CORRESPONDENCE.

All communications relating news and editorial matter should be addressed to the EDITOR OF THE BEE.

BUSINESS LETTERS: All business letters and remittances should be addressed to The Bee Pressents Company (MARA. Dratts, checks and postoffice orders to be made payable to the order of the company.

The Bee Publishing Company, Proprietors E. ROSEWATER, EDITOR.

THE DAILY BEE.

Sworn Statement of Circulation.

State of Nebraska, | 8. 8. County of Douglas, | 8. 8. Geo. B. Tzschuck, secretary of The Bee Publishing company, does solemnly swear that the actual circulation of the Daily Bee for the week ending Dec. 9, 1807, was as tollows | 15,100

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this 13th day of December, A. D. 1887.

(SEAL.)

(SEAL.)

(SEAL.)

(SEAL.)

(SEAL.)

(SEAL.)

N. P. FEIL.

(SEAL.)

State of Nebraska,

County of Douglas.

Geo. B. Teschuck, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is secretary of The Ree
Publishing company, that the actual average
daily circulation of the Daily Bee for
the month of December, 1886, 18,237 copies;
for January, 1887, 16,226 copies; for Peb,
rnsry, 1887, 14,286 copies; for March, 1887, 14,407
copies; for April, 1887, 14,316 copies; for May,
1887, 14,337 copies; for June, 1887, 14,147 copies;
for July, 1887, 14,336 copies; for August, 1887, 14,
151 copies; for September, 187, 14,239 copies; for
October, 1887, 14,333; for November, 1887, 15,226
copies.

GEO. B. TZSCHUCK Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this 3d day of December, A. D. 1887.

stand it.

itory statute.

FROM present indications, the city hall wrangle will not end until the question as to who is the contractor is settled by the courts. This is a charming spectacle.

have indulged in an exchange of views. General Booth maintains that the Salvation Army had saved thousands of souls. He did not state how many it had cost.

A CABLEGRAM from Constantinople says that Mr. Vanderbilt's yacht has been fired upon. The fault lay in Mr. Vanderbilt not flying the proper flags. It is needless to say that the gentleman was uninjured.

bounce the aldermen.

WHILE the Omaha and Vankton railroad is building on paper, the people of the "Jim River Valley" of Dakota insist that the road shall extend further than Yankton. After completion to Yankton it will be a pleasure to take in the Jim River country.

ANOTHER of the "Napoleons of finance" has been arrested in New York. This time it was Henry S. Ives. He belongs to the school of Harper and Ward and scores of others who have robbed men in order to make a splurge in gambling.

ganized for the purpose of developing oil lands in Wyoming, is the latest move on the part of a number of Omaha's capitalists. If oil is found in sufficient quantities to justify laying a pipe line into Omaha, the benefit from such an enterprise cannot be estimated.

creases so fast that the census bureau has much difficulty in keeping up with it. The bureau has now been at work upon the last census for eight years, and their work is not yet finished. The new census will begin in about two years.

THERE are indications in New York that the Postal telegraph and the Benmett-Mackey cable will at no distant future succumb to the Western Union anaconda. Parties who claim to know state that Jay Gould's voyage to Europe and George Gould's trip to the west have no other object.

AMENDMENTS to the rules of the house of representatives have been proposed which ought to be adopted. Their aim is to break up the practice of leaving the house theoretically without a quorum, by members refusing to answer to their names at roll call. This trick has often been resorted to as a political expedient. Members should not be allowed to absent themselves either actually or theoretically without sufficient excuse. The penalty proposed in the new amendments is expulsion of the offending member. There is urgent need of such a rule.

Some members of congress have announced their intention of urging congress to reduce letter postage to one cent during the present session. This is as it should be. Letter postage will undoubtedly be so reduced sooner or later. The sooner the better. This step should have been taken instead of increasing the weight of letters as was done some time ago. The part of the public benefitted by the sending of overweight letters is small. One cent postage will benefit everybody, and it is well to reiterate that the postal department is operated wholly for the benefit of the public. The postal deficit for the ensuing year would of course be increased somewhat, but the history of postage reduction teaches that this would soon be followed by a rapid advance toward self

The national convention of republi can clubs which assembled in New York yesterday, and will continue its sessions to-day and to-morrow, appears to be threatened with conflicts in the interest of particular candidates which may go

the laurels from Buffalo Bill, Colonel Sullivan will always be regarded by the English and Irish as a man of wonderful powers. His efforts as an after-dinner talker leave Mr. Depew far in the shade. It might be here remarked that the polished colonel gained his first experience in after-dinner speeches in Omaha. At the Millard hotel, about a. year ago, after a gorgeous banquet, Mr. Sullivan was called upon for a speech. Rising, as a Roman gladiator, the Boston gentleman said: "Gintlemen, I am not much on spache making but I can knock

But in Dublin, Mr. Sullivan was at his best. He simply talked on subjects with which he is familiar. In his speech, which fairly caused all of Dublin to go wild over the great American, he said that if he happened not to have been born in Ireland, at any rate his father and mother and all his ancestors were Irish. . He added that it was not necessary to add that he was a chip of the among the members of the convention, old block. "His sympathies were with the Irish people and he hoped at all times to look back on them as the best people in the world. He had come to this country, or rather to England, to the convention by seeking to give it a meet the best man, and he believed that man to be Jem Smith. He hoped before his return to America to have the pleasure of meeting Smith-within zenious friends of one candidate have the limits of a twenty-four-foot ringso that there it might be decided which was the better man. If he should beat Smith he would extend to him his hand in friendship and good will, and if Smith should best him he hoped that the same token of friendship would be

ring for sweepstakes every time.

The board of trade has appointed doubted that next spring will witness a gratifying fruition.

men will need no suggestions as to how it shall proceed. The obvious thing to be done is to keep the claims of Omaha before public attention, to have the facts at hand in the most convenient form for promptly responding to inquiries for information, and to obtain such knowledge as it may be practicable to get regarding manufacturers in other localities whose acquisition would be desirable and who would remove if reasonable inducements were offered them. There are certainly many such who need but to be advised of the opportunity that offers here to promptly avail themselves of it under conditions that would justify them in removing their plants. The importance of encouraging manufacturing enterprises in Omaha has been so often urged in the BEE that we need not reiterate the well understood, and we believe fully appreciated arguments. With its commercial power and progress assured, this city now requires the firm foundation of wealth and the attraction to population which ceedings is incompatible with a due remanufacturing industries give, and unsponsibility of the people's servants for til it has these it cannot attain its largest possibilities as a metropolis. All this, we are very confident, the committee appointed by the board of trade fully appreciates, and we expect to find this appreciation promptly, zealously and judiciously manifested by the com-

mittee. They Should Do It. It will be gratifying if the managers of the railroads entering Omaha shall wisely conclude, as it is intimated from Washington they may do, to abandon the discriminating tariff schedules against this city now in operation and adopt new ones that will be just and satisfactory to our business men, thus obviating the necessity of any controversy before the inter-state commerce commission. Nothing is more certain than that if the commission is required to pass judgment on the existing schedules it will pronounce them unjust and unreasonable, and very likely there is not a manager of any of the roads entering Omaha who has a doubt about this. There has never been a stronger case presented for the consideration of the commission than that which the representatives of Omaha's business Interests have prepared. It will show a systematic and excessive discrimination such as hardly any other city has ben subjected to, and which no city of less commercial strength and vitality than Omaha could have experienced without disastrous effects to its business. It has been a drawback, necessarily, to the prosperity of this city, but the fact that Omaha has nevertheless grown and prospered shows the more strongly the invincible conditions upon which her business is founded. It would undoubtedly be a confession of past injustice if the reads were to voluntarily rearrange their tariffs on a fair basis, but this would be more creditable than to be he gave an exhibition in Leinster hall, forced to do so, as they certainly in

the end will be if they hold out. It would be, also, a meritorious example that might have good results elsewhere. We shall be very glad to record a general agreement among the managers, at an early day, to take the proper and just action they are said to be contemplating.

Chicago's Enterprise.

Since Chicago has been designated as the place for holding the national republican convention in 1888, the papers published in the city of Hams have been giving to the outside world pictures and descriptions of the great auditorium, where the convention will be held. Omaha, had she been successfut in her designs, would not have been far behind Chicago in her enterprise and desire to please and accommodate the vast multitude which will be in attend-

The Herald of Chicago, thus describes the great structure now in course of construction, and which will be completed

in ample time: The substructure is of dark gray granite from the Mesaba Heights quarries in Minnesota, the walls rough-hammered finish, with polished columns; the superstructure of smooth-hammered buff Bedford stone from quarries in Indiana. It is ten stories in height, with a square tower 40x71 feet, rising eighty feet above the roof. It has a frontage on Michigan boulevard, Congress street and Wabash avenue of 700 feet, or more than oneeighth of a mile. The value of the ground, which is leased, is \$1,000,000, and the estimated cost of the structure \$2,000,000. The main feature of the building is, of course, the auditorium. Another important feature is a grand hotel of 500 rooms. Five thousand chairs will be arranged in circular rows in the audience-room proper, while by clearing the stage and utilizing the foyer 3,000 additional seats may be provided, giving a total seating capacity of 8,000.

Chicago's enterprise is commendable. While the immense building will be partly used for other purposes, it also guarantees ample room for the convention's use. Four years hence Omaha will engage in a similar enterprise.

On Higher Grounds.

The press of the country is calling for national campaign free from scandal. The Philadelphia Inquire, which made a noble fight for Blaine in 1884, speaking of the campaign against Mr. Cleveland, says:

It did not keep him out of the white house the first time, and is not likely to be tried again, for, whatever may be thought of his political career, his private life at Washington has given rise to no scandal. His campaign will be fought on his public record for the past four years.

Upon this subject and commenting upon the Inquirge's article, the Atlanta Constitution says:

This is properly put by our republican contemporary, and if it echoes the sentiments of the respectable organs of the party, we will have a campaign this time which will be free from the dirty scandal and personal abuse which characterized the last one. The last presidential campaign was a disgrace to both sides and we sincerely trust the then meth ods employed will not be repeated. They cannot possibly injure Mr. Cleveland, nor could the repetition of the scandals against Mr. Blaine effect his political chances.

The above view is formed on the idea that Cleveland and Blaine are to be the standard bearers in the next presidential campaign. In any event the suggestion is one that will commend itself every good citizen, and the watchword should be, "Let the man without sin heave the first boulder."

Bogus Gold Finds.

The arid territory of Arizona has recently been the center of attraction because some imaginary newspaper correspondent found an abundance of gold mines. The travel to Tucson, and on to the mining camps, has almost equalled that to the Black Hills in '76 and Leadville in '78. The gold seekers who have gone to Arizona have found to their sorrow that the reports concerning rich finds had their origin alone in the creative minds of unreliable boomers, and they are now returning poorer but wiser men.

The Potomac river also was reported to be the scene of great finds, and office seekers around Washington rushed to the new Eldorado, only to ascertain that they were dupes of real estate men and speculators, who assessed them for what little ready cash they possessed. Georgia now comes in with her claims, and a special telegram from Nacoochee asserts that English capitalists have purchased large tracts of land which are literally covered with gold. One man who was an "eye witness" is as enthusiastic as Scott's character in Kenilworth who insisted that in the New Eldorado gold grew on trees and was to be had for the gathering.

One account of the Georgia fields says, in speaking of the tract of land purchased by the English syndicate: "The rich character of the deposits has been long known, but several circumstances have hitherto contributed to hinder their being worked in an efficient and systematic manner, the want of a canal and stamp mill being the principal, and it is highly probable these would have been put upon the property some time ago had not the failing health and eventual death of the late owner, interfered with the work.'

Generally speaking, the gold fields discovered are frauds of the first water. and persons who are deceived by the alluring newspaper accounts are not to be pitied. They should know better than to believe every rumor set afloat.

Repair the Sidewalks.

A suit has been commenced against the city to recover \$5,000 damages, alleged to have been received by a gentleman who fell through a hole in the defective sidewalk, corner Burt and Division streets. Other persons have sustained serious injuries by falling through some of the numerous holes in the sidewalks of Omaha, but few of them enter complaint because they think the law relating to the recovery of damages is as defective as the sidewalks. Commenting upon this subject, the Republican says:

Under the convenient law of the city, how ever, in order to recover damages a person must notify the mayor at least five days in advance where he proposes to damage himself.

The old law contained provisions as above stated. The new law provides: No city of the metropolitan class shall be liable for damages arising from defective

streets, alleys, sidewalks, public parks, or other public places within such city, unless actual notice in writing of the accident or injury complained of, with a statement of the when and place where the same occurred shall have been proved to have been given to the mayor within twenty days after the ocand by whom such notice was given, and describing the defect complained of, and at once file the same with the city clerk, who shall report the same to the city council at its

next meeting. The BEE has repeatedly urged the sidewalk inspector to report defective and dangerous sidewalks to the proper officials. He draws a salary for such services, and taxpayers demand that he perform the duties of his office. It is in the interests of both humanity and economy that our sidewalk system be rendered safe.

The B. & M. pay car dropped \$5,000 in Hastings this week. The commissioners of Dundy county

Fremont insists that she is ripe for a union depot. She persists in clinging to the key of the railroad situation, while all her rivals sport modern stemwinders.

other day to help arrest a saloon keeper for selling liquor to a minor. The man of medicine pulled a gun and stood off the crowd for a short time and finally surrendered his person and purse.

Frosty mornings, moderate temperature, cloudless skies, undiminished activity in building trades and rushing holiday business constitutes the teem ing measure of Omaha's happiness and prosperity just now. Such glorious days were never surpassed in any land.

LeMars threatens to bore for oil. The Grand Army post at Humboldt

has dedicated a new hall. Sioux City finances are now on a specie basis and warrant shovers are reaping the harvest.

paring to move on the breweries and drive them out of business. Three gambling houses, twenty-two inmates and a basket of chips have been

captured by the police of Davenport. The jobbers' association of Sioux City have sent a representative to Washing-ton to look after the interests of the

when the parental shingle coaxed a

change of conduct. Sioux City insists that half a million dollars is the proper sum for a public

steps leading to the Valley national bank at Des Moines Monday, discharging a revolver in his hip pocket, which sent a bullet into the calf of his legmaking a severe flesh wound.

Dakota.

Sleighing in Douglas county is reported to be the best known in hive years.

Funds are being raised to construct a Congregational college at Fargo, cost-

Sioux Falls will celebrate the advent

nearly all the alliances show a reduction on machinery of from 20 to 30 per cent .: on twine, from 3 to 7 cents per pound from \$1 to \$3 per ton. Many thousand dollars have been saved by farmers' elevators and warehouses.

Denver shows signs of prosperity in real estate. The sales last week amounted to \$575,667.

William Mitch, a veteran miner and resident of Leadville, was hooted out of town recently for harboring two wives. Emma Abbott has invested \$60,000 in Denver real estate. Her notes are pre-

Omaha, but out here we want the old whig wail reversed. Our folks are getting weary of having to make a 10-cent

America. It is conceded that she parts the ingredients of happiness, prosperity and long life.

Some people, who never go in the county clerk's office, seem to think Auchmoody has has nothing to do but hunt up property for them. Yesterday a party wrote that he and another man who lives in Omaha own property between and give one of four corners as descriptive and inclosed him a stamp for reply, saying he was handy and could do it as well as not. Anchy got mad and wrote him, after giving him the lots and block, as follows: "Thanks for the honor of being handy. If you get all your information as cheap as you get this you will get rich and your heirs will go through your fortune for you. You never will I enclose your stamp, as I do not need it. AUCHMOODY,
Deputy County Clerk."

Dead Men.

James Walton, who has been lying dead at Barrett & Heafy's for several days, has been turned over unclaimed to County Agent

from Mrs. Ritter, of Huntington, Ind. asking for the particulars of the death of her brother, John French, who died here without friends a few days ago, and who was buried in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. She had seen an announcement of his death in the Hes.

BRAVE BOYS WINE AND DINE.

The Annual Banquet of the Loyal Legion.

HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL EVENT.

quently and in a Masterly Man-

The second annual reunion of the Loyal Legion Commandery of the state of Nebraska, was signalized by a banquet at the Millard tast night and a most pleasant and rechere affair it proved to be. The ladies and gentlemen invited assembled early in the evening and were conducted to the main parlors of the hotel, which had been bandsomely lighted and decorated. A cordon of regulars from Fort Omaha were bromisciously distributed at the ladies' entra ce of the hotel and through the principal aiding by their presence the military dignity which the reunion called for. Major J. M. Brown, acted as master of ceremonies.

welcomed the comers as they were intro-9 o'clock the orchestra struck up a grand march and the ladies and gentlemen

filed into the dining room. They were no corded their respective seats at the tables, which were most artistically decorated with which were most arbitically decorated with flowers and trailing arbitus. The bill of fare was a model of typographical neatness, and the excellency of the menu may be judged from the appended: THE MENU.

Sherry. Sauterne. Green Turtle.

Sweet Potatoes. Saddle Elk. Current Jelly, French Peas. Asparagus. F Moet Et Chande Canyas Back Duck. Mallard Duck.

Cream Ices. Marcons. elly. Cres Kisses. Cafe Moir. Cordials. Eau de Pie. Among the guests were: Major J. P. Bake, and wife, Captain J. W. Her, Major T. S. Clarkson and daughter, C. S. Montgomery and two ladies, Lieutenant W. Albercromtre

daughter, Captain A. Allee and wife, Hon. J. C. Cowin and wife, Hon. Alvin Saunders and two ladies, Captain H. E. Palmer and wife, General Wheaton and Miss Gibson, Lieutenant W. L. Wilson and wife, Colonel

After full justice had been done the ele-

After full justice had been done the elegant repast the quartette, comprising Messrs. Young, Brigham, Downing and Riggs, sang very acceptably, "Behold how good it is for Brothers to dwell together in Unity,"

Then Mayor Broatch arose and delivered the address of welcome. It was done in the gentleman's usual select, and pleasant style. He spoke of the commandary being in a flourishing condition, and referred with pride to its members, among whom were some of the best men of the state. His honor welcomed the ladies present, and said he was proud to preside over an assemaid he was proud to preside over an assem-

said he was proud to preside over an assembly graced by so many pretty faces.

Major Clarkson was chosen as toast-master and introduced the different speakers in a social and happy way.

Hon. J. C. Cowin was called upon to respond to the toast, "The President of the United States," and did it so neatly and the states, and the states of the United States, and the states of the states of the United States, and the states of the United States, and the states of th

war, and paid a glowing tribute to the dead and living of that memorable strife. The only reference he made to President Cleveland was that he disagreed with him in politics. The speaker made a side reference sions in a delicate and acceptable manner. The toast of "The Killed and Missing" was

Judge O. P. Mason delivered a flowery and cloquent response to the toast "Abraham Lincoln." It was the gem of the evening and was delivered in the judge's most able and happy manner.

A number of other toasts were responded

terior of Chicago, which is the leading Presbyterian weekly of the church.

The new combination will be called "The a first-class religious newspaper.

This combination means a great deal for Nebraska and the west. It not only gives the Presbyterian church a strong, ably edited paper, but it will bring the west into imme diste prominence by coming in contact through the columns of the consolidated journal with some thirty thousand subscribers and five times as many readers.

The case now commanding the attention of

the United States court is that of Miss Mary Sage vs J. H. Adams, proprietor of the City Steam laundry. While running a mangling machine last August Miss Sage had the misfortune to have her hand caught in the reachine and frightfully crushed and burntso that it had to be amputated just above the wrist. She now sues for \$25,000 damages. Attorneys Ogden and Thurston represent the plaintiff and Cowin, Ritchie and Kasmpfer the defense. the defense.

First Lieutenant Wilson, Eighth infantry, has been relieved from duty as judge advocate of the general court martial convened at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, and Second Lieutenant Mercer, Eighth infantry, has been detalled as judge advocate.

irago, was arrested on Tenth street last evening for shameless action and fighting. During the greater part of the night the foul-est explctives that have floated on the malarial air of the central station for some time came

THE POLICE STOP THEM.

Brennan's Men Driven Away From the City Hall Work. Despite the muddled condition in which

ity hall contract still is, Brennan, to whom the contract was sub-let by Regan Bros., resumed work on the basement again yesterday morning, starting in with four stone cutters, two masons and five laborers. The work commenced at 7:30 a. m and proceeded steadily nearly all day, but none of the city officials learned of it until the afternoon, when City Engineer Tillottson had his attention called to it. He immediately sent word to Chairman Balcombe, who, in company with Tilloitson, repaired to the scene and oriered the work stopped. The workmen meeringly replied that they knew what they dered the work were about, and continued their work. They met all his orders with insolence and defiance, Mr. Balcombe therefore hunted the city over to find Brennan to tell him of the risk he was running if he did not immediately step operations. Mr. Brennan, apparently, was At any rate Mr. Balcombe failed to find him at any of his usual haunts, and he returned again to the site of the city hall to find the workmen as industriously employed as ever. Again he gave official orders to the men to stop work, and was met again with insolence. Warning them that they were laying themselves liable to arrest, he left and hunted up Chief Seavey and entered com-plaint against the men. The patrol wagon and a squad of policemen were sent to the scene, but as soon as the workmen saw the scene, but as soon as the workmen saw the patrol coming, they dropped their tools and donned their coats. The police, being unable to tell who had been at work, could not make any arrests, and returned without any prisoners. Warrants were therefore sworn out for the arrest of the workmen, and their out for the arrest of the workmen, and their names being unknown they were dubbed John Dili, Peter Fill, Hank Mill, Sam Still, Dick Hill, Willy Nilly, et al., and were charged with willfully and muliciously destroying twelve pieces of stone belonging to the city of Omaha. These warrants will be served if the men resume work this morning.

Railroad News.

PREMONT, ELKHORN & M. V. SHOPS. Said a stockman to a BEE reporter yesterday: "Omaha ought to make an attempt to secure the shops of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley road. It would be of a great deal of advantages to her as everybody knows I think there is some move on foot to build more shops somewhere on the line. Anyway Fremont is getting up a subscription for the purpose of inducing the road to locate there what the people think are to be the shops of what the people think are to be the shops of the road. Now the Fremont people are awfully afraid to let Omaha know about it, because they feel that this city's greater wealth would enable you folks to bid higher. But, you'd ought to do it, all the same The reporter, later, saw Mr. Babcock, and

asked: "Where are the shops of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley road?"
"In Missouri Valley."
"Has any mention of their removal been

"Not that I know of."
"Not even to Fremont or Omaha!"
"Not."
"No."
"Why did your road buy so much, land im-

mediately west of the city on the line to the stock yards last summer!" "We had to. We wanted land there and

"We had to. We wanted and there and couldn't get any unless we bought it all." "Will that be used for shop purposes?" "I think not. We'll perhaps make use of it for warehouses. We've got quite a plant in Missouri Valley."

in Missouri Valley."

WENT THROUGH WITH PRESCOTT.

J. O. Prescott, the hustling passenger agent of the Erie railway, piloted into the city yesterday morning two well-filled Pullman sleepers of passengers from points in New Jersey, bound for Southern California. The people passed the day in Omaha, and last night resumed their trip, with Mr. Prescott in charge, over the Union Pacific.

A NEW STANION.

York station on the S. L. & W. division of the Union Pacific, has been formally opened

the Union Pacific, has been formally opened as a reporting station with Silas Buck as

THE ROCK ISLAND PLYER.

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific rail-way company announce that their fast limited train will be run on and after Sunday, the 18th inst. Trains will be made up of elegant new coaches and the latest improved Pullman cars. Train will leave the Union Pacific transfer at 4 o'clock p. m. and arrive at Chicago at 8 o'clock a. m. The west-bound train will leave Chicago at 7:30 p. m. and ar-rive at the Union Pacific transfer at 11:36 a. m. All meals will be served on the dining

cars.

PERSONAL. C. McKenzie, the new ticket agent and cashier of the Union Pacific, has arrived in the city from Chicago. Mr. McKenzie for a number of years was attached to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and is considered a valuable acquisition to the Union Pacific sys-

General Passenger Agent E-stis, of the Burlington, was in Lincoln yesterday com-pleting the time card for the new trains referred to in the BEE. F. S. Capron and O. Vanderpool, traveling passenger agents for the Chicago & Grand Trunk railway, who have been in the city for

a day or two, left yesterday for the east. B. A. Branch, western passenger agent for the Chicago & Atlantic railway, is in the city.

W. M. Babcock, general western agent for the Northwestern, has just returned from the F. V. Garvin and James Gibson, traveling

passenger agents for the Chicago & North-western railway, passed through the city yesterday with a party of excursionists bound for the Pacific coast. Built With Other People's Lumber. Frank Scholl, who lives near Hoagland's lumber yard, has been erecting a number of new outbuildings on his place of late, and yet no loads of lumber were ever seen going to his place. Hougland, on the other hand, has lately been noticing the mysterious disap-pearance of material from his yard constanty. Both enigmas were solved last night when Scholl was caught by Special Police-man Mulhall in the act of carrying away some of Hoagland's lumber. Scholl tried to

locked up with the other thieves arrested last night.

beg off, but the officer was inexorable, and

Degraded Parents. H. C. Daniels and wife left their four little children at home last evening to go on a spree. The pair were found in a beastly state of intoxication on Sixteenth steet and were run in by the police. The little fellows, learning of the arrest of their parents, went to the central police station to see them, and one of the most touching sights witnessed at that place for some time was that of the four children standing in front of the cells crying over the disgrace of their father and mother.

Not a Successful Sneak. The store of S. Arnstein, at 412 South Tenth street, seems to be the special target for sneak thieves. The last gentleman of that craft who paid him a visit is John Charke, who was caught sneaking away with a pair of pants which had been hung outside the store. Officer flaze happened to be but a few feet away when the alarm was raised and after a short chase up the alley he cap

tured the thief. Clarke is an old timer. Worse Than a Wildeat.

A "gentleman caller" at the bagnio of Belle Burton, alias Belle Catlin, spent about \$30 in her house last evening. She then asked him to buy another bottle of wine, and hecause he refused she jumped on him and struck, bit and scratched him like a wildcat He finally managed to release himself from her and fushed into the street. He hunted up a policeman and had Belle run in.

No Licenses Granted. Judge McCulloch announced the remarka-ble fact yesterday that he had not granted any

cation had been made for one. This is considered a very unusual proceeding by Drunk and Disorderly at Ten.

marriage licenses, or that not even an appli-

George Johnson, a depraved youth of ter summers, was arrested last evening for being drunk and disorderly and smashing window and signs. He has been in jail before for a similar offense. He is a fit subject for the

to determine the best manner of conducting their work, and also to devise some system that will conduce to the efficient co-operation of these clubs in state and national politics and the fornation of a national league. The cirular further states that the convention shall not name, recommend, or nominate any candidate for office. Its plain character, as thus defined, is simply that of a congress of republican clubs to devise a plan of more thorough organization and more effective work, and not a convention to boom any candidate for any office. It was of course to be expected that all who may be regarded as candidates would have friends

Endangering a Good Object.

far'to destroy the value of whatever

action the convention shall take on the

specific objects for which it was called,

These, as stated in the circular issued

by the promoters of the movement, are

to consider the propriety of organizing,

in the various states of the union, a

large number of republican clubs, and

but it was also to be supposed that no

considerable number of the friends of

any candidate could be so injudicious as

to attempt to destroy the usefulness of

character and expression favorable to

It appears, however, that the over-

shown a disposition to make a conflict

which may compel the convention

to assume a character foreign to

what was intended, with the in-

evitable effect of neutralizing

to a large extent the results of its delib-

erations and sewing seeds of disaffec-

tion that will bear fruit damaging to

the party. If it be true that the friends

of Mr. Blaine have manifested a dispo-

sition to seize upon everything and thus

virtually commit the convention to him.

the followers of other candidates are

certainly justified in asserting them-

selves, since only by so doing could

they hold the convention to its defined

objects and prevent a perversion of its

character, and it will be fortunate if

they shall succeed in convincing the

prematurely enthusiastic admirers of

the Maine statesman of the suicidal

folly of turning an assembly of republi-

can clubs, called with the distinct un-

derstanding that it should be without

expression regarding any candidates,

into a mass meeting to boom their fav-

orite. The object of the convention is

a good one, and if it shall be kept to its

strict observance most satisfactory re-

sults may reasonably be expected, but

if the convention is perverted to the

service of any individual, in however

remote a degree, the consequences will

be demoralizing and damaging. The

intelligent and thoughtful element of

the republican party will be very likely

to resent all attempts to force any man

Senate Secret Sessions

offered his amendment to the senate

rules providing for the public consider-

ation of nominations and treaties, and

the subject will in due time come on for

discussion. Whether the chances are

better now than they were last winter

for securing the abandonment of the

unrepublican and otherwise objection-

able custom cannot be said with any de-

gree of certainty, but it is possible that

the new senators will be found to take

the popular view against secret sessions.

One strong supporter of this view, Gen-

eral Logan, will be missed from the dis-

cussion, but his clear and strong words

of opposition to the old custom should

not be forgotten, and they certainly

should not be without influence with

There can be very little that is

now added to the discussion this subject

received last winter, and in which the

weight of argument was clearly with

those who advocated the abandonment

of secret sessions. The custom is hos-

tile to the proper republican principle

that all affairs conducted in the name of

the people should be open to the inspec-

tion of the people, and that everything

of the character of star-chamber pro-

their conduct to the people. No good

reason can be given why treaties which

involve the faith, honor, material in-

terests, and perhaps the political in-

tegrity of the nation, should be passed

upon in secret by seventy-six senators,

and equally is there no good rea-

son why persons nominated for

public office should be subjected to

the secret dissection of senators

and confirmed or rejected under a rule

of "courtesy" or for some other no less

trivial consideration. Why should sen-

ators have the right to assail character

and damage reputations without re-

sponsibility? So far as treaties are con-

cerned, they generally get to the public

quite as soon as to the senate.

and a great deal that transpires in secret

sessions regarding nominations leaks

out, but this is not a satisfactory state of

affairs. Having to ferret out, by all sorts

of ingenuity and expedients, the infor-

mation that properly belongs to the

people and should be given them

promptly and fully, is not the sort of

system that can be sanctioned in a re-

publican government. Moreover it

furnishes daily proof that some of the

men who are responsible for maintaining

the custom of concealment are faithless

to their obligation of secresy, an

unpleasant fact that reflects on the eu-

tire senatorial body. In short, the ar-

guments against secret sessions are clear

and conclusive, and every senator who

is in a position to discharge his duty

without fear or favor should vote to do

away with them. It would be a reform

in senate policy that would materially

American Statesmen.

Individual greatness asserts itself. It

seeks and finds opportunity. Colonel

John L. Sullivan scorns to imitate. He

is original in all his speeches. Recently

elevate that body in popular regard.

Another attempt will be made to do

on the party.

his successor.

such candidates.

GEO. B. TZSCHICK.

THERE is all rate war threatened among the railroads. The people can

NEW JERSEY wants a local option law. Jersey lightning would defy a prohib-

DR. McGLYNN and General Booth

NEW YORK has a determined mayor. He has bluntly announced that the city council or he must go. The metropolis would no doubt be wise, if a choice had to be made, to retain her mayor and

THE Omaha Petroleum company, or-

THE population of this country in-

Dublin, and while his science was appreciated, his oratory caused the large audience to howl itself hourse. The gentleman who has made the name of Boston a household word is meeting

with wonderful success in the old world. While it will be impossible to steal

out any d-d man in the crowd."

reciprocated." It is unnecessary to add that such a speech from an American statesman was sufficient to cause the air to be fairly rent with cheers and trumpettongued applause. Europe may appreciate the fact that America has no coast defenses, but when it comes to statesmen to the manner born she enters the

In the Interest of Manufactures.

committee to induce manufacturers to locate in Omaha. The gentlemen selected to perform this duty are well qualified to discharge it judiciously, and all of them having interests in the city rendering them solicitous for its prosperity and progress, it may be safely ex-pected that they will give prompt and zealous attention to the labor devolved on them. There is no time to be lost in the matter. Other cities have similar committees industriously engaged in presenting their claims as manufacturing points. The competition for industrial enterprises is active and growing. Unless Omaha enters the lists at once with carnestness and vigor she is very certain to be the loser by delay. As we have heretofore said a great deal of valuable work should be done during the remaining winter months, and if judicious and thorough away with secret sessions of the United | work shall be done by the board of trade States senate. Mr. Platt has again | committee, assisted as it will be most heartily by the press, it is not to be

The intelligent committee of practical

nature and extent thereof, and of the time currence of such accident or injury; and it is hereby made the duty of the mayor to keep a record of such notice showing time when

STATE AND TERRITORY.

Nebraska Jottings. Seward will soon indulge in electric

are investigating the records. Columbus has a bridge contract on hand and a bunch of unregistered bonds. A Culbertson barber who made a sickly attempt to pomade the town and rub it in, was given twenty-four hours to pack his grip and leave.

The young town of Newport, men women and children, turned out the

Iowa Items.

The prohibs of Linn county are pre-

city. A Des Moines kid of fourteen was about to wed a woman of thirty-two

building in that city and protests against the niggardly sum of \$150,000 named in the bill introduced by Senator Wilson. Lee Wright, of Knoxville, fell on the

of the Illinois Central railroad on the 1st of January. The meeting of the Dakota Farmers' alliance at Huron showed that organization to be in a prosperous condition. The number of alliances is 486 with a membership of 12,000. The number chartered since the last annual meeting was 214. One hundred and sixty semiannual reports were read by the secretary, showing that the direct money saving to the large number of alriances has been from \$300 to \$2,000. Reports from

Colorado.

Glenwood Springs has ordered all Chinamen to quit the town. The Union Pacific company has purchased a large tract of coal land in Routt county.

cious to the struggling boomers of the capital. The Solid Muldoon contributes this bit to the tariff discussion: "Untaxed whisky and war-taxed food and clothing may do for Dodge City, Cheyenne and

mustard plaster do the work of an allwool undershirt." The papers of Denver are working over the whiskered cocoanut that Colorado climate is unexcelled by any in winning hand-a hectic flush-that draws like a funeral procession. To the pulmonics of the east the mountains possess all the charms of a well-stocked graveyard, but for healthy people the palmy air of Nebraska carries in equal

Auchmoody's Reply.

Mahoney for buriel.

The same firm received a letter yesterday

Courageous ex-Soldiers Speak Eloner-A Gathering to Be Long Remembered.

The Banquet.

Shortly after 8 o'clock Prof. Franko and his orchestra took up their positions on the main parlor floor and dispensed some sweet and enchanting music while Mayor Broatch, Mrs. Broatch, Judge and Mrs. Savage, Lieu-tenant and Mrs. Pritchett and Miss Gibson

Oyster, Half Shell. Amontillado. Boiled Red Snapper. Salmon. Lobster Sauce Potatoes Duchess. La Rose St. Julien. Oyster Patties.

Prairie Chicken. Quail on Toast. Game Salad. Pomme de Terre. Vueve Cliquot.

and two ladies, Lieutenant W. Albercromtre and wife, Major Horace Luddington and wife, Captain Frank Moores and lady, Lieutenant W. M. Wright and Miss Effinger, Captain L. S. Ames and Mrs. Mallony, Colonel H. L. Seward, Dr. Brown and wife, Lieutenant N. S. Howard, Major J. W. Paddock and lady, Hon. John M. Thurston and wife, Lieutenant J. B. Furay, Lieutenant W. F. Bechel and wife, Lieutenant E. S. Dudley, Colonel W. P. Hepburn and wife, Captain J. S. France and lady, Colonel C. M. Terrell and wife, Major M. S. Franklin and daughter, Captain A. Allee and wife, Hon. J. J. W. Savago and wife, Captain Thomas Sewell, of Lincoln, and Dr. J. T. Kinsler and

pleasant that everyone present was unanimous in saying that Mr. Cowin could go around a ticklish subject and say something without offending anyone. Mr. Cowin prefaced his remarks by referring to the late

drank standing, Captain Humphrey, who was to respond being unable by sickness to

Judge Savage's response to the toast "The Dawn of Peace" was a clear-cut and masterly address. terly address.

Colonel W. P. Hepburn struck the popular opinion in his reply to the toast of "Loyalty."

Lieutenant J. B. Furry responded to the toast "Sweethearts and Wives" in a happy

to, and at a late hour the joyous company disbanded. The Christian Hour and Interior. A strong combination has just been effected by consolidating the Christian Hour of Omaha and Denver, the representative Presbyterian weekly of the west, with the In-

Interior and Christian Hour," with the main office in Chicago, and edited by the combined editorial staffs of the two papers. The office of the Christian Hour will be continued per-manently in Omaha and Denver and will be the receiving office for all the church news and contributions coming from the territory which it represents. Dr. John Hall, of New Verbs and Care S. C. Hall, of Chesago will York, and Rev. S. C. Hall, of Chicaro, will continue to contribute to the combined pa-per, together with the Rev. J. A. Boyd, of Omaba, who will have the editorial charge of Omaha, who will have the editorial charge of the Omaha office. This gives to the Preshy-terian church a large and influenfial organ, which, with its able corps of editors, led by that veteran editor, Dr. William C. Gray, and a large galaxy of the ablest contributors that can be secured, will provide the large family of readers of the consolidated journal

After Pay For Her Hand.

A Change in Judge Advocates.

Down In the Depths. Mrs. Kohlmeyer, a dirty and blasphemous