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Yesterday, Saturday, we made a great drive on our Overcoat stock, and offered 676 fine Over oats at a price never before heard of in Omaha. The sale was more than satisfactory to the Two Orphans, and the sale being so great leaves the stock so broken that there remain only a few of each style, and any one who can fit themselves with an Overcoat left from the great sale can have one until they are all sold regardless of value for

3 Days---Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday,

On these three days we shall also close our line of Winter Underwear, as they are broken in sizes from the great and rushing trade we have been having, and our buyer in the east has purchased a fresh line, and they are now on the way, and will be sold on arrival, as usual, at 10 per cent profit,

16th and Douglas Streets.

S. L. ANDREWS, Agent are 11 styles of them, all broken sizes, but the perform the lot will get a \$10 Over coat for \$3.85. are 11 styles of them, all broken sizes, but the person who gets fitted

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Governor Thayer Interviewed On the Thurston Petition.

WHY HE DECLINED TO SIGN IT.

The Union Pacific Round House Fire -Business In the District Court-The Norfolk Insane Asylum.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMAHA BER, 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, Dec. 1.

Meeting the governor to-day. THE BEE representative said to him: "As the circulation of the petition asking the president elect to make John M. Thurston secretary of the interior has excited a great deal of interest and curiosity, I ask your reasons for declining to sign the same."

"Certainly," replied the governor, "no ob jection whatever to giving them. The first reason was, that it seemed indelicate to be urging the president to appoint anyone to his cabinet; he ought to be left entirely free to make his own selections unsolicited or urged by any one, because they are his immediate associates and constitutional advisers, and he knows better than any one else whom he would like to have as such as sociates. The second reason was, that I did not feel at all certain that Mr. Thurston was cognizant of, or that he "desired this move ment to be made in his behalf. He was absent at that time in Boston, and I could not communicate with him. The third reason was, the president would not, and consistently could not, select any gentleman, who is chief attorney of the Union Pacific railroad, to be secretary of the interior, be cause as such secretary that person would have almost direct control of the relations existing between the government and the Union Pacific and Central Pacific -railroads. The Pacific railroad bureau, the whole busi ness of which is with those two roads, is under the immediate supervision of the sec retary of the interior. To transfer the at torney of one of those roads to the position of head of the interior department would be a blunder worse than a crime, and I tainly could not ask the president to do act which would give a black eye to his whole administration. The petition must have been started without reflection as it consequences. The same feeling that governs an attorney, who, when trans ferred to the bench, refuses to preside on the trial of a cause in which be has been employed as the attorney on either one side or Cases are continually arisin with the above named railroads which would require decisions from the secretary of the interior. It would be very inconvenient for a secretary to be compelled to decline to act in such case because of his former connection with the road. Such a state of things would prevent the selection of one who had thus been the attorney of one of those rail-roads. There was no personal feeling whatever that influenced me. There is none friendly relations existing between Thurston and myself so far as I know. not now believe he authorized or sanctioned the circulation of that petition in his behalf." ANOTHER DESTRUCTIVE BLAZE. The fire alarm was turned on again this

morning about 1 o'clock, but too late to save the Union Pacific round-house, discovered to be on fire at that hour. The building was a solid sheet of flame when the fire engine arrived at the scene, and the two streams of water turned upon the devasting element made little or no impression whatever. The building was doomed, and before 3 o'clock it was completely reduced to ashes. Nothing was left but smoking embers. It is rare that a fire makes so clean a sweep. An engine onging to the Grand Island railroad com pany was badly damaged. This was the "rolling" property injured. The fire is supposed to have originated from sparks from a stove that was in the building, or by spon-

LINCOLN NEWS AND NOTES. taneous combustion. There was a great deal of waste matter in the building, and it is said to have been full of heat, caused by chemical action. The round-house was a contrivance not worth more than \$500. but the engine was probably damaged beyond repair, and the loss in consequence will be quite heavy.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT. Judge Fields disposed of a number of motions this morning. In the case of Humph-rey Bros. and John Doolittle vs Harry Dur fee, motions to confirm sales and order deeds were granted. The motion of J. H. Mc Murtry vs The Insurance Company of Da kota, to discharge attachment and garnishment was argued and submitted, but decision is still pending. In the case of Catherine B. Moore and Mary Moore (minors), a motion to correct an erropeous discription of land was sustained. The error was made by the referee in the matter of the estate of James B. Moore. The suit of the Quincy National bank vs John K. Barn et al, was de-

cided in favor of the plaintiff, and a judg-ment entered for \$2,827.80 and costs.

The following cases are docketed for trial Monday: First National bank vs Fitzgerald, Barnes vs Bohanan, Tobin vs Traver, Plummer, Perry & Co. vs C., B. & Q. R. R. Co. Benndom vs Sheedy, Child vs Stewart, Bur vs Lamaster, Capital Steam laundry vs Rob erts, Porr & Fuller vs Doggett, Trester vs M. P. Ry Co., May vs Barnes, Randall vs

Ida Sageser vs John H. Sageser is the title of a divorce suit docketed for trial to-day. The petition alleges cruel treatment, shameful abuse and failure to support, provide for and maintain. The marriage contract was entered into eight years ago. A girl, seven years of age, is the issue of the marriage and plaintiff also prays for his care and custody. There are said to be about one hun-fred divorce suits on the docket for this term It looks as though court was dissolving the bans as fast as the county court can declare them.
DR. KELLY ON THE NORFOLK ASYLUM.

Dr. Kelly, superintendent of the Norfolk insane asyjum, was in Lincoln to-day, and while here submitted his first biennial report to the board of public lands and buildings During a short talk with the superintendent The Ban representative gleaned a few points of general interest to the public. To the "How many patients are you now reating!" he answered

"We are treating 116 patients, and of the females. When the asylum opened ninety even patients were transferred to us the Lincoln asylum. But 14 persons have been treated at Norfolk since the asylum was ormally opened."
"What per cent of the patients under your

charge do you pronounce incurable! "Fully 80 per cent, sir. Of the ninety-seven transferred to us from Lincoln 60 per ent had been insune from three to ten years We have lifty-two new patients from the Norfolk district. During my superintend ence six have died and thirteen have recov

ered."
"How many counties comprise the Norfoik

"Thirty-two. Permit me to say here that I made an effort to find out the number of outstanding cases in the district, confined in jails or kept in seclusion at home, - efore preparing my biennial renort, but failed. My whole investiga-tion was so unsatisfactory that I did not treat of the subject in my report in any way "How much assistance have you and what have you to say as to its efficiency?" have one assistant, Dr. Hasson, besides

the steward, John R. Nichol, and the matron, Mrs. Mary E. Owens. The assistance is all that I could ask. All understand their busiess and are cautious and faithful." CITY NEWS AND NOTES. Justice Franklin withholds his decision of the Condon case until next Monday. This case is the outgrowth of the family feud in West Lincoln, of which THE BEE has given

The banquet given by the Methodist people last night at St. Paul's church was a social and financial success. It was given to raise funds to purchase a new pipe organ. Hon. Patrick Egan and Hon. W. J. Bryan were present and responded to toasts.

Mr. Wishard's talk last night was well at tended. The distinguished speaker, during his remarks, stated that he would spend four years in travel and while away would visit Japan, China, India, Australia and Turkey. The Young Men's Christian association have an able exponent in the field. At the next regular meeting of the majority

and election of officers of Appomattox post No. 214, was held at 7:30 o'clock this even-L. D. Richards, of Fremont, chairman of

the republican state central committee, registered at the Capital hotel to-day. Mr. Richards thinks there is nothing in the statement that Dorsey will be a candidate for the United States senate. Fred Nye, of Milford, was in Lincoln

The walks at the state house will bear hing. It is barely possible that the become famous for toe-breaking. good freeze may tip some of those 24x24 flakes of stone that, under the contract, were to have been secured in position by cement.

Danger of High Buildings. American Architect: The daily papers nterest themselves a good deal in the twenty-eight-story building which it is proposed to erect in Minneapolis, do not know whether the scheme is a serious one, but, if so, we are decidedly inclined to agree with the persons who believe that such inordinately lofty structures are not likely to prove profitable to their owners. There is no doubt that with care and skill, a very lofty office building or apartment house may be so constructed as to be safe against ordinary sources of danger, but it is also certain that very few buildings of the kind are so constructed, and nearly all the twelve or fifteen-story structures that we know have, within a few years after their erection, shown signs of movements which must inevitably lead to speedy deterioration, if not total ruin. In most cases the cracking and twisting, which the observant eve readily detects, appear to come from unequal settlement in different portions of the walls, and in the substance of the walls themselves, and such unequal settlements would be increased by rying the masonry to a greater height. unless the usual system of building was modified, by abandoning close-jointed facings to rubble or rough brick walls and constructing all exterior and division walls of block stone, of nearly the same dimensions through-out, and laid with mortar joints of uniform thickness. This would add conerably to the cost of the building, and increase the amounts which must be charged for rents in it. Moreover, even if properly and safely constructed, such a building would have many objections. from which more modest structures are exempt. We ought never to forget that we live in a country where earthquakes are tolerably frequent. Probably each one of our read rs has felt one or more shocks, strong e ough, perhaps, to shake bricks off a chimney top, and the effect of such shocks at the top of a building 300 feet high would be so vigorous as to frighten the tenants of the upper stories, f nothing worse. More than fifty years ago there was an epidemic of lofty buildings in New York, and, although elevators were then unknown, six, seven or eight stories were not considered too much to place over the vatuable lots in the lower part of the city. Between 1830 and 1840 some earthquake shocks were felt in New York, and the owners of the talter buildings made haste to cut off the upper stories and reduce them to more stable proportions. What would be the effect of a lively earthquake shock on the tenants of an eight-story building may be imagined, and the fal of a person from an upper window, or any one of a dozen probable accidents, would depopulate all the structures over

Secretary Whitney will go to Europe in the spring and will remain several years on that continent.

a certain height in Minneapolis, or in

other towns that might follow its exam-

Leaps from a Marital Couch and is Engulfed in the Waves.

A THANKSGIVING DAY AT SEA.

How the Bereaved and Wretched Husband Consoled Himself with Another Sprite Just Twelve Months Later.

A Tale of the Deep.

"Roast turkey with the usuel 'trimmings.' boiled fowls, roast beef, a variety of entree dishes and followed to a close by an abundant supply of dessert constituted the bill of fare presented by the steward of the good ship Glendower, a fine screw steamer bound to Liver pool, England, as she lay hove to in mid ocean on Thanksgiving day in the year of grace 187-.

But I must first tell you how it came about that the Glendower was "laying to" in mid-ocean in the month of November, a season of the year somewhat risky to try such a movement in.

The truth is, our inactivity was com pulsory. Our propellor shaft had given out some days before and after trying to patch it up, the engineers had decided upon making a good job of it, and had dismantled the whole thing. The weather being most favorable the repairs were being conducted without any detriment to passengers or ship. That's how it came about that eight or ten gentlemen and three or four lady pas sengers came to be eating their Thanks giving dinner becalmed in mid-Atlantic ocean that night.

The small but elegantly fitted-up saloon of the Glendower looked bright and cosy on this evening. The lamps were lighted, the silverware and napery glistened, and everyone felt real happy. Dessert being placed on the table and everyone present taking up an easy go-as-you-please style, nuts and loke were cracked and story-telling was in The commander was a famous story-teller, and the "call" in its turn came to the "old man." Captain Berbrand required little persuasion sensible man that he was, and this is the yarn that he recounted in his best style: It is a good many years ago, before the craze for 'Alaskas' and 'Etrurias had set in, and when ocean travelers were content to travel from land to land

n ten and twelve days. If they saw the Fastnet light on the ninth day after leaving New York, everybody shook hands and decided that they had made quick passage. I was second officer of he Claudine, a staunch built steamer of the old style, bluff in bow and wide in the beam, a craft that was somewhat unsightly to the eye, but, for all that, a grand weather ship, and a boat that everyone on board felt secure in, no matter how boisterous the weather might become.

'It was just this time of the year, and

the Claudine was bound east. were few saloon passengers on board ew people in those days traveled in the month of November; but such as we had with us were a nice social crowd. Among the cabin passengers were Mr. aud Mrs. Holliday, a newly married couple, who were crossing the herring pond to visit relatives. Talk about a devoted husband! Why, I never saw such gilt-edged conjugal felicity as appeared between these two. No steward could wait upon his wife. He constituted himself her serving man, and upon fine days he would arrange her camp chair on deck, and wrap her snugly up, keep her supplied with reading matter, and, when she would tire, he would escort her up and down the "poop" like a swain instead of a husband. Mrs. Holliday was the direct contrast in appearance to her husband. While he vas a fine built, athletic-looking fellow with flaxen hair, mustache and beard, she was a beautiful petite brunette. A handsome woman by all means, and with a wealth of blue black hair and eyes like a sloe. "Well, on Thanksgiving day, very

early in the morning the weather com-menced to thicken. The glass began to fall, and every indication of a dirty day and night set in. The wind had been blowing from W. N. W., but about noon it veered round and came from E. N. L., right in our teeth. An ugly beam sea set in, and the white caps came out in great force. At 'eight bells,' 4 o'clock the afternoon, I went below. The weather remained just about the same, and the Claudine was tumbling about in all directions, and when it came my turn again to take the bridge. I can tell you, very few appeared to eat their turkey and cranberry sauce that Thanksgiving evening. At 8 o'clock I relieved the mate and found anything but a comfortable prospect for 'bridge' duty till midnight. The wind howled through the rigging like sixty, and my watch huddled themselves around the fiddley waiting for any orders I might give them. Bye and bye it began to rain, and this fact coupled with the water that the vessel commenced to ship decided me upon the necessity of 'battening down' the hatches. I never knew a ship to cut such capers as did the "Claudine that night. Lord! how the pantry stock suffered, and the way the cook's pots and pans rattled was something to remember.
"Well, ladies and gentlemen, at 'six

bells,' 10 o'clock, it was blowing a perfect hurricane from the eastward had got full, fair and square in our face. and bluff bow'd as our vessel was she made little progress, so I ordered the engines slowed down and sent the men forward to put some head sail on her to try and steady her up. Suddenly the wind shifted round and began to blow "big guns" from E. S. E. and almost instantaneously-quicker than it takes to tell you—a terrific sea, a regular 'snorter,' struck us 'mid-siips,' throwher over on her beam ends, and at the same time our steam steering gear gave out and for a few minutes the Claudine was literally a log on the water. I rang the telegraph and stopped the engine, and sang out at the same time to the 'bos'n' to send men aft to man the auxiliary hand steering gear. You should have seen how the sailors jumped along to execute my orders. Very quickly we had the old 'hooker' with her head up to the wind. Not a moment too soon, however, for a second sea caught the ship and came thundering down upon the decks. Nobly she responded, down she went, but only for a moment, and rising to the occasion after a shudder that was felt from stem to stern, she shook the water off, and rose to her work. The next attack, was a victous one from a half spent beam sea that didn't smother us again, but 'heeled' the ship over on her beam ends to port. I stood peering through the combined influence of both rain and sprays trying to keep a look out when horrors! I looked I saw a

robed figure glide along the deck, running with nimble feet up the incline; for you will guess what a degree the ship was lying at being on her beam ends. I was speechless for a second. Quicker than a flash the figure sprang

was she; her long, black hair streaming out in the wind, with only a sheet of tissue paper, so to speak, her and eternity. I roared out, 'For God's sake, bos'n, look out for that woman.' In a twinkling Ferres was on the weather side and about to graso the woman, when another sea sent the ship 'off,' flooding the decks again, and with it went the unfortunate lady. Ferres, the bos'n, only saving his life by hang-

left, at \$6.60.

ing on to the braces. "Oh, yes, the husband was distracted. He wanted to jump overboard after her and all that sort of a thing. I had to put him in irons for some hours. It appeared that his wife must have been a onambulist, for he was ignorant of her absence from the stateroom, and when we went below, to tell him, he was fast asleep in his berth.

"I saw Holliday about a year after that trouble at the Windsor hotel. He was on his wedding tour, so he said. This one he declared he would make by steam cars.

'Just as the last words felt from the ips of Captain Bertram the 'clank,' clank,' of the engines informed the company that the repairs in our machinery had been perfected and the good ship Glendower was on her way homeward bo und.'

ANCIENT MARINER.

Light-Weight Loaves. Philadelphia Press: American con-sumers are fortunate in having pure flour. It is rarely adulterated in this country and it is cheap; but Americans have the dearest bread in the world, in many places the worst, and in all of bread of light weight. While bread in London is from 1 cent to 2 cents a pound, and in France sells at from 2 cents to 4, in Philadelphia it sells at 5 cents in a majority of cases, at 4 cents in a very few, and as high as 7 or 8

cents in many. What makes the matter worse, as we prove elsewhere in the first examinaof the kind ever conducted here, this bread is nearly always of short weight. Of the 125 bakers whose loaves were bought but a few weighed 16 ounces. barrel of flour, honestly mixed and kneeded, will furnish 250 pound loaves baked. The loss in the oven is not over an ounce and a half to a pound. and a barrel of floor will make 284 pounds of dough, so that there is some margin for all the loss caused by baking.

As a barrel of flour costs \$6 to \$7 deivered, a little of the best more and most of the averages less than this wher bought in quantities by a baker, the profit on \$12.50 received for 250 loaves at 5c apiece, \$15 on 6c loaves or \$17.50 on 7c, should be large enough to give full weight. When the bread is two ounces short, however, thirty-five more loaves can be made, an addition of \$1.75 to the receipts at 5c spiece. If the loaf weighs only twelve ounce eighty more loaves can be sold, and the barrel yields 333 loaves, or at 5c, \$16.65, two and one-half times its original

This light weight comes out of the poor, who have no option but to buy bread, being for the most part unable to make it, and their purchases are less protected by law in Philadelphia than i. a European city. In London the bread must be weighed in the presence of the customer, and in the rest of the United Kingdom and in France the dealer is required to weigh bread when asked, and is heavily fined for light-weight loaves discovered by the inspectors This is plainly needed here.

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"IN THE SOUP."

The Latest Slang Phrase From the Ef-

Detroit Tribune: A man whose appearance betokened him to be a commercial traveler sat in the Hotel Cadillac office last night, tipped back in an arm chair, contentedly conversing with that glibness peculiar to his profession.

"In addition to selling the best line of goods in America," he said with a benign smile, "I am introducing in the uncultured west a new slang phrase that is running wild in the mouths of eastern people, particularly residents of New York City."

"What is it?"

"It is 'in the soup.' I've been in De-troit two days, but haven't heard it used. In the east everything is in the soup'-Cleveland and the democratic party, for instance. If a man has a little hard luck or meets with a misfortune of any kind, "off his base" and kindred phrases are tabooed, and in the soup' describes his predicament."

Unlike most slang expressions, its origin is known. Last spring when Kilrain, the pugitist, returned from Europe on the Cunard steamer Etruria, his friends in New York prepared to give him a grand reception. The vessel arrived in the evening and lay off Quarrantine waiting for daylight, to come into port. A party of Kilrain's friends, considerably the worse for liquor, procured a tug and went out to take their hero off and bring him ashore, but the captain of the Etruria swore the drunken crowd should not come near, and they did not. While cruising around the steamer one of the tug's passengers, a man named Johnson, in leaning over its side, lost his balance and fell overboard. One of his companions, who witnessed his fall, but who was too drunk to throw him a rope or offer other assistance, contented himself with calling out:

"Ho! Johnson's fell in the soup!" "Comparing the Atlantic ocean to a plate of soup was so supremely ridicuous that when the incident was related in the New York papers the expression struck the popular fancy, and is now destined for a long run.

Morton's Washington House.

Binghampton Republican: For several years there have been annual rumors about arrangements by the Hon. Levi P. Morton to make Washington his winter home and mingle in capital society during the swell entertainment But for reasons not under his control, Mr. Morton's calculations have not come out just right to fit his acts to those rumors. Nevertheless, Mr. Morton is now going to Washington to cut an official as well as a leading social figure. When he was a representative n congress, during the Hayes administration, he began the erection of an elegant eight-story apartment house, on Eighteenth and H streets, which will be completed just in time to per-mit the vice president to choose acres of spacious rooms, if he wants them, and fit them up "regardless of expense: sixteen ground-floor apartments can be thrown into one suite. It is not known, however, that he will signalize his return to Washington society by a house-warming in his castle, and probably he loes not know whether he will or not. It is a coincidence worthy of notice that the completion of his building and his election to the vice presidency come together as though they had been cut to

match. A Fatal Boiler Explosion. LONDON, Nov. 28.-Eleven persons were killed and 175 injured by the explosion of a boster at Kineshma, central Russia, to-day