

The One Thousand Dollar "Shoe Store" Fire at Chicago!

TWO WHOLE SHOE STOCKS BOUGHT BY J. L. BRANDEIS & SONS FROM THE FIRE INSURANCE ADJUSTERS.

Every Shoe Perfect. The Damage Being Entirely Confined to the Outside of the Cases and Cartons.

BURN'T UP.
L. L. Ferriss & Co.,
 Wholesale Boots and Shoes,
 221-225 FIFTH AVENUE, CHICAGO.
BOUGHT BY "THE FAIR."

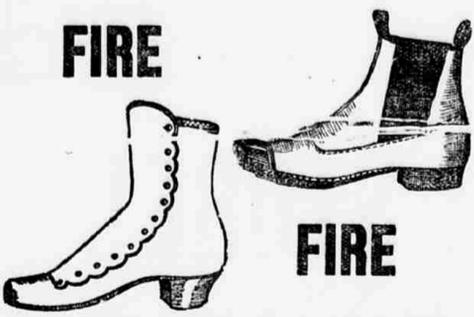
\$26,000.00

Was paid by "THE FAIR" to the insurance adjusters for these two entire stocks of **BOOTS** and **SHOES**—Exact value, \$90,000.00.

BURN'T UP.
INGALLS & CO.,
 Boots and Shoes,
 Louisville, Kentucky.
BOUGHT BY "THE FAIR."

Every Pair of These Shoes Is Warranted as Represented or Money Refunded!

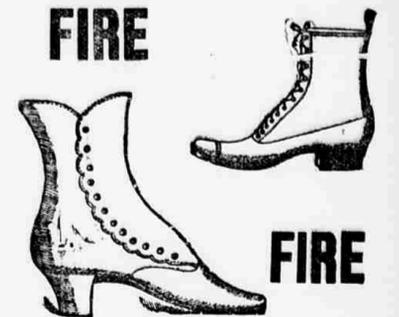
The majority of the Misses' and Children's Shoes in these stocks are made by the celebrated firm of Jno. Mundell, manufacturer of Shoes, Philadelphia, and amongst the Ladies' Shoes are those of the world-renowned "Reynolds' Bros." make. Not one single pair has been touched by fire. A very small per cent have been soiled on the bottoms by smoke, and the balance is perfect.



THE FAIR

502, 504, 506, 508, and 510 South 13th Street.

It would be a burning shame to a man or woman who wilfully turns the feet away from our stores during the great Shoe Fire Sale. Twenty-five cents will more than replace a dollar's value. But we would advise an early purchase, for everybody knows what a "Fire Sale" means at "The Fair," and we have engaged plenty of help this time.



10,000 PAIRS
Men's Shoes
25c On the Dollar
Of the Former Value

18,000 PAIRS
Ladies' Fine Shoes
1/4 Actual Wholesale Prices.

16,000 PAIRS
Children's & Misses' Shoes
25c On the Dollar
Of Chicago Prices!

SALE BEGINS TO-MORROW. J. L. BRANDEIS & SONS. SALE BEGINS TO-MORROW.

LINCOLN NEWS AND NOTES.

A Senator's Opinion of the Pathological Laboratory.

BILLINGS WILL HAVE TO GO.

A Heekless Waste of the People's Money Will Not Be Tolerated—New Nebraska Enterprises—General and Personal.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMAHA BEE, 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, Feb. 2.

The itemized statement of the expenses of the pathological laboratory, published by the Bee this morning, proved to be an eye opener. It created almost as much talk as the submission question, especially in political circles. This led the Bee representative to seek an interview with Senator Nesbit, one of the conservative members of the Nebraska legislature, and he was not slow to express his opinion in relation thereto. "What do you think of the pathological laboratory, and Billings' work in general?" "The most prominent thing about it is its name and expense. In my judgment it is a misnomer. I have noted the items of expenditure as published by the Bee and, taking into consideration what has been done by Billings, I fail to see anything that would justify the outrageous expenditure. I doubt not, however, that some of the rumors and talk going the rounds are greatly exaggerated. The controversy that has been going on between Billings and the live stock commission could hardly bear any other fruit. While there are doubtless some bad features in the veterinarian's report, it has its good features. The money that has been expended for horses killed, supposed to have had glanders, has gone back to the people, and the state has reaped the benefit of recirculation. I must say that \$10,000 is a big sum of money to expend for any purpose without apparent beneficial results. None of our farmers or breeders have received a nickel's benefit, so far as I have yet been informed, whereas Billings has gone right on drawing his salary, adding controversy and expense to the laboratory without giving the people anything in return. I do not now think that the Nebraska legislature will stand it. Billings will have to furnish evidence that his experimental work promises fruit of an uncertain nature."

"What are you of the dual plank in the submission bill?" "It will carry the third party squarely against the high license plank and call out a full conservative vote. It joins the issue, and will make the campaign two years hence very spirited. I feel that the pledges of the republican party have been fully kept and shall be content with the result, whatever it may be. The question in all of its phases is fully before the people. This could not have been without the dual plank."

NEW ENTERPRISES FOR LINCOLN.
G. W. Simmons & Co., lace of Cincinnati, O., will shortly establish a men's boys' and children's "outfitters" store in this city. The company has rented the new McConnell building, and will have it fitted and ready for business between the 15th and 20th of this month. Lincoln has always needed an enterprising firm of this class, and will look for the opening of this store with unusual interest. The firm intend to make their store room one of the most attractive in the city.

would get down with drink and some member of the police force would take him in charge.

RUBY HAMMOND DEAD.
The sad news of the death of Kirby Hammond, of Lawrence, but formerly a resident of this city, was received by telegram this morning. Kirby had been in the city on a visit, returned from the bedside of his son with the news of his convalescence, and his many friends here were unprepared for the message that chronicled his death. During the past two years, and since his marriage to Miss Grace, daughter of Judge O. P. Mason, Kirby has lived at Lawrence, where he has been cashier of the bank. Two weeks ago it was thought that Mrs. Hammond could not live, but she survived, and now with her babe doubly mourns her loss. Mr. Hammond's death is the result of a relapse from a severe attack of typhoid pneumonia.

CITY NEWS AND NOTES.
Judge Beveridge, of Auburn, was in Lincoln to-day. He states that public opinion is with young Sullivan in the late tragedy at that place for defending the honor of his sister. Many Auburn people call him a hero.

Personal Paragraphs.
Charles S. Hart is stopping at the Millard. C. H. Connell, of Valentine, is at the Paxton.
J. A. Smith, of Baltimore, is at the Murray.
Ed Bloom, of Hastings, is stopping at the Millard.
E. E. Brown, of Lincoln, is stopping at the Millard.
J. P. Smith and wife, Scribner, are at the Millard.
John W. Pope, Kansas City, is a guest at the Paxton.
John Wilson, of Kearney, is a guest at the Paxton.
V. Alyn, of Broken Bow, is stopping at the Paxton.
A. J. Taylor, of Rock Island, is stopping at the Murray.
T. H. Beaton, of Lincoln, was at the Paxton yesterday.
E. E. Spencer, of Lincoln, is registered at the Millard.
George V. Ayres, of Deadwood, is stopping at the Paxton.
E. E. Taylor, of Ravenna, was at the Paxton yesterday.
C. L. Van Fleet, of Lincoln, registered at the Paxton last night.
W. C. Halsey, of Missouri Valley, is a guest at the Murray.
E. P. Brown, of Alma, Neb., registered at the Paxton yesterday.
Charles W. Meeker, of Imperial, Neb., is stopping at the Millard.
Fred W. Race, Weeping Water, registered at the Millard yesterday.
C. L. Halsey, Indian post trader at Greenwood, Dak., is at the Millard.
J. K. Keittley, editor of the Weeping Water Republican, is visiting friends in the city.
Mrs. A. Woodward, mother of Mrs. George Clayton and Miss Ella May Brown, daughter of the local treasurer of the Union Pacific, left yesterday for California.

The Plymouth church pulpit will be supplied on Sunday by Rev. M. Otis, of Irvington.

AMONG THE POOR AND LOWLY.

A Pauper Inventor Who is Planning a Revolution.

VESTIBULE TRAINS OUTDONE.

An Engine That Will Work Wood, and Coaches That Will Combine the Luxuries of Home and Garden Promenades.

A Poor Man's Workshop.

Among the many weekly callers for aid at the county building is a little woman named Rush. Mrs. Rush, her husband, and their seven-year-old boy reside in a little frame hut on Fourteenth street and the Union Pacific tracks.

Parental thought it might be stated that Fourteenth street comes to a sudden stop when you reach the Rush home. At this point it drops a few stitches in the thread of its existence, picks them up again after it scales the Union Pacific's main tracks, then goes on due south and dies when it strikes Castellair street.

But to return to Mr. Rush. He is an inventor.

three chunks of light metal together, and there was a slight resemblance to a locomotive.

"I call my locomotive a double acting hydraulic engine. The cylinders of the ordinary locomotive have four openings to permit the entrance of steam. The cylinders of my invention will have eight, thus doubling the power inasmuch as I secure double the amount of steam for propelling purposes. Not only that, but my invention provides for six cylinders whereas the ordinary locomotive has but two. Two of these cylinders will be at the forward end, two in the center under the cab and two at the rear end under the tender. The engine and tender will rest on ten driving wheels, each wheel seven feet in diameter. The five driving wheels on each side will be connected by a continuous driving shaft, and the wheels will be securely fastened to the axles. Do you see the object of this?"

"The reporter had an idea of the object sought, but preferred to have Mr. Rush explain it.

"Prevents waste of power. You've stood and watched an engine struggle with a heavy train; the driving wheel on one side would hang fast to the rails while those on the other side would go with engine, ground lighting and not aid the engine to move the train a particle. With my engine that will be avoided. When one driving wheel stops all stop; when one revolves slowly all revolve slowly; when one perfect uniformity in their work, no loss of power, no waste of effort."

"I thought some of providing for an assistant engineer, but I guess I'll give that up," said Mr. Rush, as he picked up what was supposed to be a cab and stuck it on the engine where the smoke stack ought to be.

"They are to be 100 feet long," the old man said.

"Made of whale-bone, so they will bend when rounding a corner?" asked the reporter.

"I'll take care of that with my patent pivot trucks, three sets of which will be under each coach," he responded.

"That will be a splendid tour car," the reporter ventured to assert.

"The old man is a carpenter by trade, and claims to have resided in Omaha for twenty-five years. He is the father of four children, who are now living, two daughters residing in North Platte, a son in the state reform school, and the youngest at home with him. The description of his railroad train is in the main particulars just as given to the Bee man. The model on which he spent two years of his time, and which was burnt with his little hut last summer, he had on exhibition at one time in the commissioners' room at the county building. He is old, decrepit, unbalanced, but with a mind decidedly unbalanced.

Douglas county contributes regularly to the support of himself and wife, and has for years past.

He is one of the oddities THE BEE reporter encountered in his trip through poverty and squalor.

CHURCH NOTES.
The old Congregational church at the head of St. Mary's avenue has been purchased by the Methodists and will be moved to a new site north and fitted up for a place of worship.

"Brethren, when I came to this city my hand was clasped by a hand that went all around it in the way of aid. I again. The first morning I was in Omaha, I was called by telephone, and the brother said, 'I only want to know how you are; call me up every hour and speak to me.' I had been a friend fourteen years. That is the kind of a welcome I want to extend to you to-night on behalf of the congregation. I had been a friend to come up to our little hillside church—we'll be a Benjamin to your Judah. I welcome you, on behalf of the pastors of this city. Be your Peter, and we will be your Mark. You preach and we will pray. On behalf of the congregation throughout the state I welcome you, and the great work you will do for us. They are all nearby, and they all need you. We are like the level country we live in; we need a mountain to raise the cross in this great country, where Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa stretch along the mountains to their boundaries where the rivers rise up like a mountain and let them see you, and then we'll tell them we're near you. Father, be our guide."

Beginning to-morrow, Dean Gardner, of Trinity cathedral, will conduct a seven days' mission in St. Joseph's church. These missions are being held all over the country as a very important adjunct in the work of the Episcopal church. Dean Gardner has had some experience in such work before coming to Omaha, and his cathedral for men only has been very successful. He has held a mission in St. Joseph's church.

The home missionary conference, composed of ministers and other delegates to the Congregational council of the state, met at the First Congregational church, Friday afternoon. Rev. J. L. Mallie, superintendent of home missions, made a statement, showing the present condition of the mission work in this state, and also to raise money to aid weak churches. In order to get the most out of the experience in such work, the conference was decided to hold twelve home mission conventions in different towns of the state. The first one was held Friday night at the First Congregational church.

A meeting of the congregation of the First United Presbyterian church was held last night for the purpose of moderating a call for Rev. J. M. French, of Cleveland, O., to become the pastor of the church. The call was signed by members of the congregation. This call will be forwarded through the usual channels to the synod. He has succeeded there in building up a large and prosperous congregation, but it is intended to come west because there is here a wide field for usefulness. He is a pleasant and dignified Christian gentleman, a minister of peculiar powers and will make his influence felt in the religious work in Omaha.