a law suit over such a matter now pending. He has been repeatedly assailed with uncomplimentary remarks, but was hardly prepared for the hostile demonstrations of last Sunday night. On that evening he was sitting with his family in his house when a load report from without attended simultaneously by the crashing of window glass and the keen whistle of a bullet by his ear, spread consternation about his household circle. Some mur-derous individual had fired at him from either a rifle or a pistol a ball of 44-cal-ibre, which buried itself in tire mantel-Public indignation is very high and the sheriff is making every effort to to discover the guilty party.

Horse Thieves at Work.

A farmer named Mike Griffin, llying four miles northwest of Florence reported at police headquarters yesterday that thieves had entered his barn last night and stolen a valuable team of horses. There is no clue to the rascals, nor is there anything to show in which direction they went, though it is supposed that they headed for Omaha. Griffin has notified the police to be on the lookout for the rig and Sheriff Miller has taken the matter up and sent out messages in all directions to head off the thieves.

Last night about 6 o'clock someone stole Ballou Bro's horse and buggy which was standing hitched near the First National bank building. The buggy was a new one of side-bar design and the animal was a chestnut sorrel mare.

Will Not Return.

"Dr." Raymond, who was exposed in the BEE of Saturday last, is still out of town, and his wife says he does not propose to return for some time at least. An officer went to his house, near Twelfth and Davenport, last night, and searched it thoroughly, but could find no trace of the doctor. Mrs. Raymond announces her intention of returning to her mothor's home temporarily, declaring that if she follows her spouse she would be tracked by the officers of the law, and thus her husband would be run down. She furthermore declares that "Dr." Ray-mond is innocent of the charges preferred against him, but cannot afford to return to Omaha because, as she says, he has neither money nor friends, and would probably be convicted if placed on trial.

To Be Brought to Trial.

The trial of Lumbecht and Stendar, the two men charged with assault and battery with intent to kill in the recent West Omaha row, will be tried in Justice Brandes' court this afternoon. They are still in the county jail. O.d man Puls, the victim of the assault, has thoroughly re-covered although yet much distigued.

The Edopement Case.

The case figuinst George Milton Taylor, charged with fornication with the wife of Daniel Workinger, came up in Justice | San Antonio, Tex., three weeks ago for Amberson's court yesterday after his health. He leaves a widow and two noon. Mrs. Workinger led out is children. The body will be brought to having a fit on the court room Omaha for marginal. Mr. Robinson

Rapids on the 24th inst, and the two bave been living here together since. It was proven that the woman was of feeble intellect and she was turned over to ber husband to return home with him last night. Taylor was bound over to the district court and in default of bail was remanded to juil

Police Court. Judge Stenberg disposed of the follow-

Will Price and Joe Gardner, drunk and disorderly—discharged.

ng races in police court yesterday morn-

John Parrotte, Frank Riley, N. Reed, drunk and disorderly, \$5 and costs, two latter paid James Dailey, Henry Hammond, James

Adams, vaggancy, 10 days on bread and water. Charles Flora, same charge, case continued for jury trial.

Edward Marshall, Louis Wirtz and William Penn, vagrancy—discharged, Henj, Wroth, James Van Ness, Lon Snielde, Ed Roth, Bally, Hicks, Fred Bur-

ley, pet t larceny, plead guilty and senordered out of the city, Club Raymond, Mamie Scilts, Will Pond and Al Sheperdson, inmates of dis-

orderly house, \$5 and costs.

Al Stowart, larceny of overcoat from Will A. Frazier, held for trial,
Ed Williams, suspicious character, ninety days in county jall; sentence suspended on condition that he leave the aire.

R. Ryan and Pat Boyland, suspicious characters, thirty days in county jail.

A Blaze at the Paxton. There was a small blaze at the Paxton yesterday afternoon, which, but for prompt action, might have resulted seriously. About 4 o'clock flames suddenly issued through the marble floor of the rotunda near the radiator at the side of stairs ascending to the second floor. All was excitement in an instant, the hotel alarm was sounded, and in a remarkably short space of time two streams were playing on the spot where the flames ap-peared. They were quickly extinguished, and an investigation showed that the woodwork surrounding the tin tubes leading from the furnaces had been ignited by the intense heat. The tire de-partment was not called out, the employes of the hotel using the hose belonging to the house, and the water being drawn from hydrants Inside of the build-

Will Not Resign. Marshal Cummings denied emphatically yesterday the truth of the rumors that he proposed to resign. "I shall never resign," he said, "and what is still by any of my friends. What I demand is a full investigation of the charge pre-ferred against me. I hav got a clean rec ord and I am not afraid of the most careling examination."

Ex Captain Sullivan was met by a reporter yesterday, but had nothing of especial interest to say. He reiterated his accusation of bribery against the mar-shal, and said that when the time came for an investigation he would prove everything he had said.

Wanted Her Husband Arrested A Mrs. Hull living on Davenport street came up to the police court last night and asked the police to arrest her husband who, she said, was paying too much attention to a certain young woman of rather loose morals. The police declined to make an arrest until Mrs. Hull preferred specific charges in police court.

Army Prisoners.

A gang of ten United States army pris oners came in yesterday on the Union Pacific train and were transferred at once to the post. They were were deserters and small offenders otherwise against milttary discipline sent up from various posts in the west to penal servitude.

A Small Blaze. Shortly after midnight an antiquated dwelling house at the corner of Seventeenth and Center streets was discovered to be on fire. An alarm was turned in from box 12, but before the department could reach the place the house was en-tirely destroyed. It was untenanted, and belonged to a Mrs. Welling.

FREMONT TEACHERS. A Large Party of Dodge County Edu-

cators Visiting Omaha. A large party of teachers and mem bers of the board of education of Fre-

mont, arrived yesterday morning on the Union Pacific "overland" and spent the day in the city. The party consisted of Prof. A. E. Clar-

endon, city superintendent; Z. I. Wilcox, secretary of the board of education; C. H. Toneray and J. W. Love, members of the board, and F. Tym, county superintendent, with the following teachers: Miss Ely, Miss Clark, Miss Primrose, Miss Estes, Miss Davies and sister, Miss Harmon, Miss Hodge, Miss Hazen, Miss Reynolds, Miss Pierce, Miss McCrackin, Miss Gillett and Miss Kerr.

They drove at once to the Paxton hotel, where they were met by Superintendent James, who escorted them about the schools of the city. The purpose of the visit is to make inspection of the methods of the Omaha school system for the new ideas thus obtainable in the interest of the Fremont schools. The party left

Army Notes.

Gen. Howard and Judge Advocate Burnham were busily engaged vesterday in receiving and acting upon court-martial cases, some of which were lengthy and

Licut. Stevens, of Fort Douglas has submitted to Col. Henry some photo-graphic illustrations of new positions in firing. The positions, which are unlike anything in the manual, are highly ap-proved by Col. Henry.

St. Patrick's School Entertainment. A very pleasant entertainment of a literary and musical character was given yesterday afternoon by the pupils of St. Patrick's school. Bishop O'Connor and Rev. Fathers Dowling and O'Mara were present, as well as a large number of visitors. After the exercises Bishop O'Connor delivered an address to the scholars which was greeted with deeply nterested attention.

The Chess Club.

There was a meeting of the Chess club Monday night in the parlors of Dr. Stone's residence. Those present were Joseph Kennard, Marsh Kennard, M. J. Kenaard and Messrs. Swartze, Jones, Carter, Stone, Seward and Clippinger. Marsh Kennard was the victor of the evening, winning six games.

The club will meet in two weeks again.

Died in Texas The sad news came Monday of the death of Joseph Robins, who went to having a fit on the court room there amid great sensation in the lobby. Taylor cloped with the lobby. Taylor from Cedar another will be given hereafter.

## INSTIGATING INVESTIGATION.

Councilman Ford Whereason and Resolves on the Marshal-Sullivan Fight.

THE AFFAIR TO BE VENTILATED.

A Special Committee Appointed to Take Evidence-Other Business Transacted by the Conneil -Adjourned to Jan. 5.

The Council Meeting.

The council chamber was brilliantis lighted last evening with new gas burners on the occasion of the regular meeting of the city council. There was a large attendance of outsiders, including ex-Captain Sullivan, and the members present were Bailey, Behm, Dailey, Ford, Furay, Goodman, Goodrich, Lee, Leeder, Schroeder, Thrane and President Bechel. It was evidently expected by the spectators that the Cummings Sallivan row would be brought up, and they were not disappointed, although no final action

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS. From the mayor, approving certain rdinances passed at the last meeting, induding the one declaring the necessity of building a viaduet over the railroad tracks on Sixteenth street.

From Acting Mayor Bechel, appointing Thomas A. Creigh, W. A. Gibbon and William Fitch appraisers on the damages by the change of grade of Twentieth Contirmed. From the city treasurer, reporting the

bids received for the \$12,000 curbing and guttering bonds. The highest bidders were Blake Bros. & Co., of Boston, at \$12,525. Awarded to the highest responsible bidder. From the marshal, reporting the sus-pension of Maurice Sullivan from the police force for disrespect and insubordination toward his superior officer, and vio-lation of the rule in regard to false report and gossip about the business of the de-

partment to the detriment of any mem-Mr. Furny moved that the matter be referred to the committee on police.

Mr. Leeder objected to referring to the police committee, and wanted the inves-tigation to be held by the council. He teneved that if it was referred there would be a majority and minority report, and there would be dissatisfaction with

anything the committee might do. Mr. Furny thought that the matter should be referred to the committee, as it never resign," he said, "and what is still | was the regular way of doing business, more I have never been advised to resign | He had perfect faith in the committee and there was no need of drawing the whole council into the investigation. Mr. Ford said be wanted the investiga-

tion by the council, as an adjournment would be taken for two weeks, and Sullivan would be loating around town all that time, and then, if his charges were sustained, would want his pay. He wanted him suspended right off, and

Marsial Cummings, too.

Mr. Thrane, as a member of the police committee, believed that the committee was the place for the investigation, and he for one would do it justice.

Mr. Leeder said he believed the

charges against the marshal were unfounded, and he thought that twelve men could act more wisely than three. Mr. Lee said that a wonderful change ad come over Leeder and Ford since the late election for sherid. Then they had denounced Sullivan in the most direct terms, and now they were afraid that he

would lose a few days by having the council adjourn two weeks. To this assertion both Leeder and Ford demurred. The former declared he had for Sullivan, while the latter 'no tise' thought that he was a better man than

privilege of the floor, which was granted. He said that he had waited a reasonable time after the charges were made for the mayor to suspend him (Commings) or ome of the councilmen to prefer charges against him, but nothing was done, so he suspended Sullivan in order to bring the matter before the council. He had been told that it had been said that the proof of the charges could be secured righ away and that William Paxton could be away and that William Paxton could be brought to testify that he gave the mar-shal the \$100. "If that is so," said the marshal, "I want to know it, and I want all the council to hear it right away." The marshal continuing related the be-ginning of the trouble between himself and Sullivan, substantially as already stated in the BEE. The placing of Sulli-yan on night duty was only intended to be temporary—until the close of the month—but Sullivan had taken it as a personal insult and swore vengeance on the marshal. Now that the charges had been made the marshal said they must be fully investigated, and he had no fear about having the investigation openly be

fore the entire council.

On motion of Mr. Schroeder, the communication was then temporarily laid on the table, to be called up later in the evening.

From the city attorney, stating that he had agreed to settle, subject to the ap-proval of the council, the suits against the city for damages by the widening of Leavenworth street. Approved. From John O'Connell, asking the re-moval of Policemen John Donovan and

Patrick Mostyn, the former for drunkenness and the latter for tending bar on election day. Laid on the table. From numerous citizens, calling atten-tion to the bad condition of the crossings and sidewalks on Cass street between Sixteenth street and the Union Pacific

shops. Referred. By Dailey—That the city marshal be directed to enforce the ordinance providing for the removal of snow and ice from the

By Ford-Whereas, It is **c**harged on the streets and by the newspapers that Marshal Cummings accepted a bribe for releasing a certain prisoner named Tra-Whereas, Where there is so much smoke there is a likelihood of being a fire

Whereas, It must be to the interest and eputation of Marshal Cummings to have hese charges investigated and his honor indicated, therefore,

Resolved That a committee of five be appointed who shall receive and examine any complaints and charges regarding this matter and report at the cext The resolution was adopted and the

chair appointed the following a special committee to investigate the matter: Ford, Furay, Lee, Dailey and Thrane.

By Ford—That the board of public works be instructed to advertise on or before December 26 for paying proposals in Accordance with the ordinance. Adopted.

A proposition from Herman Konutze for the opening of Eighteenth and Nine-teenth streets between Harney street and

St. Mary's avenue was accepted. After the passage of a number of ordi-nances, among which was the one in re-lation to the inspection of steam boilers, the council adjourned for two weeks.

A New Trust Company. Articles of incorporation of the Midland Guarantee and Trust company were filed in the office of the county clerk yesterday afternoon. The capital stock is fixed at \$300,000, and the object of the in-corporation is said to be leaning of money, etc. The incorporators are Nathan, O. H. Batlon, C. B. Rustin, Howard Konnedy, O. F. Davis, and Geo. CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

Preparations for Its Celebration -The Services at Trinity.

Propagations for Christman are being made on all hands, and from present appearances there will be an enthusiastic celebration of the day in Omaha. Mothers and fathers are purchasing presents in quantities according to the size of their purses, in order to enable the mythical Santa Claus to make glad the hearts of their little ones. Merchants are doing a lively business, greater in volume, most of them say, than was that of this time last year. Nearly every store is thronged with purchasers, and in some establishments an extra number of clerks has been

In the way of gifts, Claristmas cards, are selling very rapidly and will evidently be very fashlomable as presents this year. There are numberless establishments throughout the city at which they are pur-chicable in all styles and degrees of ele-Christmas trees are to be had at almost

any of the commission stores, in all sizes from the small "pony" article to the largest variety. They cost from fifty cents up, according to the size.

Appropriate services will be held in the churches of which due notice will be made in the BEE. Dean Millspaugh has already announced as follows, the

The young ladies of Brownell Hall gave a Christmas musicale last evening, the following excellent programme being

St. Catherine's Academy. The pupils of St. Catherine's academy gave a delightful Christmas entertainment yesterday afternoon under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy at the academy, Eighteenth and Cass streets. Only the parents and guardians of the pupils were Envited, the entertainment being simply a family affair.

Tenth Street Property Owners. There was a meeting of Tenth street property owners in the office of O. F. Davis & Co. Monday night, in conjunction with the special commission appointed by the council to assess damages to the property on Tenth street on account of the proposed viaduet. This commission consists of T. A. Creigh, M. T. Patrick and W. J. Broatch, and after hearing the requests of the property owners on Tenth street will submit a report to the

council next Tuesday evening. There were about twelve gentlemen \$4,000 to \$25,000, the last-mentioned being that of William A. Paxton, of Paxton & Gallagher. The members of the special ommission treated the property owners with the greatest consideration and promised to take their views into consideration in making up the esti-mate of damages to be awarded.

Railway Notes and Personals. F. A. Nash, general western agent of the Milwaukee, left for the west last

Matt Clair, agent of the Rock Island, has some handsome 1886 calendars on hand that he is very anxious to dispose of. W. E. Atmore, northwestern passenger agent of the Louisville & Nashville, with adquarters at St. Louis, is in the city.

W. R. Mackenzie, stationary agent of the Union Pacific, returned from the east Messes. Morse and Stebbins arrive to-morrow morning. Messes Kimball and Shelby will not reach home until Friday

F. Milligan, general freight agent of the St. Joseph and Grand Island, is in the

CHEAPER LIVING. More Reasonable Rents Demanded

In Omaha. EDITOR BEE:-I read in your paper a few days since an editorial stating the needs of Omaha, one of which was "cheaper living for laboring men." 1 endorse that article, but it did not go far enough. If it were not for the laboring portion, including skilled labor and labor of all kinds, Omaha's population would be many thousands less than it is. The city's prosperity is as much due to the laboring classes as to the capitalists. It is labor that makes capital productive. Without labor to make it productive, not only in this city, but in every city and community, money would not be worth 10 cents on the dollar. The capitalist, with his tens of thousands of dollars, could not buy a bushel of potatoes unless labor produced them.

What the laboring men of Omaha need, in addition to cheaper fuel and necessaries of life, is more reasonable rents. The workingmen of Omalia do not complain, that is a majority of them, that their daily, weekly or monthly wages are too low if other things wer equal, but they do protest against the exorbitant rents they have to pay for houses that are little better than huts and shantles, with no water or other privileges, and which take more value in fuel to make their families comfortable than it does to provision them. The ex-tra amount of fuel added to extortionate rents deprives many a laboring man's family of the comforts and often the ne-

cessaries of life in the winter time when labor is hard to obtain. There would be very few cities of any great size if no one but capitalists com-posed their populations. The most permanently prosperous cities are those whose middle and laboring classes are prosperous. What would Omaha's busihouses be without the retail sales made to the working population? I do not believe I will be wide of the mark when I say that there are one hundred consumers who work by the day, week or John Groves and James Cunning ham. month, to one who lives without labor upon his each capital. "Well," says one, "what would the poor laborer do if we did not give him employment to earn the money to purchase the necessaries of life?" That is easily answered by asking another question. "If it was not for labor the necessaries of life you would

Passing by a tenement house the other with three of the children.

day I ventured to inquire of the occu-pants what rent they had to pay. It was an old, one story, tumble slown thouse, all racked out of shape, with not a door or window that would close properly. The price pold was \$21 a month, and no sane man would pay \$22 for the whole outfit and move it a block. The occupants were paying 10 per cent on \$2,500.

when the actual value of the building not over \$100. Every dollar over \$2 month was blood money. The extortionate rems charged the la The extortionate rems charged the laboring poor of Omaha is nothing more nor less than robbery. Omaha just at present is having a real estate boom. What the sequel will be is not hard to predict. Somebody is going to suffer. Perhaps not within a year or two. I think to this boom may be attributed the present high rents. If these rems continue water of the blacking records for inue many of the laboring population will necessarily have to leave. They will not work from New Year to New Year and have not money enough left after paying rents and other necessary ex-

enses to buy a turkey for a New Year It takes numbers to make a popu city, and the numbers example obtained without including the laboring and pro-ducing classes. It behoves the real estate and tenant house owners of Omaha not to squeeze the last hard-earned dol-lar out of the houseless poor if they wish to maintain the values of their property. I repeat. Omaha would be nothing to day without its thousands of workingmen; i real estate would be comparatively val neless if it did not draw an immense reve nue from the tenants who occupy and pay yearly, in some instances, all the

roperty is reasonably worth.

I have always considered the Ber, the workingmen's friend. It would do a never to be forgotten kindness to them if by its influence it could bring a reform in rents. The laboring men know they are paying too high prices for meat and some other accessaries, but the rents they are forced to pay or be turned out of doors they consider the greatest hardship they have to contend with.

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING.

Kaufman Bros. Cigar Stores on Far nam and 15th Streets.

The popular and reliable eigar firm of Kaufman Brothers, 207 S, 15th St., will hold their 19th monthly distribution of prizes Dec. 31st, 1885, at which time the following presents will be given to ensto-mers holding tickets: One gold watch, two silver watches, a gold-headed cane, silverware, eigars, clocks, opera glasses. revolvers, etc., etc., amounting in all to

HOW TICKETS MAY BE SECURED. Each customer gets one ticket good for a chance with every 25 cents worth of goods purchased. These goods consist of all goades and brands of eigars, smoking and chewing tobacco, eigarettes, pipes and smokers articles generally.

MAIL ORDERS are solicited and will receive prompt attention. The drawing will take place in the presence of ticket holders and is guaranteed to be a fair dis-

tribution. Call on or address KAUFMAN BROS. Omaha, Neb.

AMUSEMENTS. Carleton's "Mikado" Successfully Presented-Emma Nevada.

An audience which almost filled the house, notwithstanding the little prestige The Mikado" carried with its previous presentation here, greeted the Carleton company in Gilbert and Sullivan's latest last night. It is sufficient to say that the spend Christmas with his parents. opera met all Mr. Carleton promised for present, representing the property interests of Tenth street. All of them were very high-priced in their demands, claiming, upon an average, that they should be awarded damages amounting to one. The results of the care and paints taken to exemplify the ideal of the paints taken to exemplify the ideal of the venier by a New Jersey democrat. fourth of the real value of the property. pains taken to exemplify the ideal of the The claims presented ranged from opera's creation and present Japanese characters and scenery were apparent in Marion, Schuvier, the perfect costuming and stage setting. City, James C. Bi The deliberate tone in which the dia-logues were carried is in conformance with Jap form, although it gave the im-pression at times that the actors were uncertain of their lines. The singing was excellent and the sprightly airs in which the opera abounds were rendered with a spirit that commanded continuous recalls. The capacity of the several members of the troupe was commented upon in the BEE'S review of the performance of "Nanon," and all that now remains to be said is that with this company and these two operas in his repertory. Mr. these two operas in his repertory

Carleton has a successful season before EMMA NEVADA CHRISTMAS EVE On the evening of the 21th inst., Christmas eve, the public will be given its greatest musical treat of the season. The greatest musical treat of the season. The box sheets for Nevada were opened yes-terday morning to a rush and early op-portunities must be taken to seeme good seats. Milme Nevada is not only the greatest American singer, but holds sta-tion among the leading voices of the world. Her company is excellent and the concert will afford such music as is heard here only at long intervals.

heard here only at long intervals. Correction. Following is a corrected statement of

the contract let by the board of trade Monday night: The contract for mason work complete was awarded to Withnell Boos., for under the following bids:

Withnell Bros., excavating and and concrete ...... 3,015,00 

\$29,000.00. \$28,000.00.
It is estimated that plumbing, steam heat, clevators, etc., will add \$10,000 to \$15,000.00 to cost of building.
Architects Mendelssohn & Fisher were instructed to draw up contracts in accordance with above awards, and President Meyer was instructed to execute contracts when drawn to his approval. The work is to be pushed forward, and it is hoped to have the basement story com-

EXCURSION TO LOS ANGELES. Round Trip Tickets \$100 Exension

Leaves Omaha January 13. The fourth of the series of winter ex cursions to California will leave Omahi and Conneil Bluffs via Union Pacific rail way Wednesday morning, January 13, 1886. Round trip tickets to Los Angeles and return, good for six months, only \$100. For full particulars call upon or address J. W. Mouse,

General Pass r Ag t U. P. Ry.,
Omaha, Neb.

Another Commercial Agency.

Articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office yesterday of the Western Collection Bureau." The cap ital stock of the concern is fixed at \$5,000 and the business to be transacted is the protection of business men and furnish

Gensheen's Children. Charles F. Gensheen, the man from St

Joseph, Mo., whose ramaway wife and six children were found in this city, left for home vesterday with three of the children in charge. His wife was found have to go without, and what amount of business would you transact if the poor day laborer, 'as you call bim, did not pay you back nearly every dollar be carned for necessaries;' You would have to sent up She remains here

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Personal Paragraphs. Charles L. Saunders, of Helena, Mon-ana, is in the city for the holidays.

aspecting out stock before purchasing,

Mrs. A. McKenzie, of East St. Louis, Ill., is in the city, a guest of Mrs. Charles

Adolph Sloman, of Detroit, after a very leasant visit in the city, left yesterday Misses Jennie and May McVann left

esterday for their home in Cedar Ra-ids to spend the holidays. Chas, Dumons, Cedar Rapids, Neb.; A. D. Finch, Deloit, Neb.; J. E. Cary, Bancroft, are at the Canfield.

Dr. J. S. Cowin, of the firm of Cowin & Warren has been called east to attend the edside of his brother, who is seriously S. Rosenthal is visiting here at the home of his sister, Mes. A. Mandelberg, while on his way to Baltamore from the

Mrs. M. W. Riley, of Lincoln, who has been visiting friends in Omalia, was called home suddenly by the illness of her hus-

L. W. Baker, the Paxton botel guest who so nearly most death by gas sufficea-tion, left yesterday for his home in Burnett, Neb. Ha has thoroughly recov-Oscar Goodman, son of C. F. Goodman, arrived yesterday from Philadelphia, where he is altending the Gollege of

Pharmacy, to spend the Christmas holi-Augustus Kountze and brother, sons of Herman Kountze, who are attending college in the cust, arrived vesterday to spend the Christmas holidays at

F. K. Dorrance, son of O. H. Dorrance, division sup wintendent of the Union Pacific, arrived yesterday from Lawrence where he is attending school, to

Paxton yesterday.

Among the state arrivals at the Millard vesterday were J. C. Morgan, Kearney; George G. Deanis, Miss C. Willsey, Blair; Martin Burns, Bertrand; James Donnelly, Worth \$3.50 a barrel, New York states Martin Burns, Bergrand; James Donnelly, Jr., C. C. Paranele, Plattsmouth; J. N. Paul, William Robert, N. J. Paul, A. W. Gunnaer, St. Paul, P. Morden, M. Hite.

Tekamalia Captain Gustavus Valois, Ninth Cavalvy, U. S. A., is in the city from Fort Robinson on a ten days sick leave. Cap-tain Valois is one of the most distinguish-ed officers both by birth and record in the service. He is a lineal descendant of the famous Valois family of France, and his aneastors for generations have wielded the sword in defence of liberty. Welded the sword in cromee of liberty.
Coming to this country just prior to the
war, Captain Valois entered the service
and fought in the Union army with distinguished gallantry to its close. Upon
the organization of the Nanth Cavalry of
colored troops he proflered his services
in that regiment, being much interested the experiment of testing the efficiency of the colored men as soldiers. With that regiment be has since remained, adding much to its reputation for bravery, discipline and efficiency. The friends of the captain are scattered throughout the west, where he is esteem-

ed for his many sterling qualities as a man and an otheer.

CHRISTMAS CHEER. The Delicacies Afforded by the Local

Markets-Prices and Varieties. There are very few changes to note in the local marts, either in the prices or varieties of the adibles for sale

The most toothsome food at present in this line are the white fish and trout, selling for 15 cents a pound and black bass which sells for 12) cents a pound. Oregon salmon of delicious thavor sell for 30 cents apiece. Fresh codiish is to be parchase for 15 cents a pound, while nalibut an cels are worth 20 cents a pound. Lot sters, though mentioned as inquotab scarce in the eastern markets, are to Flounders are worth 12 cents a pound Fresh mackerel brings 15 cents a pound Smelts commenced to come in, with the advent of snow, and though no plenty are selling for 20 cents a pound. Black bass and cropples are selling for 124 cents a pound; striped bass are so scarce as to be unquoted. Salt codfish tongues sell for the cents a pound Oysters, of standard quality and size



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MEAT, POULTRY AND GAME There have been no material changes

The best cuts of sirloin sell for to cents. rumps and upper part of round steak at 124. Roasting ribs, firm and juley can be bought from 10 to 121 cents. Veal is extremely scarce and comes high, from 15 to 20 cents, according to the closecoses of the part. Sweet breads can be purchased at 25 cents a pair. Corn beef is selling at from 5 to 10 cents, according to cuts. Prime leg of mutton can be had for 124 cents; mution chops 124 to 15 cents. Ham is worth 124 cents in bulk, 20 cents. sliced. Pork, 10 to 12; cents. Sausage, 10 to 12; cents. Venison, rich and jency, can be purchased for 20 cents. derloins of steers killed for Christmas will be fine, and should be spoken for in

Chickens are worth 121 cents a pound, urkeys and ducks 15 cents a pound. Prairie chickens are scarce at 35 cents apiece. Qualis bring 20 cents apiece. Ducks (mallard) are scarcely in season. They can be purchased for 55 cents, large size. Rabbits, dressed can be purchased. for 121 cents each.

VEGLIABLES. Onions are selling at 30 cours a peck. New turnips are worth 20 cents a peck. Rutabagas 25 cents. Cabbags is bring-ing 49 to 15 cents a head. Potatoes, be + arieties, are worth 55 to 65. Salt Lake potatoes are selling for 85 cents a bushel. Sweet potatoes, are worth 65

cents a peck.

Hubbard and Marblehead squashes sell for 10 to 25 cents apiece.

Carrots are worth 25 cents a peck.

Oyster plant sells 1 bunches for a quar-

Parsley is sold at 3 cents a bundle, Parsnips at 25 cents a peck. Yanken pumpkins are worth from 15 to 25 cents ach; sweet pic pumpkins the same. Celery seils at 50 cents a dozen. New Hon. Bruno Tz-chuck returned to bot-house lettuce and radishes 60 cents a

TRUITS. Florida oranges are worth 35 to 65 cents a dozen. Bananas are worth from James G. Smith, Fremont; C. A. Marion, Schavier; Matt Miller, David City, James C. Birney, Crete; A. Me-Leod, Blue Springs; Aug. Geonhaus, Peter Griess, Sation; E. L. Reed, Weeping Water; J. K. Webster, Lincoln, are among the state people registered at the

> \$3.00 a barrel. Hickory puts are worth 50 cents a peck;



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