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HUMPHREY, the Pawnee basso profundo, was snowed under in June with the thermometer varying among the eighties.

Он, yes! Jack Galligan is safe as chief of the fire department, and so is Seavey as long as the police commission does not appoint another man chief of police.

VASSAR COLLEGE will this year graduate thirty five young ladies, presumably as charming as they must be intelligent. Perhaps the very best that can be wished them is that they may all secure good husbands before the first anniversary of graduation day is reached.

amounted to over \$500,000 on Wednesday. These figures are evidence of the growing importance of Omaha as a live

Ir is believed in Washington that the Randall faction is opposed to an extra their way into certain newspapers, the session of congress for the reason that they want the longest possible time to work on the new members, especially those from the south, in behalf of the repeal or reduction of internal revenue taxes rather than customs duties. This is not at all incredible, and if well founded might appear to the mind of the president a very forcible argument in favor of calling an extra session. Anything that will thwart this obstinate and obstructive faction the country is likely to approve.

Ir cannot be a comforting circumstance to the administration and its friends to be told by a Maryland democrat, who also happens to be a civil service reformer, that "offensive partisanship has not been allowed by the present administration to languish and die." But who should know this better, or so well, than a Maryland democrat who has had the opportunity to see the way in which Senator Gorman of that state worked the spoils system during the early months of the administration, and until the president discovered how shamelessly he was being used and imposed upon by Gorman. It is some credit to the president that he cast this freebooter off when he learned his true character, but the civil service reform policy of the adminfstration suffered greatly before the discovery was made, and the spoilsmen remain on hand to discredit it. This it is that prompted and justified the statement of the Maryland democrat.

Among the latest railroad intelligence is the statement that the recent purchase of Rattlesnake island, off Los Angeles, is for the Union Pacific. The island, it is claimed, was purchased by this company for terminal purposes, and the inference is that the Union Pacific contemplates the construction of an independent outlet to the Pacific coast in California. This circumstance suggests many other schemes in which the Union Pacific may be engaged, having for their object the enlargement of its facilities and placing the company in a more independent attitude with respect to some other companies, but it is to be remarked that there does not appear to be any large amount of certainty as to any of these plans. It is not at all likely, however, that the reinforced management of the road will be satisfied with a continuance of the old order of things.

THE rubber "trust" being the newest development of its kind, any facts regarding its purpose and the industry it would seek to control are of interest. It appears that there has been a steady and large growth in the consumption of crude rubber during the past ten years, the production in 1876 being 10,000,000 pounds and in 1886 reaching 28,0000,000. During several years of that period, and until 1883 the rubber market was controlled by the Vianus syndicate. Subsequently two companies-the Sears commercial and the New York commercial-were formed and it is these two that are now engaged in a fight for the control of the crude rubber trade of this country. The fight was begun against the Sears company. and if they are worsted the plan of their successful rivals is to organize a trust or manufacturers' combination that will 'play umbrellas and overshoes with the trade when the weather is wet."

Every Man His Own Employe. When the inter-state law went into effect April 4, the B. & M. railway company demanded from the parasites and barnacles, the shyster lawyers and oil room corruptionists, a speedy and unconditional surrender of pass books and passes. This was partly for the reason that the legislature had adjourned, which, coupled with the fact that a munificent provision of the inter-state law prohibited the issuance of passes, without reference to previous condition, accordingly the bilks and bummers could no longer receive free transportation, Employes, however, could ride free. Slowly but surely the pass fiends have made the last concession, acknowledged their desire to become pliant tools of a great corporation, ad-

consisting merely of an annual pass. As the year grows older, employes become more plentiful and the same old gang is enlisted barring a few bottlescarred veterans. The railrogue recruiting offices have furnished their quota of strikers, provided them with passes, and the inter-state law so ingeniously interpreted a few months ago, succeeded only in retiring the dissolute and exhausted bummers who could no longer do ser vice in the field, oil room or in the lobby. The active and willing ones are awaiting orders for the next campaign. Friday,June 3......14,150

mitted their lack of manhood and bar-

A New Move Foreshadowed. Those who have paid some attention to the movements of the railroads in connection with the inter-state commerce act, advance the theory that they are planning to test the constitutionality of the act, and are only waiting until the commission definitely announce what their policy is to be as to the fourth section. The theory is that the roads will endeavor to show not only that the law is in itself unconstitutional, but that it has been executed in an unconstitutional manner, because the conmissioners not having been confirmed by the senate their acts are void. The point is made that | force contracts. It has no right to release the law itself requires that the commissioners shall be confirmed before they can act, and that as the offices are new ones and not vacancies, they cannot in any case be filled except with the advice and consent of the senate, as provided in the constitution. This question was care-

fully considered and widely discussed

Still there is a question involved, and

it is not at all unlikely that if the rail-

road corporations can turn it to any ad-

vantage by way of embarrassing or ob-

structing the operation of the law, they

will do so. It has never been doubted

that they would improve the first oppor-

tunity to test the constitutionality of the

act itself, provided they failed in their

combined effort to render the law so ob-

noxious that its repeal or material modifi

cation would be demanded by the people.

This they have evidently failed to do,

and they may therefore be expected to

have recourse to the other attempt to

destroy this legislation. The hint of

this design is not found wholly in

the conduct of the railroad managers,

but also in contributions that are finding

ing the policy of such legislation as un-

constitutional and inimical to our gov-

Looking to a conflict in the courts, to

determine the constitutionality of this

legislation, as entirely probable, the

ernmental system.

ation of which is obvious, deprecat

after the passage of the act creating the commission, the president being himself in doubt. The postponement of the appointments until after the adjournment of congress was done pursuant to an opinion of the attorney general that they could be constitutionally made after adjournment.

THE business done at the South Omaha Union stock yurds is rapidly assuming mammoth proportions. On Tuesday 8,000 hogs were received, and on Monday there were 6,800. All were sold here. Besides the hogs, there are from 600 to 800 head of cattle sold per day. The Union stock yards bank transactions

question becomes a serious one as to how far the people, in the light of recent experience, can repose faith in the supreme tribunal of the nation. It has declared that congress has the sole right to regulate inter-state commerce, but this does not give complete assurance that the court would not find in the existing law some infringement by congress upon the rights of the corporations. It is quite as serious a matter to deny to a state the right to control the business of corporations within its jurisdiction without having its intentions or reasons therefor inquired into and impeached, yet the supreme court has done this. Whatever remaining danger there is to the inter-state commerce law is in this last resort of the railroad corporations. But even should the people encounter defeat there the victory of the corporations would be but temporary. There regulation under constitutional authority is a policy that will be firmly adhered to and accomplished. The Vacant Justiceship.

The question of a successor to Justice Woods on the bench of the supreme court of the United States is very generally regarded as of considerable importance, particularly with respect to sectional considerations. The dead justice was appointed from the south, and it has been generally assumed that his successor would be chosen from the circuit he represented. But there are a great many aspirants, not all of whom are within this circuit, and it has been urged that the appointment of a justice from the circuit represented by Justice Woods is unimportant. With this view Mr. George Ticknor Curtis, whose opinion the legal fraternity everywhere will respect, does not agree. Having known the court for more than forty years, he states that all the judges of his acquaintance regarded it as of great consequence to have the court a representative body, so far as it could be made one by selections from among the bar of the circuit to which each judge was assigned. In the period to which he refers, the assignments, although perhaps made

by statute, were regulated by the practice of making the appointments from the circuit where a vacancy had occurred. The presidents did not regard any discrimination excepting such as resulted from their party relations. Each president being a democrat selected the best lawyer in his circuit who was of his own party. This system was broken in upon during and after the war, so that the court came to be composed of judges who were not only of the same political party, but were northern and western men, with the exception of Justice Field of California. There grew up, also, as a kind of necessity, the practice of assigning judges to circuits remote from the region from which they were appointed, while they had no special familiarity with the local law that they were to a large

It is the opinion of Mr. Curtis that

familiarity with the local law constitutes a very important reason for having the court a representative body, as far as may be practicable. It is not the constitutional questions or those more or less of a political character which give this consideration importance, but reference is had more particularly to questions of property, involving, as a very large large number of cases do, the local laws of the states wherein they originate. It has been the fixed habit of the supreme court to follow the decisions of the state courts in matters of purely local law; but there is in every state a vast body of customary law, local usage, and received interpretation of private rights that have not been embodied in any statute or covered by any judicial decision. This is the kind of knowledge which it is very desirable to have in at least one tered themselves for a mess of pottage member of the court.

There can be no question regarding the plausibility of this view, but it is hardly probable that such considerations as are presented will have much weight with the president, if they should occur or be presented to him. It is pretty safe to assume that political quite as much as practical considerations will influence the selection, but in any event popular desire in the matter will be satisfied if the new justice shall be a man who is known to be one of the people and who can be depended upon to interpret the constitution with some regard for their rights and interests. There is certainly a demand for such a man on the supreme bench.

Enforce the Contract. The board of public works has very properly refused to sanction the proposed substitution of limestone for sandstone in the city hall building. The plans call for sandstone, and the contractor should be held strictly to his contract. The fact that the Union Pacific has raised its freight tolls on Colorado sandstone since the inter-state law went into effect. should have no weight with the board of public works. Its manifest duty is to encontractors from their obligations. If the contractors for the city hall basement lose money they have only themselves to blame. They have shown no disposition to expedite the building, but on the contrary they have dilly-dallied for eight months and delayed the construction beyond the time within which they are bound to carry out their contract. Had they bought their sandstone last winter as any prudent builder would have done, the city hall basement would be completed to-day and the raising of freight tolls by the Union Pacific would have had no bearing upon the contractor The foundation walls of a fire-proof public building should be of the most dur able material. The city cannot allow the contracter to deviate from the plans and specifications without incurring a great risk, and certainly not without the consent of the architect, where the proposed change would vitally affect founda tion walls.

A Stupid Blunder. Whosoever advised ex-Marshal Cummings to attempt the resumption of his former functions at the head of the police has made a stupid blunder. The office of city marshal was abolished on the 30th of March. From the day on which the charter went into effect Thomas Cummings was reduced to the rank of policeman, temporarily in charge of the police force. By virtue of the authority vested in it law the police commis pointed Captain Seavey chief of police When Seavey assumed his position Mr Cummings ceased to have any connec tion with the police force. Had he been a policeman he could not resume his place on the force except by authority of the police commission. If Seavey is not the lawful chief of police, the officer next in rank to him is the legal chief until Seavey or some person qualified to hold the position and appointed by the police commission assumes the place. Thos Cummings has no better right to act as chief than any other private citizen who

never served on the police force. We say this in no unkind spirit to Mr. Cummings, whom this paper supported, during two years of most bitter and relentless opposition by men who now are trying to make a cat's paw of him. Mr. Cummings can not afford to play into the hands of his former enemies, even if he had reasonable assurance that he could sustain himself in the effort to resume his place for a single day.

An insane woman permitted to land at Boston from one of the steamers of the Cunard line has cost the company \$1,000. that being the amount of the fine imposed by the collector of the port. This is a good example of the summary and thorough way in which such violations of our laws by foreign steamship companies should be treated, and a few such examples can hardly fail to prove an effectual deterrent of abuses recently shown to be on the increase. The laws are believed to be ample for keeping out the insane, the paupers, and the criminals of other lands, but the trouble is with those charged with their execution. There has been a lack of vigilance and firmness, and perhaps even of honesty. Recent high-handed violations and attempts to violate the laws having directed public attention to the matter, it is likely that the statutes will be hereafter, for a time at least, rigidly enforced, with the result of ending the abuses while this is done. Foreign governments will find it more profitable to keep their objectionable classes at home when there is a certainty of all such being sent back if shipped to this country, or other penalties exacted as the circumstances shall justify.

For virginal modesty commend us to the Douglas street claimant. Yesterday that influential concern claimed that the new management elected Broatch and the other successful candidates on the republican city ticket. To-day we are told that Burton was made chairman of the republican committee because his name was favorably mentioned to its select circle of subscribers a few days ago. We venture a brass button against a bogus nickle that no member of the 'new management' has ever seen Burton or ever heard of him except through Charley Green or its Lincoln correspond ent.

THE natural gas celebration held at Findlay, Ohio, the past two days, was wholly unique in human experience. There was no previous record of anything like it. It was furthermore in all respects a most interesting event. as was

attested by the great concourse of people attracted to the fortunate town. The daily output of the gas wells of the region is now stated to be ninety million cubic feet. The only difficulty in the way of Findlay becoming one of the great manufacturing centres is the doubt as to how long this great yield of cheap fuel gas will continue.

KENTUCKY has developed a new idea, which however is quite in line with most other ideas for which that commonwealth is noted. By order of a court a young white woman has been sold as a vagrant to the highest bidger for thirty days. The lights of modern civilization burn dimly in some quarters south of the Ohio river.

## PROMINENT PERSONS.

Colonel W. F. Cody has become a contributor to the London magazines. Colonel Fred Grant is said to be as inveter-

ate a cigar smoker as his father was. Carl Schurz, who had his hip broken by a fall on the ice last winter, is just getting able to limp about on crutches.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox is so far recovered from her severe illness that she can receive and answer her voluminous correspondence. The New York Tribune says that the length of Mr. Blaine's stay abroad is still undetermined. It may be six months and it may be a year.

Senator Kenna of West Virginia is another man who went into the confederate service and came out a private. He enlisted when a mere boy.

The death of William A. Wheeler leaves Hannibal Hamlin the only living ex-vicepresident of the United States. He will be 78 years old in August.

Colonel Mosby's daughter is writing up the "Adventures of a Boy Soldier," the material ror which she procured from a member of her father's command who enlisted when only 13 years of age.

Donald G. Mitchell, pleasantiv known to many thousand American readers as "Ike Marvel," has wholly given overliterary work, and is spending his quiet evening of life on a farm near New Haven, Conn. He is sixtyfive years old.

Minister Phelps has issued a proclamation to the effect that hereafter he will permit no American to be presented to the queen except those who represent "the pest American families." If there should be an international exhibition of snobs and cads, profes sionals like Phelps will have to be barred out or the first prize will be captured by the exhibit from Vermont.

He Gets as Little as He Wants,

Man wants but little here below, and he generally gets it.

Probably.

An English canon is accused of plagiarizing one of the Rev. Dr. Talmages's sermons. The defense will probably be insanity.

Abusing Governor Thayer.

Fairbury Gazette, Several Omaha papers are lately indulging in uncalled for and indecent attacks on Governor Thayer. When papers, as in this case abuse a man because they cannot use him for purposes of their own, they suffer more than their intended victim.

> Not a Hippodrome. Kansas City Journal.

The Hon. Buck Taylor, a rider in Mr. Cody's Wild West show, suffered a compound fracture of the thigh the other day by being thrown from a bucking broncho. This should convince doubting Englishmen that Buffalo Bill's hippodrome is not a hippodrome.

> A Candid Humorist. Globe-Dem erat.

"Bill Arp," the Georgia humorist, ha found it necessary to explain to his southern admirers that in saying some pleasant things recently in New York about the results of the war, he did not intend to renounce any of his confederate views and feelings. He still believes, he declares, that slavery was right and the rebellion justifiable, but that the south has reason at the same time to con gratulate herself upon the fact that she now gets the labor of the negroes about as cheap as she did before the war, while their eman cipation has given her increased voice in congress and the electoral college. For professional humorist, Mr. "Arp" has a singularly candid and concise way of stating serious facts with regard to the southern s't-

The Upright Man.

The man of life upright, Whose guiltless heart is free From all dishonest deeds, Or thought of vanity;

The man whose silent days
In harmless joys are spent,
Whom hopes cannot delude Nor sorrow discontent:

That man needs neither towers Nor armour for defence, Nor secret faults to fly From thunder's violence;

He only can behold With unaffrighted eyes,

Thus scorning all the cares
That fate or fortune brings,
He makes the heaven his book,
His wisdom heavenly things;

Good thoughts his only friends, His wealth a well-spent age, The earth his sober inn And quiet pilgrimage.

STATE AND TERRITORY. Nebraska Jottings.

Fremont will invest \$6,000 in a ne shool building. Real estate transactions in Lincoln during May amounted to \$1,119,000.

Wahoo has made a contribution of two burglars to the population of Hyersville. Railroad mileage in the state reaches 3,930, with 1,000 miles to be added this year.

The Hastings Evening Democrat pro-poses to abandon its Saturday afternoon edition and utter a swell front on Sunday morning. The German national bank, capital \$50,000, has been organized in Grand Island. The bank will be ready for busi-

ness on the 1st, The unsolved question in Kearney is how to get the water into the canal and keep the sand out. They will probably shute a section of the Platte.

Traveling men are booked for a picule on the Blue at Beatrice next Saturday. A band, a custard pic and a poker pot are among the pleasurable ingredients. Harry Mutton, a fourteen-year old Ne braska City boy, was drowned while bath ing Tuesday. The shotgun will probabl retire from the field until the bathin eason is over.

and Nebraska City will shake over the Missouri Pacific by the 1st of July. The early death of the ferry would not pro-duce much heartache. Columbus will vote to-morrow on the proposition to grant a franchise to a street rankway company. If the voters agree to it the company will have one mile of road in operation by September 1.

The prospects now are that Omahs

The school census of Johnson county for 1887 shows a total of 2,083 boys, and 1,888 girls, making a grand total of 3,021. The census of 1896 showed a total of

4,101, by which the county is given 180 less children now than one year ago. Norfolk will discuss in public meeting next Wednesday the subject of water-works. The town officials look favorably upon the proposition of the Strang company of Omaha to put in a plant for a twenty-five year franchise, the city to pay for at least fifty hydrants at \$60 each

Prohibition receives a staggering blow in Beatrice by the announcement of the Free Lance that the Blue river possesses strong emetic qualities, such as the filth of outhouses, the life of dead beasts and the offal from cheese factories and slaughter houses. The beautiful Blue promises to inaugurate a lively rush for foaming beakers.

The Lincoln Democrat lashes the brethren in Omaha in the following forcible and truthful style: "When the saloons of Omaha are in danger every cussed democrat in the city goes to the polis and works till the sweat rolls down off him in streams big enough to irrigate a crop. But when the control of the public schools is the stake a pitiful thousand of them creep haltingly to the ballot boxes. There are some things about democrats that make us tired, and this is one of them.'

lowa Items. A runaway team at Davenport dashed into a group of little girls severely injuring two of them, and had it not been

for the presence of mind of an officer several would have been killed. The cut-worm which is playing havon with the corn crop in southeastern Iowa is not the old style worm. It is a long, slim, web-spinning worm, a sort of a dude among its kind, that is to blame for all the trouble.

A Burlington young man, desirous of fame, cut his name on a bench in a pub lie park. It resulted in having his name enrolled in good durable ink on the court docket, and just opposite was set down \$6.55, which the young man paid.

Four Dayenport young men spent a night at the Donahue house, said to be inhabited by spooks. The nearest approach to a ghost that they were able to ind was an able-bodied skunk with wonderful eloquence in every movement.

The Burlington prophet sends a chill through the spinal column of the country by announcing: "There is a bare possibility of frosts about September 4, but not probable, and destructive frosts are not expected before October 2, even in northern localities. This will give crops time to mature well and corn sown now broadcast for fodder will not only make a large crop, but have ample time to mature. These are hints that farmers will do well to heed."

Dakots. The taxable valuation of Miller, county seat of Hand county, is \$150,000.

The editors of the territory propose to have an excursion this year in spite of the inter-state law. Brule county homesteaders have been proving up by scores this spring, a large number of the settlers having located in

that county five years ago. A man named Adam Marshall, eight miles northeast of Mitchell, ran a knife into his thigh while at work the other day, and bled to death before aid could

arrive. The Sioux Falls electric plant has been purchased by the Cascade Milling company, who will arrange to furnish elecricity by means of water power, it having been demonstrated that the arc lights cannot be furnished by steam power

with any profit.

The festive and frisky jack rabbit promises to become a serious pest to agriculturists on the Laramie plains. Charles Fisher, manager of the North Crow Land & Cattle Company, has been indicted for illegally fencing government

A pair of horse thieves with a large drove of stolen animals narrowly es-caped connection with a Cheyenne mob a few days ago. A shower of lead and an animated chase sent them into the

country minus the herd, The last obstacle in the way of the Burlington reaching Cheyenne has been re-moved by the courts. The Hereford as ociation, through whose ranch the road will run, vigorously and vainly protested against it. The work of grading the first section out of the city can now be pro-

ceeded with. The Rowdy West declares that Wyom ing "can beat the world on wild flower Larkspurs, sundials, enap dragons, Cali. fornia poppies, flowering currents, roses, daisies, bluebells and many other plants which are cultivated with care in eastern tlower gardens grow wild here in profusion, and down around Laramie Peak many kinds of small fruit grow in abund-

LOAFERS ON THE SQUARE. What a Resident in the Neighborhood

Has to Say. That Jefferson square in its present neglected condition is a curse to the neighborhood and a disgrace to the city, will be readily admitted by those living near it. The following note from a vic tim explains the situation:

"The residents in the vicinity of Jeffer son Square have appealed time and again to the city authorities to take some steps to enforce decency and suppress nuis ances in this plague spot, but we have ap pealed in vain. We are the victims of the bums of the town. Men loaded with liquor come here to rest their burdens, and questionable women prowl around under the trees after dark. The men lay around on the grass with their shoes off and their clothing hanging loosely about their bodies. The women I will not describe. These scenes can be witnessed at almost any hour, day or night. The thugs, pickpockets and drunkards of the town resort here and are rarely disturbed by the police. The divide the ground with ball players, and between both, respectable people are de-nied the benefits which this "breathing spot" was expected to lavish upon people. The square is now only a block from the police headquarters. A police-man should be stationed their regularly, or let it be condemned as a nuisance and liverted to some useful purpose."

Educational Structures.

A new wing is now being added to the boarding school of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, which will have the same height as the rest of the structure. The success of this institution is such that more accommodation has been required, hence the addition." The same sisters who conduct this in

stitution have now in course of erection a brick school near the intersection of Twenty-sixth and Leavenworth streets, which will be furnished in a couple of months. This will be used exclusively as a day school. A Pioneer.

Arthur McCrury, an old resident of Nebraska, is visiting his friend, P. Desmond. Mr. McCrury came to Omaha in 1865, living hereabouts until a couple of years ago, when he removed to Kansas. He was caught out in a storm some years ago near North Platte and had both limbs so badly frozen that amputation

was necessary. A Crushed Skull. Yesterday morning a laborer named Chris Jensen, residing on Fifth and Pacific streets, turned the hose on a fellow work man named Dick. The latter struck him with a brick behind the left ear injuring him badly. He has not been arrested Jensen is at the Child's hospital.

ARMY MATTERS.

The Rifle Range at Bellevue and Coming Competitions.

Harrison, the man who bought a lot so near the rifle range at Bellevue, called at the army headquarters yesterday morning again, and gave notification that he proposed to insist upon the shooting on the range being carried on so as not to interfere with his piece of property. He stated that he had already secured a lawyer to look after his interests. Later formation, however, reveals the fact that the matter is in a fair way of settlement without having recourse to the courts. The army unquestionably has lease to the grounds, and if the intent of the owner of the ground had not been unintention ally destroyed, this interference would not have taken place. It is particularly annoying, now that the prospects of the year are for one of the most brilliant series of sharpshooting ever held in the west.

THE CONTESTS. The time has been designated, in orders received at the army headquarters yesterday, for the holding of the different rifle competitions. The first of these will be the department contest, in which marksmen from this department will take place, and which must be closed by August 25. This will be followed by the division competition, commencing on the 6th and ending on the 9th of September. This will be followed by the com-petition among the distinguished marks-men of the different posts, which will commence on the 19th of September. this the department of the east will be represented by two men, Dakota by one man, Platte by three men, Texas two, Columbia two, and California and Arizona by one man each.

BUILDERS AND TRADERS. Permanent Organization Effected

Yesterday Afternoon. At 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon a special meeting was held of the builders and traders of the city for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization.

A meeting was first called for Saturday last, but adjournment was taken until to secure a larger attendance. About eighty of the leading architects, builders and contractors met pursuant to adjournment Wednesday in the rooms of the real estate exchange, corner of Tenth and Farnam streets. George L. Fisher was elected permanent president, Edward Brennan, vice president, and P. B. Woodlief, secretary. The election of treasurer Dwas postponed until another meeting, to be held this evening.
Already the main room of
the exchange has been divided
off and spaces arranged for an
exhibition of builders' materials. There can be seen everything which goes into : structure, from cellar to gable, and a person can select from the exhibit just such material as may be desired. Such institutions in other cities have been found of great benefit and a great deal of interest is being manifested here in the

WOULDN'T BE DOCKED. The Paxton Bell Boys Object to Having Their Wages Withheld.

enterprise.

Wednesday the management of the Paxton hotel had trouble with the bell boys. The boys' account, as related by Johnny Cooper, a bright lad, whose father is janitor of the exposition building, is that a week or so ago a satchel was lost. Wednesday the proprietor of the hotel told the boys that as the responsibility rested with one of their number he would deduct \$2 from their wages. Five of the boys objected and quit, being told that they could not get their money until the 25th and thal \$2 would be held to cover the loss of the satchel. The managers

of the hotel yesterday morning stated that only four of the bell boys demurred and that one of the four still remained at work. It was not a strike, as when the boys objected to being held responsible for the satchel they were told their services were no longer needed. The hotel people said that in five minutes the places of the disgruntled lads were filled. The satchel was lost by some one of the number and it was only right, the hotel claimed, that the boys should be held responsible. The hotel was in no way inconvenienced by the boys' action.

MORTUARY MATTERS.

Some of Those Who Have Passed Out of Life. Yesterday morning the funeral of Miss

Florence Overall, took place from the residence of her parents, 2215 Chicago street. It was largely attended by friends of both the deceased and her parents. Her brother, Norman, from Kansas City, was here though her two sisters from the same place were unable to attend one of them being quite sick. GOODWIN.

The remains of Mr. Goodwin, the suicide, were taken to Canada last night.

WM. PRESTON. Yesterday morning, this gentleman who formany years was foreman of the Republican bindery, died at the corner of Seventeenth and Clark. He was one of the best tradesmen in this part of the country and his death will be mourned by many friends.

The Judges and Clerks. Judges and clerks appointed June 7, 1887, to act at a special election to be held Monday, June 13, 1887, for the purpose of voting on the Metropolitan Cable Railway franchise:

FIRST WARD. First District-Judges, Charles Hanley C. P. Birkett, M. Ford. Clerks, P. E

Second District—Judges, William Doll, E. C. Cooper, A. Viney. Clerks, L. H. Webster, E. K. Long. Third District—Judges, Henry Ehren-pfort, O. P. Goodman, W. A. Kelley. Clerks, John Mathieson, Henry Van-dusen dusen. SECOND WARD.

First District—Judges, Thomas Duffy, John Boyd, Julius Rudowsky. Clerks, K. W. Bartos, Julius Nagl. Second District — Judges, Frank Ducley, James Flenery, Fred Snell, Clerks, J. M. Araurtt, Emil Augustadt. THIRD WARD.

First District—Judges, Frank Solan, M.
Haureghen, John Caulfield. Clerks, Hurburt Roach, Thos. Hogan.

Second District-Isaac Rueben, Christ

Willie. FOURTH WARD First District—Judges, Lewis Brash, Eugene Keyes, A. P. Nicholas. Clerks, George Lake, Whitehorn. Second District—Judges, D. Kenniston, J. G. Carpenter, Frank E. Moores. Clerks, Chas. Dunham, E. L. Emery.

First District—Judges, H. B. White-house, David Scott, John Wallace, Clerks, George Staring, James Kinney. Second District—Judges, Chas. L. Wilkins, Ed. A. Taylor, D. F. Brown. Clerks, B. F. Redman, John McDermott.

SIXTH WARD.

First District—Judges, Louis Kameren
W. P. Morrow, John Page. Clerks O.
C. Ludlow, James Smith.

Second District—Judges, Joe Rowels,
John McArdie, William Hann.

First District—Judges, A Pratt, George L. Dennis, Manning. Clerks, B. F. Burton, Jones.
Second District—Judges, J. B. Hensel,
Christ Daniels, P. J. Quesley. Clerks,
Jeff Megeath, Frank Crawford.

First District—Judges, Thomas F. McNamee, B. F. Rodgers, Dennis Scrog-

gins. Clerks, F. E. Parker, J. J. Mc

Second District—Judges, S. B. Lake, Otto Weisman, James H. Davis, Clerks, T. D. Brown, J. J. Casey.

First District—Judges, C. J. Johnson, H. Martin, R. Stein, Clerks, F. J. Mc-Shane, Frank Baben, Second District-Judges, C. J. Ryan, Charles Hammond, C. L. Erickson. Clerks, Charles Unit, C. C. Field.

Youths in Debate. Last night, a sprightly debate passed off pleasantly at Creighton college. To close the season, Messrs. H. Town and J. O'Gorman, challenged any two others of their schoolmates to debate the question, "Should the government own and control the railroads?" The challenge was accepted by J. B. Furay and P. Burke, and the debate took place in the rooms of the Daniel Webster society. Eugene Noon read an essay on "Socialism." The debate was won by the clear argumentation of the negative. It is reported that a gold medal will be presented to the best debater of this society on the commencement day of the college. The St. Leo branch of C. K. of A. has offered the medal through Messrs. J. A. Linahan and Joseph E. Roach.

Where to Find the Board. The office of the board of public works has been moved from its old place in Creighton block to room 21, the one immediately south. It will be open from 9 until 5 o'clock, and the chairman of the board will be present from 11 to 12 and from 4 to 5 o'clock. During the other hours of the day Mr. U. B. Balcombe will act as clerk to the chairman and be ready to impart any information which may be required of the busi ness of the office.

The old office of the board is now occupied by Mr. House who has retired to

The Eleventh Street Viaduct. It was thought that this structure would be ready for vehicles in the latter part of February, but it is still closed to riding and freighting community. The latest delay has been occasioned by the delay in the arrival of an iron rail to separate the driveway from the foot walk. This, however, has now arrived, and is being put into place as rapidly as possible. It is expected that the work will be finished

by the end of the week, and the viaduct

private life.

will probably be opened on Sunday. Police Court. Before the police judge yesterday there were four drunks, two paying \$5 and costs and two being discharged. Two suspicious characters were discharged, as were also seven vagrants. The case against Constable Edgerton, accused of embezzling money from J. Murphy, was dismissed. The case of Charles Schorn-berg, charged with sodomy, was contin-ued until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Notify the Sanitary Authorities. Persons in the vicinity of the corner of Tenth and Harney make loud complaint against the condition of the site of the old Green Tree house. The frame buildings have been removed, and four or five sink holes have been left exposed. The odors therefrom are frightful and pre-judicial to the health of the neighbor-

Auchmoedy's Loans. Mr. Auchmoedy, of County Clerk Needham's office, is getting tired of trusting real estate dealers who do not have money with them to pay for recording their transfers. He has now no less than \$600 owing him because of his accommodation, and for all of this he is

personally responsible. THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM Prof. Pickering, of Harvard, Throws

Doubts on Its Reappearance.

Boston Heraid: "No, I haven't seen the star of Bethlehem," said Prof. Pick-ering, of the Harvard college observatory last evening to a reporter. "I looked for it Wednesday evening when I heard thar some professor in Kentucky, unknown to me, had discovered its presence in the heavens, but I could not see it. I looked for it with the naked eye. It isn't there, and the chances of its appearance are very uncertain, indeed. Astronomers are doubtful about it. Many of them do not believe it will come at all. I have received no official information from any quarter that the reappearance of the star had been noted by responsible astronomers. Should it make its reappearance, it would be an important astronomical phenomenon, and would be observed with great scientific interest all over the world. scientific interest all over the world.
Its value to astronomical study can hardly be determined except upon its reappearance. Undoubtedly it would be of great value and scientists would probably be enabled to ascertain its cause. Should it appear it would be made a special study at the Harvard university observatory. Astronomers have but little authentic information about the so-called star of Bethlehem. reliable data are those secured by Tycho Crahe, the celebrated Danish astronomer, in 1572, who discovered a very bright star in Cassiopela, which was so brilliant that it could be seen with the naked eye in the daytime. About 1260 there was a similar star, and there was probably one about 900, but there is no certainty that they were the same. From this arose the idea that there is a star of Bethlehem which appears every 315 years or so. As to the belief that great misfortunes will occur upon the earth as a result of the reappearance of the star, that is sheer nonsense. But just another word: There is no historical evidence whatever that the star of Bethlehem is the star which is said to have appeared upon the birth of Christ. The bible speaks of it as the 'star of the east.' This could not have been the star of Bethlehem, as that did not appear in the east, but in the north."

The Champion Bottle-Carrier. St. Jame's Gazette: An extraordinary scene was witnessed last evening in the Kennington road. It appeared that a man named George Hood, who was described as the champion go as you please bottle-carrier, had undertaken for a wager to run and walk from the Spread Eagle, Epsom, to the Sir Sydney Smith, Chester street, Kennington road (a distance of nearly sixteen miles), with a two-gailon stone bottle on his head, neck downward, within two hours and threequarters. Punctually at 4 o'clock Hood started on his journey, being followed by hundreds of persons and numerous yellcles. The performance had been well advertised, and a long time before the arrival of the pedestrian at the Sir Sydney Smith hundreds of persons began to assemble in the Kennington road, and shortly before the appointed time the crowd had become so great that for had a mile the pathways and road were crowded and it was with great difficulty that the tram-car and other traffic was was carried on. About twenty minutes to 7 o'clock a shout was raised, and Hood with his bottle was seen in the distance. Shortly afterward he arrived at the Sir Sydney Smith, four minutes under the appointed time, smidst the greatest ex-citement and shouting of the people.

During winter the blood gets thick and sluggish, now is the time to purify it, to build up pour system and fit yourself for hard work, by using Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Blood Puri-