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THE record of the lately adjourned legislature is a warning to all future generations.

HASTINGS secures an asylum for the incurable insane. Hastings is to be congratulated.

A BIG railroad boom has been planted for Omaha. It will bloom with the flowers of spring.

THE legislature has closed its mortal existence and over its bier the people will pray that they may never see its like again.

THE only happy phase of the so-called science of evolution is that our ancesters, when monkeys, were not members of the legislature.

THE railroads, as betrayed constituencies will soon enough learn, succeeded in capturing the legislature. There is an end to all things.

MR. AGEE in one particular is like Woolsey of old. He has served his master faithfully and from this time on will sleep in dull cold marble.

MR. BLAINE makes a hurried trip west this month and next month goes to Ireland. He will also visit different parts of Europe, remaining abroad about one

year

Rather Lukewarm. Mr. Matt Miller made a very valuable and useful member in the legislature of two years ago. He was always on hand ready to oppose every job, fought straight from the shoulder for railway regulation at every stage of the proceed. ings and voted right on nearly every important hill This winter Mr. Miller disappointed

many of his warmest admirers. While keeping up a show of fight and opposing some questionable measures, he has played fast and loose on various occasions where he was expected to come to the front and strike for the right in his usual vigorous and effective manner. With the most charitable disposition to overlook his seeming indifference and frequent absence, when true blue men were badly needed on the floor of the house, his rather lukewarm actions have compelled us to doubt his sincerity on the burning issues of the day. His opposition to Senator Sterling's bill imposing city taxes upon the real estate of railroad companies in towns and cities,

is not readily explained away. The bill in question did not in any way affect the present system of state appraisement for county purposes. It simply placed the railroad property in every village and city on the same basis as the property of private individuals and other corporations which are compelled now to bear the entire expense of city government. If Mr. Miller can show good reason why railroad property should be practiture. cally exempt from city taxation, we shall cheerfully give him a full hearing

through the BEE.

An Abortive Pretext. It might have been supposed that the ngenuity of the railroad attorneys, which has been exerted to its uttermost limits m finding expedients for rendering the interstate commerce law oppressive and obnoxious, would have stopped short of an effort to assail or invade the sovereign rights of the government. The perversion of the law in some respects, and the strained construction put upon it in others, left no doubt in the minds of intelligent people of the purpose of such unwarrantable action, but as very generally happens to those who are bent on mischief, the corporations overreached

when they proposed to cripple or embarrass the postal service of the country by applying to the employes of the government in that service on the railroads the provision of the act construed to prohibit the granting of free passes except as specified. Not all of the roads upon which the railway mail service extends proposed to deliberately apply the provision of the law, agreeably to their construction of it, to postal clerks, inspectors, and other employes of the de-

partment connected with this service, but there was evidently a general understanding that it should be applied, if possible, as one of the methods, and perhaps a very potent one, of producing and aggravating popular hostility to the law. The opinion of the attorney general, who in this matter is on the side of the people against the corporations, has rendered this interesting scheme of the rail roads abortive. His opinion is that the law was created to regulate commerce and not the United States mail service,

and that it was not the intent of the lawmakers that it should be construed to include the mail service. The postal service is organized in pursuance of an established governmental policy, and its operations "can only be conducted successfully by uniform and general rules. In the conduct of this service the United States, "to the exclusion of all others, exercise one of the functions of governmental sovereignty." To apply the inter-state commerce law to the mail service would be a palpable interference with that sovereignty, since it would 'materially diminish the power and rights heretofore exercised and had under the postal laws, and modify a clearly defined policy established as the result of the experience of the whole national life." Among the instrumentalities necessary to the efficient and proper conduct of the service the postoffice department is authorized by law to send officers, agents

American manufacturing enterprise, not less gratifying than the above. The special consular reports of British representatives, which are published in Great Britain as soon as received, conclusively show that the competition of American manufactured goods with those of England is meeting with marked success in all quarters of the globe. This has been notable in Brazil and Italy, the latter country being one of the best markets for American hardware. A recent British consular report from southern Russia shows that a number of articles of American manufacture are preferred to those of England, for the reason frankly admitted by the London Times that they are very much superior. In Chili American hardware has almost driven out the English product. From other quarters the intelligence conveyed by these British consuls, which is of course beyond suspicion, is all favorable as showing the advance of American manufactured goods in markets hitherto controlled or

wholly monopolized by English goods. It is inevitable that we shall continue to make progress in this respect. American skill and enterprise have by no means reached the limit of their possibilities, and the conditions essential to a cheaper and more perfect production of everything in which we compete with other manufacturing nations are more favorable and ample now than ever before. All things point to this country as the world's great workshop of the fu-

Our New Postmaster.

The appointment of Mr. C. V.

Gallagher as psstmaster of Omaha is officially announced from Washington. The summary removal of Postmaster Coutant may be in the interest of civil service reform, but the choice of his successor does not sonint in that direction The Omaha postoflice has for some time past been in need of a head competent and vigorous enough conduct the immense and to steadily increasing business more efficiently than it has been administered for the past year or two. The office has been demoralized ever since the democratic president has occupied the white house. Mr. Coutant's head being liable to come off at any hour the subordinates in the office became unmanageable. Our new postmaster brings to the discharge of his duties good business qualifications and fair executive ability. If he will devote his entire energies to the task before him he may give the patrons of the office prompt and efficient service. The choice of Mr. Gallgaher will however, not receive popular approbation. The citizens of Omaha as a body, have reason not to repose confidence in him as a public man. His con-

duct as a contractor and politician has been, to put it mildly, a source of popular distrust in his integrity. It will remain for Postmaster Gallagher to show by his conduct as an officer, charged with the handling of the people's most confidential communications, that the high trust reposed in him is in safe hands. As the heaviest patton of the Omaha postoflice, the BEE is interested only in having the mails expedited promptly and impartially. If our new postmaster will improve the service and introduce business methods

into the office, he will hear no complaint from this quarter.

A Strict Enforcement. Many people interested are wondering if the railroad companies will not attempt to construe the inter-state commerce law as bad, take Grant's advice on such'a law and "enforce it," in order to make it a dead letter. The fact that all pools, combinations, agents' commissions and the hundred other privileges extended under the old order of things will now be entirely done away with, the rates advanced in most instances and rarely lowered, goes to show that there is a determined effort on the part of cor porate powers to laugh the law out of effect and educate the people to believe t hat it is a hindrance to their own interests. The Philadelphia Record very sensibly says upon this subject : The railroad companies are trying to make the inter-state commerce law as odious as possible, and they are preceeding in a way that will be likely to nurt their business They announce a suspension of the sale of mileage tickets and an advance in their charges for commutation tickets. This action will result in a diminished traffic after a time, and will drive into the cities those persons who had been induced through the low rates of the railroad companies to locate at stations along the various lines. In freights also there will be many changes. It has been announced by a prominent wool receiver that the rate of transportation on wool from San Francisco to this city is to be increased from a 1/2 cent per pound to 51/4 cents per pound. The rate on sugar is to be increased at some point from 19 to 23 cents per 100 pounds. In the East when navigation shall have opened, there will be to some extent an abandonment of the policy to "freeze In this matter, the importance of which out" the law. In the West, however, say in Nebraska, where extortionate railroad tolls have been the bane of all farmers and shippers existence, the leveling force of competition will have no chance to bring about the long-needed reduction of rates. It is to be sincerely hoped that the new departure will be given a fair chance, change the order of things, and give some relief to the plundered producer. THE trial of John Arensdorf, the Sioux City brewer, for the murder of the Rev. Mr. Haddock, is already a celebrated case. The testimony for the prosecution so far is very direct and positive, and of a very dramatic character. The evidence of Leavitt is corroborated in every particular by that of Koschniski, who tells a straightforward story. He, like Leavitt, was an eye-witness, and was bribed to leave lows soon after the shooting. Both Leavitt and Koschniscki were in the conspiracy to punish Haddock and consequently know every detail of the great crime. The network of evidence that is being woven around the accused is of such a nature that his escape from the extreme penalty of the law seems impossible at this stage of the trial. The earnest manner in which the case is being prosecuted repels the wholesale attacks which have been made upon Sioux City as a refuge for criminals. THE whole country will regard with interest the decision of the court in the case of the state of Pennsylvania against the anthracite coal combination, which was submitted by the attorney general last week. The state rested the question wholly upon the law, which with an entirely fair and upright court ought to be

ample to assure the destruction of this dangerous and damaging monopoly. The constitution of Pennsylvania in most explicit language, a misconstruction of which would seem impossible, prohibits transportation companies from engaging in mining or manufacturing, and in the case of this pool the provision has been clearly violated. The ridiculous plea of the combination attorneys is that the heartless and greedy monopoly has been a good thing for the miners, the railroad, and the people generally. Move the case before a court of almost any other state we might with a sense of safety venture to. predict a decision favorably to the people, but the record of Pennsylvania courts with respect to the corporations does not warrant the expectation that the monopoly will encounter merited defeat.

BRAD SLAUGHTER has filed an application with the governor for the position of oil inspector. Why not appoint Paul Vanderbum? He was chief inspector of the oil rooms for the last sixty days. By the way, Brad would make a high-proof oil tester after the most approved stand ard of the Standard Oil company.

The inter-state commerce law, as interpreted by trunk lines and the Central Traffic association, abolishes all commissions heretofore allowed agents on tickets to the agents in different parts of the country. This will make a difference in their income of from \$50 to \$500 per month. Commissions have cost the railways annually \$5,000,000.

According to the Washington Critic, Senator Manderson, who has just returned from Florida, sails for Europe this month, where he will remain a short time. Within two years Senator Manderson will be at home carefully nursing an "ex" before his present proud title.

CONGRESSMAN MCSHANE'S Omaha postmaster is not a very popular appointment.

THE FIELD OF INDUSTRY.

Less than 10,000 men struck during March. The co-operative store at Denver has been discontinued.

The Boston workmen are agitating for eight hours.

The St. Louis knights propose to build : hall by 25-cent contributions.

Ten New York clothing firms have agreed to employ only union men.

The Chicago garment cutters have organ ized a co-operative manufacturing clothing company.

Fifteen thousand iron and steel employes in Chicago and the northwest have had their wages increased 9 per cent.

Hordes of Italians will land along the Atlantic and gulf coasts during the next sixty days to work on railroads,

Trade organizations are strong and confident, and if labor disputes can be avoided the year will be one of phenomenal prosper

English iron making interests want the government to spend the equivalent of \$30,000,000 in building and equipping 7,514 miles of railway.

There are 1,510 tapestry looms in the coun try, of which \$36 are in Philadephia. New York state has 895. The capacity per year for all is \$22,650,000 yards.

The reduction in postage from three to two cents has greatly increased the demand for envelopes, and a great many establishments are now working night and day.

Thousands of women and girls in New York who have heretofore worked in shops are now working at home manufacturers finding the item of shop expenses equal to a fair margin of profit,

libel bill, as amended by the house, provides along its various lines west of Aberdeen, the terms of the compact being that the farmers pay back to the road, after harthat any editor, reporter, head-line writer, correspondent, or publisher may be indicted vest, one and a half bushels for every and imprisoned in any county in Nebraska bushel borrowed. where a libel written or published may happen to circulate. Nebraska has abolished grand juries, and under this bill, should it Prairie hay is now worth, in Butte, from \$25 to \$30 per ton, and timothy become a law, the county attorney of any county in the state might, for revenge or about \$35. other unworthy reason, file an information Helena ships all her beef from Chicago. for criminal libel in his court and compel the And yet almost half a million cattle are owned by residents of that city. attendance of, for instance, Charles A. Dana and the entire staff of the New York Sun. The meat contracts for the variou-We understand that there is a probability of military posts in Montana for the year commencing July 1 will be for an aggre the passage of this measure. In such an event it will be the duty of the governor to gate of 490,000 pounds in beef and mutton. veto it. The state of Nebraska cannot afford to guarantee its scoundrels against newsered on the Crow reservation at 50 cents per head. The losses in that vicinity paper criticism.

The Brighter Hope, San Francisco Examiner

Dream not of the days that are passed, With their dying ambition and hopes un-fulfilled. Of castles you built too airy to last.

And objects since found less sublime than you willed,

Do not despond that the life of your choice Seems to you void and too worthless to mend, When to despond is but to rejoice

That life is a blank from beginning to end.

Bright Star of Hope! guide thee onward and Lending her light to encourage and cheer.

what are the shadows of days that are To the hopes that grow brighter with each

coming year?

STATE AND TERRITORY. Nebraska Jottings.

Hastings hopes for a population of 50, 000 in tifteen years.

A full temperance ticket is flourishing in the field at Wymore. The prohibits are the first in the field

The latest estimate of the loss of stock in Nebraska City with a "spring" ticket. The quantity of Haddock dished up during the winter is fifty per cent. With sheep and horses the loss is not near so heavy as among the cattle, but still the loss is great among horses and sheep. On some ranges it, is reported that one these lenten days is ample for all pious purposes.

The Democrat is willing to concede that 3,000 new homes will be crected in half of the horses have died, and tha incoln this year. sheep are still dying by the hundreds,

Beatrice has been invited to partake of diluted Missouri, vintage of 1887, al Platismouth on the 6th.

How Henry B. Rumsey Lost His Life Beatrice is negotiating with Hon. John Fitzgerald for the establishment of a packing house at that point. The following taken from the Fort The average daily attendance at the Wayne (Ind.) Gazette relates to the death

Grand Island schools last month was 867 and burial of the late Henry B. Rumsey out of a total enrollment of 1,243. well known in this city: The Nebraska City News is improving The remains of Henry B. Rumsey, Esq.,

rapidly in size and quantity of contents. Steam power now seeths behind its throne.

Grand Island must put up the deed for the site of the soldiers' home to-morrow and the circulation of the hat to day wil be lively and interesting.

"The Model Husband" was exhibited in Wymore a few nights. It was a Hoosier product of imaginative proportions. The original died young.

Wash Cunningham, a prominent far-mer near Liberty, was found dead in the snow near that place last Monday. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause.

Later the lady was somewhat improved. It may be stated that the funeral wil Nine and one-third miles of water mains have been planted in Hastings. be held at the Trinity Episcopal church and probably on Wednesday afternoon The waterworks will be in operation in a few weeks, and the town will then douse all rivals with a shower bath.

"The South Omaha stock yards," says for Fort Wayne at 2:30 Sunday morning the Schuyler Herald, "are proving a grand thing for the stock raisers of this and, unless they are delayed, may be ex-pected at 7:40 this evening. If they reach Fort Wayne at that time the funeral will state. A majority of the stock raised in this state is now marketed there."

The Nebraska City board of trade did the neat thing when it presented Mr. Beyschlag with warranty deeds to lots on which he will crect factories for the manfacture of starch, oatmeal and hominy. Mr. Beyschlag was agreeably surprised at this substantial evidence of local appreciation.

three o'clock Friday morning he was oc cupying a room on the fifth floor. He drew on his trousers and shoes and The Columbus Journal is out in a neat and natty spring suit of the latest pattern. The Journal has puttered along in staid bourgeoise for a dozen years or more, and the change to modern toga is

CARD A

TO THE PUBLIC

Montana.

were about 25 per cent natives and 40

The Montana Wool Grower estimates

that there will be nearly a million sheep

sheared in the territory this year, produc

ing at least 8,000,000 pounds of wool-s

million more pounds than the product in

receipts. For last week they footed over

\$50,000. which is equal to \$200,000 per

While making a railroad cut in the

Boulder Valley branch of Sam Hauser's

road, a vein of ore was opened which by

subsequent development is said to now

show \$200,000 worth of pay rock, D. A

The Utah & Northern is commencing

the work of putting in ties and making other opreparations for widening the

gauge of the road on July 1. An order

tion foremen eight men and the numbe

will be increased as fast as ties and other

A HERO'S DEATH.

to Save that of a Child.

arrived from bunalo by the Wabash

route early Sunday morning, March 20.

They were met at the depot by a hearse

and conveyed to the undertaking estab-lishment of James C. Peitier, and at a

later hour they were reverently removed

to the residence of his father-in-law

Hon. Joseph K. Edgerton, No. 87 West

Wayne street, where his heart-broken wife and child awaited them. Mrs. Rumsey is a delicate lady, and the shock

of her husband's terrible death so pros

trated her that her condition has been :

source of much alarm to her family

Philo Rumsey esq., and wife, his parents,

left their home at Santa Fe, New Mexico,

be on Wednesday afternoon. The pall

The story of the death of Lieutenant

Commander Rumsey as learned by a Ga-

zettel reporter from an authoritative

source, discloses a horoism so noble as to class him with the bravest of men. When he was awakened at half past

bearers will be selected to-day.

was issued the other day allowing all sec-

per cent of pilgrim cattle.

1886.

month.

Larson owns it.

material can be secured.

With the approachof spring

and the increased interest man-

ifested in real estate matters,

I am more than ever consult-About 4,000 head of cattle were wint

ed by intending purchasers as

to favorable opportunities for

investment, and to all such

It is not surprising that so many rail would say: roads are aiming to reach Butte, when one considers the immensity of the freight

When putting any Property on the market, and adver tising it as desirable, I hav invariably confined myself to a plain unvarnished statement of facts, never indulging in vague promises for the future, and the result in every case has been that the expectations of purchasers were mony than realized. I can refer with pleasure to Albright's Annex and Baker Place, as sample illustrations. Lots in the "Annex" have quadrupled in value and are

still advancing, while a street

car line is already building

past Baker Place, adding hun-

dreds of dollars to the value of

Albright's Choice was se-

lected by me with the greatest

care after a thorough study

THE police ought to pay a little more attention to the prize-fighting element in in this city. Pugilists are becoming altogether too numerous and too important. They should be suppressed.

CHURCH Howe has one satisfaction for being kept on the outside of the defunct legislature. Tom Major was in it and Church is now ready to compare records even as a senatorial lightning rod.

It is all over at Lincoln. To-day will witness clerks and members carrying away furniture, baskets, stationery, etc. It will be two years until the solons meet again. Herein is sufficient hope for congratulations.

THE judiciary committee boodlers have passed in their checks-literally speaking. We don't know whether John Shedy's name appears on the back of each check or the name of some other son of Pharaoh.

AT Ozark, Mo., April 19, a special term of court will be held to try the Bald-Knobbers for murder and other criminal conspiracies. This is, indeed, a pretty ending to a company of men organized to detect criminals.

THE American party is gaining a foothold in California, and old time politicians are fearing its strength in the next state campaign. Knownothingism on the Pacific slope is indeed a new phase in politics these times.

THE Wisconsin legislature has passed a bill which places a liability for injuries sustained from a mob, upon the county to which the mob congregates. This was an important measure of which Colonel Calby did not think.

RUSSEL's vote is recorded in favor of the anti-gambling bill. This might have been expected. Russell is very cunning as the Honorable Bill Brown remarked talking about the gambling bill boodlers, "He always covers his tracks well."

In Montreal the current rate of interest has taken a sudden jump from three to seven per cent., while here in Nebraska it remains steady at from six to fifty per cent. The chattel mortgage bill, to do away with greedy usurers did not become a law.

THE main object of interest to eastern readers in the New York papers for the last week has been accounts of the race between the two yatchs Dauntless and Coronet-between New York and Queenstown. Out here in the west a common mud scow on the Missouri river between Omaha and Kansas City can make faster time than either of the yatchs causing all this furrore.

THE Honorable Tingle from way up is on his way to those dear constituents. Wonder if he has any of that \$250 in gold left tingling and jingling in his pooket which he exhibited about the sixth of March to his confidential friends. We happen to know that the coin did not come out the state treasury and that's what makes us so inquisitive.

and clerks of the government to perform specified duties, and such persons when in the performance of such duties, or in pursuance thereof, "going to or returnng from their places of residence," are unaffected by the provisions of the new law.

By way of increasing the disco mforture of the railroads, the postmaster general holds that the transportation given postal employes is not free travel, but by the law and regulations constitutes part of the service paid for in mileage compensation to railroad carriers, and he instructs such employes who may be required to pay fare when on official business to take a receipt for the same and report the facts to the department, in order that the amount paid may be deducted from the carrier's compensation.

is not to be measured by the money consideration involved, the corporations have encountered their first experience in defeat of their obvious purpose to render the new law unpopular. It may be the forerunner of others.

Gratifying Facts.

The opening at the navy department last week of the bids of American steel manufacturers for the plate with which the new cruisers authorized by congress are to be armored, and for gun forgings, disclosed the gratifying fact that there are several plants in this country which can not only produce the required armor and forgings equal to any made elsewhere, but at a cost no greater than the government would have to pay for them if made by foreign manufacturers. This is a discovery which the great majority of the American people, including doubtless the secretary of the navy, were not prepared for, but which they will none the less receive with great satisfaction. Furthermore, it drew out the information that the limit of progress has not been reached. The president of the Bethlehem Steel company of Pennsylvania stated that his company will soon be able to forge steel shafts for vessels of the largest burden. Thus, it appears that in every department of steel production this country is rapidly overtaking England, (and when one reflects upon what has been accom plished in this direction in the past few

years the time cannot be far in the future when the steel manufacturers of the United States will in a position to compete if all respects with those of England.

There are some other facts of recent information, relative to the advance of

The miners in the east have shared in the mprovements, but in the west more or less latent discontent exists.. All through the Ohio Valley the iron, coal, lumber and machinery interests are prospering.

American pump-makers are crowding Eng lish-made pumps out the Indian of markets. They are even selling in England, and have forced English prices down. The competition is both in hand and horse-power pumps. Manufacturers generally are increasing their output and booking orders for future delivery at the same mill or factory price that has been ruling for the past three months. The upward tendency in prices has been arrested, but the upward tendency in wages continues.

Labor is in steadily increasing demand throughout the country. Immigration will increase the supply of both skilled and un-skilled labor, and no general advance in the rate of machine shop and mill labor is re-garded as probable.

All through the New England iron centres All through the row England non centres there is great activity. The loom manu-facturers have all they can do. Cotton mills are particularly active. The car shops are driven to their fullest capacity, and all the New England roads are adding to their roll-

A hoslery mill is to be erected at Louis-ville. A large cotton-mill addition is being made at Rome. The Southern textile mill capacity will be largely increased this sum-mer. Within thirty miles of Charlotte, N. C., twelve cotton factories turn out \$2,000,000 worth of goods annually.

Worth or goods annually. Late reports from Western cities show that great activity in building operations will pre-vail. Small houses will be erected in large numbers, which can be rented and or sold on reasonable terms. Workingmen are exhib-iting a desire to buy and in many localities every opportunity is offered them to obtain homes.

The textile manufactures have been greatly encouraged by the inflow of orders during the past few weeks. Prices are higher and the tone of the market firmer. Manufacturers are therefore ordering additional capacity. All the machinery making establishments are very busy and no labor troubles exist or are threatened.

The building trades in all large cities west The building trades in all large cities west are better organized this year than last, but but for all that more conservatism prevails. The number of strikes is trilling. Stonema-sons and bricklayers evince a strong dislike to idleness during the building season. The plumbers and painters are more inclined to make trouble. Printers are finding increased employment. Machinests find work more abundant and wages better than they have

been for years. At present there are fill looms turning out extra and medium super carpets, of which 2189, or about one-half, are in Philadelphia. The average output is thirty yards per day, and the maximum yield of the country is and the maximum yield of the country is 37,599,000 vards per annum, or about thirteen souare miles. The estimated value is about \$21,000,000, wholesale price. There are 1192 Brussels looms in the United States, making itty yards per day on in average, total pro-ductive capacity of 15,000,000 yards; value of product, \$18,000,000.

Cotton goods manufatturers are not meet-ing with as much success in establishing an export trade as their mechanical appliances, cheap fuel and cheap cotton call for. Great cheap fuel and cheap cotton call for. Great Britain's cotton goods exportations last year were 4, 550,000,000 yards, while this country's shipments fell below 200,000,000 yards. China takes six yards of British cotton cloth to one from us; South America, sixteen; Central America, seven. The East Indies take nearly one half of the British product. Brazil takes over 240,000,000 yards from Great Britain, while we export less than 5,000,000 yards. yards.

Muzzling the Press. Chicago News.

The Nebraska legislature is considering a bill the object of which is to muzzle the press of the whole country, as far as Nebraska people are concerned. This seems at the first glance, to be a rather large undertaking, yet the means to be employed are as simple as they are outrageous. The Snell criminal

specially pleasing, both as an evidence of prosperity and a determination to keep up with the procession.

The Rock Island railroad extension in this state, known west of the Missouri river as the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska, was completed to Hebron, Thayer county, last Monday. The event was colebrated in a thoroughly business style. The en-terprising people of Hebron took advan-tage of a tender of a free train from the company, loaded it with corn, bunting and banners and started for Chicago Every car had two banners on each side On the side of the first car was "Hebron, the Queen City of the Little Blue Val-"5,000 Farmers Wanted in Thaver ley: county." Each side of every car was decorated in a similar manner, and every panner set forth in large letters and proclaimed to the people all along the line the great advantages and wonderful resources of this section of Nebraska,

lowa Items.

The state debt amounts to \$842,677.65. Dubuque's floating debt is \$883,542.85. Kate Claxton and her orphans are loing the state.

Marengo in sinking an artesian well found coal oil at a depth of 350 feet. The total assessed valuation of Boone

s \$615,000 and the total indebtedness \$29,707. A vein of coal, supposed to be six o

even feet in thickness, was uncovered in a brick yard at Williamsburg.

Burlington's weather prophet has broke loose again. He is howling in a wilder-ness of mild March weather for remnants of his lost storms.

Peter Miller, an unmarried man living on a farm he owned in Clay county, committed suicide last Sunday by shooting himself through the head. No cause is assigned.

Lena Dipple, of Davenport, has sued Frank Haberda for \$5,000 damages for breach of marriage contract, and as a slight recompense for the ridicule heaped upon her for getting the mitten.

Mrs. Celia B. Thomas, of What Cheer. becoming weary of the society of Mr Thomas, lavished stolen affections upon the nice family boarder and finally car ried out the elopement programme trip to Nebraska. As usual, society is astonished.

The enforcement of the prohibition law in Des Moines county, according to the Burlington Gazette, is wiping out a large number of the big vineyards in that locality. Only one remains, the Dewein. from which the owner last year sol-4,500 pounds of grapes, and made 800 gallons of wine. It is eleven acres in extent.

Dakota.

There are twenty-five daily papers in the territory.

Natural gas has been found at a depth of 135 feet on the farm of Robert McClure in Sully county.

Two hundred of the best families of New England are announced to leave for Dakota about May 1.

A colony of French farmers near Quebec, Canada, are negotiating for land in Yankton county.

Trudell, the man who killed Connolly at Deadwood two months ago, has been convicted of manslaughter, the penalty for which is from four years to life im prisonment in the penitentiary.

Reliable information from the Belle Fouche country states that the loss in nev or through cattle may reach 50 per cent, while that in old or range cattle will not exceed 15 per cent and is likely to be

under 10 per cent. The Milwaukee railroad company have 100,000 bushels best quality of seed wheat which it is loaning out to the farmers

rushed down the stairs to the fourth floor, only to find that farther descent was impossible by the staircaise, which was a mass of flames He ran to an open window at the end of the hall and looked out. The window

was free from the fire and he had time for deliberation. Below him, at a dis tance not greater than ten feet, was th roof of Bunnell's museum, which was accessible by the fire ladders from the

street. Escape then was easy and he prepared to drop from the window. At hat moment he heard the cry of a child behind him. He had a little one at home and a father's love overcame

thoughts of personal safety. He turned and faced the advancing flames. The child was not to be found for several precious minutes. At last he discovered the little one in a room. It had become separated from its parents and fleeing o this apartment had closed the door Mr. Rumsey seized the child, thrust i under his night dress and ran to the win-dow. The whirling flames now barred

his course and singed his hair as dashed blindly on. There was a child to save and he did his whole duty. He reached the window, threw himself and his living burden onto the roof below and both were picked up and carried down to the street in the arms of the firemon. Both were terribly burned. Mr. Rumsey's injuries were al above the waist. His pantaloons and shoes protected his limbs and feet. Worse than all he had inhaled the flames in his race for life through the hall way He was taken to the Fitch hospital wher

he was given the most careful attention by nurses and surgeons. The telegrap report errs when it states that he raved about the child. He never lost his

reason until he died and could not bear to consent that a telegram be sent to hi wife because he feared the shock to her He died at 1:30 Saturday morning. She was the last of the family at home to

learn of his fate and had even written etter and addressed it to her husband

when her brother, to whom she gave for mailing, knew that he was dead bu could not bring himself to tell her. All the personal effects of Mr. Rumsey that were saved was his watch, which he had

thrust in his trousers' pocket. He leaves two children, a son, who i United State past midshipman in the navy and is now at the Island of Maderia

on his first cruise, and a daughter of te years.



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