## NEITHER HORN WILL HELP IT

Laucaster's Muddled Condition, Arising From the Midland Bonds.

WHAT THE WISE LAWYERS SAY.

District Court Notes-Murderer Marion's Backward Relatives-The Mayor's Queer Acts-Capital Jots.

TEROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU. The county commissioners were somewhat astonished Monday evening to receive from Messrs, Harwood, Ames & Kelly, as mentioned in yesterday's BEE, notice of their withdrawal as counsel for the defense in the case of Lewis vs Lancaster county. This is without doubt the most important litigation in which the county was ever involved, the validity of some \$200,000 in bonds being in question. In October, 1870, an election was held, at which \$150,000 was voted to aid in the construction of the Midland Pacific railway. These bonds were issued on May 1, 1871. Prior to the voting of these bonds \$50,000 had been yoted to the Burlington & Missouri river railroad, making a total indebtedness of \$200,000. or nearly \$40,000 in excess of the 10 per centum of the assessed valuation of the county, which in 1870 was \$1,503,055. November, 1871, the assessed valuation had been increased to \$3,335,663, and the bonded indebtedness, as supposed, to \$317,500. On the 28th of November, 1871, another election was held and \$100,000 more voted in aid of the Midland Pacific, making the liabilities of the county for improvements upwards of These latter bonds, which are the ones in question, were not issued until the spring of 1872, and in the mean time the assessed valuation had been again raised and returned at \$4,527,000. The county paid the interest regularly for eleven years, when suddenly a scheme was unfolded by a Lincoln lawyer named Webster for the replacing of these bonds which bore 10 per cent interest with a which bore 10 per cent interest with a new issue at 6. This progressed smooth-ly for a time until it was charged that Webster's sole purpose was to make some \$25,000 for himself, and his contract with the county for refunding the securities was "busted."

Then came up for the first time the question of the validity of the bonds, it being charged that the indebtedness was in excess of the 10 per cent limit allowed by the statute. Mr. Lewis, a heavy owner in the \$100,000 issue, brought suit in the United States court, and the county employed Messrs. Har-wood, Ames & Kelly to assist the then county attorney, Mr. Lamb, in resisting payment. After a thorough investi-gation of the line of defense, these gentlemen, Mr. Lamb in-cluded, have requested the county com-

the facts about as given above, and then comment as follows: "Upon the fact that the aggregate assessed valuation at the time of the election, November 28, 1871, was \$8,225,633, and that the statute limited the aggregate donations of this kind to 10 per cent, we shared in the opinion that a defense might be made with reasonable show of success, notwithstanding the limitation of the statute is by its terms upon the "issue" of bonds, and not upon the "voting" of them, and that at the date these bonds were netually issued, nearly a year after the election, the assessed valuation of the county was \$4.527,000, 10 per cent of which exceeded the total issue of improvement bonds, including those in suit. \* \* \* sonable show of success, notwithstanding ment bonds, including those in suit. \* \* \*
If this opinion was correct the \$150,000 voted
in 1870 were void, and therefore the indebtedness of the county at the time of voting the bonds in question (the \$100,000 issue) was only \$67,000. Of course the contention that this \$150,000 of bonds were nevertheless this \$150,000 or bonds were nevertheless valid because the valuation in 1871, the year of issue, was enough greater than in 1870, the year of voting, to more than cover the excess, would involve the admission that the bonds in suit are valid on the same grounds."

The proposition thus laid down is a balance Massac Harwood Ames &

missioners to allow them to withdraw

from the case because they "believe a successful defense thereto cannot be

made," the contrary opinion expressed

at the time of their employment being

based on a misapprehension of facts. In

this request, which is quite voluminous,

Messrs, Harwood, Ames & Kelly recite

Messrs. Harwood, Ames & Kelly say to the commissioners, in effect lemma and you are still in a bad fix, and must pay the bonds. Do you elect to consider the \$150,000 series illegal? If so they cease to become a charge, and

county's indebtedness is reduced to \$67,500, leaving the \$100,000 clearly within the proscribed 10 per cent limit. Do you pronounce the \$150,000 series legal, because the valuation was increased they were issued? Then the \$100,000 series is legal for the same reason."

In their law argument on the case Har-wood, Ames & Kelly contend that the at the time of "issue," and not at the time of "voting," and that therefore both series of bonds are legal and valid. They advance as a further point in favor of the validity of the bonds that the validity of the bonds that they were issued under the statute, before the constitutional provision now in force was enacted. Section 1 of that statute provides that bonds may be issued in aid of any "rainroad" or "work" of internal improvement not exceeding 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of taxable property, and this was construed in the literal wording to mean that the full 10 per cent could have been voted to the Midland Pacitic, or any other one work. The use of the word "any" and the singular number of the words "railroad" and "work" may be taken as indicative of a legislative intent to restrict to 10 per cent of the as sessed valuation the amount of donations to each railroad or work of internal im-provement aided. Should this construc-tion be adopted, should the statute be taken to mean nothing but what it says, no question of overissue as to the bonds in sait can be raised, and no truthful answer made which will not give way before a general demurrer. In 1871, when the vote was had, the valuation was \$3,225,663, while the total aid voted to this railroad, including the bonds in suit, was \$250,000, or \$72,566 less than might have been voted legally." Thus saith the wise

THE DISTRICT COURT. Attachment proceedings were commenced in the district court yesterday against Annie M. Day, by Frederick Baird, of Chicago, and E. N. Welsh, of Connecticut. The former wants \$702.58, and the latter \$344.86, for goods sold to defendant who recently gave a chattel mortgage on her stock of jewelry in the Richards block store.

Nancy J. Glennon, of Roca, Neb., is asking the courts to grant her an absolute divorce from her husband. Thomas Glennon, on the ground of excessive cruelty. In addition to using Nancy as a striking bag on which to strengthen his muscles, Thomas has been leiting out some naughty "cuss" words in her pres-ence to which she takes exception.

A petition has been filed by Henry Gerner and J. C. McBride, praying for an injunction to restrain the Crystal steam laundry from continuing business in its present location. The petitioners claim that the laundry is a nuisance, ow-ing to the great quantities of black smoke and soot it vomits out on adjacent prop-Crty and ask for its removal

MARION'S BACKWARD BELATIVES. On the 1st inst. Attorney General Leese notified the attorneys for Jackson Marion, Dow held in Gage county under sentence of death, that if they wanted to keep the case in the supreme court they must file their brief at once, or he would move to dismiss proceedings. Yesterday, at

the eleventh hour, Mr. Bates, or Beatrice, one of Marion's counsel came to Lincoln and made came to Lincoln and made the following statement: The expense of conducting the Marion trials thus far have been nearly \$750. Marion's rela-tives promised to foot the bills, but have only paid in \$249, the rest being furnished by the counsel, who have now a suit pending against the delinquents. They expect to get a judgment by March 1, and want a reasonable time thereafter to complete their brief. On this showing Mr. Leese named March 15 as the last day for filing the document.

BRIEF MENTION. Mayor Burr seems determined to put himself on record as in sympathy with offenders against the peace and morals of offenders against the peace and morals of the city. Some days ago he went on the appeal bond of Jones, the man convicted of keeping a dis orderly house. Monday night he released Jones from jail, where he had been sent by Judge Montgomery in default of payment of a line of \$15 and costs, assessed against him for allowing minors to play billiards in his place. Gus, Saunders, manager at John Shee-

dy's place, was up before Judge Parker on a citation yesterday, to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt in removing from the custody of the court the gambling tools seized by the police on their late raid. The case was continued until Friday morning.

The second annual ball of the Merchants Hose company will be given at

Temple hall to-night. At a special meeting of the city coun-cil held at the close of the regular session Monday night, the mayor and clerk were authorized to sign and deliver the \$20,000 in bonds voted by the city in aid of the Missouri Pacific. Judges and clerks were also appointed to serve at the sewer bond election to be held Friday. Marshal Beach's men were out in force

early vesterday morning popping over canines. The death roll now foots up over 100. The Allmon dancing class will not

meet Thursday evening, the professor being unavoidably detained in Omaha. George E. Godfrey, Fremont; James W. Lusk, Omaha; U. L. Well, Seward; R. W. Sateen, Beatrice; G. R. Chaney, Red Cloud; F. J. Foss, Crete; Chas. O. Bates cloud; F. J. Foss, Crete; Chas. C. Bates and M. A. Metzger, Beatrice; Geo. Cra-mer, Omaha; J. M. Murphy, Nebraska City; John L. Webster and W. A. Robin-son, Omaha; W. N. Carpenter, Syracuse; E. R. Perfect, Omaha; J. J. Holland, Friend; C. E. Wetmore, Pawnee City; W. J. Haldeman, Burchard; C. H. Peck, Araus hoe Arapahoe.

BLIZZARDS STAY THEM NOT. The Influx of Home Builders to the Fertile Vale of Custer.

SARGENT, Custer Co., Neb., Jan. 22-[Correspondence of the BEE.]-It has been some time since I last wrote the BEE, and since then wonderful changes have taken place, both as to the number of good people who have come to Custer county to make their future home, and to the many improvements seen on all sides. New houses, wind mills, fences, and stock of all kinds are now seen where only a few months ago nothing but the raw prairie was visible. Church buildings, schools and business houses, have multiplied in the villages, new bridges have spanned the different creeks, new faces are seen daily-and, indeed, this is verily a progressive county. But this coming spring and summer will witness such an linflux of good people into Custer county as was never known before. Already they are beginning to come. The cold winds from the north seem to have no effect on staying their progress, and they march on until here and then there find some of Uncle Sam's land-better land than that which many farmers back east are paying rent forwhen

THEY COME TO A HALT. and commence building a home. In the western part of this county there still remains thousands of acres of good gov ernment land, to which all good people find a ready welcome from those who have settled before them. In the central and eastern part of the county splendid deeded farms can be bought very cheap, as most of the settlers have two claims and sell the one to better improve the other. The soil is good and the best of crops are raised from year to year. To those who desire to m vest now is the time, for as the proposed railroads running through the county are an assumed fact, land will be on the raise. I notice that many farmers are not mortgaging their farms, for the simple reason that within a year they

can get an the money they want at 6 per cent without paying commission. Ne-braska lands are on the raise all over the state, and eastern capitalists are convincing themselves that no investments are better than can be found in Nebraska, hence the interest on farm loans are bound to come down accordingly.

RAILHOAD GRADING.

The grading on the Grand Island & Wyoming railroad is being pushed along vigorously. Towns have been laid out all along the line as far as Broken Bow. Many people have an idea that Broken Bow will be the terminus a while, but on the best authority we learn the road will be pushed right on. The building of this road has caused a The building of this road has caused a flutter all along the line, and as a consequence people are coming in rapidly, both to settle on land and to engage in business enterprises. There is plenty of room for all, too, only don't put it off until it is too late. The Union Pacific will early in the spring strike up the Middle Loup valley from Sioux City to Sargent, and continue on about seventy miles up the valley where about seventy miles up the valley, where it takes across the hills into the North Loup valley, whence it will find its way into the Black Hills, its objective point. At this point all is astir, and the future outlook is good for the town and country alike. Newcomers are seen daily on our streets looking around, while the rustling traveling men are getting thicker, indicating a good business outlook for the beginning of a new year. There are plenty of business chances here, as the territory is large and well settled. The county will be divided at no day, when Sargent will no doubt be the future county seat of this portion of the county, and a right lively little business town it is, anyhow! Further information about town or county can be had by addressing Lock box 8, Sargent, Ncb., enclosing stamp. Col. James.

The Great Saol of ladies' sealkin cleaks and furs now in progress at the Ladies' Metropolitan purchasing agency, must close on Satur-day, 30th inst. In the meantime the low-

est prices will be made to close the balance of the stock.

E. F. McCaetney,
Parlors 10-11 Arlington Block,
Dodge St., next to P. O.

"We Have Come to Stay." Visit the Omaha Time payment store 613 S. Tenth street before buying Furni-ture, stoves, carpets, and all kinds of House furnishing goods. Sold on weekly or monthly payments.

Notice to Taxpayers. I wish to inform the taxpayers of

Douglas county that the taxes on personal property will become delinquent on the first day of February, 1886. HENRY BOLLN, County Treas.

Planos Tuned at Hospe's. A Beautiful Store.

The finest and most complete Art Store west of Chicago is Hospe's, 1513 Douglas, Remnant sale at Falconer's to-morrow

## NEBRASKA AND IOWA NEWS.

Yesterday's Proceedings of the Hawkeye Legislative Body.

VARIOUS MEASURES PRESENTED

Little Bits of News From Blair-Grand Island Officials Visiting Hastings -An Ex-Postal Employe on Trial for Robbery.

The lowa Legislature. DES MOINES, Iowa, Jan. 26. - [Special Telegram. |-When Speaker Head announced the house committees this afternoon there was general surprise and much comment. The leading positions are given to reward favorites for work in securing the speaker's election, while some of the oldest and ablest members of the house are put off with second and third class positions. A large number of bills were introduced in both houses to-day, but the startling resolution came from the democratic side of the senate, and called for a joint committee to investigate the Auditor Brown matter. This old controversy will not down, and a full and fair inquiry of the whole matter is now to be had. The republicans of the senate asked to have the resolution deferred a day or two, and it was agreed to make it the special order for Thursday at 3 p. m. There will be a lively time when the investigation committee gets to work, and some startling disclosures are expected.

Senator Miles of Wayne introduced a bill to establish a telegraph tariff at a rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words anywhere in the state. This is in line with Governor Larrabee's recommendation in his inaugural, A number of petitions asking for more legislation to assist in the enforcement of prohi-

bition were also introduced. DES MOINES, Iowa, Jan. 26.-[Press.]-The legislature reconvened after the recess this afternoon. The session was devoted principally to the reception of bills, petitions

and memorials. In the house bills were introduced for making the office of railroad commissioners elective, instead of appointive. Speaker Head announced the house committees. The chairmen of the leading committees are the following: Converse, ways and means; Berryhill, appropriations: Storey, judiciary Brown, agriculture; Butler of Page, schools Benson, insurance; Weaver, reorganization of the judiciary; Thompson, congressional districts; Finn, radroads; Lathrop, private corporations; Hayzlett, banks and banking. In the senate bills were introduced prohib iting railway discriminations in the use of cars and charges for transportation; fixing the tariff for telegraph dispatches at 25 cents for twenty words; for the creation of a state insurance department. Senator Johnson

order Thursday at 3 p. m. Little Bits From Blair.

(dem.) introduced a resolution for a leg-

islative inquiry into the Auditor Brown mat-

ter, which was made the subject for special

BLAIR, Neb., Jan. 26.-[Special.]-Since Three-Fingered Jack, the accomplice in the Hughes murder at Council Bluffs, made his flying leap through the second story window of the Commercial hotel some few weeks ago. nothing of especial interest to the outside world has occurred in this locality, although the correspondent of the Omaha Republican telegraphs a half column of startling news nearly every day from this place.

The new board of county supervisors and the water works muddle are the subjects that receive the most attention at present. The system of water works that were constructed by Fairbanks & Co. were tendered to the city council some time ago, but were not accepted on account of the insufficient supply of water. There seems to be no immediate prospect of an amicable adjustment of the matter, and quite likely it will go into the

The intense cold weather of the past few weeks has occasioned but little suffering among the poor of our city. Those who needed aid have been generously provided for by the citizens.

It is currently reported that Mr. Julius Altscheller and Miss Lina Avercouser are to be married to-day. Mr. A. is a member of the firm of P. A. Stein & Co., a large clothing firm here, and an energetic young business man. Miss Avercouser is one of Blair's fairest young ladies and a sister of Mrs. D. M. Castetter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Stewart are still confined to their house with rheumatism.

Mrs. W. H. Farnsworth has returned from an absence of several weeks, and W. H. is made happy thereof. The county treasurer and his deputies are

kept busy filling out tax receipts. There has not been a police court trial in this city for the last three months-not a drunk-and yet Mrs. Carrigan occupies a column in the Republican every week in dis-

cussing the drunkenness and sin in Blair. Not Enough Proof to Convict. Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 26,- Special Telegram. |-The trial of Erwin Heath, an ex-employe in the Kearney postoflice, charged with stealing a registered letter containing 8500 has been on trial in the United States court all day. The missing letter was sent early in August last by the Omaha National bank to its correspondent at Broken Bow. It was traced to Kearney and there the trail was lost. When the prosecution rested for the night at 6 p. m., this much had been proven, but nothing more. Mr. Lambertson intimated to the court that he had no more testimony to introduce. Should this be so the jury will probably return a verdict of not guilty, as there is no evidence thus far im-

plicating Heath. Visiting Hastings-Another Blockade HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 26,- Special Telegram. |-The mayor of Grand Island, accompanied by the members of the city council and representatives of the press of that city, visited Hastings last evening for the purpose of inspecting the gas works of this city. They were the gnests of C. R. Miller of the Hastings Gas Light company, who entertained them at the Boswick hotel and af forded them every opportunity to inspect the gas system of this city.

A severe blizzard is raging in this vicinity. The regular express train from Omaha was delayed this afternoon and reports drifts six feet deep between Sutton and Hastings, The snow is reported drifted to a depth of eight feet between Hastings and Minden. Fears of another blockade are entertained.

SeriousCollision on the Rock Island. MUSCATINE, Iowa, Jan. 26,-The train for Chicago on the Rock Island road left this city at 6:30 this morning. About twenty minutes later a construction train pulled out going the same way, and when just around the bend above the city crushed into the passenger train. John A. Owens of Oskaloosa, engineer of the construction train, was seriously hurt and pronounced fatally injured. His son, acting as fireman, was badly hurt. Two section hands were badly cut The engine penetrated the sleeper as far as the bell, and the passengers were badly shaken up, but no injuries were received. The passenger train had stopped to fix the engine, and the conductor claims he ordered a flagman back, but it is said that the flagman did not leave the rear platform. The accident was the result of the construction train not being slagged.

Only Sixteen Days Left. Boots and Shoes must be closed out be fore February 20th. 20 per cent. discount. Now is the time to secure genuine bar-gains. T. N. Brav, 1512 Douglas.

THE EXPERIENCE OF A WEARY ITALY'S GREAT TRAGEDIAN.

A Little Mistake as to the Home in Which He Supposed His Sister Lived.

Buffalo Express: A Westehester farmer was standing at the gate the other day when a weary looking tramp came tolling up the road, and halted and asked: 'Is your name Simmons ?"

"And your wife, before marriage, was "One of the Black girls, sir."
"And her first name was Mary." "No. sir. Her name was and is Elizabeth.

"Ah! So it was. But fourteen years is

long time. How is my sister Eliza-

Yes, sir.

'Are you her long-lost brother?" The one who went to Australia?" "The very same. Perhaps you have heard her speak of me?"
"Yes, I have. She has often spoken of

"Ah, the dear girl. She will be so glad to see me again. And you, my noble brother-in-law, let us shake hands." They shook. "I-I had thought of stopping with you

for the winter, boserved the wayfarer with an anxious look. "Y-e-s, I presume so," replied the farmer, "And my dear sister has spoken of

"She has. She was expecting you this very day, and she asked me to stand at the gate and watch for you." "It is so kind of you." "And I am now about to give you the all-firedest pounding an old liar of a tramp ever got. That's what your dear

sister recommends! "I-I believe I'm mastaken!" gasped the tramp. "It must be the next house!" "Oh, no; this is the house, and here

goes for you!"

When the tramp finally got away leaving the ground covered with shoe-pegs buttons old hats crusts of bread and pieces of cold meat, he halted at a safe distance and shouted back 'Is my game an old one in this locali

'Well, some one tries it on me every

day," replied the farmer.

"All right. I'll try the next house with a receipt to make fire-proof paint of soft soap and brick dust. Much obliged for your posting me, and give my love to

Real Estate Transfers. The following transfers were filed Jan

25, with the county clerk, and reported for the BEE by Ames' Real Estate

Agency:

K. Helen More (widow) to Andrew B. More and wife, all lots Grandview, South Omaha, belonging to her, qe-\$1.

Alvin Saunders and others, trustees, to F. E. Winning lots 3 and 4 bik E. Saunders & Himebaugh's add Omaha, w d-\$450.

Everett G. Ballou and wife to William M. Wylle, undivided \$\frac{1}{2}\phi\$ of \$\struct \text{s}\phi\$ of It 19 bik 1 Armstrong add Omaha, w d-\$500.

Charles C. Housel and wife to William M. Wylle, \$\struct \text{s}\text{of It 19 bik 1, Armstrong's add Omaha, w d-\$500.

William A. Gardner and wife to Rose Ann Murray, Its 1 and 2 block, D. Saunder's and Himebaugh's add Omaha, w d-\$825.

Joel D. Shropshire and wife to John H. Sullivan, lot 6 block 41 Hanscom place Omaha, w d-\$1,250.

Elizabeth C. Brown (widow) to Elizabeth H. Black, It 1 bik 117 Omaha, q e-\$1.

Etta Hurford Matheson (widow) and others to Elizabeth H. Black and others it 1 bik 117 Omaha, q e-\$1.

John Harris to Ada Black, It 1 bik 117, Omaha, w d-\$1.

Christopher Wilg and wife to Samuel B.

Omaha, w d—\$1.

Christopher Wijg and wife to Samuel R.
Johnson its 9 and 10 bik a 4 Shuit's 1st add
Omaha, w d—\$3,300.

Alvin Saunders and others, trustees, to
William H. Gardner, its 1, 2 and 7 block D,
Saunders & Himebaugh's add Omaha, w d—

S725.
George P. Stebbins (single) to Patrick Hughes, It 1 Stebbins subdivision of It 14 Bartlett's add Omaha, w d—\$2,300.
W. J. Stedman (widower) to Joseph Gib-W. 3. Steaman (Witower) to Joseph Glo-bons, It 5 blk 22 town of Waterloo, Douglas Co., w d—\$680. Charles F. Potter(single) to Arthur S. Pot-

ter it 10 blk 2 Potter's and Omaha, q c—\$1. A, E. Touzalin(single) to M. A. McKinnon lot 20 blk 3 Hillside add Omaha, w d—\$900. Charles J, Banman and wife to Omaha & N. Platte R. R.C o 100ft upon sw4 of nw4 of sec 12-14-12 Douglas Co., right of way d-\$725.

CARPETS AT S. P. MORSE & CO'S New Arrivals, Choice Patterns Body Brussels, Ingrains, Etc-Great Cleaning Out of Remnants.

In our carpet stock we find over a hundred short lengths of the most desirable goods, 10 to 30 yards in a piece; these will be sold cheap. Moquettes, Body Brussels and Ingrains all go in this lot of

Our new goods now being shown are recent selections by our buyer, Mr. Bis-bee, who has just arrived from New York. The patterns are choice, the colorings are magnificent and the prices reasona-

ble and we are now prepared in our car pet department with
MOQUETTES IN GREAT VARIETY.
5 FRAME BODY BRUSSELS.
2 AND 3 PLY INGRAINS. TAPESTRY BRUSSELS,

at lower prices than they were ever sold in Omaha before. Our upholstery department is especialfitted for making first-class window shades of every description. ODD PAIR TURCOMAN CURTAINS

One lot \$15, usual price \$25. Turcoman Curtains \$20 usual price \$30 Turcoman Curtains \$25 usual price \$40 Only because they are styles of which we

have but one, two and three pairs. FURNITURE COVERINGS. Housekeepers—having chairs, lounges, or sofas to be upholstered, can select materials by the yard from our immense stock, and we will only charge for quan-tity actually used and labor expended in executing the work. Carpets made and laid and window

shades properly hung by the best workmen.

S. P. MORSE & CO. Morse's Clearing Sale.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday we will have a clearing out sale of the remnants and accumulations of the

past six months. Do not confound this with the ordinary 'remnant" sale, because we put in this sale everything that is a Full dress pattern or less.

Cut lenghts from 1 to 15 yards.
Dress goods pafferns, silk or wool.
Black silk dress patterns and less.
Colored silk dress patterns and less.
Velvet and velveteen remnants. Sheeting and muslin remnants. EMBROIDERY REMNANTS.

Remnants embroidery, 5c yard, worth 10c 1 6 10e 11 11 Some of the finest nainsook and muslin embroidery will be put in these remnants Ladies' and Child's Hosiery and Under

Men's Shirts, Drawers and Sox. Kid Gloves where we have single pairs WHITE GOODS, GINGHAMS, ETC. Remnants of Nainsooks, Piques, etc. Remnants of Ginghams, Satines, etc. Remnants of Shirtings, Cheviots, etc. This sale commences to-morrow and will continue until Saturday night; ou r store will close Monday next, February 2

Everybody should be sure to get their name and residence inserted in the new city directory to be issued in a few weeks. J. M. Wolfe & Co., 120 S. 14th st. The Union Stars will give one of their

for taking account of stock.

Interview with the Notable.

NUPTIAL

The Moor of Venice.

Salvini's version of "Othello" such as was given at the Boyd last night, despite which our theatre-goers are most familiar. It abounds in verses seldom read by is that in which Cassio is wounded, these, there is a want of proof of Desdemona's guilt and motive for the catstrophe of the last scene. As a consequence, the leading character is despite his unholy suspicion, he has all along been seeking. He is therefore forced to justify his crime in the simple

'That handkerchief which I so loved and gave thee, Thou gay'st to Cassio."

In a polyglot dialogue these word are

level of blind and brutal barbarism. culture, retinement and appreciation

He satisfies the eye as "the great captain," "the valiant Moor," the hero who could but little of the great world speak, save what pertained 'to feats of Added to broil and battle. attributes is a voice capable of emulating the sweetness of the lute, and, as need be, almost of swelling to the roar of the

and manifests itself in his actions. exclaims: Oh, my soul's joy! my peace, my life;

If after every tempest comes such calms, May the winds blow till they have wakened death."

But the pleasures of such scenes is changed to horror, when the demon of suspicion is conjured within his breast. The fond heart, gradually, yet by per-ceptible degrees, becomes cold. His exceeding love is subjected to pitiless blasts, through which, however, he strives to cherish the ardent attachment of his earlier days. Frenzied, with a mind at times revelling in the belief of his wife's devotion, yet tortured by the goading of the tempter, at a supreme moment, he rushes upon the latter. seizes him by the throat, hurls him like child to the floor, and, ke a demon, is about to amp him to death. Than the like ' stamp

manner in which this act was done last night, it may well be questioned if real ism could be further carried. The man seemed transformed in spirit to a beast. So unexpected, so great was the transi-tion, that, before the act had been completed, the audience insensibly broke into one long, uncontrollable burst of ap-

Thenceforward, to the catastrophe there were intermittent gleams of love, jealousy, hatrod, and symptoms of a de ceived and broken heart. Once. ever, that he has resolved upon "Desde monia's" death, there is no hesitancy, and when the curtain closes over the deed the michsesi suspense prevancu in the auditorium. His own death was like that of

Salvini as the greatest actor of the time. or the greatest of "Othello's." It were equally valueless to discuss the correct ness of his methods, or the superiority that of the actors of our n tongue. The fact remains, it Salvini, of all the actors own that most people have seen in this character, deserves to rest where, it may well be doubted, he has a peer. He was called time and again before the curtain,

"Tommaso Salvini, Alexander Salvini." They were those of the renowned tragemanner impressing the visitor will the genius which he is known to possess

The latter acted acted as interpreter His father and company were on their way to San Francisco. They had just played at Des Moines, and had been told that Omaha was an important place, and had consequently determined to remain over and play here. "Father has se-lected 'Othello,' said the son," because he felt the people here, from what he has heard would be able to appreciate it more than other pieces which he had in his repertoire."
"Do you know that your father's ver-

sion differs from that of the other lead-ing tragedians?" asked the reporter. The fragedian answered with a shrug of the shoulders and in a voice which was gentleness itself:

"Oh, no. I aim to keep very closely to the text, and make my play somewhat longer than that of my brothers on the

Stars? Well," said he, "my conception of the Well, said he, "my conception of the Moor is that a man reared amid all the grace, chivalry, culture and refinement of Venice—a man thoroughly imbued with the Venitian spirit and possessing the esteem and confidence of the people.

enjoyable parties Thursday at the Metropolitan hall.

Presentatation of Othello Last Frening An

How Divorces are Procured-A Well Known Lawyer Tells Something About the Numerous Suits -Other Local News.

the statement to the contrary published in yesterday's BEE, differs from that with other tragedians, and omits several very important scenes. One of these and the other, that in which Iago conveys to Othello the blighting information of possession, by the wounded man, of the fateful handkerchief. Without made to appear a murderer without that questionable incentive, for which,

By heaven, I saw my handkerchief in his

easily overlooked, and the heroic passion of the deceived husband drops to the In Salvini's Othello the instincts and passions of his race have been softened and ennobled by the surrounding Venetian

There is grace in his carriage, majesty in his mien, and manliness in his bosom.

tempest, There is a tenderness in his love that is ideal. It speaks in his tones, radiates in his smiles, beams in his countenance, inconsistency of his greatness of stature and advantage of years with the fragile form and youth of the loved one almost disappear. Instead, appear the adoration of Romeo, tempered by the maturity of that of the parent. Nothing could be sweeter than the enraptured embrace after his return from Cypress, when he

a madman. It sent a thrill of horror

through the spectators.
It were useless to argue the standing of and when the last drop had fallen, he was honored by a recall and treated to an opation. Such had never been accorded

an actor in this city before. Yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock two shapely, handsome gentlemen moved away from the register at the Paxton, and when they had retired the BEE reporter found the celebrated names. dian and his son. Five minutes later the writer was engaged in a pleasant conversation with both in room 15 of the same place. The elder is large without being coarse, and intelligent without in any He is modest, unassuming, courtly and gentle even to diffidence. His son is as handsome as Apollo, robust as a gladiator, with a voice of power and sweetness, rendered not less pleasant because of an accent which savors of his own sunny

stage." In what respect if any, does your conception differ from that of other

Otherwise, and at such a time, especially he would not have been intrusted with so the would not have been intrusted with so momentons an undertaking as leading the troops against Cyprus. He is a man with the instincts and passions of his race but these are lost in him until they are gradually aroused by the mach ination of his tempter." Here Alexander broke in and remarked: "But when in the last act he proceeds toward the prothe last act, he proceeds toward the suf-

focation of Desdemona, he has the simulated herceness of a tiger." Salvini was surprised to hear that Keene had in two days played four such pieces as "Richard III," "Shylock," "Othello" and "Macbeth," and remarked: "Ah, it is too bad. No man san stand such work. I play four such characters only in one week, and he played them in two days! Ah! ah! That what kills them. Keene, then McCullough, then Davenport, even Forrest. They were all young men. I vary by in-terspersing some of my lighter pieces.

and satisfy my audiences just as well. The tragedian spoke in very compli-mentary terms of his company, many of whom have already been seen here. He was particularly pleased with the treat-ment which had been accorded him every where he went and seemed to feel more than is frequently the case amon foreign graspers of our money, the grat itude to which he gave expression. After a desultory conversation with both gen-tlemen, the reporter withdrew most favorably impressed with both father and

Salvini expects, sometime in April, to join Edwin Booth, in Boston, in a grand production of Othello. The latter will play "Iago," while the former will assume the title role. There will be but four performances, and these will doubtless be as great as any of recent years in this country. The details of the engage ment, however, have not as yet been ar

SOMETHING ABOUT DIVORCES. How and Why They are Procured-"Shadowing a Suspect."

Wishing to know something about the subject of divorces, which has been broached recently in the local prints, a reporter called upon Mr. E. W. Simeral yesterday and engaged that gentleman in an interview on the matter. "It is a singular fact," he remarked,

in answering the reporter's leading question, "that out of 858 cases on trial for the coming term of court, sixty seven or one-twelfth of them are divorce cases. The fact is that the divorce laws of this state are too lax and encourage separation of husband and wife for trifling causes. They ought to be more stringent, because the evil is daily increasing."

"What is the method of procuring a di vorce?'.

"Very simple. Suppose a husband or wife wants to separate from his or her spouse. He or she engages a lawyer, the petition is drawn up and filed in the district court. The summons to appear is not served on the defendant personally, but by publication. That is, notice of the fil ing of the divorce suit is printed in the local papers for four weeks; the third from the last day of publication, if the defendant has not put in an appear ance to answer to the suit, a default is taken and the plaintiff can go ahead and 'prove up.' Then the case is given a hearing by one of the judges, the witnesses are brought in and sworn in support of the charges preferred by the plaintiff. The divorce is granted and your litigant is free to marry again. If the defendant is found, however, and de termines to duly contest the case goes on the docket with the goes on the docket with the other cases and does not come to trial

for a year or so."
"What are the principal grounds of divorce, as alleged in the petition?" "Cruelty, desertion, failure to support, adultery and imprisonment of husband or wite for three vears or more. In the petitions of the wives you generally find that desertion and failure to support are more commonly alleged as the grounds for divorce; on the part of the husband, adultery or desertion. As a general thing a divorce seeking husband or wife avoid preferring charges of adultery if they can help it; they naturally dislike the notoriety and disgrace of pre-ferring and proving such charges. So that in many cases where there are really grounds for a divorce on account of the infidelity of the husband or wife, that fact is kept in the back ground and other charges such as desertion, failure to sup port, etc., are brought forward. There are detectives who make a regular business of hunting up the record and daily life of a husband, whose wife suspects him of infidelity, or vice versa These detectives are generally known as shadows—because they follow s colosely and tenaciously the object of their inves-tigation. The man arises from bed, eats his breakfast, and goes down town; the shadow takes up the trail and followclose at his heels, noting every place he may chance to visit, or every person he may speak to. All day long the shadow hangs about the suspected hasband, and

hangs about the suspected husbard, and carefully notes his twery act, and his every association. When he goes out to dinner the shadow is on his track, and follows him back to his work again. If he drops into a saloon to get a drink again. If he drops into a saloon to get a drink the shadow follows him in, ready to jot down any chance remark he may drop, or note any act which he may perhaps commit thoughtlessly and unwittingly. At night the vigilance of the sindow is redoubled. The suspected husband is followed from place to place and woe be to him if he enters any questionable resorts, or consorts with females of doubtful virtue. The shadow winds the toils about him slowly, and if he be guilty, before long has accumulated clear and convincing evidence against him. Weekly re-ports on the case are made to the fond wife, by the detective, and when all is ready the case is spring. If the wife is the suspected one the shadow has to operate more carefully, and it may be weeks or months before he can secure enough evidence to satisfy the suspicions of the husband. He has a much more difficult task than in shadowing a husband because a woman is very sly and take-every care to avoid detection. Sometimes the flusband will deliberately "put up a job" to lure his wife into a trap, so that he may procure a divorce from her. Oc-casionally the wife will practice the same trick upon the husband. Divorces obtained by these fraudulent means are null and void, and the husband or wife s liable to criminal prosecution for so obtaining them.

"Divorce seeking is most common among the lower classes of people?"
"By all odds. Nine-tenths of the divorces are sought by people in the humble walks of life. Ignorance of the marital relation is to blame for the rushing business done by our divorce courts, and that ignorance exists to a lamentable degree among the lower classes. They seem to think you know, that the marriage contract is of no more consequence than a mere verbal contract—that when husband and wife get ready to separate, they can do so without any more trouble than the form of a mere application to the courts. In certain portions of Germany they have a very novel way of dealing with appli-cants for a divorce. Just before the trial comes off-perhaps several weeks before -hasband and wife are locked up in a -husband and wife are locked up in a room together, where they can be seen and visited by no one. Their food is shoved into the room through a sliding panel. For days they are left in there together, in nine cases out of ten they "kiss and make up," and when they come out they tell the judge that they do not wish to be separated. Another reason why divorces are so common is that some lawyers willing to take such cases at shamefully low prices. A reputable lawyer charge all the way from \$25 to \$100 for pushing a divorce case through the rourts, but there are men here who will take a case for \$10 or even less, and be glad to get it at that.

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