THEY LACKED MORAL COURAGE

The House Defeats the Bill to Provide Cleras For Members.

THE RETIRED MEMBERS BLAMED

A Great Deal of Interest Manifested in Washington Over the Indiana Senatorship-Edmunds Expresses an Opinion.

Afraid to Place Themselves on Record WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—[Special Telegram to the BEE,]—A magnificent opportunity for courageous and manly action was offered members of the house this afternoon when the bill providing for clerks to members not chairmen of committees was called up. It is safe to say that nine-tenths of the house, if left to act free, would support this measure. It is what the house, in private consultation, has been howling for more than ten years. The members have been groaning under a burden of salaries to secretaries and the outlay for postage, etc., for years, and declaring that if the opportunity was presented they would favor a measure of relief. But by a vote of 141 to 105 the house refused to consider the bill this afternoon and laid it on the table. Those who were re-elected last fall are claiming to-night that the votes of the defeated or retiring members killed the bill, but that will not hold good. It was lack of courage that dia it.

THE INDIANA MUDDLE. A great deal of interest was raised in Washington yesterday and to-day in the senstorial struggle at Indianapolis. The democrats here from that state pretended to be jubilant and confident over the declaration made yesterday that Turple had received seventy-six votes, and was therefore elected, but they all acknowledged that there was good grounds for the contest which Senator Harrison will make. All parliamentarians and lawyers say that State Senator Green Smith, who has been declared to be lieutentenant governor, has no right in law to act in the dual position he occupies. They say he is clearly a state senator or lieutenant governor. If the former he has no right to preside over the convention, and if the latter he had no right to cast the vote which he cast yesterday for Turpic for United States senator, as no tie existed. Senator Edmunds, the best legal authority in the United States senate, says Smith's action as presiding officer is without authority, or he voted for Turpie without authority. In either event both acts make his action void. He believes Smith is an usurper of the functions which should devolve upon General Robert-son, the legally elected republican lieutenant son, the legally elected republican lieutenant povernor. No one seems to gainsay the fact that one democratic senator—Brannamann—voted who had no right to his seat. The democrats hold that legislative bodies are judges on the qualifications of their own members, and say this cannot come before the United States senate in a contest. But this is met by the republican members of the senate committee on privileges and elections, who say that this is a legitimate question for the decision of the United States senate when the disqualifica-United States senate when the disqualifica-tion comes from constitutional or statutory infirmities. In the face of the proceedings

by the republicans of the legislature to-day it is believed that Senator Harrison will be promptly scated. One thing is sure, and that is, Turpie will not take his seat on prima facie evidence.

Representative Bynum, who was a dark horse for the young element of the democrats for the senator when selected by the recovery. horse for the young element of the democrats for the senate, when asked by your correspondent this afternoon what he thought of the situation, said significantly: "Well, I wouldn't give my title to a seat in the house for Turpie's in the senate."

A DISCHARGED CLERK SUIGIDES.

While at breakfast this morning the inmates of Dr. Susan A. Edson's house heard something fall with a thud in the alley adjacent. One of them hastily left the table and on returning said: "A man has fallen off

cent. One of them hastily left the table and on returning said: "A man has fallen off the roof of 1306 I street." This proved to be the fact and an investigation showed that the man was R. F. Keech, aged sixty-eight years, and that he was dead. He was formerly employed in the treasury department. Recently he has been somewhat despondent and erratic, and it is supposed that he went to the roof and jumped off, hoping thus to end his troubles. There were several concussions of the forehead and the legs of the cussions of the forehead and the legs of the cussions of the forehead and the legs of the unfortunate man were broken. Coroner Patterson gave a certificate that death resulted from concussion of the brain. The deceased leaves a wife and three grown daughters, one of the latter being married and living in Nebraska. Since his discharge from the treasurable temperature of the superstant leaves the ary last summer Keech has valuly tried to obtain other employment and his ill luck seems to have driven him temporarily insane. He arose and dressed himself this morning but failed to put on his snoes, and when found in the alley he had on his pants, shirt, yest and a pair of heavy yarn socks, and as he made no noise which could disturb the folks below stairs there was no one to pre

PENSIONS TO NEBRASKANS AND IOWANS. Pensions granted to Nebraskans to-day; Cook Griffith, Alma; William Neely,

Neoma.

Pensions granted to Iowans: Albert Schratte, Chariton; John Chrisman, Delta; Henry R. Elder, Laurens: Elias Ingmire, Colfax; Michael E. Schman, Dunlap; William H. Hardman, Glenwood; Enos Conger, Centerville; Alvin C. Phelps, Atlantic.

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POSTAL CHANGES.

James T. Bellow was to-day appointed postmaster at Ceresco, Saunders county, vice Horace Andrews, resigned; also the following in Iowa: John W. Youngerman, Campbell, Polk county, vice C. E. Leyner, resigned; James Rarshoff, Hougton, Lee county, vice John Screiver, resigned.

Representative Dorsey received to-day a petition, signed by many citizens along the branch line of the Frement & Elkhorn Valley railroad, asking for the establishment of mail railroad, asking for the establishment of mai service between Scribner and Lindsay. The postofiles department officials have been very derellet in establishing this service, which was urged some time ago by Mr. Dorsey, but he has succeeded in securing an order for it, and it is now in the hands of Captain White, of Chicago, division superintendent of the

railway mail service.

Sergeant Mike Cody, of Omalia, who served forty-two and a half years in the army and who is now on the retired list, is here.

Bills Reported. Washington, Feb. 3.-The legislative, executive and judicial appropriations bill, reported by the appropriations com mittee to the house to-day, makes a total appropriation of \$20,286,910, which is less than the appropriation for the current year by \$418,545. The estimates aggregated \$21,173,-000. It is provided that on and after July 1, 1888, all of the offices of surveyors general shall be aboushed and the records of the offices turned over to the commissioner of the general land office, who is charged with the performance of all duties now performed by surveyors general under the direction of the secretary of the interior. The salary of the assistant treasurer at Chicago is increased from \$4,500 to \$5,000.

The postoffice appropriation bill was re-ported by the senate committee on appropria-tion to-day: tion to-day:

Major McKenzie, of the corps of engineers.

in a report submitted to the senate to-day by the secretary of war, recommends that as much as may be necessary of \$25,000 appro-priated in the river and barbor act of 1884 and 1886 for the construction or a pier at the outer wall of the Des Moines rapids canal be outer wall of the Des Moines rapids canal be authorized to be expended in the establishment of a floating boom connecting the wall with the upper draw rest of the bridge at Keokuk, and that if any money remains on hand when this work is completed, that it may be used in continuing the improvement of the Des Moines rapids under the present project. The chief of engineers in an accompanying report concurs in these views and recommends the enactment of the legislation necessary for the change in plan or improvenecessary for the change in plan or improve-

Bad St. Louis Politicians. Sr. Louis, Feb. 3.-Twenty-four new in dictments were found by the grand jury today against as many persons charged with committing frauds at the election in this city last fail. Warrants were issued this afternoon for the arrest of those indicted several days a o and were given into the hands of deputy United States marshals who immediately thereafter started in quest of their men. Up to 3 o'clock only one arrest had been made—that of Michael Davis.

MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED. A German Farmer Wanders Away and Cannot Be Found,

DES MOINES, la., Feb. 3.— Special Telegram to the BEE. —The people of LeClaire, Scott county, are somewhat alarmed over the disappearance of Chris Lames, a resident of that place for a number of years. Lames, who is a German of very small stature and about have years of age, retired to bed as usual on the night of Saturday, January 30, He appeared in the best or apirits, especially so as a son had just returned on a vicit from Dakota. For some years Mr. and Mrs. Lames have occupied different apartments. Sunday morning Chris got up before 7 o'clock, *attended to the chores, and after building a fire left the house, as was supposed, to go to the Methodist church to build a fire there, he being sexton of that church. Mrs. Lames arose at 7 o'clock and, having attended to her morning work, prepared breakfast. Her husband not returning she sent her daughter to the church after him. The church was locked and no sign of his having been there was apparent. The alarm was then spread, but up to the present time no trace of the missing man has been found. Joseph Gross and Arthur Rooney both are said to have seen Lames going north through LeClaire early Sunday morning. Lames took no overcoat or mittens, so it is not likely that he could have gone far in the bitter cold of that day. Sunday morning Chris got up before

that day. Big Whisky Raid. WEST UNION, Ia., Feb. 3.-[Special Telegram to the BEE.]-On January 31 nineteen informations were filed against liquor dealers in this county. Yesterday forencon the

sheriff, his deputies, several constables and deputies, armed with search warrants and injunctions, proceeded to Stottletown, Clermont, Eigin and Wadena. They searched all the saloons in each place, finding some of the saioons in each place, finding some of the stuff in every place. Fifty kegs of beer were found at Stottletown. The officers en-joined one druggist. The party returned here in the evening well loaded with beer, whisky and wine. Hawkeye, kandalia, Maynard and Olewein are being pulled by the officers to-day. It is reported that the State Temperance alliance has been working this matter up. this matter up.

Asphyxiated By Gas.

SIOUX CITY, In., Feb. 3.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Mrs. H. Burkholtz arrived here 1ast night from Rock Rapids, and was assigned a room at the Hubbard house. This morning, failing to respond to calls, the door of her room was broken open and she was found lying in an insensible condition, the victim of asphyxia. The gas had not been turned off properly when re-tiring. Everything possible was done to restore her, but it is now very doubtful whether she can recover. She came here to attend the funeral of a sister whose family live a few miles from this city, and who was accidentally killed a day or so ago.

Iowa's Oratorical Contest. DES MOINES, la, Feb. 3-The annual contest of the State Oratorical association was held here to-night. Eight colleges were represented, the delegation headed by Mr. Dukes being recognized from Cornell college. The first prize was awarded to C. L. Zorbaugh, of Parsons college, Fairfield; the second to A. E. Palmer, Iowa college, Grinnell; the third to A. L. Hunt, Simpson college, Indianola.

A Wagon Bridge at Clinton CLINTON, Ia., Feb. 3,- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |-An incorporated company was organized here last night with \$250,000 capital to build a wagon bridge over the Mississippi. Judge Hayes started for Washington to-day with the draft of the charter desired

from congress.

The Illinois Legislature. SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 3,-In the house, Murphy, from the committee on federal relations, reported back the joint Cullom resolution and recommended its concurrence by the house. Fuller moved the previous question, thus shutting off debate. The democratic members called for the ayes and nays and refused to answer to their names, the labor members, with the exception of Dixon, acting with them. Representative Messick, republican, voted in the negative. The result of the vote showed ayes 75, and nays 2. The speaker announced that the motion prevailed, the exact number required for a quo-rum having voted. The vote ca-the adoption of the resolution was then taken, resulting in 76 ayes and 1 nav and the speaker announced its adoption. This was followed by loud cheering on the republican side. Merritt, in a spirit of retaliation, rose and stated for the information of the house that a democratic senator had been elected from Indiana, which called out prolonged cheers on the democratic side.

The committee on appropriations recom-nended for passage the bill appropriating mended for passage the bill appropriating \$20,000 for the erection of a monument to the \$20,000 for the erection of a monument to the late Governor Yates, and a bill turning over \$35,000 cellected by the live stock commission by the sale of carcasses of cattle killed during the pleuro pneumonia epidemic in Chicago, to the commission to be used for reimbursement of owners of cattle. Bills making appropriations for removing the dam across the Little Wabash river, and to John A. Lyle, as a compensation for the loss of both arms at the soldiers' reunion, while iring a defective cannon were referred while firing a defective cannon, were referred back for passage. The bill appropriating \$25,000 to Williams county to assist in the erection of public buildings which were de-stroyed by fire, was referred to a sub-commit-tee of five. On motion the Littlerne bill mak-ing an appropriation for the live stock commission was taken up for second reading and ordered to third reading, also the bill providing for the necessary expenses of the state

A Squeal From the Defunct.

Indianapolis, Feb. 3.—The republicans do not admit the legality of Turple's election to the United States senate, or that the work of the joint convention was perfected in the proceedings of Wednesday. On the other hand the democrats claim that the record is valid and the joint convention adjourned yesterday sine die. In accordance with the motion of Representative Gardiner, which the republicans say prevailed, the joint convention reassembled to-day at noon, with all democratic and seven republican senators absent. Speaker Sayre presided and the clerk of the house called the roll of both houses.

of the house called the roll of both houses. Ten senators and iifty-six representatives of the republican side answered, but the democratic side was silent. They were re-arded as absentees until the roll of that class was read, when the speaker announced the presence of each one, but as not answering. Representative Gardiner then presented a preamble and resolution reciting the illegality of the election of Turple and pretended adjournment of the convention sine die, and calling for an inconvention sine die, and calling for an investigation in order to prepare a memorial of the contest to be presented to the United States. The resolution provided for the appointment of a committee of five to pursue this investigation and to prepare a memorial. The paper was adopted and a committee ap-pointed consisting of Senators Winter and Huston, Representatives Gardiner, Griffeths and Linck. Adjournment was then had.

An Industrial School Burned. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 3.-The loss by

the burning of the state industrial school last night is now estimated at \$100,000, no insurance. The female department of the building was totally destroyed with its contents. A great loss of life was but narrowly averted. The remains of Mrs. P. J. Vanhooven were discovered in the ruins of the temale department. She was thirty-live years of age and employed in the laundry department.

Threatened Strike in Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 3.-The melters in every crucible steel works in this city have made a demand for an advance in wages of 15 per cent, this increase to take effect February 15. If the advance is not granted the men threaten to strike. There are five crucible steel works in Pittsburg employing 5,080

Democrats Win the Seats. SANTA FE, N. Mex., Feb, 3 .- The territorial legislature here to-day, by a vote of 14 to 10, decided by resolution in favor of two democratic members from Taos county, whose seats were contested by republicans. Three republicans voted with the democrats.

Roumania's Military Preparations. BUCHAREST, Feb. 3.—The chambers voted \$1,000,000 to enable the government to complete its military preparations

JOHN ERICSSON'S DESTROYER

A Measure Introduced in the Senate to Purchase It and Ten More.

THE RAILWAY ATTORNEY BILL. Evarts Makes a Long Speech in Opposition to Its Passage-Pleuro-Pneumonia Discussed in

the House.

Washington, Feb. 3.—In the senate to-day Messrs. Sawyer of Wisconsin and Whitthorne of Tennessee presented their credentials, which were received and placed on file. A letter was received from the secre-

tary of the treasury stating there was no information in the report as to whether any national banks are now lending money to be repaid in gold only. (This was in answer to Mr. Van Wyck's resolution.) Mr. Evarts introduced a bill for the "purchase of John Efricsson's Destroyer and

for detending the harbors of the United States." (Appropriating \$112,000 and \$2,000,-Oso for the purposes respectively.)

The resolution offered at the last session by Mr. Ingails to discharge the committee on pensions from further consideration of the bill removing limitation on applications for

ten enlarged steel vessels of the same type,

bill removing limitation on applications for arrears of pensions was taken up and Mr. Ingalls stated that his object was to have the bill brought before the senate for action. The resolution was agreed to—yeas, 27; nays, 26. The bill was placed on the calendar.

A resolution heretofore offered providing that each day after the morning business the senate will proceed to the consideration of the house bills on the calendar was adopted.

A resolution heretofore offered by Mr. Plumb calling on the secretary of the interior for information as to whether there is any rule of the pension office whereby any applicant for a pension is denied a hearing by reason of being also a petitioner to conby reason of being also a petitioner to con-gress, was taken up and discussed. The dis-cussion continued until 2 o'clock when the resolution was laid aside without action and the senate proceeded to the consideration of the bill to prohibit members of congress from acting as attorneys for subsized railroad com-

Mr. Evarts addressed the senate in oppo-sition to the bill. He favored the amend-ment proposed to be offered as a substitute to the bill by the senator from Delaware. That substitute made it unlawful for any members of congress to accept employment as general counsel or attorney or receive payment for services as such counsel or attorney from subsidized railroad companies, with the proviso that it shall be construed to prevent members of congress from appearing as such counsel in the state or federal courts in suits in which the United States is not a party, the argued that the present legislation was uncalled for. The rights of citizens were not to be invaded because honest employment might lead to criminality.

Upon the conclusion of Mr. Evart's speech the senate went into executive session and soon adjourned.

House,
Washington, Feb. 3.—In the house Mr. Oates of Alabama, on behalf of the committee on the revision of the laws, called up the bill authorizing the appointment and prescribing the compensation of clerks to senators and representatives who are not chairmen of committees. After debate Mr. Eden of Illinois moved to lay the bill on the table. Agreed to-yeas, 14; nays, 105.

The house then went into committee of the whole (Mr. Blount of Georgia in the chair) on the pleuro-pneumonia bill, the pending amendment being one offered by Mr. Cutcheon of Michigan, providing that the experts and agents to be appointed in pursuance of

and agents to be appointed in pursuance of this act shall be appointed under the civil service rules. Lost—13 to 85.

Mr. Swineburne of New York offered an amendment stricking out the provision for the destruction of diseased animals and inserting in lieu thereof a provision that such animals shall be quarantined and destroyed if deemed necessary for scientific investigation by the scientific exports, and the experts shall provide such rules and regulations as they deem necessary to best prevent the spreading of the disease and promote a thorough investigation and understanding therough investigation and understanding of its nature, characteristics and conse-Agreed to-

Mr. Butterworth of Ohio offered an amendment reducing from three-quarters to one-half the value of the animal when sound the compension which may be allowed owners of cattle for animals slaughtered under the pro-visions of this act. Agreed to—110 to 30. Without concluding considerations of the bill the committee rose and the house ad-

Shot Down by Her Husband. PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 3.—Boston, a small mining town on the Manongahela river, was the scene of a shooting affray this afternoon in which two persons were wounded, one of whom, it is thought, receiving fatal injuries. The victim was Mrs. John Ingram, and the assailant her husband. The shoeting took place in the railroad station at Boston, and was the outcome of a suit for non-support. Mrs. Ingrain was on her way to this city when her husband appeared and, without warning, becan shooting at her. There were several persons in the station at the time, but before he could be prevented he shot her twice, one ball taking effect in her forehead and the otter in her right arm. Bystanders then interfered and in the struggle which ensued the enraged man shot a man named Eleming in the wrist. He was man named bleming in the wrist. He was finally overpowered, when it was found that he had two more revolvers loaded and ready for use on his person. Mrs. Ingram was re-moved to her home, where she is lying in a critical condition. The indignation against Ingram was so great that the officers were compelled to hastily remove him to this city and place him in jail.

A Heavyweight Knock-Out. NEW YORK, Feb. 3.-Fifty sporting men and athletes gathered on Long Island tonight to witness a bare knuckle fight to a finish between heavy weights-Charles Doyle, of New York, and Frank Hayes, of Chicago. Doyle weighed 212 pounds, and Hayes 196. The men had a dispute, which they agreed to adjust with bare knuckles. Police Gazette rules governed, three minute rounds, no fouling At the end of the second round Doyle seemed a whipped of the second round Doyle seemed a whipped man. His cheek was gashed, lips split open, bleeding left eye, bruised nearly shut, while his nose did not stand out enough to speak about. Without any pretense at sparring both went to work. Hayes planted his left and right on Douglas' pitiable face. They clinched. Hayes finally went to the floor, tried to zet up, but fell back, and remarked, "I have got enough." The fight and money were awarded to Doyle, who was as sorry a looking sinner as ever pocketed money. looking sinner as ever pocketed money.

A Bad Gang Broken Up. ALBUQUERQUE., N. M., Feb. 3.-Intelligence received to-day from St. Johns, Arizona, states that John and Kenny Brown and Red Murphy, the remainder of the gang of train wreckers, have been captured and lodged in fail. The Wells Fargo express and Santa Fe railroad officials are highly elated Santa Fe railroad omeans are bignly clated over the breaking up of this gang, known as the Evans gang of train wreekers and rob-bers, who have been a terror to thein through-out New Mexico and Arizona for the past

A Mysterious Steamer. NEW YORK, Feb. 8,-The steamer reported ashore at Monmouth Beach last night backed off without any assistance. Nothing whatever can be learned as to the name of the steamer, nor can it be ascertained which way she proceeded after floating.

A Very Extensive Smoke. Sr. Louis, Feb. 3.-The extensive ware house of the Drummond Tobacco company, situated on South Third street, was burned to-night, entailing a loss of fully \$250,000. The entire loss is covered by insurance in about eighty first-class companies.

Sentence Well Earned. NEW YORK, Feb. 3.-John De Leon, con victed of inducing young girls to Panama for immoral purposes under pretext of find-ing employment for them, was sentenced to afteen years imprisonment at hard labor in Sing Sing.

THE STOCK MARKET. Panicky News From Abroad Largely Affects Prices.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3 - | Special Telegram to the BEE.]-A sharp decline in French rentes and English consols, and lower prices in London for American securities, made a weak market for stocks to-day. Cables from Paris alleged that business on that bourse was at a standstill, and from Berlin comes re ports of a panic, and rumors that several large banks were in trouble. The exchanges at all the European capitals were more or less depressed and the prevailing sentiment was that war between France and Germany was imminent. London was again a large seller of American securities and especially of Louisville & Nashville, which was thrown on the market in large quantities, causing a break of 2 per cent. After the break caused by the unfavorable European news the market steadied and a little later rallied a fraction. Buil points on Western Union and New England were still strong, the people having these stocks in hand advising their friends to hold on for big profits. The strike news was less exciting, and although there was no settlement, it was claimed that the worst had been seen and that the various companies had men enough to keep the wheels of commerce mov-ing. S. V. White was very bullish and ading. S. V. White was very bullish and advised his friends that the present was no time to sell stocks. The market moved up towards the close on rumors that the strikes had been settled and that President Cleveland had vetoed the inter-state commerce bill. Neither report proved to be true, and the closing dealings were at a small concession from ing dealings were at a small concession from the best prices of the day. The total sales were about 325,000 shares.

Schwartz' Examination Continued. Morris, Ill., Feb. 3 .- The examination of Henry Schwartz for the murder of Express Messenger Nichols was continued this morn William Pinkerton exhibited and identified the black satchel found by Conductor Danforth and also a piece of a bank check found with the satenel and the rest of the check found in the robbed car. Conductor Danforth gave some sensational evidence about the actions of Schwartz while returnabout the actions of Schwartz while return-ing to Chicago. He testified to the suspicious manner in which he acted. Special Agent Ray, of the Rock Island road, testified to finding some sandy hair clutched in Nichols' hands and bloody finger marks on his watch.

High License For Minnesota. St. PAUL, Feb. 3.-The Prosser high 11 cense bill, which has already passed the senate and fixes the license in cities of 10,000 or more population at \$1,000, in smaller places at \$500, passed the house by an emphatic majority. The bill permits municipal authori-ties to make the license as much in excess of the above as they see fit and does not effect the local option provisions previously passed

A High-Priced Franchise. CHICAGO, ; Feb. 3.-The franchise of the St. Louis base ball club in the National league, it is authentically learned to-day, is in possession of the president of the Kansas City club. He is reported to have paid \$5,000 for the franchise. Denny, of the St. Louis team, has been secured for third base in the New York club and Glasscock will probably be shortstop for Chicago. The remainder of the nine go to Kansas City.

Feeling the Effects of the Boycott. CHICAGO, Feb. 3 .- The Morning News says: A rumor gained currency at the stock yards to-day that W. A. Pinkerton, at the instigation of P. D. Armour, had sworn out warrants against several members of the executive board of district assembly 52, Knights of Labor, charging them with having conspired to ruin Armour's business.

Not So Bad as Reported. MATAWAN, N. J., Feb. 3.-The vessel reported stranded at Monmouth beach struck the outer bar at about 8 o'clock last night and got off inside of an hour. The statements about screams being heard and of the sea breaking over the vessel are false, as no danger signals were shown by the vessel.

A Blow at Woman Suffrage. OLYMPIA, W. T. Fab. 3.-The supreme court to-day decided the bill granting suffrage to woman unconstitutional. The act was passed by the legislature of 1885 and the women have been voting in the territory

Just Mentioned Incidentally. WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.-The inter-state commerce bill was incidentally mentioned during to-day's cabinet session, but nothing was said by the president to indicate his intention in regard to it.

The Bill Still Unsigned. WASHINGTON, Feb. 3-Up to 11:30 o'clock this evening the president had not signed the inter-state commerce bill. No other positive information concerning the matter can be obtained.

THAT INDIGNATION MEETING. The Omaha Delegation's Desire-Sat-

urday Night Decided On. The general topic of conversation among business men yesterday was the proposed meeting of citizens and taxpayers to express their indignation at the attempt of the railroad attorneys to defeat the new charter. Notwithstanding the extreme cold weather citizens were willing to stand and talk upon the matter on the streets. Property owners were especially nervous at the contemplation of a legislative movement that would prove disastrons to enterprises they had decided upon, and scores of anxious inquiries came from workingmen, skilled mechanics and others, who have remained here all winter expecting plenty of work when the season opens. "Do you think they will kill the charter

in the legislature?" asked a leading stonemason of a BEE reporter. "I don't know," was the reply. "What do you think about it?" "Well, if they do," he replied, "good bye Omaha for a time, for with the death of a new charter ends in my opinion all public work next season."

'How do the stonemasons, pavers and

others feel about it." "Feel about it. How do you think they would feel about if? It means but little prospect of work for us that is all." Just at this moment a gentleman came along and announced that a dispatch had been received from Lincoln that the Omaha delegatian wanted a meeting called for Saturday night at the exposition annex to thoroughly discuss the matter. This at once brought a calm to the troubled waters, and the announce-ment was received with general appro-

Real Estate.

bation throughout the city.

Real estate transfers filed February 2: Norman Kuhn to W.A.Saunders, lot 1 bik Barker's add, w d—85,750. Alice O'Donahoe et et to Joseph F Stout, lot After of Damanos ever w d-S1,200.

Amy Silver to J E Smith, lot 1 blk 5, Hanseom pl, w d-S1,750.

Wun Segelke and wi to Mrs M B Shorthiff, lot 10 blk 14. Meyers, Richards and Tildens add, w d-S575.

Jno A Meshane to Mary Marley, lot 10 blk 15. w side w d-S230.

15, w side, w d=5300, = Jno A MeShane to B Marley, lot 9 blk 15, w side, w d=5300. Jno MeShane to Nora Marley, lot 8 blk 15, Jno McShane to Nora Marley, lot 8 blk 15, w side, w d = 5302.

Martin Dunham and wf to David Kaufman, w l and 3 lot 4 blk 142, w d = \$18,000.

Sami Burns et el to Ella E Latson, lot 2 blk 5, Park pl, w d = \$4,200.

Wm II Elisworth and wf to Chas Boehme.

55x131 ft, com at a pt 15 ft s of a pt 198 ft w of n e cor lot 46, S E Rogers plat of Okahomo, w d = \$1,100.

Clara Engleman and hus to Win K Wil-

Clara Engleman and hus to Win K Wil-Clara Engleman and hus to Win K Wilding, lot 10, Patricks Saratoga add, wd—\$700.

Dennis Cunningham et ai to Jas I. Black, lot 4 blk 2, Washington hill, wd—\$600.

Wm M Dedson and wf to Chas Dodson s) wk 9, 16, 10 wd—\$1,600.

Deunis Cunningham et al to Thos Brennan, lots 8, 9, 22, 23, sub of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, lik 1 and 1 lots 3, 6, 19 blk 2 and lots 12 and 14 blk 3, Washington hill q e—\$1.

Frank Kondele and wf to Jas H Wheeler, lot 1 and 2 blk 4. Credit Foncier, wd—lot 1 and 2 blk 4. Credit Foncier, wd—

lot 1 and 2 bik 44, Credit Foncier, w d-\$4,500. Ella O Pinney and wf to Smith Saunders, % int in s w s e & 3, 14, 13, w d-23,000.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES.

Two of Them Visit the City to Examine the Deaf and Dumb Institute.

ROBBED HIS BENEFACTOR.

An Attempted Suicide-Dorman's Financial Trouble-An Officer Hart -The Policeman's Pay-Small Burglaries-Other Local,

Legislative Committees. The legislative committee on asylums, composed of Gafford of Gage, McKenna of Sarpy, Willson of York, Cole of Adams, Tracey of Lincoln, and the committee on public lands and buildings, composed of Caldwell of Lancaster, Audrews of Buffalo, Wilsey of Hamilton, Diller of Jefferson, Tyson of Washington, Wardlaw of Gage, Eisley of Madison, Harrison of Saunders, Minnix of Adams, McConaughy of Polk, Bailey of Franklin, and Leisveld of Lancaster, arrived in the city last night from Bea-trice where they had spent the day yesterday in examining the institution for the feeble minded. The committees registered at the Paxton and like temperate careful legislators retired so early that none of them could be found after 10 o'clock. The committees are here for the purpose of visiting the Deaf and Dumb institute. They will drive to the institution this morning, returning in time to take the evening train for Lincoln.

Robbed His Benefactor.

A. Parkinson, a young man employed in the abstract department of Potter & Cobb's real estate office, mourns the loss of his Sunday suit and a lot of underwear that was stolen from his room by a sneak whom he had befriended. On Tuesday evening Parkinson was approached by a young man who gave his name as John McDermott and claimed to hail from Hamburg, Ia. McDermott was out of work and freezing and starving, so he said. A friend of Parkinson's agreed to furnish the sufferer with meals for a few days if Parkinson would get him a place to sleep. Parkinson took the man to his boarding place, 419 North Fifteenth street, and secured him a room at his own expense. On Wednesday morning McDermott arose and departed with his heart full of gratitude and his arms full of Parkinson's best clothes. 'Twas ever

She Wanted to Die.

At an early hour this morning a girl named Woolworth, who lives in one of the dens of shame on Capitol avenue, near Twelfth street, made an attempt to end her career of imquity by departing this life by the morphine route. A physician was hastily summoned and by stren-nous effort succeeded in saving the wretched girl's life. It appears that the girl has been infatuated with a diamond studded dude who slings beer in a Twelfth street saloon. They had a lovers' quarrel yesterday and last night the aforesaid d. s. d. went out with another girl. This settled it. The girl will re-

DORMANN DOWNED. The Financial Embarrassment of a Well Known Merchant.

A surprise was created in business circles yesterday over the announcement that August Dormann, the well known Thirteenth street merchant, was in financial distress and had confessed judgment in favor of his preferred creditors. In the district court Dormann confessed judgment to suits brought against him aggregating \$7,000. These were in favor of the following creditors: Bank of Omaha \$3,509, Samuel H. Kahn \$2,000, Louis Raapke, \$1,500. These suits were commenced by parties who had furnished Mr. Dormann funds to earry on his business. Attachments were accordingly issued and Sheriff Coburn took possession of the stock. The claim of Samuel Kahn s in reality that of Greensfelder, Rosenbaum & Co., of Chicago, to whom Dor-mann is largely indebted. Mr. Dormann also has several local creditors, among them being Tootle, Maul & Co., Parrotte & Co., the Canfield Manufacturing company and the Robinson No-tion company. In the county tion company. In the county court the American Hand Sewed Shoe company commenced attachment proceedings against the firm for \$600 for goods sold and delivered. There are other creditors in Chicago and Kansas City. Mr. Dormann estimates his entire indebtedness at about \$16,000 and claims Mr. Dormann estimates his entire hat his stock of merchandise will invoice Mr. Dormann has been in \$18,000, Omaha for a number of years and has borne an excellent business reputation. He came here from Wisner, Neb., and was for several years engaged in busi-ness as a member of the firm of Heimrod & Dormann, and for the past three years has been engaged in the general mer-chandise business for himself. His fail-ure is attributed to his inability to meet the fearful competition that has marked the dry goods trade in Omaha during the past six months. However, a fair setllement of his business will secure all his creditors and place him on his feet with

THE POLICEMAN'S PAY. An Effort Made For the Increase of

the Copper's Salary.
The police force held a meeting last night and practically decided to send a man to Lincoln to have a provision in their favor inserted into the proposed city charter relative to the salary of policemen. The proposed charter, with its provision for a metropolitan police force limits the salary of the policemen to \$70 per month. While in many instances this is satisfactory the better officers of the force feel that a change should be made that would encourage men to become proficient in their work. Under the present arrangement new appointers are paid the same salary as the sargeant. captain and other officers and older members of the force. These men naturally feel that there should be some monied acknowledgement of their experience and ability and that increased wages should be allowed them. It is propose if possible, to have the charter amended so as to leave the fixing of the salaries with the city council.

Officer Shanahan Hurt.

Shortly after 7 o'clock last evening Officer Shanahan saw a man running down Farnam street earrying an overcoat on his arm. Spotting the man as a coat thief Shanahan gave chase. The man ran through an alley in the rear of the Canfield house, and in attempting to follow him Shanahan slipped and fell, cutting a severe gash over his right eye and spraining one of his wrists. The man, be he thief or gentleman, escaped. 'officer was removed to his home and injuries given medical attention.

A Fire Beyond the Lamits. Some excitement was occasioned at \$ o'clock vesterday afternoon by the receipt of a telephone message from Howell's lumber office that their yards were on fire. The yards are outside the city limits but Chief Galligan at once ordered the fire department to the scene. When the companies arrived on the cure.

ground it was found that the fire was not in the lumber yards at all but in a grocery store conducted by P. Matthews, at some distance from the yards. The fire de-stroyed a car load of baled hay that was stored in the basement of the building and did considerable damage to the store and stock before the firemen got control of it. The total loss is placed ni 7500. which is covered by insurance.

People's Theatre.

The Buchanan Comedy company and musical combination made their first appearance last night to a packed house The entertainment was novel and pleasing, commencing with an instrumental concert which contained some very nice selections, the cornet solos of Mr. Buchanan being fine. The performance proper consisted of the four-act farcical comedy entitled "Our Bachelors," in which Mr. Robert Buchanan, in the role of Prof. Bangle, and Mr. James B. Scully, as Judge Jowler, shared the honors. The piece abounds in ludicrons situations and laughable dialogue, which served to delight the audience and send them away in good humor. The company remains three more nights and deserves good patronage.

Accused of Highway Robbery, II. Dexter, a young man who has been dispensing cast iron sandwiches to a starving public in a Tenth street lunch counter, was arrested yesterday charged with having robbed a stranger named Thomas Cain of a sum of money. Cain, who is a section boss on the B. & M. came in on Wednesday with \$130 in cash in his clothes. He joined Dexter in a littie crimson kalsomining excursion and was touched for his wealth. When Dex-ter was arrested yesterday he had just purchased a new suit and overcoat and had \$27 sewed inside of his nether gar-

Stephan-Saffelder. On Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents on Nineteenth street, Wm. Gus Stephan and Miss Augusta Saffelder were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends of the con-tracting parties by the Rev. Detweiler, paster of the Kountze Memorial church. The contracting parties have many friends who will congratulate them upon their union. Mr. and Mrs. Stephan left Wednesday evening for a trip to New York and the east.

Stolen Property Identified. Two young fellows giving their names as Jones and Jackson were arrested as suspicious characters on Tuesday night. In their possession was found a lot of jewelry and ladies gloves which were identified yesterday as the property of Miss Merritt, daughter of the Farnam street restaurant man. The property was stolen on Monday night and was not missed until a notice of the two fellows arrest in the BEE caused Miss Merritt to make a search for her goods which were missing. The two youths will be held to answer to the charge of grand larceny.

A Small Burglary.

Shortly after 9 o'clock last night burglars paid a visit to the hardware store of M. L. Van Scoten at 1516 Dodge street, and succeeded in pocketing a few knives before they were frightened away by the police. The thieves effected an entrance through the rear door.
At an early hour Wednesday morning

burgiars visited the residences of J. E. King and General Gardner on Caldwell street, but were frightened away before they secured any boaty.

Relped by His Brethren. Adam W. Young, an engineer who was sent here by the cable contractor of Kansas City to superintend the work of constructing the proposed cable line, has

\$7,328.07. The bank clearances yesterday amounted to \$781,864.74. Dr. Benson will conduct the regular Friday evening service at the synagogue this evening. The subject of the discourse

will be "Providential Guides."

In the district court vesterday A. Gervey & Son commented suit against the Great Western Carbon company for \$1,750, to which the defendants confessed judgment. The funeral of Mrs. L. W. Duell, the oldest daughter of Mr. C. J. Karbach, will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon

from the late residence, 1509 Howard street. Friends of the family are invited The directors of the Fair and Exposi tion association met at D. H. Wheeler's office yesterday to select a secretary for the ensuing year. After some discussion of the available candidates an adjourn

ment was taken until this evening. A man whose name could not be ascer tained was run down by a runaway team on the corner of Twenty-sixth and Davenport streets yesterday afternoon and quite seriously injured. He was removed to his home in the northern part of the

Telegraphic dispatches bring an announcement of a railroad wreck which Occurred near Echo, Utah, yesterday, On board the train were a number of army men who had just left Omaha to attend the Benteen court-martial at Fort DuChesne. No official report has been received at army headquarters concerning any injuries sustained by the military

Personal Paragraphs N. A. Kuhn is in Indianapolis, Ind. Miss Hannah DeLaney is visiting her prother, Daniel DeLaney, the well-known

Bolossy Kiralfy was in town yesterday and met his wife, who was returning from the Pacific coast. Jacob Ross, a capitalist of Chippewa Falls, Wis., is in the city looking for

prolitable investments. Mr. W. H. Harrison, of S. P. Morse & Co.'s curtain and drapery department, left for New York last evening, Mr. Harrison will search the eastern market for novelties in new spring curtains, etc. W. F. Hillman, editor and proprietor of the Cedar Rapids (Neb.) Era, called at the BEE headquarters yesterday morning on his way to Lincoln. Mr. Hillman is on his way to the capital to attend a meet-ing of the executive officers of the state press association.

SICK HEADACHE and a sensation of oppression and a duliness in the head, are very commonly produced by indigestion morbid despondency, irritability and over-sensitiveness of the nerves may, is a majority of cases, be traced to the same cause. Dr. J. H. McLeau's Liver and Kidney Baim and Pillets will positively

THE CHARTER QUESTION. The City Engineer Replies to the Her-ald and Pays His Compliments To the Editor of the Herald; The critisms of the proposed city charter in your last three issues are so full of misrepresenta-

yons and unjust aspersions that, however reluctant I might be to enter a newspaper controversy, my duty to the public, and selfrespect Impel me to throw a little light upon this subject and unmask the hypocrisy of the prompters of these reviews, who have neither ie courage nor manhood to face the issues quarely, as high-minded men should do. The city charter now before the legislature was considered in detail by a committee of tifteen prominent citizens-Mr. Herman Kountze, A. J. Poppleton, Gny Barton, John Evans, James Creighton, Frank Murphy, H. G. Clark and others, a majority of whom the Herald enlogized and whose work when done the Herald editorially approved. 1 attended these meetings upon a written invitation through the eccretary

to Mr. Poppleton.

and while I did much detail and advisory work I had no vote upon the adoption or rejection of any of its provisions.

Every provision that the proposed charter contains relating to the engineer, the board of public works, their salaries and their duties, was adopted as it exists by this committee. duties, was adopted as it exists by this committee. I opposed the provisions that made the engineer a member of many of the commissions, and in the face of my opposition, as every member present will bear me out, the committee adopted them. When this board concluded its labors they passed a unanimous vote of thanks to myself for the assistance I had rendered them, Mr. A. J. Poppleton, who has personally circulated the report that this charter was made for the "two Rosewaters." was among the number so vot-Rosewaters," was among the number so voting. Even without the few amendments made by the legislative committee, and they relate to taxation of railroads, this charter is

made by the legislative committee, and they relate to taxation of railroads, this charter is the most complete, and superior in all respects to any such document ever prepared in this state, and no man with manhood enough to stand by his honest convictions, who has considered it in detail as such men as Gny Barton, James Creighton, Herman Kountze, A. J. Poppleton, will deny it.

The attempt of the Herald, Mr. Poppleton or any other journal or individual to use my name as a scapegoat to cover up the real cause of opposition to this charter is not only unfair but contemptible. Let me remind the men who think to attack me they can, (because of my relationship to the editor of the Bee,) defeat the charter, that they are uring up the wrong tree. I am as independent of office as any of them. What right has Mr. Poppleton to wage warfare upon me when he knows, as does every one of the lifteen who framed the proposed charter, that every provision that relates to the engineering department and to public works was adopted as a whole by that bedy, he voting for it himself? What right has he, or with what consistency can the Herald sustain attacks upon me in connection with that document after endorsing it themselves and eulogizing the men who framed it? If changes were made since in matters pertaining to railroad taxation that they deem inexpedient, why not manfully say so and not fight like bush-whackers behind false works. When Mr. Poppleton goes out of his way to impugn my motives, let me remind him that while it is a fact that I have at eighteen years of age had charge of the purchasing of hundreds of thousands of ties, telegraph poles and lumber in the capacity of inspector of ties and bridge material of the Union Pacific railroad, and later had charge of the purchasing of hundreds of thousands of ties, telegraph poles and lumber in the capacity of inspector of ties and bridge material of the Union Pacific railroad, and later had charge of the purchasing of such proper and the pacific railroad, and later had charge of inspector of ties and bridge material of the Union Pacific railroad, and later had charge of extensive estimates for several other railof extensive estimates for several other rail-way companies, and latterly chief engineer of public works, of Omaha, carried on over three million dollars of work, no man can point a finger to a dishonest act. Now, how is it with Mr. Poppleton? Party to a fraud in a sale of a bogus abstract of title in 1872, we find him pleading for mercy at the bar of the United States court for personal bribery for which the grand jury had voted an indict-ment and escaping by the intercession of sympathetic members of that bar with merely a reprimand. Later on this model of democracy, this expounder of popular rights, sent an infamous telegram asking the superdemocracy, this exponence of popular rights, sent an infamous telegram asking the super-intendent of the Union Pacific railroad to issue an order to the employes of that company to vote for his pet candidate for sheriff. Exposed in this infamy he sought to justify it in a card that can be found in the Herald files. Called to deliver an address to the colored radiusts at Indianapolis this same man lege graduates at Indianapolis, this same man attacks the monopolics as the great menace to American liberties; yet this man, whose wealth ought to enable him to pursue a course consistent with his belief, hires out his Godsas City to superintend the work of constructing the proposed cable line, has been lying for several days dangerously sick with a lung disease in a cold room at the American house and in destitute circumstances. He was found last evening by members of the Masonic fraternity and taken to St. Joseph's hospital.

District Court 'Notes.

The juries in the district court have been discharged until next Monday.

There are fourty-three criminal cases on the docket for the present term. The prisoners will be arraigned to-morrow to plead to the charges under which they are held.

The trial of the criminal causes will be commenced on February 14. The Lauer trial will probably be called up about the 21st.

Brevities.

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because simply the name of its editor is
Rosewater.

Very Respectfully,
Andrew Rosewater.

Nore.-The above was addressed to the Heraid yesterday, but as that paper refused to publish it in its entirety, it is given to the public through the medium of the BEE.

The Andersons.

The two Anderson boys were arraigned for a preliminary Learing before Justice Anderson yesterday on the charge of having assaulted their father with intent to kill. They waived examination and gave bonds in the sum of \$200 each for their appearance at the district.

A Valuable Pup. In Justice Anderson's court yesterday James Castell commenced suit against H. A. Penrose for the possession of an Irish setter pup which the plaintiff val-ues, in his petition, at \$1,000.

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