THOEBE REMAINS IN HIS SHOP

While Speaker Carliele Retains His Seat in Congress.

NO FURTHER LIGHT ALLOWED.

All the Democrats and Three Republicans Vote Against Reopening the Case For Additional Testimony.

Carliste Wins. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 .- Every member of the house committee on elections was in attendance to resume consideration of the Thoebe-Carlisle contested election case. Mr. Hallam, of Covington, Ky., appeared in behalf of Carlisle, and Mr. Sypher appeared for the contestant. Mr. Hallam said he took the position that a sufficient cause had not been shown for the reopening of the case. The nction of counsel on the other side in presenting affidavits at the last session seemed to show that they concurred in that belief. John A. Goodson, chief of police of Covington, and brother-in-law of Carlisle, denies emphatically that the assertion made by the counsel for contestant that some relative of Carlisle's had approached Wood, formerly Thoebe's counsel for the purpose of influencing him. He states that he is a relative of Carlisle living near Covington and he declares that neither he nor any other person, so far as he is concerned, ever in any manner approached or attempted to approach, Wood or any other person in Mr. Carlisle's behalf. So far as Wood knows the thing was never thought of. Another affidavit by Horace Cameron reporter of the Cincinnati Evening Telegram, was read in which Cameron recites the substance of a conversation with the speaker the day after the election in which the speaker said he did not know whether or not he had been defeated, but if he had been he would feel a sense of personal relief such as he had not experienced in ten years. The affiant further says that he had several conversations with Thoebe, but he had never told him Carlisle admitted he was defeated. "On the contrary. he had told him that he (Thoebe) was de feated. He had never sent an item to his declaring that Caritsle admitted his paper declaring that Carnsie admitted his defeat, but he could not prove this by the files of the paper as they had not been pre-served. Mr. Hallam produced affidavits from many friends of Carlisle and also from occupants of the federal building showing that no such meeting of the speaker's friends had been held as alleged. The custodians of poll books in Boone and Carroll counties manifoldavit that the returns were correct. read an affidavit of Policeman Solar, of Cov-ington, wherein he says that he has several times recently been approached by counsel for Thoebe who asked him to make an affidavit that he had seen Carlisle and Detective Harris entering the office of the State urnal, on the evening after the election. He had been told that it might protect his interest to make such affidavit and that in the event that he was out of employment he could make money by making such an affidait. Mr. Hallam also read the adidavit of charles A. Findley, the notary who took the deposition for the contestant. In this affidahe says Mr. Thoebe told him he did not like to pay any money in the matter, that he did not want to go into it and wanted to get out of it. The labor people had forced him into it, but they had not backed him up as nised. He added that if it had not been r the slurs cast upon himself and Wood, to awould get out of the case. He intended to send his papers to Washington and let Sypher make what he could out of the case, which he xpected would be a good deal.

Mr. Hallam next read the affidavit of

the effect that they had been bought off, he Speaker Carlisle as follows:

J. G. Carlisle says that he has carefully
read the statement contained in the affidavit
of Charles Maundor, filed before the commitsee, and he says that the statements contained in said affidavit, so far as they relate to him (Carlisle), are untrue in every partic-ular. He says that he was not at the office of the Kentucky State Journal in Newport, at any time during the evening of the 3d of November, 1886, nor has he been in said office any time, either during the day or evening nce the congressional election of 1886. Af ant states that he did not go toward the res idence of Hon. A. S. Berry, in a hack or car-fince or otherwise, at any time during the Baid evening. Afflant did not see Detective Harris, of Covington, in Newport or elsewhere at any time during said evening, nor did he attend any meeting or conference at any place, or have any consultation with any-body on said evening, in relation to the con-gressional election in said Sixth congressional istrict or in relation to the result thereof He says that at that time he resided with H. E. Queen, and that he was not outside of Queen's house on the night of November 3. Affiant says that he never attended any meet-ing or conference at any time or place after en's house on the night of November 3 said election to consult about said election or the result thereof or to take any measures to effect the result thereof, in any manner whatever, and that he never knew of any such conference or smeeting upon the part of his friends or supporters, nor did he ever hear of any such con-ference or meeting. He says that he did not write any letters or send any telegrams or messages to any part of the district after the election for the purpose of learning the result or for any other purpose in connection with the electron nor did he request any one else to do so, and if any letters or telegrams or messengers were sent by any one, the afflant had no knowledge of it then and has none now. Afflant says that the statement made in the affidavit of George H. Thoebe that no tickets were printed and distributed bearing the name of John G. Carlisle at the election outside of the cities of Covington and Newport and their adjacent suburbs, and at some few points which could be reached by railroad, is not true. On the contrary, a supply of tickets was printed for each pre-cinct and district, and affiant personally senthem into every county to be used on the day of election, except for the county of Campbell. For that county tickets were left in the hands of the chairman of the county executive committee to be distributed by him. Nor is it true, as stated in the affidavit, that this affiant, on the eve ning of the day succeeding said election, con-ceded to Horaco Cambron that he (this affiant) had been defeated, and that he per-sonally was heartily glad of it. Affiant was not in Covington on the evening of the day succeeding the election, but was there on the morning of that day, at which time he met Cambron and had a short conversation with him. Cambron, when he met affiant, said Governor, you are not beaten, are you! which affant replied that he supposed not but that returns had been received from early a few precincts in the country and showed that a small vote had been polled, and then afflant added that if it should turn out that way it was perhaps a very good thing for him, personally, as he had neglected his private business for ten years and worked faithfully in congress and it was about time he was doing something for himself. Affiant says this is the substance of all the conversation that took place between him and said Cambron. At that time affiant did not know and could not possibly know the result of said election. Affiant says that all statements to the effect that the says that all statements to the effect that the returns from any of the counties in the dis-trict were held back or delayed for four or five days are untrue. On the contrary he says that the poil books and ballot boxes were publicly opened and the votes officially counted and certified on the third day after counted and certined on the ture day after said election in every county in the district, except that in the county of Tremble, they were opened by mistake of the county officers in the presence of the entire beard of canvassers on the second day after the election and officially counted, but that the mistake as to the proper time for the official count was scovered and thereupon they were again aled up and remained so until next day when they were again opened and counted by the board. Mr. Hallam next referred to the statement that Wood, the leading attorney, had been in Carlisle's interest, and that the

intimation was that the bribery had been done by one of Carlisle's relatives. It had also been stated that Wood had told Thœbe

that there was money in it for both of them if they would consent to drop the contest. In

case were few and that it would be comparatively easy for him to get his seat in congress and that the facts developed were sufficient to oust Carlisle. On the contrary he had re-peatedly advised Thoebe that it would be necessary to make diligent exertion in getting evidence and procuring friends, whereas Thoche furnished but \$43, which the labor unions had supplied. It was for this reason that Wood had refused to continue in the case. Affiant pushed the case as rapidly as was possible, taking testimony by day and night; by night to save the time of laboring men. Thoebe himself was not around in the daytime because, as he stated, he was com-pelled to lose time from his work. The testimony taken by afflant appears in the record and he took no more because he was not furnished means to do so; never said any-thing against the employment of Sypher as assistant counsel, but refused to sanction his assumption of the direction of the case, and had finally dropped it after Thoebe had executed a power of attorney giving absolute control of the case to Sypher. Affiant never heard of any county where the signatures to the returns were all in the same handwriting, until long after the taking of the testimony had ceased: never told Thoebe that he could make money by selling to the defendant. He two or three democrats had been overheard wherein they had remarked that the easiest way out of the matter was to buy out the Thoche faction. It was utterly fulse that h had ever said anything on the subject beyond the repetition of gossip, or that he had been approached in that behalf. There had been nothing to hamper Thoube in sending his papers to Washington at any time upon the

ayment of the notary.

Mr. Hallam next produced and read letters sent by Sypher to Lee Crandall, who, he said, acted as a go-between in the correspon dence between Wood, Thoebe and Syphers. In one of the letters Sypher says that he will remain in the case by Wood's consent, but expects to control it when it comes to Washington. In another letter Sypher calls atten-tion to the necessity for providing ways and means for such an expensive contest as this against the speaker, and says that if retained he might enlist some sympathy from his republican friends in the house, but also aid from some of his protestionist friends. Mr. Hallam then closed his case in a brief address.

Mr. Sypher reiterated the statements made by him that the returns of outlying districts had been withheld, and commented on the fact that Carlisle's counsel had not brought orward telegrams sent to those districts. Mr. Heard suggested that it was the duty of the contestant to bring in telegrams, contest ant having the aftirmative of the proposal. Sypher replied that if the case were reopened he would do so. The committee then went into secret session. The first tion put was to postpone fu-consideration of the case, which mo-Wils rejected by a strict party vote of 9 to 6. Then a motion was made to reopen the case. Rowell (republican) asked to be excused from voting, and Cooper (republican) voted with the democrats, so the motion was lost, Another motion was to declare Thoebe en-titled to his seat, and on this vote four republican members were excused from voting. the remainder voting with the democrats against the motion. Then came the final vote affirming Carlisle's right to his seat. All of the democrats voted in favor of this proposition, and with them stood Messra. Cooper, Rowell and Johnson, of Indiana, making the affirmative vote 12. Messrs. Lyman, Houck

and Lodge, republicans, were excused, so there was no negative vote. The position taken by the republicans, who abstained from voting, is that while they are not convinced that Carlisle is not entitled to his seat, it is proper for the committee to reopen and afford opportunity for the pro-of any new evidence that might throw light upon the contest. Under instructions from the committee Committeeman Crisp will report to the house a resolution making Carlisle entitled to his seat.

Wants of the Wool Industry.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.-The wool conference has reached an agreement, which will be formulated at once. It will advocate a return to the tariff of 1867, and a corresponding readjustment of wool and worsted rates. A committee is at work embodying the decision of the conference in the report and the text of a bill to the effect stated, both of which will be submitted to congress at the first opportunity by the committee.

In the resolutions adopted by the conference it is proclaimed that the protection by tariff on the production of wool is demanded by the best interests of all; the American people. The great increase in the clip of American wool, and the slight increase of exportations from 1879 to 1885 is held out as emonstrating the effect of protective industries and in promoting sheep husbandry in in this country. The resolutions declare that reduction in tariff on wool in 1883 was immediately followed by a great decrease in sheep, and this fact gives warning that the abolition of duties would seriously cripple the raising of sheep in this country, which is the third producer in quality among the nations, and would thus increase the price of wool all over the world, while the consequent leclination of sheep would materially affect the supply and price of meat, and to a consid able degree, of all provisions. Congress is requested to immediately pass a joint resolution carrecting the present erroneous classi-fication of worsteds by directing that they be classified as wool cloths. The passage of the Aldrich bill to suppress undervaluations of

After the adoption of the resolutions committee, consisting of Columbus Delano, of Ohio, president of the National Wool Grower's association, William Whitman, of Boston, president of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, and Edward A. Greene, of Philadelphia, president of the Philadelphia Wool Merchants association, was appointed to present congress with a schedule of customs duties adopted by the conference and the convention adjourned sine die. The schedule adopted by the conference is similar, in many respects, to the tariff of 1867. Al! of the classes remain identical with the existing wool tariff, but the rates of duty are increased in many in

Given a Hearing.

imports, is favored.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The committee ap pointed by the Memphis waterway convenion, held in October last, was given a hear ing before the committee on rivers and har bors in the house of representatives to-day The committee represented thirteen states and three territories bordering on the Mis souri river, Ohio and upper and lower Mis sississippi, and is here to urge upon congress the granting of speedy and adequate appro priations for the improvement of western waterways.

ouisiana Democratic Nominees.

BATON ROUGE, La., Jan. 14.-The demo cratic convention re-assembled this after noon. The following nominations were made, completing the ticket: James A. Jeffreys, Rapides, lientenant-govenor; Judge Walter H. Rodgers, Orleans, attorney-general; W. H. Pipes, East Feliciana, treasurer; Joseph Breaux, Iberia, superintendent public education; Leonard F. Mason, Concordia secretary of state, and Stell, the present in cumbent, auditor. The platform indorse Cleveland's administration; to the perpetua on; the perpetuation of the levee system and the placing of free schools on a substan tial basis. It opposes convict labor, and in

She Wants \$20,000 Damages.

Нимволот, Neb., Jan. 13.-А ripple of exitement was caused here by the serving of summons upon the bondsmen of J. H. Ray. heriff of Richardson county, to appear be fore the United States court and answer to the action of Mrs. John Boeck, who claims damages in the amount of \$20,000 by reason f false imprisonment. In January, 1885, Mrs. Beeck was an interested witness i suit before County Judge Coupe, and came so violent that the court ordered the sheriff to put her in jail until she could con-trol herself, which was done. She was left here over night, and upon this she bases her

Two Elections Called.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Jan. 14 .- Specia relegram to the BEE.]-At an adjourned meeting of the council last night it was decided to call a special election for February 29 to vote \$150,000 refunding bonds and anther election, February 21, to vote on grant-ing a street car franchise to S. H. H. Clark

The Death Record.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 24.-Mrs. Anna Cheatham, widow of the late General B. F. reply he read Wood's affidavit declaring that "it is not true, as stated, that Thebe had said the difficulties in his Cheatham, who preceded her as postmaster in this city, died at her residence this morn-

TWENTY-THREE BELOW ZERO. Omaha's Coldest Day of the Winter Season.

A COAL FAMINE IMMINENT.

The Startling Report Sent In to the County Commissioners - Dorsey Houck's Narrow Escape From Death-Other Accidents.

Notes of the Storm. Yesterday was without doubt the coldest day of the winter season in Omaha, and the demoralizing effects of the weather were evinced among the people and in every branch of trade. The usual Saturday throngs on the streets were missing, and the dry goods emporiums, matinees and other places attraction were deserted. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the thermometer registered 10 degrees below zero, 16 below at 6, 20 below at 7:30, and 23 below between 11 o'clock and midnight.

DORSEY HOUCK'S PERIL.

Major Dorsey Houck, the muscular deputy sheriff, had an exciting experience vesterday afternoon. Enveloped in a big storm overcoat, and bundled up in the warm robes of his cutter, he was driving his horse along the road in the vicinity of Thirty-third and Dodge streets, which has been left in a dangcrous and impassible condition by the graders who have been at work there of late. The danger signals, if there be any, are buried out of sight by the immense snow drifts, and the first intimation the major had yesterday that he was riding on the edge of a precipice when his horse and cutter dumped off about twenty feet a big drift of the fleecy. The WAS usually kind and gentle steed at once expressed his displeasure at such treatment by beating a tattoo on the cutter with his hind feet, and the major relieved himself of an oration that was more expressive thon polite. He got out of the wreck with extreme promptness, and while his horse continued to enjoy himself by making kindling wood of the sleigh, warned one more belated traveler just in time to avert another accident of the kind. The horse was next calmed down, and with his dilapidated outfit and his ears and eyes full of snow, Dorsey came to town to tell his friends of his narrow escape from death and destruction.

HAD HIS FINGERS PROZEN. While walking down street yesterday after-noon, Henry Blath, of 310 North Twentyfourth street, had his fingers badly frozen He was taken to Dr. Lee's office where he was put through the rather painful operation of thawing out. Fortunately he will lose none of his fingers.

HIS FINGERS DROPPED OFF. Yesterday morning one of the drivers of An-heuser-Busch Brewing company, John Fried-mann, missed the dummy for the Bluffs and started with a load of beer for that place across the ice on the river. The team was stalled in the snow drifts on the Iowa side and in endeavoring to dig them out Fried mann had his hands, face and nose frozen. Another met him and turned him back to Omaha, Two of his fingers dropped off, and he will lose several more. Manager Walters sent him to St. Joseph's hospital.

HIS HORSE IS POUND. H. B. Irey, who lost his horse while crossing to the Bluffs in the excursion of Thurs day last with Charles White, received a tele gram yesterday morning announcing that the animal had been found in the willows two miles below the city. MONEY FOR THE POOR.

Yesterday afternoon a delegation of young rentlemen walked into the room in the county building set apart for supplies for the poor and informed County Agent Ma-honey that in the office where they were employed \$31.50 had been raised in 50 cent subscriptions among the clerks to be devoted to the poor. The young men were particular not to have their identity made known, and they expressed much anxiety as to the condition of the woman and her babe who had been found in a tent by Mr Ma ney, particulars of which were printed in the BEE. They were told about her and they started for the tent, promising to give the sufferers the largest share of their subscrip tions, and divide the balance among other worthy poor people, the names of whom were furnished them.

ANNOYED BY HER HUSBAND Poor people who are brought in contact with County Agent Mahoney seem to magnify his authority, and not a day passes that he is not appealed to to take a hand in some curious passing events. Yesterday afternoon an old Italian woman living at the corner of Thirty-fifth and Leavenworth streets, who m old Italian wo been receiving assistance for if and her three children from nerself the poor department, rushed up to him and demanded that he should come up to the house and arrest her husband, who had returned to her after an absence of nearly two years. His name is Thomas Bartholdi, and the woman in broken English described him as fat, lazy and cruel. She feared he would kill her and her children, and as a last resort Mr. Mahoney appealed to the police to protect the family from the ravages of the prufal husband and unnatural father.

DEALING OUT RATIONS. There was another illustration of the mis ry, suffering and want prevailing in the cit; at the poor supply department in the county building yesterday. Men, women and chil-dren came in large numbers and there was the usual dealing out of coal, flour, tea, coffee

There was a full followed by momentary excitement in the proceedings of the county commissioners yesterday afternoon, when commissioner Mount arose and informed his associates that Mr. Megath, of the firm of C.B. Havens & Co., who have the contract for furnishing the poo of the county with coal, had something to say. Mr. Megeath told the commissioners say. Mr. Megeath told the commissioners that his company were without the kind of coal furnished by them to the county poor, and asked what he was to do under the cumstances. He added that his firm had plenty of the kind on the road, but could not cell when it would reach Omaha. He also volunteered the startling information that if this weather continued for ten days longer the city would be completely out of soft coal, which would necessarily work great hard ships among the rich as well as the poor. In neswer to questions Mr. Megeath informe the commissioners of the quality of coal h could substitute for that regularly contracted for, and after the adjournment of the board they started for the Havens & Co. yards to make a personal inspection of the kind of coal to be substituted. AMONG THE RAILROADS.

The eastern trains were all late last night and in consequence the Union Pacific and B. & M. passenger trains all left Omaha from one to two hours behind time, the "flyer" on one to two hours behind time, the "flyer" on the Union Pacific being three hours behind the schedule. Two engines were required t handle the train and one of those selected ha its pumps frozen in coming from the Bluffs and another had to be substituted. The special car of Superintendents Dickinson and Blickensderfer was attached to the "flyer. These two officials are going as far west as Laramie City on a tour of inspection. Among the passengers were a party of excursionists from Boston who are enroute to San Diego via San Francisco.

THE BLIZZARD'S WAKE.

An Appalling Loss of Life-Partial List of the Dead. PAUL, Jan. 14.—The loss of life by

the blizzard Thursday is shown to be very great. By far the largest number of casual ities are reported from Dakota points. The following summary made shows the names of those who perished, but dispatches will probably show others: DAKOTA Hitchcock, Emil Gilbertson; Mitchell,

George Allen, Jr., and Joseph Anderson; Minot, James Smith and two sons; Raymond, William Driver's two sons and Charles Heath; Huron, T. E. Gilkeson, Rowland Chambers, Emil Gilman, Thomas and Wiltiam Nelson, and an unknown man; Aber deen, William Love, Judson Westgate Howlde, Mr. Perine, Mr. Rosce, Peter Terhane; Virgil, Frank Niereson, William Niereson, Joseph Wilson: Iriqueis, Mrs. De vine, Adam Gerner, J. W. Goslee; Bark-

ston, W. B. Headley: Delemaine, Mrs. Cora Curtis: Brookings, unknown young man; Claremont, Miss Stineburner, of Amhurst, dead, and three others missing: Watertown, four farmers dead and three missing; Lesterville, two men and two

children, names net known. De Smet-O. E. Stearns, teaching school six miles north of De Smet, with three children were caught in the blizzard and was out in the storm twenty-two hours. The box had his feet frozen solid to the ankles. He walked a mile in this condition and his feet then giving out he crawled half a mile to the house. He will lose both feet. The girl was so chilled that she was unconscious five hours after being found.

Mitchell-Three young men living on Jim river, east of town, are still missing. Huron-Rowland Chambers saved his son by burying him in the snow, but he himself perished. When found they were half a mile from the house, and a large St. Bernard dog was with them. The boy says the dog barked all night and his father velled for heip, and that his father did not die till an hour before the rescuing party reached them The boy is only slightly frozen. A party of

four that started for Lake Byron an hour be fore the storm has not been heard from. GARY-Charles Staltzenberg, of Altamount started to procure a coffin for his dead son and has not been heard from. Two children of Joseph Hutchinson living west of here. perished while going home from school.

Sioux Falls—A lady teacher named Jackson, a pupil named Ginde, G. Grunstrom a farmer, and two others, names not known, were found frozen to death in this section.

Yankton—At Lesterville, Jacob Krulz died from the cold and his wife was badly frozen. Frederick Millberger may die from exposure. Another man, name unknown, is known to have been frozen. Three deaths are reported from Tyndall, Bon Homme county, and two girls near Wakenda, Clay county.
Flandrean—It is reported that a lady school teacher in the northern part of this

county was frozen to death.

Millea—The body of J. W. Gassler, wealthy farmer, who was lost in Thursday's olizzard, was found this morning about two miles from his house Faulkton—Emma Lamar, a school teacher south of here and Carrie Auman, a pupil, were frozen to death Wednesday night.

Doland-Will G. Carthwate, a farmer's son, got lost in the blizzard Thursday going from his father's house to the barn and was found dead in the snow yesterday.

One man was found dead near White lake, two boys and ninety-two head of cattle near Larchwood, Ia., and four school children near Lennox, Dak.

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Huron—A young son of James Newcomb, returning from school, was found frozen. Adam Gerner, of Iroquois, has not been heard from. A passenger train with thirty-five passengers on board was caught fast four miles east of Balaton and the residents of Balaton went to the rescue, with a long rose one man holding it rescue with a long rope, one man holding it against a telegraph pole until the man at the other end had found the next pole. A trainload caught north of Vilas was rescued in a

Hitchcock-Lewis Merriam, aged sixty and his son, living five miles northeast of here, perished in Thursday's storm. Mr Merriam was born near Hartford, Conn. and lived for several years at Dixon, Ill.

MONTANA. Belgrade, William Overman; Marysville atrick Hanley. In Minnesota-Adrian, John Daring; Luverne, John Lay.

Blizzard Work in Gage County. BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 14, - [Special Telegran

to the Beg. |-The saddest occurrence from Thursday's blizzard is the death of Hon John Sparks, a pioneer farmer who lived eight miles south of Beatrice. He started for his home before the storm with a team, but was overcome and froze to death one quarter of a mile from home. The team got home with out the wagon. His body was found yester-

Mr. Sparks had lived here for twenty years and represented Gage county in the lower house of the legislature of 1879, being elected on the anti-monopoly ticket, was always a warm supporter of the BEE, was universally respected and a prominent man in county and township matters.

Ed and Charley Maxwell, who lived in the same neighborhood, were caught in the same storm and became separated. One found a house and escaped injury. The other wan dered around and finally found a hay stack where he spent the night. He managed to crawl to a house near by yesterday morn ing. Different parts of the body were badly frozen and he is now in a critical condition. Lou Clark, the B. & M. brakeman killed at Salem last week, was brought to his home here this night by his wife and will be buried to-day.

The Cold in Otoe County. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Jan. 14.-[Special Pelegram to the BEE. |-The thermometer registered fifteen below all day and last night reached twenty-two. Stock throughout the county is reported suffering and large numbers are frozen. This is the most severe weather in the history of the city.

Dead and Missing. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 14.—The weather to-day has been the coldest of the season, the thermometer being down 18 below. Emil Grossman, of Peru, a farm laborer, was found dead within twenty yards of his house. A lad named Rodm is reported missing near Nebraska City. All trains are delayed.

Died in the Storm. Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 14.- [Special Telegran to the Ber. |-News reached this city to-day of the death of Mrs. P. Smith, a farmer' wife, living near Woodtown, this county was caught in the great storm while re turning home from a neighbor's, and her bod was not found until yesterday.

No Trains Running at Lincoln. Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 14. - [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-At 3 p. m. to-day trains in and out of Lincoln were abandoned on all roads owing to the extreme cold and drifting snows.

The Blockade at Sioux City. Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 14.-[Special Tele gram to the Bee, |—The Sioux City & Pacific railroad is the only one making any attempt as yet to run trains regularly. The Illinois Central and Northwestern roads are totally blocked. The Milwaukee is running to Ma nilla. Trains left on the Nebraska side to day, but after going a short distance returned. It is said that the supply of coal here will not last more than a week and considerable apprehension is felt, as the pros pects for an early raise of the blockade not at all favorable

The Thermometer Rising at Denver. DENVER, Jan. 14.—The thermometer this morning registered 26 below; to-night it is 9 below. As yet stock has not suffered to any extent and if, as anticipated, the cold spell ows over in a day or two the loss will no be greater than usual.

The Blizzard Reaches Texas. GOLDTHWAIT, Tex. Jun. 14 .- A blizzard struck this section suddenly to-day at 1 o'clock, when it became almost dark. The wind suddenly shifted into the north and in two hours the mercary dropped from 60 degrees to 20 degrees. The day opened summer-like. At 6 o'clack to night the thermometer registers 16 degrees. It is snowing hard.

The Courier Journal Strikers. LOUISVILLE, Jan. 14 .- None of the striking printers of the Courier Journal returned to the cases at 10 o'clock this morning. Their places were filled. An hour later President Aimison, of the International Typographical union, called upon President Haldeman, of the paper, and sought a conference, but Mr. Haldeman told him the new men had been put on to stay and the talk ended.

Three Killed By a Locomotive. SHARON, Pa., Jan. 14.—Stephen and Samuel Byer and Joseph Kalep were struck by a New York fast express on the New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio railroad this evening and instantly killed. The men were in buggy when the express struck them. They were all married and leave families;

THE MISGUIDED MR. MILLS.

He Assumes Too Much Importance and Makes Himself Absurd.

MAY PROVE A COSTLY BLUNDER.

Not Unlikely to Lose Him Prestige In the House-A Full Blooded Omaha Distinguishes Himself-Dakota Affairs.

Made a Mistake. WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 1 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.

Neither house of congress was in session o-day, but there were many of its members in their scats and about the committee rooms. There was only one subject of gen eral comment and that was the exhibition made in the house late vesterday afternoon by Chairman Mills of the committee on ways and means. Speaker Carlisle is reported to be considerably bored over the incident The chairman of the committee on ways and means has always been recognized as one of the leaders of the house, the mouth-piece of the speaker and the defender of the administration, should it be on his side politically and an influential man in the majority of the house, but this is the first instance on record where any single member of the house, not excepting the speaker has assumed to control the action of the house on anything and especially to promise that the house would adjourn a day. The republicans regard the blunder Mills made when he acknowledged that he had promised many members to adjourn the house till Monday as but the beginning of a series of blunders which will disrobe him of his prestige and the influence which surrounds him as the chairman of the most important committee of the house. It will be remembered that the prediction that Mills would be made chairman of this committee was discredited by the most of the people was discredited by the most of the people here last summer and fall, on the ground that he was too brash and hot-headed and hasty to be a leader of the house. Many members went to the speaker and asked him not to place Mills at the head of the committee for these reasons, representing to him that the Texan was not a most of sufficient greaters and foresighted. man of sufficient coomess and foresighted ness. If he should make another break like the one yesterday he will surely become the aughing stock of the entire town.

CONDITION OF THE OMAHAS.

At the meeting of the board of Indian commissioners in session here to-day for the pur-pose of advancing the interests of Indian edcation, Thomas Sloan, a full-blooded Omahi ndian, a pupil of the Hampton, Va., school well known in Nebraska, gave a very inter esting history of the rise of his tribe. Mr. Sloan is a magnificent specimen of the Indian. speaks very good English, and his narrative showing how his people were brought from barbarism only thirty years ago through the efforts of missionary work to their present condition of civilization was attentively listened to. He stated that last month the Omahas and Winnebagoes were admitted to full citizenship, and that before casting their vote they resolved not to drink, gamble or take bribes at the polls. Most of the latter, however, had fallen by the wayside, and were in a condition to need mission ary assistance.

DAKOTA MATTERS. Delegate Gifford, of Dakota, told me to-day hat the senate commission on Indian affairs would report unanimously next week in favor of opening the Sioux reservation, which block ades the way to settlement about the Black Hills country, and that there was little doubt that it had received the hearty support not only of the committee once or twice before but of the residents and others con-nected with the administration. Mr. Gifford s a member of the house committee on Indian affairs and has canvassed the subject in that branch of congress and is confident that the bill will be speedily reported and acted upon, when it reacces the house. He believes also that the bill to devide Dakota and providing for the admission of the southern naif to statehood will be passed within a month by thinks that there will b delay in the house committee, as the chair man is committed against it. Ex-Delegate Pettingrew, who is here working the Sloux reservation bill, and the its territory and statehood does not think that the house committee will report the division and statehood bills at all as the majority are afraid that, even though it should be reported with unfavorable recog-nition, the bill as passed by the senate, would be taken up and passed either agains the report of the committee of as a substitute to the one it might report. Inasmuch as there is no politics in the Sioux reservation bill. It is very probable that it will become a law within three months.

PERRY S. HEATH.

Nebraska and lowa Pensions. Washington, Jan. 14.-[Special Telegram to the BEE.]-The following pensions were issued to Nebraskans to-day: Melissa A Roscue, former wife of Jacob Knauber and minor of Jacob Knauber, Republican City; Joseph M. Larrabee, alias Joseph De Labar Omaha; Zackerach Kump, Newport, both soldiers of the Mexican war; Jedediah Clark,

Iowa pensions: Enos C., father of Thomas A. Hills, Volga City; minor of Reuben Showers, Wilton; Mary J., widow of John Morgan, Flaglers; Vinzenzee, widow of George Volnutt, Marion; William M. Gray Shambaugh; James G. Anderson, Bertram Cornelius Rodgers, Tracy; Calvin Briggs, Villisca; George N. Carr, Union; Jacob Neth, Calumus, Reissue—Robert Wampier,

Army News,

Washington, Jan. 14 .- | Special Telegram to the Bge.]-Major Frank T. Bennett, Second cavalry, and Captain Leopold O. Parker. First infantry, are ordered for examination by the army retiring board at San Francisco The leave of absence granted Francis J Salter, Twenty-first infantry, Nobember 22 is further extended three months. William Sapp, of Wilcox, Neb., who has been in Washington for a month past, returns

to his home on Monday. The Fisheries Conference. Washington, Jan. 14.— Special Telegram to the BEE.] -- The fisheries conference re

sumed its session this afternoon. Extirpation of Pleuro-Pneumonia. Washington, Jan. 14.—The senate com mittee on agriculture to-day continued the consideration of how to extirpate pleuropneumonia and kindred diseases among cat tle. The committee had Dr. Palmon, chief of the bureau of animal industry, before them again to question him regarding the work done by the bureau toward stamping out the disease. Hon E.S. Wilson, of the Illinois state live stock board, gave an ac-count of the operations of the state board during the recent epidemic in Illinois. D. W. Smith, of Illinois; A. M. Bowman, Virginia J. H. Sanders, of the Breeders Gazette Smith, of thinds, A. M.
J. H. Sanders, of the Breeders' Gazette.
Chicago, and Dr. Azelames, of Chicago, were
also heard relative to the deficiencies in the
existing law and the necessity of better

A Postoffice Discontinued. Washington, Jan. 14.- [Special Telegram to the BEE. |- The postoffice at Alder Grove, Burt county, Nebraska, was discontinued

means for the cradication of this disease.

Protesting Knights. New York, Jan. 14. - The dissatisfied mem bers of the Knights of Labor of New York and vicinity have followed the example of their brethern of Chicago, Cincinnati and Philadelphia and at a mass meeting Wednesday, appointed a provisional committee against the present management order, committee to-night issued a long manifeste pared in Chicago, giving their reasons for re bellion and calling on locals to join them.

The Ice Palace Completed. ST. PAUL, Jan. 14. - The corner stone of the ice palace was laid to-night. There was a parade of snow shoe and toboggan clubs and speechex by President Thompson, Governor McGill and Mayer Smith.

A BAD BLAZE. BALL TALK OF MIDWINTER The Omaha Pickie and Vinegar Fact

ory Destroyed.

was turned in, calling out the

entire department. The works are situated

in the southern part of the city, about a mile

from No. 3's house, and by the time that

company arrived on the scene the fire had

gained such progress that it was impossible

men worked hard, but the bitter

cold prevented their doing effective work,

and at this hour the entire building is

wrapped in flames and cannot be saved from

THE OAKLAND WRECK.

It Proves More Serious Than at First

Reported.

Oakland, Neb., Jan. 14.—[Special Telegram to the Beg.]—The railroad accident one

mile north of Craig yesterday afternoon

proved to be more disastrous than at first

represented. About 3 o'clock two engines

and two cabooses attached to the rear engine,

with several men, left Oakland to clear the

track. The front one was bucking snow in

the cut and got stuck. The engineer and

fireman alighted to give the other engine the

signal, but were two late, and the rear en-

gine, running about eighteen miles per hour.

engineer and fireman barely escaped by jumping. Both engines and one caboose

were badly crushed. All the men in the first caboose were more or less injured. John

Caller, the fireman, by jumping broke one leg. Conductor Smith's limbs were injured. John Peterson, of Pender, was injured in-ternally, and will probably die. O'Brien, a

section foreman at Emerson, was also hurt internally. John Odlout had one hand badly mashed. Peter Brum, engineer, was injured internally and badly bruised. John Colson,

others escaped with slight bruises. The wounded were taken to Craig on sleds,

and given the best attention possible Nothing has been done toward clearing the

wreck, the storm being too severe. The loss

to the road has not been estimated yet. The blame is probably attached to the conductor

KANSAS CITY TIMES SUED.

Henry E. Dixey Wants Damages For

Evangelist Small's Libel.

Kansas City, Jan. 14.-Friday nigh

Evangelist Sam Small preached a sermon in

which he referred to Henry E. Dixey, the

actor, as a "blackleg gambler who had lost

\$1,500 on dice in San Francisco and then squealed." Dixey, upon reading the above

expression in the Times this morning at once

endeavored to have Small called to account

legally, for what Dixey terms a lie gotten up

by a San Francisco reporter. Finding that

Small could not be well reached under the

laws of Missouri, Dixey filed affidavits

charging the Kansas City Times with crim

inal libel. The papers were served on Dr

Mumford, the editor, this evening, and he

was released on his own recognizance to appear Monday morning. Small has been

Weather Indications.

For Iowa: Colder, followed by warmer

fair weather, brisk to high northwesterly

winds, diminishing in force.
For Dakota: Colder, fair weather, followed by warmer and local snow, light to

A DANGEROUS LETHARGY.

Seme Points For Consideration of the

Board of Trade.

To the Editor of the BEE. To one who will

study the situation, the listless indifference

of our community in its relations to the rail-

roads controlling the in and out-freight rates

upon which we so largely depend, is unac-

countable and simply appalling. In place of

exhibiting that lively sympathy which might

reasonably be expected to exist in efforts to

secure the successful solution of a problem

of such vital importance, we find, with

rare exceptions, a condition of total

apathy and a strongly marked

large majority to cornic any expression of in-terest whatever. A few resolute spirits are

battling for the right; yet, even when backed by the power of a united press, their best efforts fail to arouse the slightest co-operation from those who appear completely lufted in a

false sense of security, and are so unwilling

It is high time for our citizens to arouse

and shake off the lethargy which surrounds them, to investigate the condition of affairs and join in a united demand for the legal con-

trol of those hostile interests which are im

Statistics show our jobbers and manufac

turers to have swollen their sales during the past year to over 70,000,000

the past year to over 70,000,000 of dollars. Examine the freight tariffs as

they stand to-day, and have stood for nearly

a month past. Contrast the enormous ac

vantages they proffer the city of Chicago i its absorption of the traffic of our state, wit

the thoroughness with which our own city of

Omaha is ignored and deprived of ability to

Of the \$70,000,000 in reference, \$45,000,000 is due to the jobbing trade. Let the present rate schedules continue, and will any sane

man contend that the coming year will en-able them to present any such exhibit Rather will they have cause for congratula

tion if they can show at the close of '85 gross sales of one-fifth of that amount. It may be asserted, as an offset to this presentation of

the case, that we are turning our attention to the encouragement and establishment of man-ufacturing establishments and will find com-

pensating advantages in them. Is this is not beginning at the wrong end! How can it be possible to secure their location here, when

very consideration of interest inspired by

business-like investigation of rate compet

tion as compared with other cities will only result in demonstrating to the intelligent operator that he must in justice to himself lo-

tant question to-day before the board of trad-

should be the equalization of freight rates between Omaha and eastern cities, notably

Chicago. Every other effort should sink into

relative insignificance until this great prob-lem is solved. When your coal merchants your lumber dealers and your jobbing trade

criminating freight tariffs, made solely in the

interests of rival business centers, is it the time for real estate, for capital, or in fac-

every local enterprise calling for brains and money, to stand by in stolid indifference? Can they not recognize their interests being

in jeopardy, or must we wait for conviction to reach them until we are forced to look upon a long procession of keen, bright, busi-

ness men moving westward in the pursuit of their calling and deserting a city, no longer

appreciating them at their true value a

prime factors in that city's success! Will there then be found those bold enough in the face of capital thus withdrawn and with

empty warehouses begging for occupancy meeting them at every turn to claim for any other element of Omaha's present prosperity

an ability to secure us from the evils that will necessarily follow! This is no over-drawn picture, but one well worthy the most

the part of those having the best interests o

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

morning will be "Temptation," taken from

Luke iv, 1-13. Mr. William Franklin will

Services will be held at the county jail be-

tween 1 and 2 o'clock this afternoon. Rev.

Mr. Soares will be present and assist in the exercises. All who can are urged to attend

Gospel meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock Gospel meeting this atternoon at 4 o'clock. The orchestra faom the First M. E. Sunday school is expected, and Mr. D. McDonald will sing a solo. The meeting will be addressed by Rev. Mr. Augusto Soares, of the Evangelization society of London, an earnest

and interesting speaker. All are urged to be

lead. All young men cordially invited.

The subject of the bible class at 9:15 this

FAIR PLAY.

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of Lyons, was badly bruised.

and engineer of the rear engine.

went thundering into the other engine.

being no water available.

to check the flames. The

there

utter destruction.

At 3 o'clock this morning a still alarm of No Remarkable Developments Exfire was sent in from the Omaha Pickle and

cept the Ministers' Protest. Vinegar works. No. 3 engine responded. and soon a second general alarm

TALMAGE ON THE PASTIME. The Need of a Change Catcher For the Local Team Urged-Points

About the Players -

Other Sports.

Local Base Ball Gossip. There has been no remarkable developments in the local base ball world during the past week, unless the filing of a protest by the association of Presbyterian ministers against Sunday games can be classed under this head. But there is no call for a discussion of this issue-the ball season is a long way off, and the world may come to an end before it rolls around. However, it might prove interesting reading to know what T DeWitt Talmage, the great Brooklyn divine, thinks of out-door sports. His sermon last Sunday was devoted to this subject and among other good things he said was the following:

The human race want more muscle as well as more brain, and fresh air, and the blue sky, and the hand on helm, or ball, or mallet, or racket does well whether it pulls, or turns, or reaches, or strikes for success. There is no harm in the mere fact that it is a race. The whole human family, so far as it amounts to anything, is engaged in an effort for precedence-merchant in race with merchant, mechanic in race with chanic, professional man in with professional man; and if there were no ambition to excel, life would come down to a flat monotone, and all enterprise would die out, and the world halt on its swift march toward alleviation and betterment. Fast horse, fast bont, fast runner are good things. There is no virtue in driving slowly, or sail-ing slowly, or walking slowly. The most of the things that God manages are character ized by speed. Rapid currents, swift light-nings, and worlds turned hundreds of miles a second. And I do not know where men got the idea that there is sanctity in tardi-ness. A canal boat is certainly no better than an express train. By outdoor exercise the hollow chests of college students are being filled out, and sallow cheeks are made ruddy, and instead of young men beginning life bent over and glastly and timid, as sick people are apt to be, they come on the stage of life with the stride of an athlete and the gleaming eye of a victor. In carefully looking over the Omaha team for next season, it has occurred to the writer

that, as a safeguard against all contingencies another catcher should be engaged. Wilson says Manager Selec is a steady, reliable fellow, one who can go in behind the bat every day in the week, and one who is perfectly willing to. So far as it goes, that is well enough, and it has been conclusively proven by the work of Kid Baldwin, of the Cincinnatis, last summer, and Bushong of the Browns, and Bennett of the Detroits, that the steadier and more continuously a catcher is worked, the better service is gotten out of him. As long as his hands are preserved, and he maintains a healthful physical condition and is worked daily, the better he catches and performs generally. Still there is no guarantee that the best and most indurated catcher in the profession wont be knocked out and crippled up in the very first championship game of the season. Should this happen to Wilson Omaha would be compelled to fall back on Cooncy, who is a light men and incapable of catching well much oftener than every other day, or upon som inexperienced man taken from some other position. Should both regular catchers be incapacitated by sickness or accident for any considerable period at the same time, of course such a misfortune would operate most disastrously upon Omaba's chances for cut ting a conspicuous figure in the championship

This condition of things was casually men tioned to ex-Manager Philbin by the BER man an evening or two since, and while he agreed thoroughly with the argument ad-

vanced, he said:
"But then we have Messitt. He will make a catcher who can take rank with the best of absence of the game and Jantzen one day last summer, and didn't he fill the backstop's position for an entire season, and with great credit to himself and the club, several years ago in one of the minor eastern leagues! Oh yes, I think Messitt is the very man for the position, and I agree with you that he should be at once notified that he will be expected to alternate regularly in this position the coming someon. He must get his hand in, yell know, and all his preliminary practise should be with the view of playing behind the bat." If the ex-manager is correct upon the point of Messitt's ability to fill the position, then Omaha's team roster is complete, and not another man should be engaged, unless

for the purposes of speculation.

But before dropping the subject of catchers and catching, the managements attention is called to the subjoined, received at this

office yesterday evening:
DAVID CITY, Neb., Jan. 12.—Hon. Base
Ball Editor of the Ber.—Dear Sir: Ball Editor of the Bre.—Dear Sir: F. J. Bird has just except a possition at David city he has a magnificent record as ball player boath at and behind the Bat he cought for us and the neighbooring Towns over twenty-five games with but two pass balls oilthough he doant claim to be a catchure he says his faveor ite possitions is at 1st Base and out field there are very few boll players can beate that very bad excuse bad righting.

Yours Respt., MATT THORNE

Can anything be done for Bird, or Mr. The Sporting Life, of Philadelphia, has the following to say in its last issue: "Frank Bandle, the noted Omaha ex-catcher, wants to umpire in some league. He has been so long identified with the national game in Omaha that his record is too well known to need republication. He is reliable, incorruptible, thoroughly competent, and withal a gentlemen of whom any league might proud. He would be an ornament and a val uable addition to an organization, and his friends, who have undertaken to secure his selection, will not cease their efforts in his behalf until those efforts have been crowned with success." The probabilities are that the middle of May will see Bandle regularly installed as a Western association umpire. His recom-mendations and endorsements from both at home and abroad have been of the most pronounced character and the appointing board have expressed the intention of giving him

the very first vacancy.

Flynn, of the old Chicagos, and last man signed by Manager Selee, is one of those rare exceptions where a good pitcher is also a strong and reliable batter. He stood fourth in the formidable Chicago team in '86, and last season his batting average was 351. There is no denying the fact the Omahas for next year, on paper at least, are the sluggers af the new Western association. Soden, one of the celebrated Boston trium-virs, and who wanted Lovett, says he is one

of the swiftest pitchers he ever saw, not even excepting Whitney in his palmiest days. That is saying a great deal for Lovett. Secretary Worley thinks next season will be one of the best ever experienced locally, especially as the Omahas chances for win ning the pennant are second to no other team in the association.

The Omaha club has completed its team and is now resting upon its oars. Prepara-tions for opening the season will be the next thing in order. Healy hasn't signed anywhere yet. Tho

Louisville people are talking of signing him. The series of games between the Omahas and Des Moines will be the most interesting games to be seen here next summer, owing to the rivalry between the two cities. Des Momes is crowing very loud. To Challenge the Winner.

Mr Patsy Fallon, the well known sporting man, last night stated that he would issue a challenge to the winner of the Miller-Weir fight, as he had an unknown whom he was willing to back for from \$500 to \$1,000.

Steamship Arrivals.

OURENSTOWN, Jan. 14 .- [Special Telegram to the Ber 1-Arrived-The Ceitic and Etruria

from New York. New York, Jan. 14. - Arrived -- The Adriatia

from Liverpool. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 14 .-- Arrived The Maryland from London.