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AVERAGE DAILY CIRCULATION IN 1880

The New York exchange has just elected a Wilson Bull for president. For all that the bears will often run the Bull in the market.

The Van Pelt Manufacturing company starts up its works this week for business, and expects to paint the town red—or any other color in a very short time.

The boldness and cruelty of Mexican train robbers will deter timid excursionists from taking a pleasure trip through Mexico this summer unless a galling gun is mounted on every car.

SOME enterprising publisher ought to immediately publish in book form the funny things said by funny congressmen. The past few days have proven that there are more Bill Noyes and Mark Twains in congress than out of it.

WHENEVER English politicians want to touch British pride they bring in alarming statements about the wretched condition of the army. That is the only way to make the sovereigns come out of the breeches pockets of John Bull.

MELVILLE W. FULLER has been endorsed for the office of chief justice by two such staunch republicans as Judge Gresham and Walker Blaine. But it would seem that Senator Edmunds is not reading letters of endorsement this year.

THERE never was a state university that did not somehow mix up professors, politics and bad blood. The Iowa state university is no exception to the rule. An investigation is now in progress which makes a mountain out of a mole hill and interferes with the educational work of the college.

GENERAL GREELY is about to put in use self-registering thermometers to give indications on the street of the official temperature of the local signal service office. This looks like a monopoly on the temperature against which every unofficial thermometer in the land will bubble over with indignation.

THERE is perhaps no other city in the country where public improvements, when undertaken, are pushed less vigorously than in Omaha. "Take it easy" seems to be the motto of everybody connected with the branch of the municipal government having control of public improvements.

THERE is a good deal of residence building being done in Omaha, much of it of a superior kind, but the need of cheap houses is still felt, the demand for residences at a moderate rental exceeding the supply. Capital invested in houses suitable for persons of small income would be found very profitable in Omaha for many years to come.

ON the authority of ex-Senator Booth of California, it is stated that the republicans of that state are confident of sweeping everything before them in the November election, no difference who the presidential nominee may be. The democrats have tricked the people once too often on the Chinese question for the voters to pin any faith on democratic promises in the future.

THE last weekly report of the Cincinnati Price Current rolls up the "hog majority" for 1888 in favor of Omaha to suit the expectations of the most expecting packer. In comparison with last year, 48,000 more hogs were slaughtered from March 1 to May 9, 1888, than for the corresponding period of 1887. Whereas, Kansas City killed only 290,000 in 1888, as compared with 288,000 in 1887, a loss of just 48,000.

FAIRBURY, the county seat of Jefferson county, and one of the principal cities near the southern boundary of the state, wants direct railroad communication with Omaha. The eagerness of this enterprising little city to trade with the metropolis of the state is shared by every town in the tier of counties made tributary to St. Joe and Kansas City by the St. Joe and Grand Island railroad. A bee line from Omaha through Jefferson county would place Omaha in direct relation with the rich farming districts of that part of the state, and it is to be hoped that the Rock Island will build the prospective bee soon.

Cleveland's Convention.

Two weeks from to-day the national democratic convention will meet in St. Louis to go through the formality of renominating Mr. Cleveland, selecting a candidate for the vice presidency, and announcing a platform. Rarely has there been a national convention of either political party whose work was so entirely forestalled as is that to be done by the democratic convention of this year. That body will be entirely dominated by the wishes of one man. It will not dare to do anything that is not known to be agreeable to him. There will be no voice raised to question his absolute autocracy. He will himself be renominated with a noisy expression of enthusiasm. His associate on the ticket will undoubtedly be the man for whom he shall indicate a preference. The platform will sound his praises, and will be made to accord with what is understood to be his policy. In a word, the eight hundred representatives of democracy who will meet at St. Louis on the fifth of June will be as so many puppets in the hands of Grover Cleveland. It is an anomalous position for the old democratic party to occupy, and one that must cause the veteran warriors in its ranks a keen sense of chagrin and humiliation. Nevertheless they will doubtless fall into line and hurrah as lustily as the newer actors on the political stage. Democrats of the north will see their brethren of the south, for whom the president has shown especial favor, again asserting their right to rule, and they will acquiesce without a question. It would seem that a party which has thus become the mere instrument of an individual, which is compelled to put itself in accord with the will and wishes of one man, ought not to have much chance of success. It is a confession of degeneracy and weakness which it would seem must lead thousands of voters to lose confidence in the party. Never before in the history of the party has it shown such complete submission to one-man domination. Even Andrew Jackson held no such absolute and unquestioned sway as does Grover Cleveland. Then, however, the democratic party had strong and great men in its ranks. To-day it has none, else Mr. Cleveland would not be necessary to it and in a position to absolutely control it.

It was the duty of the executive department of the government to proceed promptly with the work necessary to carry out the law providing for the opening of the Sioux reservation. Thus far, however, nothing has been done, and information from the reservation is to the effect that the fullest advantage is being taken of the delay by those who are opposed to the cession. The white men who are interested in having the reservation remain as it is are reported to be very busy sowing among the Indians the seeds of dissension and dissatisfaction, and are meeting with some success. Certain of the chiefs, also, who are unwilling to surrender a part of their domain, are working hard to strengthen the opposition. The most influential among the Sioux are understood to approve the project, but it is not safe to trust too much to this. Indian assurances are entitled to only a limited degree of confidence, and to be certain of them it is well to have them in such form that they cannot be affected by a subsequent change of mind. A great many people are anxiously awaiting the time when the reservation will be declared opened. It is highly probable that within a year after this is done every acre subject to white settlement will be taken up. The extension of railroads through the reservation is also contemplated and will doubtless be begun as soon as it is assured that this territory will be opened. It ought to be the policy of the government to reach this result with the least possible delay, and as the work to be done is comparatively simple its postponement is unnecessary and unwise.

Unnecessary Delay.

It is announced from New York that the Pennsylvania railroad company is about to run a through train from Jersey City to San Francisco. The statement may be somewhat premature, but it is not unlikely that within the next twelve months an arrangement will be perfected whereby a continuous and a rapid journey from the Atlantic to the Pacific will be assured. The vestibule train has marked a new era in railroad travel which alleviates the discomfort of a long trip, and is just suited to make the transcontinental run from New York to San Francisco without change.

The Damage to Business.

Members of congress are receiving letters from their constituents stating that their business is suffering by reason of the uncertainty regarding revenue legislation, and urging them to prompt action. Our Washington correspondent has furnished a sample of one of these letters, in which the writer says that he will be compelled to shut down his factory unless the tariff question is soon settled in congress, one way or another. He is receiving no orders and doesn't expect any until his customers know what the tariff on imported articles in his line is going to be next fall. Undoubtedly there are hundreds of manufacturers in the country similarly situated. While members of congress are using up days and weeks in the platitudes of tariff discussion, these business men are keeping open their establishments at a loss, and at the season of the year when they should be in active operation. Nor does the damage fall alone on the manufacturers. All departments of business to which the tariff has any relation experience the ill effects of the uncertainty, and labor employed in manufacturing has to bear its share of loss. Congressmen generally seem to be entirely oblivious to the business interests of the country in a matter of this kind. In the struggle for political advantage the material welfare of the people is lost sight of. Even now, after a month of discussion in the house, it seems probable that at least another month must pass before the country will know what is likely to be done with the tariff bill. Both parties are figuring for an advantage, and it is almost certain that there will be further delays before a vote is reached. Meantime business is checked, and both manufacturers and labor are losing money. There is certainly no sufficient excuse for this state of affairs, for which the politicians in congress alone are responsible. A vote on the tariff bill might just as well have been taken in the house two weeks ago, so far as the effect of the discussion has been in changing party lines. It is safe to say that all the wordy controversy has not won or lost a vote for either side, and whatever may be done hereafter will be

equally ineffective. The duty of the house is to bring the bill to a vote without further delay, so that the business of the country may know what its chances are and be governed accordingly.

The situation in trade circles during last week was decidedly quiet. The unseasonable weather retarded business in many sections of the country. A glance at the bank clearings of eastern cities is a fair index of the unfavorable condition of trade generally. In Nebraska the outlook was better than the average. The winter wheat plant has been benefited by the recent rains, although the corn planting in the northern counties has been somewhat retarded. The markets have ruled stronger owing to the reports of a short wheat crop. At Chicago, quotations have been advanced three and one-eighth cents per bushel and local prices were firm. Corn began moving more freely from interior points to Chicago, where a syndicate of speculators is holding up the market, and advanced one-half cent per bushel within the week. The rise in wheat and corn is likely to hold out at least to the end of the present month.

ADVICES from Colorado report extraordinary activity in the mining operations of that state. The activity is not confined to any particular portion of the state, but embraces it all. Old mines that have lain idle for years are again being worked, and generally with the most satisfactory results. Equally favorable information comes from Montana, and indeed the mining country generally appears to be realizing something of a boom. In view of the fact that under the law foreign capital is excluded from this sort of investment in the territories, it would seem that home capital is being embarked more freely in mining enterprises.

THE recent out on pig iron of 82 a ton causes an unsettled feeling and dullness in the pig iron industry. Pennsylvania iron barons found that West Virginia and Ohio could undersell them in the market. To crowd this competition into a corner, the Pennsylvania firms made the above cut in the ruling prices. In consequence of this reduction the pig iron industry of West Virginia and Ohio is handicapped. If protection is held up as the national policy, it would be as consistent for West Virginia and Ohio to protest against the competition of Pennsylvania, as the latter state protests against the competition of foreign ores.

OLINCOLN formally opened to the public Sunday, Garfield park, a beautiful spot of ground in the southwest part of that city. In a few days Cushman park, containing ninety acres, will be dedicated in the same city. But Omaha has been talking and planning boulevards and parks for the past two years, and has elaborate ideas where they shall be located—all on paper. As the years slip by, it will become painfully evident that every city and town in Nebraska will be beautified, while Omaha will still be talking and appointing committees to locate her parks and public pleasure grounds.

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advance agency that only he can fill. There is more rot printed about the Nebraska delegation or aggregation than any other in the country."

Hon. C. H. Van Wyck was on hand at the republican state convention with a full set of anti-monopoly resolutions, but the noble old Roman was hooted down. Charles H. Van Wyck represented a New York district in congress for eight years; was a member of the Nebraska constitutional convention in 1875; served in the state senate for three terms and was a United States senator from Nebraska for six years, yet he is figuratively spat upon in a state convention of his own party. Why? Because he is with the people and opposed to corporations and monopolies, says the Ord Democrat quite pointedly.

The Seward Report cannot stand it all. It says: The B. & M. candidate, C. J. Greene, secured an election to the national republican convention from the First district last Thursday. The First district republicans are a queer lot. Four years ago they sent Church Howe to the national convention, following that move with the nomination of the same gentleman for congress, which resulted in the election of the first democratic congressman from Nebraska. Not profling by that experience, they have now elected a prominent railroad man and lobbyist to the national convention, and will probably nominate him or some other weak man to lead the party to defeat in the congressional campaign this fall. The republicans of the First district make us tired.

"Some of the democrats," says the Promoter Tribune, "are smiling very audibly over the appointment of Grover Cleveland by the republican state convention at Omaha. The papers published the resolutions adopted, and in them appears a paragraph commending the president for his action in vetoing certain classes of pension bills. Now that the democrats have enjoyed a good laugh over the matter, they will be sorry to learn that this whole paragraph was a base forgery. There was no such thing in the resolutions as the election of Cleveland. Some smart newspaper or Money democrat has imposed upon the reporters for the Omaha papers and run in a cold deck on them. It being late when they were adopted by the convention, the forgery was not detected until they were printed next morning."

Under the head "Genuine Gall," the Farmers' Review thus speaks of ex-Senator Fuller, of the late and unlamented legislature: "A case of genuine chancery was exhibited by Senator Fuller when he accepted a proxy to the state republican convention at Omaha, after being defeated by the republican county convention as a delegate to the same convention by an overwhelming majority. We had always believed there was honor among all classes of men, but since this action of Senator Robbins we have lost faith in the above saying to such an extent that we are obliged to accept as true the verdict of a republican of Valley county whom we heard remark that Robbins had rather earn \$5.00 unmanly than to earn \$10.00 manly. When Robbins was defeated by the convention of Valley county as delegate to the state convention by an enormous majority, it was not intended in the face of such an opposition that he should accept a proxy and represent a party who declared by their vote, 'We do not want Robbins to represent us in the convention.' When we can look upon these facts as the republican voters of Valley county do otherwise than pronounce Senator Robbins' action as genuine gall!"

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Kansas City has a habit of scooping in any manufacturing enterprise which it finds knocking around this western country.

His Fate Assured. Minneapolis Tribune. The emperor of China is learning to play polo with the same ease as those days. Minister Dillon will come back with the Chinese crown dangling at his belt.

Mason's Wit. Congressional Record. The brigadiers ring the caucus bell; The dough-faces cry for shame, 'I'll not be bossed by the brigadiers,' But he gets there just the same.

STATE NOTICES. Nebraska. The Sioux county Republican is the title of a new paper published at Harrison.

Sixteen farmers in Richardson county will build each a \$2,000 dwelling this season. The Saunders County Leader is the name of a new paper published at Ashland by W. A. Koethly.

The editor of the Ashland Gazette mourns the death of his sorrel mare, Jennie. Peace be to her soul.

Haddock's Express, Beatrice, issued a finely illustrated edition, last week, really a very creditable thing.

The late cold and wet weather, says the biologic press from all parts of the state, has killed the chick bug.

The citizens of Superior now demand that the B. & M. keep its fingers out of certain suits now pending in the courts.

Judge John H. Sneider, the patriarch of Oakland, Iowa, from the 10th inst. He had lived four months and one year.

Glanders is prevailing to some extent near Republican City. Farmers are becoming very cautious in their dealings with the disease. Falls City wants the outside world to distinctly understand that it intends to celebrate the nation's birthday in a fitting manner.

Wymore celebrated her twenty-first birthday yesterday. Governor Thayer and staff and other prominent men of the state were there.

McCook is all excitement over the location of a machine shop which they now say is settled fact. Everybody there has gone into the real estate business.

Measles and whooping cough are doing sad work in several towns in southeastern Nebraska. A number of deaths are reported in northern Nebraska and southern Iowa from other diseases.

A large number of the railroad boys who have withdrawn their honor for the past year or two, have gone out to the front, and will probably spend the summer between Glenrock and Fort Casper.

The officials of the Ord Driving Park association are making great preparations for the second annual meeting, which occurs May 31 and June 1, on the valley county fair grounds near town. A number of good horses will be on hand.

Thursday, the 31st inst., a special election will be held in and for Beatrice school district in the city of Beatrice, to be held upon the question of issuing bonds in the amount of \$2,000 at 6 per cent for the purpose of purchasing two school sites and erecting a school thereon.

Henry Cross, of York county, a wealthy and prominent citizen, aged seventy-four years, died on the 18th inst. He arose on the morning of his death, usual healthy, ate a hearty breakfast and seated himself to read, falling from his chair dead at 10 o'clock.

Paralysis of the heart, said the doctor. The county claims a population of a thousand, an increase of eight hundred since the year began. Although Thomas county is in the "sand hills," the claim is well founded, as the people who are going to ranch a few hundred head of cattle Thomas is recommended as a region worthy of investigation.

The body of O. H. Martin, of Oelrichs, who drowned in White river near the mouth of the 8th inst., has not yet been recovered, though incessant search has been made since that day by Mr. Martin, the friends of the deceased, and his friends and friends. The recent heavy rains have materially retarded the search.

The Central City Nonpareil has cut loose from the time of the parade with a snake and the two-headed calf and recites its readers with realistic descriptions of four-legged chickens instead. Such enterprises on the part of the Nonpareil are to be deprecated upon the management, but sheds a halo of glory upon the entire profession as a whole.

Two railroads at Talmage recently locked themselves in a room on the second floor of Washburn's restaurant and proceeded to settle an old grudge. They fought to a finish for the first time in the history of the world, and the newly converted prohibition town is evidently finding a rocky road to travel, as the parties to the fight were both heavily drunk.

The Ponca Journal says: If the former coal experiences and explorations in this vicinity are to be relied on, the drilling now being done will show that there is a vein of good coal at a depth of less than 60 feet. If they find it, the sun of prosperity will beam upon this town. In the meanwhile, we will go down and get all their breaths and hope for success.

Says the Beatrice Republican: "A preliminary hearing was had before Judge Engle on Monday in the contest case against Mayor Kretschmer. There were fifteen counts in plaintiff's petition, one of which was held to be a ground for action. The hearing of the case will take place on Wednesday. The defendant is represented by Pemberton and Griggs & Rinker."

W. K. Flynn, says the Press, Nebraska City, is reported missing. He left his home in Hendricks precinct, Otoe county, drawing \$500 from the First National bank at Syracuse, Mo., the 11th inst., intending to purchase a team of horses. He took the B. & M. Wednesday morning, it is said, homeward bound, but he has failed to reach there and his friends fear that he has been robbed and, possibly, murdered. Mr. Flynn was a prominent democratic politician of Otoe county.

"The editor of the Madison Chronicle," says the Grand Island News, "has written as a defender of helpless females. In the dead hour of a recent night he was awakened from his innocent slumber by the piercing shriek of a woman in distress. He immediately grabbed his rusty gun and started for the door. He was thrilled to meet a neighbor who had also heard the clamorous notes of the shriek and was accompanied by several other non-murderers anywhere. The editor expressed it as his opinion that the first time he got up in the morning he would find a clear over into the city."

Iowa. A volunteer fire company will be organized at Ashton. The married men of Storm Lake have organized a base ball club. The LeMars jockey club will have their June races on the 6th and 7th inst. Snake shooting is the principal occupation of the local sports at Everly.

Rev. J. Hogarth Lorier is announced to lecture in Little Sioux June 1 and 2. LeMars boasts a song and dance team. The annual meeting of the Grand Island Agricultural Society will be held at LeMars, Iowa, commencing June 26 and closing July 3. The services of an evangelist will be dispensed with and the work will be done under the leadership of the presiding elder.

Beginning with Freda and ending with Onawa, the towns along the Maple river division of the Northwestern have 1,000,000 bushels of wheat, and the country is covered with a total of 2,000,000 more. When it is considered that this immense quantity for this season of the year is in a strip eighty miles long and ten miles wide, it is a fair measure of the wealth of northwestern Iowa that can be formed.

RAILROAD NEWS. The "Q" Strike.—Hit With a Brick—Two Accidents—General Items. The local committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, who have been in Chicago for two or three days, have returned. The only business done was the receiving of reports from division points along the line of the road and a general discussion of the policy to be used in the future.

In regard to the former it was learned from the "Q" who was present that at no time during the progress of the strike had the engineers cause to feel so confident of ultimate success as at present. For instance, the committee from St. Joseph, Mo., report that two engineers, two firemen and two switchmen were discharged by the Burlington company at that point last week. From Galena, Mo., comes the report that ten scab engineers quit work voluntarily during the same period. Three have shook the dust from their coats, two from their feet, one being discharged, the other two quitting. At several other points along the line instances are reported where the engineers and firemen have quit and believe that some 90 per cent of those cases were that they could not work day and night, and Sundays in the bargain, for the wages paid.

The question of boycotting the "Q" by refusing to handle its cars was not mentioned, the engineers expressing themselves as not willing to injure the business of individuals who live at points along the line of the road, and who cannot ship over lines other than that of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy. The committee are confident of success and do not believe that any radical measures are necessary. The "Q" business is fast depreciating notwithstanding their declarations to the contrary. For example, the fast freight train from the west to the Pacific Junction to South Omaha, which usually carries from thirty to thirty-five and sometimes even more cars of stock, this morning had only one car, and it is believed that the number could be shown, but it is unnecessary.

Since the strike was declared forty-eight engines have been laid up at various points along the line for repairs, and yet—Everything is running smoothly."

THOMAS FISHER, engineer on passenger train No. 5, while passing a high bank about two miles below Gibson Sunday, was struck in the head by a pebble about the size of a walnut, which made a slight abrasion of the scalp. He pulled his train into the depot, took his lunch and went home to bed.

With the manifest tendency to magnify every little thing as a matter of importance on the Burlington system yesterday was ready to assert that his skull was fractured and his collar-bone broken. Fisher will take his run as usual.

GREENE GETS HIS WORK IN. Charles Greene did not secure an election as delegate to the Chicago convention for north Iowa. The vote was secured by the B. & M. yesterday that the delegation from Nebraska would travel over the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, leaving Omaha on the morning of June 15.

General Freight Agent Miller of the Burlington who has been in the city with a broken leg, is out again, but on crutches.

A. C. Geimer, ticket agent of the B. & M. at Lincoln, was in Omaha Sunday.

J. G. Quinn, traveling passenger agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, was in the city Sunday.

J. A. Munroe, general freight agent of the Union Pacific, accompanied by his wife, left for Chicago on Monday.

All the roads in the country excepting those in the Transcontinental and the Kansas City systems, are endeavoring to reduce rates to the music teacher's national association at Chicago, July 3, at one and one-third fare for the round trip.

The Northern Pacific road claims to want fifty or sixty more engines and 1,000 freight cars to transact its business.

The Santa Fe and Rock Island have entered into an agreement by which the former is to operate the passenger service on the latter's line between Lincoln and Afton.

An excursion of 175 from California eastward will pass through Omaha on Wednesday of the B. & M.

G. M. Cummings, general manager of the Chicago & Grand Island, is in the city.

The St. Joseph Gazette is authority for the statement that on Saturday last an engineer running from Lincoln to Afton, a distance of 146 miles used up five engines.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Preparations For Its Observance On a Grand Scale. The arrangements for the observance of Memorial Day are progressing in a remarkably gratifying manner, and from the present outlook the demonstration will be the grandest ever given in Omaha.

The memorial committee, organized on the 1st of last evening and many reports of committees were heard. The chairman of the finance committee stated that large subscriptions had already been made and that there would be an abundance of funds to properly carry out the elaborate programme for the observance of the day.

The committee on music stated that six brass bands had been engaged for the day, and also a double quartette would furnish the vocal music in conjunction with the Concordia musical society. The chairman of the committee on refreshments announced that acceptances had been received from nearly all the civic organizations in the city, and that the parade will undoubtedly be the grandest and largest ever seen in Omaha.

The committee on flowers stated that many promises of donations had been received. The committee on refreshments stated that all flowers to be sent to the city council chamber on the afternoon of May 29. The entire committee will meet again Monday evening.

HAD A STOLEN HORSE.

That is Why W. Koker Was Arrested Yesterday. An innocent looking young man named W. Koker is suffering the ignominy of being a prisoner at the central station on the grave charge of horse stealing. The horse in dispute is a bay, with a white blaze on his face, county, Iowa, and he says that it was taken from his barn last September. He was in Omaha yesterday and happened to see Koker driving down the street with the horse, and immediately caused his arrest. Koker was greatly astonished when he found himself in the city jail, and he says that he had no way to get out of it.

He says that he traded a mule for the horse from a man named Bradkin last Saturday, and he knows nothing whatever of the horse's whereabouts since that day. His story is corroborated by Byron Reed, who held a mortgage on the horse while it was in Bradkin's possession, and has since been paid. Upon being asked where the horse was traded, a policeman will probably interview Mr. Bradkin as to how the horse came in his possession.

Broke Both Jugs.

A citizen from Iowa who is weary of drinking aqua pura and who had determined to provide for harvest time by purchasing a quantity of the liquid which drives away sorrow and cares snake bites, arrived in Omaha Saturday night and after partaking of a hearty meal started out and bought two gallon jugs and a quart bottle of sour mash and retired to his room. Once there he sampled the bottle and saw that it was good. Then he tried one jug and that was all that was left of it. He says that he proved that that also was good. But there was a difference somewhere and he determined to discover it as a curiosity.

The man who had bought the jugs, until asleep overtook him and he dropped into repose no nearer a decision than when he started out. Upon waking up he found his jugs broken and he says that he will not drink any more of it.

For the Fourth.

Representatives of eighteen of the labor organizations met at Twelfth and Farnam streets last evening for the purpose of making the preliminary arrangements for the celebration of the Fourth of July. The movement was enthusiastically endorsed, and it was resolved to try and eclipse the celebration of last year. It was decided that a call be made upon the business men of the city for subscriptions to the celebration, and that \$5,000 be expended for the celebration of the day.

The programme will be similar to that of last year. Invitations will be sent out to all parts of the city, and all the labor organizations to participate. The following committees were appointed: Executive committee—Julius Meyer, chairman; F. J. McArthur, secretary; J. W. Wigham, treasurer; Thomas Vick Roy, M. T. Black, James Allen, Richard O'Keefe, invitation—F. J. McArthur, chairman; W. Wood, secretary; P. A. Soxman, John M. Keen, S. Blake.

A joint committee of the Omaha Republican club and the state central committee held a meeting last evening and appointed W. L. Seelye, Frank C. Johnson and O. H. Wheeler as a committee to go to Chicago to arrange for the Nebraska headquarters in that city for the national convention. Arrangements have been made to convey the Omahans who desire to be there during the convention, and a special train will leave from the Omaha side, and if sufficient names can be procured two trains will be dispatched. Herbert T. Leavitt, chairman of the committee, says the names of those desiring to go with the party.

An Insane Immigrant. Ole Rasmussen, Dane juke from Copenhagen, while stopping over here last evening, was discovered to be insane, or at least a man of very great eccentricities. It was thought unsafe to leave him at large and accordingly he was taken to the central station last evening.

Mistaken Identity.

The arrest of Frank H. Kretschmer, who was charged with stealing a pair of pants from Jacob Block's store on Sixteenth street, proved to be