## HE PITCHES INTO DR. PECK.

Sensational Charges Against a College Medical Professor.

HINRICHS PREPARES A PAMPHLET.

Poor Patients Said to Be Brutally Treated at lowa's State University -The Foster Murder Trial-Iowa News.

Hinrichs Heard From. WATERLOO, Ia., Feb. 22.-Prof. Gustavus Hinrich, late of the state university, has formulated in pamphlet form most serious charges against that educational institution, which will be presented to the legislature with a request for a thorough and searching investigation. The regency, of whom Prof. Hinrich complains, last year presented themselves to the legislature with a still unexplained deficiency of \$30,000, though they had received \$16,000 more than usual from the state. Prof. Hirrich charges that with the money furnished them to aid higher education the regents supported a lobby for the purpose of re-electing the inner members of their clique. In this they partially succeeded, one man being returned to his old position, though three were replaced by new men, and one of those the man who had created all the trouble in the university. This man was at the time president of the board, and there was some talk of having him impeached because of his talk of having him impeached because of his alleged fraudulent disposal of the free scholarships. The senate ordered that a report be made upon his acts while in office. This was done after some delay, and the report, though far from complete, showed that he had disposed of the scholarships in a manner contrary to the rules and regulations of the body. It is estimated that the financial loss to the institution during Pickard's eigh of the new members of the board of regents sided by the governor, and, though it was merely a technical balancing, enough was discovered so that Pickard feit called upon to suddenly become sick and resign.

D. N. Richardson was made a member of

the board in 1876 through the influence of Dr. Peck, and since then has been most carefully watching out for Peck's interests. In his pamphlet the professor says: "There are many bonds of sympathy between these Richardson takes great interest in medicine and delights in attending Peck clinics. He apparently enjoys himself when the poor patients that come to the State university patients that come to the State university for help on Peck's operating table writhing and groaning under most cruel and tortuous pain, held down by main force of five of the stoutest young men of the medical class. Peck uses his knife before complete insensibility is obtained and uses ether only. What of it that even the professor of materia medica of Peck's own school denounces this practice of sham own school denounces this practice of sham anesthesia! What of it that this is perhaps the only place in modern days where suc barbarous methods are practiced! It suits and pleases the medical regent and his friend the surgeon. To complete the picture, I must add that antiseptic measures have been de-rided by Peck for years and not been used, his main object evidently being to operate. Pain and death deserve no professional atention from him."

Turning to the decline in the attendance at the university, Prof. Hinrich shows that in the three years just passed the number of scholars was decreased 15 per cent. To ac-count for the falling off in the medical department Peck claims that the requirements for graduation are so high that it frightens away many scholars. Henrich says this is manifestly untrue, as many scholars have been allowed to graduate who had never made a study of some of the more important branches. Early in 1886 the senate called for a list of Early in 1856 the senate called for a list of furnished a list of '110 county free scholars. Seven of these names cannot be found on the catalogue for that year, and (Hinrich says) were therefore not in attendance. Allowing his statement to be true, there should have been collected as tuition, \$4,305. Instead of this, but \$2,906 was reported as collected by Pickard.

Again speaking of the medical department, Professor Hinrich says: "It is one man's school. It's boss is Peck. Inquire of the graduates of the Iowa state school who have seen civilized, humane surgeons operate in other schools east and west. They operate in other schools east and west. They speak of it with horror. Such cruel torture should not be allowed to be carried on in the state on its citizens. It should not be done at the expense of the state in its schools. No wonder, therefore, that many a time the patients die in that hospital of the state university, almost as soon as they are operated upon by Peck! Blood poisoning at times seems to be actually inoculated by the surgeon himself. The class in chemistry is small, and no wonder, since their chief chemist finds the rare poison conline where there was nothing of the kind conline where there was nothing of the kind nor any poison whatever, and thus financially ruins a man, brings him and his innocent daughter and an unsuspecting servant girl under the very gallows, and to prevent check and secure their hanging, he destroys both, all the material furnished for examination and also the corpus delecti, which he claims to have extracted. He furthermore conline where there was nothing of the kind which he claims to have extracted. He furthermore swears that conline hydrochloride the poison he claims to have found cannot be preserved, but will change to sal ammoniac even within a day, and that what he claims to have had thereof did so change, all of which is absolutely contrary to fact, as every toxicologist knows. To what extent these men will go may be inferred from the fact that the same person has been sent to an insane asylum of Iowa. The ring not yet having one of their men in control there, the lady was refused admission and returned." In winding up his charge Prof. Hinrich

In winding up his charge Prof. Hinrich appeals to the people of Iowa to do something to save the reputation of their state, and asks whether men shall be put upon the gallows and women in insane asylums, merely because ignorant and mercenary men hold positions, which should be filled by educators of ack nowledged mental caliber.

What Dr. Peck Says. DES MOINES, Feb. 22.-Dr. Peck was in the city and had his attention called to Hinrich's charges. He admitted the use of other as an anæsthetic, believing it was safer than chloroform, but denied the charges of cruetty. He said he did not know why Hinrich had hounded him. He had been one of his best friends, and asked that he be allowed to refriends, and asked that he be allowed to re-main in the medical faculty after he had been deposed. These charges he now makes were presented to the regents some time ago. 'I demanded an investigation and was com-pletely exonerated by it. Dr. Hinrich evi-dently seeks to influence the legislature against the re-election of at least two of the board of regents, whose terms expire this year. It is an attempt to renew the struggle for control of the university, but is not likely to succeed.

A Hair-Raising Horror.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Feb. 22.-[Special Tele grum to the BER. ]-The police are working on a mysterious case reported this afternoon. The only witness in the case is a bright thirteen-year-old girl, a domestic in a family living in the heart of the city. She states that at 3 o'clock, when alone in the house, a stranger called, chloroformed her and cut her fine hair off close to her head. She re-members the stranger handing her a note and for more than hour from that time she was unconscious. When she regained her senses she found herself on the floor in a bed-room at the end of the house with her hair gone. No other violence was attempted.

A Revival at Stoux City. Stoux City, Ia., Feb. 22.—[Special Telegrom to the Ber.]—The Moody and Sankey revival meetings began here to-day. Three meetings were held-morning, afternoon and evening. The evangelists arrived early in the afternoon. The meetings are held in the old skating rink. The rink has a seating capacity of 2,200. The building to-day was packed at all the meetings and hundreds were unable to gain admission. Admission s by ticket. Over two hundred clergymen m neighboring towns are in attendance, ery train is loaded with people who come their the evangelists. There is a choir of

200 voices organized for the occasion. Moody and Sankey are engaged only till to-morrow night, but an effort is being made to have them stay over Sunday.

State Institution Nominces. DES MOINES, la., Feb. 22.-The trustees for state institutions nominated by the democratic caucus were: For the insane hospital at Clarinda, J. D. N. Hamilton, of Fort Madisor, for the term ending 1892 (term of four years;) Ed. H. Hunter, of Adams county, till 1890; for the university, Hon. D. N. Richardson, of Davenport; for the soldiers' orphans home, J. J. Wohlwend, of Burlington; for the institute for the blind, John Killen, of

Clayton county: for the industrial school, Dr. H. L. Getz, of Marshalltown. The joint republican caucus convened at o'clock to nominate trustees and regent for state institutions. Senator Young acted as temporary chairman, and Kolp, clerk of the house, as secretary. The report of the joint republican and democratic committees was adopted with the exception of that part which put a democrat on the agricultural college board from the district in place of college board from the district in place of Paschal, a republican who has resigned. It was voted that a republican should be nominated. The following were the re-publicans nominated for the various posi-tions: For the hospital for the insane at Mount Pleasant, Dr. N. A. Hurst, of Oska-loosa; Dr. J. H. Kulp, of Davenport; to fill vacancy, George Spahr, of Mount Pleasant; hospital for the insane at Clarinda, L. B. Raymond, of Hampton; E. K. Hartsborn, of Emmettsburg; hospital for the insane at Inhospital for the insane at Clarinda, L. B. Raymond, of Hampton; E. K. Hartsborn, of Emmettsburg; hospital for the insane at Independence, Captain W. E. Rosenand, Independence; J. L. Whitely, Osage; Dr. R. R. Dunkelberger, of Bremer county; for state university regents, A. W. Swalim, of Oskaloosa; Thomas S. Wright, of Des Moines; Rev. E. P. Wood, of Mount Ayr. Soldiers' orphans home at Davenport, George B. McClellan, Davenport; J. G. Brown, Marshalltown; institution for the deaf and dumb, Louis Weinstein, of Burlington; college for the blind, C. D. Harrington, of Vinton; institution for feeble minded, Dr. F. M. Schriver; state normal school, Miss Maggie Appleton, Sioux City; Thomas Mitchell, Mitchellville; agricultural college, G. W. Dunnell, of Delaware county; Joseph Dysart, of Tama county; J. S. Clarkson, Des Moines; Eugene Secord and Dr. C. D. Boardman, Sac county; George D. Vanhouten, of Taylor county.

Iowa Congregationalists. GRINNELL, Ia., Feb. 22 .- [Special to the BEE. J-The Congregational churches of Iowa will hold their annual state association meeting at Grinnell, next May, instead of at Davenport as intended, owing to the fact that the latter city has to entertain a large assemblage of United Presbyterian divines on the same date. The Grinnell church will ssue invitations to the churches of Iowa this

The Iowa Legislature. DES MOINES, Feb. 22.-The house railroad committee bill-373-was taken up and considered by sections. The first and second were amended but slightly. The third section, proposing that if any common carrier, subject to the act shall directly or indirier, subject to the act shall directly or indi-rectly charge from any person or persons a greater or less compensation than from any other person or persons, such agent shall be guilty of unlawful discrimination, was amended so as to not prohibit a less rate per hundred in car loads than in less amounts. Section 4 was amended but little. Consider-ation will be continued to-morrow. In the sonate some bills, were introduced In the senate some bills were introduced and after committee reports were heard the senate adjourned in honor of Washington's

Legislative Notes. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 22.-Judge Nours this morning delivered to Gatch for presen tation to the senate a petition asking for the reopening of the International distillery here. signed by 3,835 citizens of Polk county. The committee reported favorably the bill to provide for the reassessment and relevy of special taxes ond assessments; also on th

bill relating to fire districts; the bill to regu-late appropriations of money in the cities of the first class and cities organized under special charters.

Mr. Chapman introduced a bill in the house sleeping car companies doing

Run Over and Killed. gram to the BEE.]-John McGuire, a deaf

and dumb man fifty-five years of age, was run over and killed to-day while walking on the railroad track. The Foster Murder Trial. BEDFORD, Ia., Feb. 22.-[Special Telegram to the BEE. ]-The Foster murder trial commenced to day. The special venire of eighty-seven jurors was exhausted before a jury was procured. The case is exciting great interest on account of the brutality of the

tragedy.

Dr. Grafton Explains. DENVER, Col., Feb. 21 .- To the Editor of the BEE: In reading over your paper of a recent date I noticed an article, "Gone to Denver." As you attempt to use my name in connection with said article, I deem it necessary to make an explanation. You say that "Dr. Powell Reeves has given Omaha the shake," and that he has located in Denver. That does not concern me in the least and I know nothing of it. As you say, "It appears that 'Grafton' and Reeves are one and the same," I beg to inform you that it is a mistake. In the first place my name is not "F. E. Grafton," but F. E. Crafton, I am a regular graduate of Rush Medical college, of Chicago, in the class of 1885, and through the generosity of Dr. Reeves I have located in Denver and opened a private dispensary for the treatment of all diseases as set forth in my numerous "ads." In censuring a man you should "be sure you are right, then go ahead." You have placed me in not an envious position, and by rectifying your very damaging mistake you will not only confer a great favor, but also do an act of justice to a young practitioner starting in the practice of his profession. As for Dr. Reeves' name appearing at the bottom of my "ad." in the Denver Republican, let me say that was a typographical error which has since been sary to make an explanation. You say that the Denver Republican, let me say that was a typographical error which has since been changed. Now, as to my "ad." and that of Dr. Reeves' being so "strikingly similar," that is a natural result, as the "ads." of all specialists have about the same flow of language. Hoping my future prosperity and success may not be injured by the publication of your "mere suspicions," I am,

Very truly yours,

Dr. Frank Everett Crafton.

National Law and Order League. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—The seventh an nual convention of the National Law and Order league opened to-day. The old officers were re-elected. Stirring addresses were were re-elected. Stirring addresses were made by several gentlemen on the aims of the organizations. Prof. Francis Wayland, of Yale college, addressed the convention on temperance legislation. He was followed by Andrew Paxton, founder and superintendent of the citizen's league of Chicago, who said they were determined to make that place a model city. He spoke at length on the work of the league. At the evening session several other speakers were heard.

Washington's Birthday. New York, Feb. 22.-Washington's birth day was pretty generally observed through-out the city to-day. The banks and down town exchanges and business houses were closed. The city departments and courts all shut their doors. Flags were flying from many buildings.

Another Bloody Fight in Arizona. NOGALES, Ariz., Feb. 22.-Another fight be ween Mexican soldiers and Yaqui Indians has occurred, in which ten Indians and two

Fatal Collapse of a Roof.
PESHTIGO, Wis., Feb. 22.—Newton's rink collapsed this afternoon from the heavy weight of snow on the roof. Richard Morey was killed and four other men were injured, two probably fatally.

George Honored By the Greasers. City or Mexico, Feb. 22.-Washington's birthday was generally observed. Flags were flying on the government buildings and foreign legations. There was a reception at the United States legation.

## POLITICS MIXED ENGLISH

Ministerialists Perplexed, Liberal-Unionists Wavering.

COERCION AND NO CONCESSION.

Such is the Motto of the Government Regarding Ireland, Which May Lead to Its Downfall-The Situation.

Position of the Parties. [Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, Feb. 22.—[New York Herald Cable-Special to the BEE. |-The present position of the parties in the house of commons is deserving of special attention. Here are the ministerialists, with a working majority of sixty, which may be increased to a hundred on an emergency, yet they are, I will not say despondent, but perplexed and anxious. The liberal unionists, whose ranks have been thinning ever since this parliament assembled, are much less hopeful than they were and there are some waverers among them who are pretty sure to flop over to Gladstone long before the general election comes. Right on the other hand the Gladstonian allies, though in the minority, are sanguine, jubflant and full of hope and courage. How is this! The explanation gives the key to English politics at the moment. The only ministerial measure which looms large in the public eye is the coercion bill. A second great measure to be produced is the bill for reforming and improving local government in England and Wales, but excluding Ireland. The government, then, to all appearance, adopts as their motto, "Coercion and no concession." Against them stands Gladstone demanding justice for Ireland and perpetual friendship. That is the picture presented to the popular eye, with results which are important now and must exercise a still more important influence upon the future. Sir Robert Peel, in the heyday of his popularity, just after the repeal of the corn laws, was turned out of office on a coercion bill. Gladstone and his disciples fell from power in 1885 through his coercion bill of 1882. Is there no lesson in these things?

Gladstone once said: "Tories are worse than bourbons, for they learn nothing and forget everything." Goschen has declared that Ireland is not fit to have a government and ought not to have it. Since his conversion to torvism he is anxious to make himgelf a living example of the truth of Gladstone's bitter saying.

Observe that in the opinion of many conservatives, no less than of Gladstonians, the policy of coercion and no conces sion endangers the union and threatens to break up the union party. The liberals who voted for conservatives at the last general election are returning to their old party lines. That means, if it goes on, the wholesale defeat of liberal-unionists at the next election and the decline of conservative majorities. If Doncaster and Deptford go Gladstonian, the process will manifestly be in active operation and the government will have to change tactics or go to pieces.

This local government bill is the touchstone of a general upset of all things in Eng land and a cold shoulder for Ireland. Suppose Gladstone brings in a skillfully worded resolution merely affirming the principle that Ireland needs and should have an extension of local government. The liberal-unionists and many conservatives would be in a tight place. They would have to vote the Gladstone resolution or swallow another dose of election pledges.

Seeing this, the ministerialists are in no hurry. They rather like to delay getting rid of the address. Presently money votes will be wanted, the end of Easter will be upon us, and perhaps the dreaded local government bill will be quietly suffocated in its cradle. Gladstone has tried to cut off all chance of this, arging his followers to expedite dispatch of business and make the government show its hand. This advice has not been taken Scotchmen will have their field right, so will the Weish and so will the heroes of Trafalgar Square. The ministry is invincible on these points. Gladstone and Parnell would avoid them and come to blows at close quarter. Their flery English followers will not be restrained. Thus the government is gaining time, that present friend of ministers in difficulties. The Gladstonians might go on debating such questions as Trafalgar square till the day of doom without shaking the ministry. Force out the local government bill and a whole chapter of

accidents has opened. As for general matters, Bradlaugh ha succeened in putting Salisbuey completely in the wrong, and even the Times calls upon the latter to apolo-Bradlaugh always tracks his gize. game with unfaltering scent and generally brings it home on his shoulder. But this is a big bag indeed. Is Saliabury to cry pec cair to the iconoclast! Why, the whole British constitution will be shaken to its foundation. Crape will be put on the pillars of the Carlton club and ashes sprinkled on the doorsteps of Hatfield. If you feel the earth tremble during the next few days, do not mistake the cause. It is not an earthquake, only Salisbury apologizing to Brad-A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT. laugh.

In the Commons. LONDON, Feb. 22 .- The commons to-day negatived the amendment to the address proposing the creation of a tribunal on judicial rents in Scotland. The motion to vote the address was then approved, after which, on a motion that the report on the address be adopted, Labouchere moved to insert in the report a request that the house be informed whether the correspondence with the Italian government bound the government to intervene in event of war between France and Italy. He severely criticized Salisbury's policy.

Ferguson, under foreign secretary, said no engagement had been entered into with Italy or any other power that was not known to parliament.

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Gladstone said that he heard with extreme satisfaction the assurance that this government had conducted a policy of harmony with France. He was perfectly content with the declaration just obtained. He earnestly hoped whatever happened in Europe a unity of sentiment of all parties on a foreign policy would be obtained, thus doubling the moral force of England and immensely increasing her power when constrained to interfere.

W. H. Smith congratulated the house on the tone of Gladstone's speech and said there was not the slightest ground for anything being done to trench upon the existing harmony with France. The amendment was withdrawa.

Why Russians Went Down.

[Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] Berlin, Feb. 22. — [New York Herald Cable-Special to the Baz.]-To-day's panicky feeling in Russian stocks comes as a good deal of the stocks of those who expected Bismarck's speech would usher in the millenium for bourse operators. Prices on all Rus sians fell from one to two points, closing at the weakest figure for the day. The weakness is explained variously by the feeling that Russia's negotiations with Church; ill, giving England special trade facilities in return for English neutrality has failed, but it is more generally

thought to be due to the increased conviction

of rural Germany that Prince William will

be the next emperor, and he is indisposed to

permit furthur massing of Russian troops in Poland. I am assured that strong stocks

show an increase in values. The sale of Russians were made in small lots by small holders. Many selling orders were received from country holders, who demoralized the market by pressing immediate sales regardless of the prices obtained! This is considered a bad sign, as hitherto the certainty that Russia would continue to pay the present high interest until war spmes, has prevailed. Hopes are now felt that the scene of the next Russian war well be too far south to make it probable that Germany will be forced to take a part for

Strange Frenks in Ireland.

DUBLIN, Feb. 22.—A man has been arrested at Coleraine, County Condenderry, who had a quantity of dynamite in his possession. He declares he intended to use the explosive for quarrying purposes, but the police believe that they have caught a conspirator. and that his arrest will lead to important disclosures. The man was subsequently released. He clearly proved the dynamite was designed for blasting purposes.

Rhode Island Prohibition Nominees. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 22.-The prohibitory convention for the nomination of state officers met this morning. The following ticket was nominated: For governor, George W. Gould, of North Providence; lieutenant governor, H. T. Scott, of Newport: attorney general, John T. Blodgett, Providence; gen-eral treasurer, John I. Perry, South Kenyston, who is the present incumbent.

Bulgarian Affairs. LONDON, Feb. 22.-It is stated that Austria

agrees with Russia in holding that Prince

Ferdinand's presence in Bulgaria is illegal but recognized his election to the throne as legal. Italy is said to have declared that she will co-operate with England and Austria in any action they may take in regard to Bul-General Boulanger. Paris, Feb. 22.-General Boulanger will

ssue a protest against the use of his name for election purposes. His friends assert that the nomination of General Boulanger for the chamber deputies is a reactionary manoeuvre intended to discredit him. The Crown Prince Improving.

BERLIN, Feb. 22 .- The crown prince con-

tinued to improve to-day and was able to

speak distinctly. Salisbury Approves the Treaty. London, Feb. 22.—Minister Phelps had a long interview to-day with Lord Salisbury on the subject of the fishery treaty. The premier expressed approval of the document

A Wisconsin B. of A. BALTIMORE, Feb. 22 .- At the annual commencement of Johns-Hopkins university the degree of bachelor of arts was conferred on Charles H. Chapman, of Wisconsin

THE QUESTION OF WAGES. Brick Manufacturers and Contractors

Hold Meetings.
The brick manufacturers' association held meeting last evening at room 439, Paxton block, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The following were chosen: H. Livesey, president; Mr. Collins, ecretary; Mr. Cooper, treasurer; board of trustees, H. Livesey, F. E. Boley, sr., M. Ittner, S. H. Mickel, R. Withnell, J. Collins, and R. Cooper. It was decided also to appoint an arbitration committee to meet with a similar committee to be chosen from the the union of the workmen to settle all difficulties arising in regard to labor. Messrs. A. Kewith, C. C. Bickel, J. P. Thomas, A. Johnson, F. Gould, R. Smith and W. A. Mandis were chosen as that committee. It is hoped that the relations between employer and workmen will be satisfactory the coming

same place in the afternoon, but owing to the smallness of the turnout, decided to hold another meeting on Friday. No business of any importance was transacted.

A Bloody Affray.

When Officer Brady attempted to arrest a couple of drunken Italians last evening they showed fight and a lively scrimmage ensued. The "cop" was getting rather the worst of it, rescue. A vigorous beating with the heavy police clubs soon forced the refractory dagos into submission. The prisoners were horribly disfigured in the conflict, receiving a number of ugly cuts and welts over the head. The eye of one was swelled almost to bursting, while the faces, breast and upper garments of both were spattered with blood. Each one of them lost a shoe in the fray. Both appear on the records as John Doe, although one of them says his name is Francisco Vay.

Failed to Spill Gore. While a couple of darkeys named Patterson and Al Thompson were out on the street together last evening they met Thompson's wife. She had a pocketbook in her hand which Patterson snatched away from her. He said he wanted 10 cents for beer. Thomp-son was displeased with his companion's action and told him to let his wife alone. Patterson replied by striking the woman. This enraged Thompson and a free for all fight ensued, in the heat of which Thompson drew his revolver and fired two or three times at Patterson. None of the bullets took effect. The police, attracted by the shots, came running up to the scene and succeeded in capturing Thompson. Patterson took leg bail and escaped.

A Hogish Creditor. Atlanta Constitution: They tell down east of a poor fellow who owned a remarkably fat hog, and who always awed a rich man. The hog was about all the property the poor debtor had worth levying on, and the law exempted a man's only pig. One day the creditor, meeting the debtor, said: "You need another pig. Let me send you a nice little one. The poor man was aston-ished. "Why, I owe you for the hog I've got now," he stammered. "Never mind, you need another one, and I'll send it," and he did, and the little pig was put in the pen by the side of the fat one. In less than an hour the constable came and attached the fat hog and took it away, and thus the law and the rich man were satisfied.

Raid Upon Christian Saloonkeepers. Boston Globe: offee Turks who are prohibitionists, by order of the Koran, are working to abolish saloons kept by "Christians"! in Constantinople All drinking places within 250 feet from the houses cof Turkish wor-ship have been ordered closed, and the police are enforcingothe decree.

Twenty or more parmers of Fayette county Ohio, are considerably agitated over the claim of Oideon Hill, of Greene county, that he is heir to a half interest in about one thousand acres of the best farm land in that section, which his grandfather owned under a patent granted during the administration of John Quincy Adams.

An interesting legal question has arisen at Owenbook Ky. The other day a colored woman applied at the court house for an injunction to prevent William Lewis from securing a marriage license to wed another girl, and pleaded a prior engagement to herself as the cause of her complaint. The authori-ties decided that they hap no power to

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria When she had Children, she gave them Castoris.

HUMOR OF THE WILD WEST

Some Very Choice Selections Emitted at the Grand.

BILL NYE AND HIS FUNNY FREAKS

The Humorist Delights a Large Audi ence With His Remarkable Stories and Curious Ways-Colonel Visscher's Wind-Up.

The Lecture.

Last night, at the Grand opera house, Custer post, G. A. R., gave another entertainment which attracted the largest lecture audience which has assembled in this city since the night of Bob Ingersoll's appearance. On the south side of the proscenium arch stood the beautiful blue banner of the post, with its familiar picture of General Custer in his last charge. On the other side, resting against the arch stood the stand of colors of the same organization. At 8:30 o'clock the attraction of the even

ing, the gentleman known to fame in the world of laughter, Bill Nye, had not appeared. The stamping of feet and clapping of hands, which had at intervals been indulged in, had failed to conjure him from either subterranean or lateral recesses. Some prophetic souls said in his passage from the hotel, he had struck a cyclone, a counterpart of that which, some years ago, is religiously believed to have broken his leg, and he had been forced to return to his hostelry and call for medical attendance. Acting upon this information a relief committee was despatched to the Paxton, but nothing afterward was heard o their mission. They had scarcely disappeared their mission. They had scarcely disappeared when at an unexpected moment two forms shot into the glare of the footlights and the presence of the audience. The first of these was a heavy-set man whom some of the people called Fred Nye. The next was a tall, thin gentleman, encased in an evening cress. His face was pale, and a pair of glasses rested upon his nose. His head was bald, at least that part of it which somebody once styled the dome of thought. The rest was fringed with sandy

thought. The rest was fringed with sandy locks which had long lost all claim to be styled profuse.

The heavy-set man stood for a moment beside the center table and said it afforded him pleasure to introduce Bill Nye. He then sat down. The audience applauded and Bill Nye came to the front and stood in a semi-section and the profuse that here.

grotesque attitude until the noise had been brought to a close. He relieved his nose of his eye-glasses, looked at the audience for a his eye-glasses, looked at the audience for a moment, and then in a low tone said that he owed them an apology for the delay they had been occasioned. But his "father" was to be blamed for it. The latter had invited him to his house to dine, but the turkey had held out better than the speaker thought it would. His parent had done the carving and he had found that there was some difference in the carving of turkeys. The joints of all turkeys did not seem to be in the same place, and to aid his parent in the work, the jecturer had not seem to be in the same place, and to aid his parent in the work, the lecturer had helped by holding the turkey while it was being carved. Mr. Nye then said he would be brief. There was one thing about him which he liked. He was not very long. [Mr. Nye is about six feet. The audience laughed.] Colonel Will Visscher would fol-low him. The speaker was a plain American low him. The speaker was a plain American citizen, in fact an abnormally plain American citizen, but he would be followed by a still plainer one. [Laughter.] After he had finished he would turn down the lights and then introduce Mr. Visscher. [Another laugh granted this introductory.]

greeted this introductory.]
Mr. Nye then approached his subject by referring to the first steps taken by him when he started out to lecture. It had been sug-gested to him it would be advisable to secure a brass band. The latter could play at the opening and at the close and it was later intimated that it might play all through his effort as an accompani-ment. [Laughter]. Mr. Nye secured a band and had his lecture set to music. They had rehearsed three or four times when the leader went to him with tears in his eyes and said that his lecture interfered with his said that his lecture interfered with his band, especially that part of the band which played on the bass drum. It prevented the artist who manipulated that instrument from playing with his usual skill and expression. [Laughter]. The lecturer discharged the band and hired a man who played the pianoband and hired a man who played the piano-forte. He did not know what piano-forte meant and asked a friend to explain the words, and the latter told him that "piano" meant soft and "forte" meant strong and hoped that he would not air his ignorance on the subject again. Well, he found that his pianist understood the instrument well. He was a friend of the gentlemen and the ladies, and the lecturer found that when his planist was among the girls he was too piano, and when among the men he was 2:40.

[Laughter.]
Mr. Nye accordingly abandoned the planist

and was prevailed upon to write a lecture on pugilism. It was a subject which was now pugilism. It was a subject which was now interesting the American people. Friends told him to secure a professor of pugilism, get a few lessons from him and he could then travel about the country and give illustrations of his subject. [Laughter]. It would be entertaining and the American people would be glad to see him knocked out. [Laughter]. Look at Sullivan, Colonel Sullivan, his friends said to him, He had started out a poor man. He had no friends, no money. Nobody to rely on, nobody to present in wife. [Laughter] He had no friends, no money. Nobedy to rely on, nobody to practice on—except his wife. [Laughter]. With his bare hands he had fought his way to the front. The lecturer said he would leave that out when Sullivan returned. [Laughter]. If he would take a few lessons in boxing he could travel through the country and give a scrapping match after fifteen minutes lecture. Well, Mr. Nye agreed to try and give a scrapping match after fifteen minutes lecture. Well, Mr. Nye agreed to hire a pugilist. He did hire him and went to his room. He still remembered going to his room. [Laughter]. The professor brought out a pair of boxing gloves. Boxing gloves were a species of upholstered mittens with an abnormal thumb. [Laughter]. They were tied with a string around the wrist so that your adversary could not get a glove were tied with a string around the wrist so that your adversary could not get a glove into his lung and choke himself. [Laughter]. He put on the gloves. He shook hands with the professor. He still remembered that he had shaken bands. [Laughter]. "Profes-sor," remarked Mr. Nye, "I am a busy man. I have some business to attend to. I want to sor," remarked Mr. Nye," and a busy man, I have some business to attend to. I want to get back to the effice as soon as possible. I have not 'time to make any of those fancy movements that I see you making. He said 'all right.' At the same time I called his atfention to a hornet on the wall—an old fashioned embroidered hornet of the baseburning variety, and while his attention was directed at the hornet, I dealt him a blow which I knew would have been fatal—if he had been there: [Laughter.] He was some other place. '[Laughter.] I hit nothing in that room except the atmosphere. [Laughter.] 'Professor.' I said, 'I'll hire you to travel with me but with the condition that you will be there. '[Laughter.] Well, I watched his right arm. But I didn't watch his left. I didn't knew he was left handed. [Laughter.] I heard something explode in my right ear.

didn't knew he was left handed. [Laughter.] I heard something explosion in my left ear. Then I heard an explosion in my left ear. Then I concluded to fall back—on my shoulder blade, and found I had a knob on my head and didn't know whether to wear my hat on my head or on the knob." [Laughter.]

Mr. Nye then told of his intimate acquaintance with a cyclone and the treatment which he had received which he despised; how te had been found hanging to a tree with one of his suspenders and another man had been found suspended with another one of them. [Laughter] He had learned something about cyclones—to find out where the center was and go away from there to watch the barometer—but the cork had gotten out of his barometer. He had also heard of the wonderful effects of cyclones, one of which was the blowing of soft substances through hard ones, such, for instance, as angle worms through grind-stones without hurting either the stone or worms. [Laughter] A friend through grind stones without hurting either the stone or worms. [Laughter] A friend had told of a well which had been sucked dry not withstanding that a milch cow stood near. [Laughter] He had also been told of a baby who was in a bath tub. The cyclone drew the child out through the pipe of the bath tub, and the baby was found five miles away and uninjured; but the baby was a much larger one when it was picked up. [Laughter]. The cyclone had blown down churches and schools, but ignored the saloons, and then went out into the woods and broke his leg. [Rosrs]. Cyclones always visited the young and the fair—the good, the true

and the beautiful. [Laughter.] The lecturer then told of the fence boards which were placed about his leg when it was being attended by the surgeons, and then travelled off to North Carolina and gave a short sketch of the cow, the hog and the yailer dog which thrived there. The hogs seemed to him to be not productive of profit. They impressed him as having been built for speed. They were suggestive of toothpicks and when they laid down in the clay they had to be pulled out of it. The natives down there held that hogs were of no use to them, unless they could run faster than a nigger. [Laughter]. For that reason they admitted they had failed in raising hogs like those of Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska, [Laughter]. He then turned his attention to the contemplative cow, the consumptive butter with black right wader its value when were He then turned his attention to the contemplative ccw, the consumptive butter with black rings under its eyes, but which was really stronger than it looked. [Laughter]. He also spoke of the yailer dog, and described one which he had adopted after judicious inactivity, and his experience in running a paper to fill a long-felt want had made him poor enough to adopt one. The dog had an appetite which was ungovernable. He would eat for two or three weeks and then go to Nye's cabin and regret it. [Laughter.] The dog got going to the cabin when he felt like regretting anything, and Nye got to throwing things at him, pick-handles and other things so that the dog disappeared. A search resulted in finding him masticating a lariat, the end of which was attached to an iron ring in a stake in the masticating a lariat, the end of which was attached to an iron ring in a stake in the
ground. There was a motion made to reconsider, but the motion was lost, and
the dog was given what he had eaten. The
rest was cut off. [Laughter.] The same
animal attacked a dose of plaster of paris.
He ate it. The lecturer could see after the
dog had eaten he felt sorry for it. [Laughter.]
If he had to do it over again he wouldn't do If he had to do it over again he wouldn't do it. [Laughter.] The lecturer took him home, watched him, and that night the dog died. "I have now in my studio a plaster cast of Etomology [the dog's name.] It is an interior view taken by himself. [Laughter.] He had bitten off more than he could chew.

with the small boy who had rung his door bell and in the attempt to punish him which resulted in a fight with a congressman; his experience in milking a cow which had outgrown, being a yearling, and closed with a happy anecdote which convulsed the house. During the talk Mr. Nye never smiled. He was as solemn as if he had been chief mourner at "Entomolgy's" funeral.

He introduced Will Visscher, who entersized the auditors with a couple of harmy

lecturer then detailed his experience

rained the audience with a couple of happy retorts upon Mr. Nye's reference to himself, and a series of dialect sketches which kept the audience in excellent humor. Entertained by the Press Club. Bill Nye and Colonel William H. Vissche were tendered an informal reception by the Press club yesterday afternoon. A large number of the members were present, together with many invited guests. Mr. Nye and Colonel Visscher, accompanied by the president of the club, arrived shortly after 3 o'clock. A half hour of time was spent in conviviality before President Gregory called the assemblage to order. Mr. Gregory made a few remarks and then introduced Colonel Visscher. The gallant "Kaintuckian" re-sponded, and for at least fifteen minutes kept the party in an uproar of laughter. His re-marks were to the point, and his "wind-up" story was one of the funniest on record.

Mr. Nye was then introduced. Following

is a verbatim report of his remarks: I came here with the understanding that there was to be no speaking business at all, otherwise I don't know whether I would have come or not, and I have prepared myself in this way that I have brought my father with the understanding that he was to make a speech. Colonel Visscher has backed out, but I think he will speak again after I get through. I will tell a story incidentally of the Kentuckian who went to visit Daniel Boone, if I am not mistaken, showing the Boone, if I am not mistaken, showing the hospitality of the southerner. He said, "I hospitality of the southerner. He said, "I teil you I never found a man who had a bigger heart, in the world. When I went into his house he immediately brought out the demijohn and pulled out the cob, and," he says, "by thunder he just went and looked out of the window while I took my drink." I want to take this occasion to thank the gentlemen of the press, and especially of this club for their kind reception. of this club for their kind reception, I appreciate it most sincerely. It brings to my mind the time when I first passed through Omaha in the spring of '76 (I hope this is not being taken down—referring to the stenographer) I passed through as a second class passenger, I remember how I felt about it the members of the press club did not come To meet me. I don't believe they had heard about it. I had forgetten to telegraph the To meet me. I don't believe they had heard about it. I had forgetten to telegraph the fact. But is very gratifying indeed to be so kindly received now. I regard the press (this is a piece that I heard once) as a powerful engine [laughter] of destruction. I even wonder what some of our prominent men would have amounted to without the press. Take a man like me or Lydia Pinkham. I believe I have nothing further to say, and will leave Colonel Visscher to speak the closing piece. I thank you again most earnestly and sincerely.

Several other gentlemen entertained the party, and it was nearly six o'clock before the gathering broke up. the gathering broke up.

OPENING SHOOTING SEASON. Interesting Matches on the Club Grounds Yesterday.

Taking advantage of the pleasant weather the gunners were all down on the Omaha club grounds yesterday afternoon, when some interesting team shoots took place, The first event on the afternoon card was 25 blue rocks, 18 yards rise, for the price of the birds and shells. The score:
Munroe....10011 11101 11110 11101 11011—19
Townsend ...00101 11011 11011 11111 11111—20
Miller.....00101 11101 11101 11111 11111—20
Thompson...10110 11111 11111 11101 11111—22

Billings......0.0 6 1 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 

dicts that there will be more powder burned here during the coming summer than was ever consumed in any two previous seasons. Large flocks of pintails, interspersed with small bunches of canvasbacks, were seen fly-ing up the river last evening, and the next few days will witness many outgoing hunting parties.

parties.

A bunch of geese, the first of the season, were received at Penrose & Hardin's yesterday from up the Platte. The birds have arrived in considerable numbers in the vicinity of Gothenburg, Cozad and Brady's Island.

Mr. J. M. Woods, of Millard, Dak., presented H. A. Penrose with a handsome, thoroughbred water spaniel yesterday.

Harry Flaxman, a clever pottery vorker in Providence undertook the eat of making an entire tea set of fortyfour pieces in seven and a half minutes. He began his task in the passence of a large audience. The pliable clay was manipulated with deft and skillful fingers, and twelve cups and saucers adorned the board in short order. Then twelve plates were piled upon each other, and then four large plates, a tea-pot, a sugar-bowl and two other vessels sprung up, all shapely and almost per-fectly formed. When the last piece had been finished the hands on the majority of the watches indicated the lapse of eight minutes from the time of

HIS FLIGHT WAS IN VAIN

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SHE TRACED HIM TO THE COAST.

Pathetic Story of a Ruined Life-The

Old Missouri on a Rampage-Stone Masons Preparing to Fight.

A Sensation Revived.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22 .- [Special Telegram to the Bek. ]-A sensational Kansas City scandal of three years ago was revived to-day by the receipt of the following telegram from Los Angeles, Cal.: "A sensational suit has been filed here as a sequel to a big scandal in Kansas City three years ago. At that time Miss Francis Dyke, a young woman well known in upper social circles, sued George A. Van Every, a prominent middleaged business man, for seduction and breach of promise of marriage and to compel him to maintain her child. While the case was pending the defendant disappeared and came to the coast, followed soon by his brothers, wellknown real estate men. Miss Dyke determined to follow Van Every and finally located him at Santa Moria living in fine style. The result was the renewal of legal proceedings here in a suit of \$20,000 for breach of ings here in a suit of \$20,000 for breach of promise." The statement that Miss Dyke moved in high society circles is a mistake. She was the daughter of a farmer residing near Springfield and became acquainted with Van Every while waiting on the table at a boarding house in Springfield. She came here to be confined and her child was stillborn. Van Every tried to settle with her, paying her \$300 or \$400 down and promising to pay \$500 more. This he failed to do and suit was commenced. He made his escape to California where he

This he failed to do and suit was commenced. He made his escape to California where he has been followed by Miss Dyke, who swears she will kill him. Her Kansas City attorneys have served notice on various parties here that they will commence the taking of depositions to-morrow, when the old story will be revived. Blacklisted Him. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-Edward L. Randall filed suit in the circuit court to day against the Chicago & Rock Island railroad company for \$25,000 damages. Randall says he was employed by the Rock Island road as a telegraph operator. On July 1, 1886, he was discharged

and his name placed on a list kept by all the railroads that he was an incompetent and unworthy operator. On account of this black-listing he has been unable to obtain employment on other railroads. Will Fight the Union. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22 .- [Special Telegrrm to the BEE.] The Master Stone Masons' association held a second meeting to-day to consider the eight hour question. The committee appointed by the association to see

the architects and material men reported

that they had been successful with both, and

and the association now thinks that the strikers will not be able to get a contract. The Cut Stone Dealers' association also held a meeting to-day and decided to combine with the master stone masons against the union. Last year the stone masons would not handle stone that was not cut by union stone cutters and the stone dealers, by taking action with the master masons, will thus The Missouri's Rise at Kawville.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE. |-The Missouri river is pooming. It registered this morning 15 feet 88 inches above low water mark and is still rising. The island opposite the mouth of the Kaw is fast submerging. The Knw is up to the high water mark of last fall and is rising at the rate of 3 feet in forty-eight hours.

Preparing For a G. A. R. Encampment. Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 22.—[Special Telegram to the Ber.]—Fifty delegates from G. A. R. posts in Missouri, Kansas and Illinois met here to-day for the purpose of organizing for the purpose of purchasing camping grounds and erecting suitable buildings for the annual and other encampments of the G. A. R. After effecting a temporary organ-ization the meeting adjourned to meet at Trenton, Mo., March 13.

The Association Reorganized. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22 .- [Special Tele gram to the BRE.]-The Colorado and Utah association was to-day reorganized at the meeting and will hereafter be known as the Colorado railroad association. When the inter-state commerce law went into effect the old asociation began to go to pieces and this reorganization is the result. H. L. Rich was elected chairman with headquarters at Denver. Kausas and Colorado rates were Deriver. Kansas and Colorado Faces were adjusted. Little change was made, however, except at junction points. The following round trip excursion rates from Kansas City were fixed: Denver and Pueblo, \$25; Salt Lake City and Ogden, \$47.50.

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Dexter L. Thomas has a new 10-room residence with all conveninces at cor. 32d and Harney, for rent.

Will Reynolds and Ed Hoskins, at Chattanooga, got into a difficulty over -Miss Maud Davis, who was receiving the attentions of both young men. Rey-nolds ynlled his pistol and attempted to shoot Hoskins in the head, but the wea-pen failed to go off until Reynolds drop-ped his hand at the side, when the pis-tol was discharged, the ball entering his leg producing a serious wound.

A short time ago a New your evening paper offered a prize for the best story written by a grammer school pupil. The prize was allotted to a story entitled "Rag-bo's Christmrs." The publishers have since discovered that the story was written by the well-known author, Margaret Eytinge, and was published several years ago. There is an abund-ance of enterprise in the American boy.

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