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REPUBLICANS of Omaha and Douglas county must not forget that the primary

THE veterans in St. Louis are having a wet time. When they really wish to enjoy themselves they will appoint a meeting in Omaha.

elections will take place Friday next.

GENERAL SHERMAN, in an interview. says he left St. Louis because it had ceased to be progressive. He does not think that city will ever have a boom again. Poor St. Louis.

THE Saturday half holiday has been called in in New York along with white hats, ties and vests. This half holiday plan has become unpopular wherever it has been tried and it will probably be laid on the shelf next season.

COMMISSIONER MILLER, of the internal revenue bureau, is about to make investigations into the purity of the different brands of beer and report the result to congress. If adulterations are discovered he will ask congress to confer power upon the bureau to prevent the making of impure beer. This is a step in the right direction.

THINGS now-a-days are mostly not what they seem. The French supposed that the remains of Napoleon were resting quietly at the Invalides, and now comes the story that they were never removed from St. Helena. As Artemus Ward would say, "most things that happen ain't so." Next in order is a story that the emperor never died at all.

MR. POWDERLY will favor open sessions of the assembly at Minneapolis, to which newspaper reporters can be admitted. The knights are evidently learning that the press is their best friend. They have often before made the mistake of trying to keep information from the newspapers which it would be better to have published.

A WESTERN man tried to bring Sharp, the New York briber, a bottle of medicinal water at Ludlow street jail the other day, but failed to reach the distinguished jail bird. Notwithstanding the reports of Sharp's physical weakness, he manages to hang on to life pretty well. He is more in need of something to tone up his moral than his physical being.

THE Anti-Poverty society of New York city has rented Madison Square garden for \$2,500 with the intention of holding a fair, festival, concerts, dancing parties etc., for two weeks. The various devises of the anti-poverty people to abolish poverty look very much like the celebrated but useless performance of trying to lift one's self over the fence by one's bootstraps.

A DEMOCRATIC contributor to the New York Sun gives a number of reasons why the democrats should not make Cleveland their presidential candidate again. Among other things he says: "He had no special claims upon the party or the public. He was no great statesman, publicist, jurist, orator, advocate, or politician; nor had he served his country in any capacity. He had never been in any legislative body, nor even seen the seat of government!" Such is the tenor of many democratic papers. And yet all the indications are that Cleveland will be the candidate of the party. They haven't much choice.

A VACANCY existing in the office of United States marshal for the Eastern district of Missouri, Justice Miller, of the supreme court, appointed Miss Phoebe W. Couzins to the position. She was deputy under her father, whose death created the vacancy, and is said to have shown superior capabilities for the duties. which she successfully carried on during her father's illness. But the reason for the daring innovation of appointing a woman to such a position is the fact that fees to a large amount will be due the marshal's office from the election fraud eases not yet disposed of, and which Miss Couzins would lose were another person appointed. Her father and herself having performed the duties thus far, it was simple justice that she be allowed to complete it and get the reward. The lady is widely known, and none will regret that she has been thus A Dissenting Opinion.

It transpires that the bench of the United States court in California was not unanimous in denying the petition of the investigating commission for an order to compel Leland Stanford to answer certain questions propounded by the commission. Judge Hoffman has filed a dissenting opinion which is pretty sure to attract widespread attention, not because it can have any effect upon the question, but for the reason that it will appeal to the general judgment as the more rational view of the matter and the view that must obtain if the people, through their representatives in congress, are not to be deprived of all right to properly and thoroughly investigate the operations of corporations holding franchises from the government and which are debtors of the people.

The act of congress creating the investigating commission clearly defines its duties and its rights. These comprehend an almost unlimited inquiry into the affairs and operations of the companies, in order that congress may be furnished with the fullest possible information regarding the way in which these corporations have been managed. the use made of their moneys, the arrangements they have entered into among themselves and with other corporations, their relations to national and state legislation, and all other matters material to the most searching investigation. The intention of congress was that the inquiry should go to the very bottom of the whole matter. That the commission might be enabled to carry out this purpose, it was authorized to invoke the aid of the courts to require the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of books. papers and documents relating to the subject of inquiry. The first necessity for the exercise of this right of appeal to the courts came when Leland Stanford refused to answer the questions sub mitted to him by the commission. These questions were relevant to the subject of investigation and necessary to that complete inquiry which it was the desire and purpose of congress to secure.

The decision of Justice Field, concurred in by Judges Sawyer and Sabin, denied the power of congress to require the federal courts to aid the commissioners in their investigations. It was held that the commission is "a mere board of inquiry, directed to obtain information upon certain matters and report the result of its investigations to the president, who is to lay the same before congress. It was declared to possess no judicial powers and to be "limited in its inquiries into the interest of these directors, offi cers and employes in any other business, company or corporation to such matters as those persons may choose to disclose. It was furthermore held, and this is the most significant and far-reaching declaration of the decision, that "The federal courts under the constitution cannot be made the aids to any investigation by a commission or a committee into the affairs of any one." If this is sound law there may as well be an end of congressional investigations so far as the corporations existing by federal franchises are concerned, or indeed all investigations involving private interests.

But Judge Hoffman does not believe

that this is sound law. He hold that the rights to require information in aid of legislation are necessary, and that in creating the instrumentalities necessary to obtain required information congress has the authority to command the courts render such aid as may be needed to carry out the purpose. He points the obvious effect of the out doctrine enunciated in the Field decision, which not only seriously cripples the present commission in the discharge of its duties but destroys the efficiency of this method of investigation by denying to congress the right to invoke the aid of the courts to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses. Judge Hoffman is reported to have said that he knew of no way in which the decision made can be reviewed by the supreme court, which suggests that Justice Field and his associates were most careful to shut the door against further annovance or trouble to Stanford and his corrupt colleagues. The later appearance of some of these individuals before the commission has shown how well they understand their privileges and how well disposed they are to take advantage of them. They will perhaps find, however, that the people are not yet through with them, and they may not always be able to command the services of a Field. Meanwhile the dissenting opinion of Judge Hoffman is reassuring as evidence that the entire federal judiciary of California is not in the control of the corporations.

A Berjous Mistake.

The Fourth ward republican club has passed a resolution inviting Mr. Frank Moores to name the delegation which is to represent that ward in the county conyention. This is a great blunder. It sets a precedent which if carried to its natural sequence will do away with the

primary elections and virtually place the entire business of nominating a ticket into the hands of candidates instead of leaving it with duly elected represedtatives of the party. If Mr. Moores is to name the Fourth ward delegation, the candidates in other wards are entitled to the same privilege. This method would degenerate into combinations between certain candidates, who would thus be able to bar out anybody whom they did not desire to associate with themselves on the ticket. This is unrepublican, and would tend to disintegrate the party. Its tendency would be to dwarf every issue and subject every interest to the individual caprice of prom inent candidates for one particular office. Now it would have been proper enough for the Fourth Ward club to endorse Mr. Moores as its choice for the position to which he aspires, and request that the ward delegates shall cast their votes for him. There the functions of the club should end, unless it proposes to delegate the individual rights of its members to Mr Moores, and

usurp the rights of the republicans of

the ward to select their delegates in the

primary. As an active and prominent

republican of the ward, Mr. Moores is

entitled to the united support of its dele-

gation. We doubt, however, if it would

delegation without reference to the

wishes of other republicans, whose sup-

port he must have at the November elec-

tion if he is nominated. We hope Mr.

Moores will decline to exercise the priv-

be in his own interest to name the entire

THE republicans of Douglas county cannot afford to make mistakes in the coming campaign. No man who can not show clean hands should be selected as a delegate or nominated for office.

Two of the democratic councilmen have already announced themselves as candidates for sheriff. They will run about as well as Paddy Ford did two

ilege which the club has conferred on him, and give the club an opportunity to correct its mistake.

REFERRING to the projected salt trust, the Philadelphia Record suggests to the promoters that the scheme is menaced by hidden perils. Salt is so absclutely a necessity of living that attempts in any country of the world at interference with its natural course of supply have always aroused popular indignation. "It is possible," says the Record, "that the deepseated, yet hitherto unexpressed, feeling of opposition among the people to the vast trust schemes of the day may be concentrated and crystallized against this proposed monopoly with overwhelming force. A man may live without bread or without meat, but without salt he must perish, and whoever endeavors to unduly tax the supply of this essential of human life is simply a public enemy to be promptly extirpated." Yet it is not at all improbable that if a serious effort is made to organize this proposed monopoly it will be successful, and the American people will stand the extortion incident to it without making a single earnest attempt to rid themselves of it We are getting so used to these combinations that they are losing their terrors, and as the country goes on prospering and progressing despite their exactions the people are indifferent and take no thought of possible future consequences. A period of sharp adversity may be necessary to arouse the popular mind to a right sense of the danger there is in the multiplication of these monopolistic combinations, and start an earnest and general movement for their overthrow

In spite of the BEE's recent exposures of the slovenly way in which the commissioners of this county conduct their business there seems to be little or no improvement. The law is explicit in regard to the publicity to be given to the management of county affairs. It requires the proceedings of the commissioners to be published regularly, but no attention whatever is paid to this law. For more than twenty years the county cierk furnished the press with certified minutes of the proceedings of every meeting, and that on the evening of the day on which the meeting was held. Now the commissioners employ a special clerk for recording their proceedings, but his records are constantly behind. and the public is kept in ignorance for weeks as to what the commissioners are doing. We insist, on behalf of the taxpayers, that the commissioners shall comply with the law, and publish their proceedings regularly after each meeting. There is only one way of doing business for the public satisfactorily, and that is to transact it open and above board in a business-like way.

SECRETARY BAYARD is said to have outlined a very comprehensive programme for the consideration of the joint commission which is to discuss primarily the fisheries controversy. He proposes that it shall take up the Behring sea question and several other matters about which a better understanding between this country and Great Britain is desirable. Mr. Bayard is a man of ambitious ideas, but he seldom carries them into effect. It will be no surprise if in this matter he commits some blunder that will humiliate the country and put the government at a disadvantage. Meanwhile there appears to be some difficulty in finding the proper men who will accept a place on the com mission, which will be the creature of the administration solely and may find its labor profitless when congress shall be called upon to review it. Mr. Bayard is not to be blamed for a desire to do something to redeem the record of the state de partment under his administration, but it is questionable whether the commission project will accomplish anything to help him out.

It is is eminently proper for the bar to express its preference for judges of the district court, and to exert its influence for the selection of candidates who enjoy its respect and confidence. The lawyers ought to know who among them are best fitted to expound the law and administer justice. At the same time there are tricks in all trades, and there is liable to be chicanery in the designation of candidates whom the bar endorses for the judicial positions. This is frequently accomplished by packed committees and sub-committees, in the interest of parties who are individually scrambling for office, and make use of the bar to further their own ends. The proper method of arriving at a choice of the majority of the lawyers of the district would be to have each member designate by ballot or verbally the four men who in his opinion are most eligible In other words select the candidates in a primary election restricted to members of the bar. Such an expression would carry weight with it, which the choice of a committee could not possibly do.

THE republicans of Massachusetts renominated Governor Ames. He will probably be re-elected by a larger majority than last year, when he encountered a good deal of opposition in the party on the ground of unfitness and for the alleged reason that his nomination was procured by the free use of money. He has made an acceptable executive, however, and will doubtless this year poll the full strength of the party. The platform presents nothing new. It has the advantage of the democratic platform in declaring explicitly for an extension of civil service reform. which is a strong point in Massachusetts politics. The democrats are not harmonious, and there is every reason to expect a large republican majority in November.

THE council is to be commended for having done one good thing in passing the ordinance that will do away with wooden sidewalks on our principal business streets. It now remains for the board of public works to see that the ordinance is strictly enforced. It has been a long-felt want.

EVERY taxpayer in Douglas county has a direct interest in the character of the men to be elected to the county offices this fall. Only men of proved capacity and established integrity should be chosen. In order that this shall be done the delegates to the convention must be men who can not be used by the politicians, and these are selected at the primaries. Hence the great importance of the primary elections, which are the corner stone of our political system. It is unfortunate that a majority of voters. at least of the better class, hold the primaries in such slight regard, and thus give the politicians the opportunity to poison the political current at its source. To be thorough the purification of politics must begin at the primaries, and it is there that the better class of voters

should be found in force. WE are challenged by the Republican to name the man whom the BEE has described as a "shyster, bummer, swindler and forger." Everybody familiar with Omaha politics knows whom that shoe fits. The man has not gall enough to deny that he is a shyster and bummer, and the fact that a grand jury once had him in tow for forgery is still fresh in the minds of many of our citi zens. His reputation as a common swindler is as well established as his notoriety as a go-between for boodlers. We would never have referred to this debased creature had he not been paraded as a prominent republican by Cadet Taylor and his sheet.

THE object of primary elections is to give a free scope to the individual members of a party in the choice of representatives in conventions. When the wish of the rank and file of the party is to be forestalled by caucuses and only the caucus ticket is to be recognized as regu lar, the primary election becomes a farce.

In the impending campaign the candi date who has not a clear record for integrity and sobriety will go to the wall

KINGS AND QUEENS

The emperor of China's wife's name is

In England they compare ugly things with the queen's bonnet. Prince George, son of the king of Greece

is going to serve three years in the British navy. The ex-Emoress Eugenie uses an umbrelle

which cost \$2,000. The handle is a mass of splendid gems. King Humbert, of Italy, is only forty-three

years old, yet his hair, long since gray, is now nearly white. Ex-Empress Engenie is subject to fits of

hysteria after sitting all night looking at the portrait of her dead son. Kaiser Francis Joseph's new order of arts and letters numbers the painters Munkacsy

and Angell among its first members. The empress dowager of China has se lected a daughter of Duke Chao, a Manchu nobleman, for the wife of the little emperor. Prince Eugene, youngest son of the king of Sweden, is now twenty years old. He is the artist of the royal Swedish family, and

has studied painting in Paris under the

guldance of famous French masters. Queen Victoria is much interested in Bulgarian affairs. She fondly cherishes the hope that Prince Alexander of Battenberg will vereturn to the throne of that unhappy country. She has instructed the foreign office to send her in full all dispatches received relating to Prince Ferdinand.

The intellectual capacity of Prince Albert Victor, the eldest son of the prince of Wales, is a huge disappointment to his family. It was expected that he would rise to the plane upon which his honored sire moves and be able, if need arose, to eat six dinners every day. He can eat only one with comfort.

It is a French journalist who asserts that Queen Victoria is about to publish a novel which she has had in her desk for thirty years, and which she has been constantly correcting and revising. It is remarkable to what extremes French hatred of "peridous Albion is sometimes carried.

Allon is sometimes carried.

"I have had a conversation with two persons who visited Prince Alexander of Battenberg a few days ago," says the Vienna correspondent of the London Times, "and the impression left on their minds is that Prince Alexander certainly hopes to return to Bulgaria at some future day. "Prince Ferdinand is not so rich as is

commonly supposed." says the correspondent of the London Times at Vienna. "He has about £5,000 a year, but his mother has a very large capitalized fortune, most of which is entirely under her own control, though it is understood that Prince Ferdi-nand will inherit at least half of it.

The condition of the queen of Sweden, who underwent an operation last spring, is re-ported far from encouraging. She has daily ported far from encouraging. nervous spasms which leave her in an ex-hausted condition. The queen, who is lift-one years of age and the duke of Nassau's sister, is now on the shores of Lake Macler She allows no one about her but her dam d honneur, Mile. Ekelra.

The king of Sweden has four sons, Gustavus, the crown prince, born in 1858; Oscar, duke of Gothland, born in 1859; Charles, duke of West Gothland, born in 1861; and Eugene, duke of Nerike, born in 1865, all of whom studied in the university of Upsal, and are described by a writer in the Berlin Bazar as men of unusual gifts. The crown prince has married Princess Victoria of Baden, a grand daughter of Emperor William. Prince Oscar who is a captain in the navy, prides himsel on a rich ethnological collection, the resul of his voyage around the world; and Prince Charles, who has also travelled extensively charles, who has also travelled extensively, and has written an account of his journey in East India, is said to have inherited the descriptive talent of his father. The youngest son, Eugene, has studied painting in Paris, and is said to be an enthusiastic disciple of the "naturalistic" school of novel writing now in vogue in Stockholm as in Paris.

The Last of Earth. Kate Putmam Osgood in the American Magazine

Death-is it Death? The shadow following still upon the sun. The one same end of all things yet begun, After the glory of Lafe the sudden gloom. After the strife the inexorable doom.
The frozen breath?

Nay, rather see Where the new grave lies sodden in the rain, How the bare earth quickens to growth Waiting the wonder-season's lavish dower Young rootlets creep, a wealth of grass and

Ere long to be.

When Death has passed Into the land of silence and of cloud, The leafless land, wherein no bird is loud, Life lincers yet with song and blossom rife. p for step go ever Death and Life-But Life is last!

Nearly As Profitable as Ball Playing Chicago Times. Henry W. Grady. of Atlanta, has been of-

fered a \$10,000 employment for next season. And Mr. Graly is not a baseball player, nor even a star in farce-comedy; he is only s mouth-organ.

Charity Should Begin at Home.

Harrisburg Star. There is nothing in all Ireland that is worse than the wretchedness of some of the Pennsylvania mining districts, and there is no body of men who are more entitled to genuine sympathy and support than the miners.

Where Miners are "Protected." Washington Post Thousands of men are in the latest strike in the Pennsylvania coal regions, nearly

five thousand in Panther creek valley alone. It is the same old story—"the men are underpaid and they have the sympathy of the entire community." It is, in truth, a remarkable fact, that, in a season of very general prosperity, exceptions, which includes thou sands of workers, continually appear in the one state, which, more than all the others put together, is beneficiary of our obnoxious tarift system.

The Modern King Coal.

Chicago Herald. Old King Cole calling for his pipe, his glass and his fiddlers three, was never so marry as young King Coal advancing anthracite at a quarter a chip and making the public come down whether or no. Young King Coal is the worst of autocrats.

It Can Flounder All the More. Philadelphia Enquirer. Before it was twenty-four hours old the American party had two wings to it. Herein the party is different from a bird; it gets along better with one wing than with two.

STATE AND TERRITORY. Nebraska Jottings.

Fall openings are disastrous to family purses.

Kearney is promised a paper mill in which \$80,000 will be invested. The Beatrice Democrat favors flogging as a reformatory for wife beaters. The Union Pacific is unloading ma

Beatrice. One of the figuring dads of Hastings has astonished the town by showing that the city will need \$85,000 in cash to oil

terial for shops and round house in

the municipal machine next year. The jail at Plattsmouth held its regular weekly free delivery Monday night. The crib is so inviting outside that a dead man could hardly be induced to stay

The Lincoln Fire Insurance company wanted the earth fenced in with under-ground policies and got caught it a hole f its own make. A receiver is looking up the fragments.

The Salvation army has thrown up the job in Fremont, being unable to pound single ray of hope into the sinners of the town. They raised old Harry but could not dislodge him.

The Norden Borealis is anxious to bet cart wheel that the real estate dealers of that phenomenal city will sell President Cleveland a corner lot before he has been in Omaha thirty minutes.

Neits Ereckson, the festive horse lifter in Grand Island, confessed and threw himself on the mercy of the court. It is probable he will be given a permanent ob pounding stone for the state capitol. There is an alarming amount of harmony between the prohibitionists and democrats in the state. A cold water

annex to a democratic campaign in an absolute necessity. It allays the fire of enthusiasm without injuring the effect. The stand pipe of the Hastings waterworks is completed, and the autumn haze of content hovers over the city. The pipe is a work of art and brick and several thousand dollars. It will hold

more water than the average alderman, and towers to a height of 125 feet. Hastings News: The Omaha lodge of Elks-B. P. O. E. Best People On Earth -banqueted Tom Keene and a delegation from Kansas City. From the num-ber of special "brews," "vintages" and 'draughts' on the menu it looks likely

that the closing song was not "Should be Forgot,' Auld Acquaintance Tommy, Sweep Out the Corks.' Kearney is billing the east with lumin ous pictures of its advantages as a manufacturing and investment point, and modestly proclaims that it is modestly proclaims that it is the 'Minneapolis of Nebraska.'' Arrangements have been made with

railroads from Ohio west for excursions starting on October 10 and reaching Kearney in time to participate in the festivities of an auction sale of lots on the 14th. The Fremont Herald approves the decision of the state board of transportation that railroad rates must be reduced in the state, and says: "In the mean-time, when Lincoln gets her "in" rate re-

duced on the B. & M., and her rate reduced on the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Vailey, what does Fremont prorate by the Sionx City & Pacific, which has a terminus about half a mile east of the city? This thing has got to be re-duced all around or there will be trouble! The Ali-Round Liars association of

Hastings is preparing to lay in a fall stock of brilliant yarns from the best mental looms in the land. Bill Nye has been secured at great expense to give the organization fresh and fertile points in their line, and will be followed by an extinguished railroad attorney with a lucid apostrophe on "How to Work Two Counties with \$6,000." The society is in a flourishing condition, and will soon add a real estate office to its collection.

The Grand Island Canning company put up this season 500,000 cans of corn. requiring about two thousand tons o corn in the car. It expects to put up at least a million cans of corn next year, and is making arrangements accordingly having already contracted for upward of a thousand acres of corn, and will continue to contract until 2,000 acres are contracted for, the product of which should amount to at least five thousand tons, and six thousand tons if the season

is favorable. The Hastings Gazette-Journal is of the opinion that "President Cleveland will towns of the west on his forthcoming tour. For instance, he will remain in Omaha but one hour. This means that his train will pull into the old cattle shed known as the Omaha union depot and remain there until the engine can take on coal and water and the engineer eat a hearty lunch. In the mean time the cattle sheds will be filled with a pushing, jamming, sweating, swearing crowd of men who have gathered for the sole purpose of catching a glimpse of the lovely face of the president's wife. Of the real beauty, wealth and prosperity of Omaha the president will be able to learn very in one hour. He ought to remain all day," But his excellency is wiser that his advisers. He hurries to St. Joseph to enjoy undisturbed repose within her sleeping precincts.

The Gowrie creamery is making 2,500 pounds of butter per week, The Tribune affirms that the average Sioux City alderman will steal nothing

smaller than an umberella. The ground was white with frost Saturday morning at Ida Grove. But corn is entirely out of the way of frost. From the report of the commissione

of pensions just issued, there are 17,379 pensioners in Iowa, who receive quarterly \$546,122.47. Philip Burke, one of the oldest settlers of Calhoun county, was killed there Sat-urday, the wagon striking a tree, throw-

ing him forward under the wagou. The Salvation and Gospel armies are running an opposition campaigh in Sioux City, and future options, cool and mvit ing, are selling at forty per cent below

Green county boasts of splendid crops this year. Oats are in many cases running as high as sixty-five and seventy bushels to the acre. Corn will be very large and of an excellent quality. The field is placed at from fifty to seventy five bushels.

A married man in Sloux City sent a \$5 pill and an invitation for an outing to a respectable young woman and received pressing call from her father. human cur was given several rounds of solid, well seasoned advice and will be detained at home for some time, nursing the fragments.

Herman Schaup, a prospector from Hairey, Idaho, was found meandering on on the plains near Rock Creek, recently,

mentally wrecked. The Wyoming Oil and Mining com-pany, composed of eastern capitalists, as been incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000. Its principal office will be at

louglas. Stella Davis, a young woman living at Fort Saunders, appropriated a horse, saddle and wedding dress and started out to see the country last week. She reached Laramie in time to be welcomed

and cared for by the sheriff. Cheyenne voices the demand for another passenger train on the Union Pacific. The long, heavy, overladen trains come lumbering along hours behind time with disagreeable regularity, causing discomfort and annoyance to the passengers who are closely packeds like sardines in the day coach or crowded to-gether in the insufficient sleepers. It is frequently the case that there is only standing room upon the whole train for

local passengers. The Biair coal mine, owned by P. J. Quealy, will be worked and the products in the market next month. The vein is ten feet in width at every exposure and lies in elevated ground sloping down to-ward the mouth or the main opening from one side, but with a slight ascenfrom the other. Fifteen years ago the mine was abandoned owing to the outrageous tariffs imposed by the Union Pacific for the purpose of crushing out the owners of the property. To-day the coal which these intervening years is as bright and firm as ever and not a particle has

The Governor's Queer Visitor. Arkansaw Traveler: The governor of Arkansas had just turned from a petition bearing 684 names when a tall, woman, carrying a gingham sun bonnet by the strings, entered the room and

dropping on a settee, said: want to see the guv'ner." "I am the governor, madam."

"Yes, I am quite sure."

"Wall, I come to ask you why you did not answer my letter. I live out in the hills. Moved out there lately from diany. Sent you a letter by a feller named Steve Spencer Why didn't you answer it?"

Your name, please." "Jane Bromfield. From as good a family as ever lived in the state. Father was a McIntosh and mother was a Hark

"I did not receive your letter, Mrs. Bromfield. "Look here, do you reckon that feller got drunk an' lost that dockyment?" "I don't know anything about his hal

"But don't it stand to reason that h got drunk?" Well, it's far from impossible."

"I'll tell you what the letter was. Shortly after I got here, Tobe, my husband, was sent to the penitentiary. He wasn't a citizen of the state at the time, and didn't think his sentence would hole him

"His not being a citizen makes no difference. "And he could be sent to the peni

tentiary before he had a right to vote?' "And stay there just the same as any

citizen? "Certainly."

"Shore?" "Of course, madam, I know what I am talking about. I would like to tell you before you put yourself to the trouble of pleading his case, that it is quite use less. He is doubtless guilty, and I there fore cannot grant him a pardon.'

"My sakes alive, man, don't skeer yourself, for I'm not going to ask for a pardon. The letter I writ you at a time when I thought you couldn't hold him The letter I writ you at a tim him unless he was a voter stated the fact that he voted at the last election whether

"Then you don't want him pardoned?"
"Not much. I've done so much better since he's been in there that I never do want to set eyes on him again. It sound a little strange, but it is a fact that as soon as they took him away the hens that had been mopin' 'round on a sort of strike all spring put to layin', and I wish I may die if I didn't think they would lay themselves to death. One big old dominicker-the finest hen on the place, but mighty sulky and hard to please at times—hadn't laid a single egg for two months, but when she found that they had took Tobe off she set in to lavin an' I never seen nothin's to eket her She'd walk around the yard and sing awhile an' then she'd go in and lay. Tobe was sent up for a year. Couldn' you, to oblige a poor woman, make it

two. Governor? "Oh, no; I have no authority to extend the time. "I didn't know but to oblige a po woman you mout

"No, I cannot." "Well, don't you think you could slip six months on him, anyhow?' "No, can't extend his time a minute,"
"But you are sure that you won't let

him out under a year. 'We'll keep him that long." "Well, I am much obliged to you for doing what you can," she said, arising, "and believe that if you had the power you would do more for me. Good day.

Modern Rome. Albany Argus: Portions of Old Rome are now disappearing, notably the Ghetto, the Jewish quarter, and New Rome is in creasing so fast that its great uprising York, were it not for the that poetry of color, pink, yellow, terra cotta and palblue, in which the Italians so much de light. Great changes are going on all over the Eternal City— excavations in the Forum, and elsewhere, are being liberally pushed, and sanitary measures enforced. Whole streets of find buildings are replacing ruin; and debris, and, as if its 360 churches were not enough, St. John Lateran, where all the popes are crowned, been enlarged to a surprising extent, while St. Paul beyond the walls, which to my mind is quite as splended as St. Peter's, has now a complete facade Growth and enterprise are marks of our time even in old Rome, stimulated, no doubt, by the constant stream of tourists but encouraged also by the wise policy of King Umberto who loves his people and is idolized by them.

A Cat Charms a Rattler. Portland Oregonian: The strange

power exercised by some cats over snakes was illustrated last Tuesday at the residence of Mr. Royal, who lives near Grant's pass. Attention was drawn to the strange anties of a kitten recently taken to the house, and on examination it was found that she had a "rattler" charmed. The snake, a large one, was coiled and with its head followed every motion of the kitten in front of it, until a gentleman who was present des patened the reptile with a club. During the whole occurrence the kitten seemed to realize the importance of the situation, and never allowed her attention to wander from the snake, paying no atten tion to a strange dog which arrived upor the scene. The snake had seven rattles

The annual meeting of the Woman's Christian temperance Union of the Third district, will be held at the First Baptist church September 29th and 30th, and Octoper 1. Frogam for Thursday evening, 7:30: Music; reading of crusade by president; prayer, by Rev. A. W. Lamar: music; address of welcome by Mrs.O. C. Dinsmore Oma'ıa; response by Mrs. M. Carrigan, Blair; music; origina poem entitled "Drifting," by Mrs. A. H. Richards, Auburn; appointment of com nuttees; music; collection; adjourament.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

F. R. McConnell Chosen to Succeed H. J. Davis-Other Matters. An adjourned meeting of the board of education was held last evening, the special order of business being the election of a successor to H. J. Davis, resigned. Messrs, Coburn and Kelly were absent. Mr. Auchmoedy was excused. F. R. McConnell was chosen to succeed

Mr. Davis, on the first ballot taken. A proposition was received from Van Court & Benedict, offering to lay gravolithic pavements one foot thick for 25 cents per square soot, the base to consist of eight inches of brick and cinders and the top of four inches of the best quality of Portland coment and gravel.

It was decided to purchase 600 more desks for the public schools.

Referred.

The salaries of the janitors of the different schools were fixed for the year, ranging from \$160 for the care of one room to to \$1,340 for the care of fourteen rooms.

Two store rooms belonging to James Traill, Lake's addition, were rented for \$35 per month each, to be used for school purposes. A room was rented from Henry C. Groff, Omaha View, for \$25 per month, and one from Gustave F. Epeneter, Orchard Hill, for \$18 per The committee on finance was instructed

to report at the next meeting the amount of money on hand for the purchase of a olock for the high school tower.

Steps were taken toward the purchase of a school site on Hickory street, in Credit Foncier addition; also for the sale

f lots on Twenty-ninth street near Farnam street. Mr. Ballou was ordered to remove his building from the Paul school site.
The different members of the board of education were empowered to make all

necessary repairs, not exceeding \$25 in

any one month, on their respective build-

The rest of the evening was spent in reading the proofs for the new by-laws of the board.

THE COURTS.

What Was Done Before the Judges Yesterday.

The case of Gavin, Gearon & Moore against the Wallace brothers for damages growing out of the sale of the Times-Dispatch was given to the jury yesterday afternoon and at 4 o'clock a verdict was returned for \$414 in favor of

the defendants. Judge Groff heard the case of John Fitzgerald vs. Axel Meyer yesterday. This was an action involving the right to a span of mules purchased two years ago by John B. Furey from two lows men. Furey sold them to Meyer a short time later, and soon after Fitzgerald replevined them, claiming that he held a mortgage on them deeded to him from the lown men. The evidence was all given, and the arguments made. Owing to the lateness of the hour Judge Groff did not charge the jury and they were dismissed to ap-

pear at 9 o'clock this morning.

Judge Hopewell heard the case of Sampson vs Martin yesterday afternoon. POLICE COURT.

In the police court yesterday morning there were forty-seven cases, mostly vagrants and common drunks. George Wasser, for assault and battery, got \$25 and Mr. Coombs, who was arrested for hauling garbage without a license,

was discharged.

UNITED STATES COURT.

Edward B. Spratlin, of Chicago, has commenced action in the United States court against James Ainscow, D. R. Archer, Edward Ainscow, Charles P. Benjamin and Richard I. Mattice on a note for \$5,849 and the foreclosure of a mortgage on twenty acres of land re-cently platted, just west of South Omaha,

in section 5, township 14. TO TREAT BOTH SEXES ALIKE. Judge Berka Will Punish Lewd Men

as Well as Women. Moralists have generally said that there was a great deal of unjust discrimination used when the faults of a man or a woman were taken into consideration. Their plea is that a mau's sunning has always been condoned while a woman's has always been condemned. Without discussing the unwritten law of society, where all man's shortcomings are, as a rule, either excused or forgotten, it may be stated that Judge Berka has determined that morality should know no sex. He has concluded that the sins of a man should be looked upon with as close scrutiny and receive as much consideration as those of a woman. Heretofore the soiled doves of the city have had to pay \$6 a month as a kind of license for their traffic. Each was on record. Should anything occur that the payment was not made an arrest was certain to follow. This practice still continues. However, when a house was "pulled" the male visitors were either not arrested at all or permitted to go with a remonstrance or a trivial fine. Judge Berka says this should not be. Every man found in a house of ill fame should be arrested and fined, Upon the occurrence of each offense a fine of \$6 should be imposed with the costs added. This, it is expecte have a salutary effect. At least it will do away with the injustice so common in the past—making the woman responsi-ble for the sins of herself as well as those of her evil companions.

THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION. Meeting of the K. of P. Committee to

Take Action. There will be a meeting of the committees of arrangement for the reception of the grand lodge and annual encampment of the Knights of Pythias, at the office of E. E. French on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. This committee will take steps for the reception of President Cleveland and transact such other important business as may come before it. It is expected that a good many of the knights of this city will attend. This committee will only meet once more after this meeting, when all the arrange-ments will be completed. The business men should liberally support the knights and make this conclave one of even remembrances. It will bring many people to the city from all over the world and be a good advertisement for Omaha.

The Nugent-Bloom Case. Jack Nugent sat before Judge Berka yester lay afternoon charged with an assault upon Officer Charles Bloom and May Doe. The testimony showed that at the time of the affair Bloom was officiating as bartender in a saloon at Twelfth and Capitol avenue, that there was trouble between him and Nugent and that in the melee the woman in the case was struck. One of the witnesses testified that Bloom and Nugent were both drunk at the time. Nugent was fined \$15

and costs and appealed. Coming Matrimonial Eyent. The Harris-Moss nuptials are announced for Sunday, October 16. The prospective groom, J. H. Harris, of Cheyenne, is the son of J. Harris, a clothing merchant at 1014 Farnam street, and is well known in this city. Miss Ray Moss, the intended bride, is from Brooklyn, N. Y., and is a young lady of most estimable qualities. The wedding and banquet will be held at Germania hall.