ABOUT A HOLE IN THE GROUND

The Mystery of the Grading Job at the County Hospital.

A RECKLESS PIECE OF WORK.

The County Robbed and No One Rnows How It Occurred-Interviews With the Interested Parties.

The Hospital Grading Job. In July of 1887, Richard O'Keeffe, W. J. Mount and George E. Timme, as commissioners, awarded Ryan & Walsh a contract to build the new county hospital, their bid of \$175,000 being considerably lower than the lowest of four or five others. Subsequently, by cutting out a proposed superintendent's residence and two wings, these figures were reduced to \$120,000. Two sites, both situated on the poor farm, seemed to be under consideration. The one finally selected is near the northwest corner and at the top of a hill overlooking the surrounding country. When ready to commence work it was discovered that some grading would necessarily have to be done. The block of ground occupied, 400 feet square, was not only very uneven on its natural surface, but sloping from southwest to northeast.

About that time everybody interested appeared exceedingly anxious that operations should begin without further delay, consequently what has since proven an extravagant, if not reckless expenditure of money was ordered. This fact was made known several days ago by The Bee's discovery that Ryan & Walsh, in addition to their original contract, bad been paid 35 cents per cubic yard for doing this grading, work that could have been done, as every one, even the commissioners themselves mit, at 25 cents, if not less.
O'Keeffe and Mount had their attention

called to the matter. They could not explain it. O'Keeffe unhesitatingly declared that h always understood the agreed price to be 25 cents, and expressed surprise when con fronted with several vouchers, at least two of which bear his own signature, showing a 35 cent rate. Said he: "There is certainly something wrong here,

and an investigation is in order."

Mr. Mount pretended at first to know nothing, and evaded all discussion of the subject that he could.

From a systematic examination into the records as well as from inquiries among men in possession of facts, The Ber is enabled to present reports showing the true situation and uncovering a surprising state of affairs. First let it be understood that when com

pleted and ready for occupancy the hospital will have cost nearly three times as much as the original estimate. This one item, the grading over which so

much stir is now being made, called for an outlay of \$20,862.34. In exact figures that is conceded to be \$5,759.07 more than should have been paid. But no one attempted to prevent it. Wednesday a BEE reporter visited the hos

pital and there saw Ed Walsh, who expressed his willingness to tell all he knew and did spin a story which, if true, fastens whatever blame there is in these transac tions upon the three commissioners men In substance, it is to the effect that he

was instructed by them to go ahead and do any grading that had to be done and they uld allow him schedule rates, 35 cents yard. He took the reporter to the very spot on which they stood when this verbal agree ment was entered into, and continuing his explanation, said : This spot (northeast corner of the build-

ing) was where we commenced. Standing here you will observe that to the naked eye uld hardly imagine that very much grading was required. In that respect we were all deceived. The slope was greater than we calculated, consequently the ex-cavation reached a depth of from ten to six-

teen feet along the west side.
"While talking about doing this work, ought to advertise, receive bids and let contracts. That idea was discouraged on the ground that Ryan and myself would be de-layed another month; then they wanted us take the job at 25 cents a yard. We de clined, stating that we were not in the grading business, but consented to do it, pro-vided they would allow us the schedule rate of 35 cents. They said, 'All right—go ahead.'

"That is the deal and any one who pretends to have an understanding differently is defective in memory."
"How does it happen Mr. Walsh, that in his final estimate the county surveyor only

his final estimate the county surveyor only allows you 25 cents?"

"I know nothing about that, I do know, however, that we received 35 tents for 57,591 yards and 25 cents for moving 2,822 yards. This was asmall job performed after the walls of the building were up one story high. They were so close to the bank at the south and west end that we were compelled to dig out a road way. For doing that the board refused to allow us more than 25 cents though we kicked for 35." The whole thing then simmers down to

"The whole thing then simmers down to a bit of clever manipulation on the part of Ryan & Walsh to get a soft thing?" "Well, you can't criticise us. We were taking all we could get, of course. If the commissioners could have been induced to give us 50 cents you can bet we would have

Dennis Cunningham, the financial man backing Ryan & Waish, declares that at 35 certs they only came out even on the job. His explanation is that they were compelled to pay \$4 a day for teams and from \$1.75 to \$2 a day for men; also that everything else was higher in proportion two years ago than now. He might have stated that they had a soft thing and cleared \$12,000, but if he did, he meant the state of the state

it as a joke.

Dennis is impressed, so he says, with the firm belief that Architect Meyers has been the principal cause of all trouble connected with the construction of the hospital build-

"Because of his great anxiety to secure the job," proclaimed Cunningham, "he presented plans for a structure that cannot be erected for less than \$200,000, marked to cost \$120,000. Unless the commissioners allow us a bill of extras that we will present, our loss is bound

After talking with Walsh and Cunningham the reporter sought O'Keeffe, and found him at the court house going through records in search of facts and figures, which want to use when the time comes, ad uncarthed all the vouchers, and since they contain very interesting informa-

them.

The first one, dated September 10, 1887, was for \$2,000 "on account." endorsed by O'Keeffe and Mount. Twenty days later the contractors presented another estimate, certifying that up to October 1 they had removed 21,219 cubic yards of earth, and on that the board allowed them \$4,000 more, making \$6,000. This one is signed by Mount and Timme. Their names also give official authorization to the next installment, October 31, 1887, for \$10,734. The certificate acber 31, 1887, for \$10,734. The certificate ac-companying this voucher shows the first esputed at 35 cents a yard, in the lower left hand corner, thus bringing the total outlay up to \$16,734.05. By deducting the \$6,000 previously drawn, they had the \$10,724.05 still due. timated cost, 47, 783 yards as having been con

on December 3, same year, another bill for 8,614 yards was presented and ordered paid, the voucher calling for \$3,014.90. That one was signed by O'Keeffe and Mount. This brought the total number of yards up to 59,387. Thereafter, on January 4, 1888, another estimate, showing 1,194 yards removed from building No. 6, for the payment of which Mount and Timme attached their signatures to a \$416.90 voucher.

It will be seen that three of the five vouchers were signed by Mount and Timme, and two by O'Keeffe and Mount.

Could they, laboring under an impression that the grading was being done for 25 cents a yard, have allowed all these vouchers on estimates figured at 35 cents, without knowing it?

question has been asked but not an An examination of the commissioners' pro An examination of the commissioners' pro-ceedings during 1887 proves that the busi-ness of the county was loosely conducted. Not a single record of these vouchers was ever made. Charley Needham was the county clerk then and supposed to write up the proceedings. A young man in his office,

Dave Wells, acted in the capacity of clerk to

the board.

Needham states that the hospital matter was kept secret from him as much tal matter was kept secret from him as much as possible. After the contract and schedule were left in his keeping, the commissioners took and kept them out several days.

As stated once before, the schedule in question has an inserted line, fixing the price of grading as well as excavation, at 35 cents. That was interlined while the document was

out of Needham's hands. The fact may be divulged that this small feature has already, since its discovery, been feature has already, since its discovery, been the direct cause of an immense amount of solicitation. No one has displayed enough assurance as yet to venture an opinion regarding its author.

The promiscious figuring on vouchers likewise remains a mystery. Expert mathematicians in the court house claim that the figures were made by Dave Wells, who long ago left the city for other parts.

But the greatest obstacle, the thing that

But the greatest obstacle, the thing that they all stagger at, is found in County Survevor Howe's final estimate.

When asked why he put the price at 25 when asked way no become a yard his reply was:

"The commissioners told me that was what they paid, and solely on their says of a structure of the commissioners."

made that entry. To be sure all estimates went through my hands. However, I had nothing to do with the price until ready to enter the totals in my book,' Chairman Mount was seen again and asked what he had to say. "Nothing more than I have already said,"

was his first utterance, though he continued "If we have made a mistake I am perfectly willing to bear my share of the consequences one of the commissioners is more to blame than another, you can bet on that Probably we paid too much for that grad-Don't you know that you paid too

"Well, I won't say that I do. We were very anxious then to get the building under way, and when casually looking over the site, it was our firm belief that there would not be over 30,000 yards of dirt to be moved."
"By advertising and receiving bids, don't

you think a contract could have been let at 25 cents or less?" "Probably it could."

"Don't you know that it could!"
"I don't know whether I do or not." To convince Mr. Mount on this point the reporter showed him a list of bids put in at the time this hospital grading was being done, for grading the court house grounds a much less desirable and more difficult job They are as follows:

hauled far enough away to call into service the use of wagons. It was simply conveyed in scrapers to the east side of the site, and dumped over the edge down the hillside.
Since then Mr. Jensen took a contract at 12 cents a yard to remove what Ryan & Walsh left around the outside and in that portion of the square not occupied by the

buildings.

This, it will be seen, adds an additional expense to that part of the work, aside from the great amount of money already paid for

But the whole controversy reduces itself to a dispute between Commissioners O'Keeffe and Mount and ex-Commissioner Timme stood the grading was to be done at 25 cents a yard, while Mount is positive that 35 cents was the price agreed upon, in their presence

More Irregularities.

County Auditor Evans and his assistant Mr. Gordon, are now at work on an itemized and detailed statement of what the hospital has cost, which, when prepared, promises to occasion a surprise.

Mr. Evans says that he finds the commis ioners' proceedings for 1887 in very unsatis factory shape. Much of the business transacted was never recorded, and many items which were passed upon which should ap in the clerk's records are not to Having learned from Mr. Cunningham that

the contractors propose before setting their accounts to put in a bill for extras, Mr Walsh was questioned regarding the matter, but declined to offer satisfactory informa-tion. Laughingly he replied: "It will be quite a little sum,"

Tired of Anderson's Foolishness. Commissioners Mount and O'Keeffe are now considering the advisability of adopting a set of rules for the board to be governed by, and which will compel a closer attention to official business on the part of certain members than they are accustomed to give. Anderson puts in an appearance when he wants to fight somebody, and generally at stated or called meetings, whereas the law, which he is always harping on, contemplates constant attendance as well as attention. It is thought by Mount and O'Keeffe that a resolution should be adopted requiring al the commissioners to report every morning at 9:30 or 10 o'clock, or furnish a valid ex-

cuse for their absence.

Be Merciful to Yourself, And heed the appeals for assistance pu forth by your liver, when the organ is out of order. Among these are distress in the right side and through the right shoulder blade, veilowness of the skin and evebalis furred tongue, sour breath, sick headache and above all, irregularity of the bowels The mercy you extend to the afflicted organ is wisely shown by a prompt course of medi-cation with Hostetters Stomach Bitters, most genial of alteratives, and the hepatic gland early reciprocates the deserved atten-tion by resuming its secretive functions actively and regularly. Among the accompa-nying good results are renewed digestion, freedom from headaches and a resumption of activity of the howels. All billous symp toms disappear, and appetite and sleep im-prove. Beneficent are the effects of the bit

ters in malarial diseases, kidney disorder rheumatic ailments and nervousness. A Suggestion. To the Editor of THE BER: Allow me to offer a suggestion in behalf of the citizens of Council Bluffs, as well as for the advantage and welfare of the Omaha people. While the merchants of Omaha are contributing for the public good during the fair week, would it not be right and proper if the Bridge Motor company between this city and Coun-cil Bluffs would do its part by reducing its fare to 5 cents during that period, if at other time! Omaha will be througed w people from all over the state, and from more distant points, who, perhaps, have never even seen an electric motor, to whom such a difference in fare would seem quite an item. Also, a lower rate means increased traffic, and the attendance from Council Bluffs would be greatly increased, and they would come oftener. In short, it would be a great benefit to both cities, and in the eyes of the public place the Omaha Bridge Motor

of the public place the State light.

company in a more favorable light.

F. S. S. During twenty-five years trial, mor-tality, where Dr Jefferis' preventive and cure for diphtheria and putrid sore throat (as in malignant scarlet fever is used, is 1-10 of 1 per cent, or, one in a thousand. Under other treatments in Europe and America, 50 to 80 per cent. Address Dr. Thos. Jefferis, box 657, Omaha; or Dehaven, druggist, Council Bluffs, Ia. No physician required. Sent by express on receipt of

price, \$3. Look Out For That Tramp. NORTH PLATTE, Neb., August 25 .- To the Editor of THE BEE: The report comes from Julesburg, Col., that two section men were murdered between that place and Sedgwick station in broad daylight yesterday, about 12:30 p. m. Of course the tramp has to shoulder the responsibility again. But peo-ple who know the inhabitants in and around Julesbu rg best, who know their out-spoken love for right and justice (that is "over the left," as the Frenchman says), think that the murderers, or instigators of the crime at least, may be safely looked for within a radius of twenty miles from the spot where the murder was committed.

Less than three months ago a constable in that worthy offspring of Old Julesburg, offered to kill a law-abiding citizen in the justice of the peace's office, without cause or provocation. Still no warrant could be had against this law-abiding constable, nor justice (or abould it be injustice) of the peace. against this law-abiling constable, nor jus-tice (or should it be injustice) of the peace. Thefts under the mask of law are almost daily occurrences in Julesburg, so look out for that tramp. IN THE COURTS.

Another Suit Against the Western Casket Company. Theodore Tiedmann & Bro., of New York, prought suit against the Western Casket company to recover \$1,296.50 for goods furnished since May 1, 1889. The Tiedmanns also secured an attachment, and garnished to protect their claim. Theirs is the seventh suit begun against the defunct company.

R. M. and D.C. Patterson bave commenced suit against Mary E. Carter for \$415, balance claimed by them to be due on a real estate Elizabeth McCaffery vs Lucy McCaffery i

the title of a new suit in the district court, instituted on a petition praying for the division of twelve acres of land in section 8, township 14, range 13. The following new papers were filed: 14-202—Lighthall vs Patrick Land com-

pany; motion that petition be made more 14-281-Gallegher vs Youman; motion to strike petition from files. 14-201-Bickel vs City of Omaha; demuse

14-222-Ziemann vs City of Omaha; answer Trial notices were filed in the following 15-69-Kimball Champ Investment com-

pany vs David Gondy. 15-68—Same vs John and F. O'Hanlon. 12-386—Van Ness vs Sweeney. 14-39-Perrine vs Perrine.

15-16-Paul vs Cleves. 514-363-Nebraska Savings bank vs Lang-7in. 14-363—Same. 14-364-Welgon vs Weldon

14-234-Johnson vs Maher, et al. 14-253 - Miles et al. vs Wilde 14-272-Omaha Banking company 14-271 - Same vs Ashley. 14-240 - Woliniski vs Woliniski. 14-233—Paul vs Livesey. 14-229—Douglas county vs Baldwin, 14-204—Anderson et al vs Wood et al. 14-135-Honner vs. Hayden,

14-64-Paul vs Livesey. 14-23 - Wood vs Jaynes 13-379-Miles et al vs Blackburn. 13-348-Upton vs McCabe. 13-229-Mahoney vs Richart, 13-213-Miles and T. vs Medum et al.

13-150-Campbell vs Nebraska and Iowa Insurance company, 13-127—Duggan vs Ransom. 13-108-Omaha Loan and Trust company vs Ayar. 12-347—Paut vs Gibson.

12-341-Barker et al vs Hall. 12-191-Miles vs Willetts. 13-191-Miles and T. vs Snyder. 12-53-Miles vs Mansfield. 12-12-Miles vs Mayne. 11-287-Wilbur vs Wilbur. 11-270-Goodhardt vs Fitch. 11-173-Miles vs Prince et al. 11-110-Novak vs Sustka. 11-61-O'Keeffe vs Albright.

10-236—Courtney vs Epley, 10-161—Omaha Lumber company vs Whit-10-25-Helfin vs Crane. 9-189-Benson vs Ainscow.

9-157-Douglas county vs Goodhardt 9-156-Same vs Christianson. 9-155-Same vs Altman. 1-154-Same vs Coad. 9-153-Same vs Boucher. 1-146-Same vs Clark. 9-141-Same vs Donavan. 9-135-Same vs Stute. 9-123-Same vs Ctair -Same vs Needham.

8-148-Hartman vs O. & S. W. R'y. Co. b-341-Rood vs Patterson. County Court. Suit was begun by A. O. Davids against John and James Kelkenny, on a promissory

note for \$500. Other new suits filed were a follows: M-38-Strang & Clark Steam Reating Company vs A. C. Lichtenberger et al; action to recover \$248.59 due on account.
M-39—Howell & Company vs J. P. Thomas action to recover \$295.55 due on fuel account.
M-40-William Mack vs Earnest Ranch;

prayer for judgment in the sum of \$596.72. on account of money loaned The following new papers were filed:

2-84—Chadron Banking Company vs Lee
Fries et al; verdict for defendant.

M-39—Howell vs Thomas; affidavit for

attachment undertaking. M-38-Strang & Clark Company vs Lichtenberger et al; undertaking. M-29—Hugh G. Clark vs W. F. Graham;

Justice Wade's Cases. Justice Wade has an interesting legal question under advisement. Harry Handle nawned a \$50 diamond ring in the place operated by Fred Mohle, on Tenth street, getting \$22 on it for thirty days. Three months passed before Handle came around to redeem the ring, and by that time Mohle had sold it. Handle claimed as his due either the ring or \$28, the difference between the ring's value and what he received for it, and brought suit before Justice Wade to re

cover the last named amount.

The defense alleged that the pledge given by it was a contract, and it had a right to dispose of the ring after thirty days. A decision will be rendered this morning. A warrant of arrest for William Emerson was issued by Justice Wade yesterday afternoon. Charles De Roberts complained that

Emerson, after giving him (De Roberts) a mortgage on a horse, harness, buggy and wagon, disposed of them to another party. Eureka.

The motto of California means, I have found it. Only in that land of sunshine, where the orange, lemon, olive, fig and grape bloom and and ripen, and attain their high-est perfection in mid-winter, are the herbs and gum found, that are used in that pleasint remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Santa Abie the ruler of coughs, asthma and consumdtion, the Goodman Drug Co. has been appointed agent for this valuable California remedy, and sells it under a guarantee at \$1 a bottle. Three for \$2.50. Try California Cat-r-cure, the only guar ntee cure for catarrh. \$1, by mail \$1.10

A CARELESS DRIVER.

He is Responsible for a Serious Accident at Mrs. Koroenky's Funeral. Coronor Drexel held an inquest yesterday over the remains of Mrs. Koroenky, and a verdict was returned that the deceased had come to her death from carbolic acid taken with suicidal intent.

The funeral was held at 2:30 in the afternoor, and the remains were buried in the military section at Forest Lawn cemetery. About half a dozen carriages and three ambulances followed the remains to their final resting place. The funeral exercises

were presided over by Chaplain Nave. On the return from the burnal the driver of one of the ambulances happened to drive too close to a small precipice and the entire outfit went rolling over the steep incline, demolishung the vehicle and seriously injuring the five lady occupants. Miss Emma Rasmussen had her nose split open and was badly bruised on the head and body. Maggie Forbes had her from teeth knocked out and her face terribly cut. Mrs. Welch received a number of cuts on her face and seals and complaints of terribly cut. Mrs. Welch received a number of cuts on her face and scalp and complains of bruises on her body. Mrs. Lyons was injured internally and grave fears are entertained as to her condition. Agnes McCausiand is a mass of bruises from head to foot, but none of her injuries are thought to be serious.

The universal wonder is that all the ladies were not killed outright. The careless driver escaped with scarcely a scratch. scaped with scarcely a scratch.

Mr. Russell Myrick, of the firm of Myrick & Henderson, Fort Smith, Ark., says he wishes to add his testimony to the thousands which have already been given as to Swift's Specific. He says he derived the most signal benefit from its use to cure painful boils and sores resulting from impure blood.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to he following parties: Name and residence.

LANCASTER COUNTY POLITICS

Aspirants For the Various Plums Actively at Work.

KELLY'S METHODS ILLUSTRATED.

Matrimony Encouraged By Judge Houston-State Fair Prospects -Supreme Court Matters-General, News.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMARA BOR, 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, August 28.

Chairman Hamilton has issued the call for the meeting of the republican county central committee. It will be held to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. It is said that the boysafter the county plums are can vassing the county more vigorously than ever before, and, as usual, they are all sure of success. Burnam's friends claim that he has a cinch for the treasuryship. Maxey Cobb and Griffith, however, are rocking east chairs, and are confident. Either of them may trouble Burnam in the trot under the line. Westcott, too, is said to be still in the race. Mart Howe will trot Churchill a lively heat for county clerk. In fact, it is quite generally opined that he is the coming man. John Trompin, of Hickman, is running neck and neck with Sam McClay for sheriff, and some of the boys say that he is liable to distance all competitors on convention day Maxie and Carr, however, are pulling hard for the place. At this time the chances are fairly even in the scramble for Melick's shoes. John D. Knight has a walk-away for the office of register of deeds. Attorney Kilroy, until within a day or two, was making a lively canvass for the office of county judge. He had Judge Stewart, who hopes to succeed himself, trembling in the balance. I is learned that he pulled off to arrange fences to enter the race for governor of the state a year later, and it is concluded now that Stewart will be nominated without any "Shomaker will be nominated for coronor," said a prominent local politician to-day, "providing there isn't an unfortunate accident on the Burlington that compels an inquest. In that event he might find the road to office a rocky one to travel, especially if the jury failed to attach apparent blame. Another 'Widow Siple' case would fix him beyond a question of doubt." Schaberg is the only candidate for county commis-

The State Fair for 1889.

Notwithstanding the sickness of Mr. Barker, chairman of the executive board of the state board of agriculture, arrangements are moving right along for the fair, which commences September 6. R. N. Henry, of the board of managers, assisted by O. M. Druse, oversee and direct the work. Mr. Barker is somewhat better, but still keeps his room at the Windsor. His wife reached

his bedside last evening.

The special attractions, secured by the management, have been mentioned by THE BEE from time to time. It is confidently stated that the exhibit for 1889 will far surpass that of any previous year. The stalls for live stock have all been taken. Entries for the speed ring are coming in every day. Nearly every county in the state will be represented agriculturally. The displays "of the pen and field" will not be confined to the state alone. Iowa, Kansas, Colorado and Dakota have already signified intention of taking a hand with us. Lincoln will crowd to the front with another trades' display that will lay the one of last year in the shade.

Supreme Court Cases. The following cases were filed for trial in the supreme court to-day:

T. T. Weitz vs C. C. Wolfe; error from the district court of Johnson county, Wakely T. Bell vs John P. Wagner; error from the district court of Gage county. James D. Russell et al. vs Ella Long error from the district court of Johnson

ounty.
William Deering & Co. vs Peter Ruffner error from the district court of Cass county Henry E. Brown vs George L. Work: error from the district court of Johnson

Kausas City & Omaha railroad company vs Louis Frey; error from the district court of Fillmore county.

Houston Encourages Marriage. Colonel Hymen cuts peculiar capers During the early morning hours, viz: about Bo'clock, two police officers shadowed the room occupied by Thomas Barney, the proprictor of the United States restaurant, on the west side of the government square, and when convinced that there was some thing wrong therein, wrapped gently upon the door. When it was opened a monient later four people were discovered equally di rided between the screen, namely: Barney, Ed McDay, Mary Moore and Ada Richey. The girls occupied an improvised bed upon the floor and the boys a couch in the corner. They were escorted to the police station and locked up. The girls were employed at the restaurant. Before the judge donned his official robes this morning, word was sent him by McDay and Ada Richey that they would marry if he would discharge them. Houston thought the matter over a moment, called them into his presence and told them that elemency was granted on the conditions stated, but he informed them that they had to be hitched before night or he would lock them up again. Barney and Mary were also

discharged with a reprimand. Notarial Appointments. The governor to-day made the following notarial appointments: J. A. Sprouse, Long Pine, Brown county; G. J. Henderson Omaha, Douglas county; O. C. Catlin, Centropolis, Banner county; C. S. Bree, Omaha, Douglas county; J. D. Shahan, Wellfleet, Lincoin county; J. D. Ferguson, Aurora, Hamilton county; H, N. Henderson, Reynolds, Thayer county.

Citizens' State Bank. Articles incorporating the Citizens' State bank, of Cambridge, Furnas county, were filed in the office of the secretary of state to day. The company authorizes a capital stock of \$50,000 and commences business September 5. Incorporators: G. W. Turner H. W. Sipe, W. O. John, L. J. Dunn and S A. Walker.

The Wagner-HellysCase. The Wagner-Kelly controversy is becom ing interesting. Louise Wagner's affidavit reflection upon Marshai Carder's honor and Anna Kelly's virtue leads the latter to come out in one as long as the moral law. She deposes that Miss Wagner is the attempted author of her ruin, that she induced her to make the Denver trip when she was put off the cars at Culbertson and brought back to Lincoln; that the inducement she had to start for Denver was a position in a candy store; that the address given her as to such a store was a house of prostitution; that she is but fourteen years of age, and that she knews Miss Wagner to be a woman of easy

Miss Wagner's affigavit also stirs Marshal Carder, and he will go into the affidavit busi-ness. He denies the girl's charges in toto and says that he did nothing out of the line of his official duty. The girls are having a tough time in convincing the public that they are just what they ought to be. Miss Kelly touches the city marshal lightly, while the Wagner girl scorches him for all there is in it. Many Lincolnites are inclined to think that the head of the police department is that the head of the police department hopelessly in the soup. His affidavit awaited.

City News and Notes. The Lincoln woolen mill will put in an exhibit at the Omaha exposition. The Lincoln Central Trades and Labor union announces a monster picule Monday, September 2, Labor day, at Cushman park. An entertaining programme has been ar

Eawin L. Vicker to-day brought suit against T. B. Raymond and James McHuffe in the county court for \$199 and costs. He

sets up that be holds chattels on certain goods and notes that have been wrongfully withheld from his possession. He took pos-session of them by replevin.

Rufus W. Burgess and Eliza E. Quigley were licensed to wed to day. The ceremony was performed by Justice Snelling at 8 o'clock this evening. Prof. E. W. Hunt, of the chair of English and rhetoric in the State university, returned to-day from his season of institute work in Custer and Lincoln counties. starts to morrow for the east for a short visit before the commencement of the fall term. W. C. Austin, the newly appointed post-master of West Lincoln, took charge of his

Harry Dobbins, managing editor of the News, returned from his visit to Chicago last evening.

office to-day and the government head of the town will hereafter lick stamps for his con-

It is said that 3,000 head of western cattle will pass eastward through the city within the next three days, over the Burlington, and preparations have been made to handle them with haste. They will be whirled through on

better than passenger time.
C. H. Jones, a horse buyer, was arrested last evening on the complaint of Mrs. R. E. James for using indecent language on the streets. He was committed to jail this morn-

streets. He was committed to jail this morning in default of \$11.80.

Lincoln Lodge No. 151, A. O. U. W., has extended an invitation to Teutonia Lodge No. 158, A. O. U. W., of Crete, to visit them on September 5. The Select Knights of this city have also invited the legion from Crete to come to this city at the same time. Crete to come to this city at the same time. There will be a reception, an exemplification of lodge work, a dinner, a street parade and to their homes on the 9 o'clock train.

H. G. Hanna, city ticket agent of the Missouri Pacific, left for Kausas City last even-

ing on business.

The city board of health ordered notice to be served on property owners indiscrimin-ately to-day to clean up their alloys, and allow no barrels or wagons or rubbish to re-main in them. It is said that this order will be rigidly enforced.

People in General. People in general should know what's pest to do in case of a sudden attack of bowel complaint. It is a well estabished fact that prompt relief may be had in any case of colic, cholera morbus, dysentery or diarrhoea by giving a few doses of Chambertain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It acts quickly, can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

Young People's Literary Programme. The Young People's Literary society will give its first entertainment Friday evening, in the Methodist Episcopal church. The programme announced is as follows:

Oration Albert L. Sutton
Recitation Miss Alice Bevon
Essay Willis B. Stone
Music James C. Carley and L. F. Hitte
Autobiography W. Reed Dunroy
Recitation Miss Maggie Shepard
Music Miss Jasse Savara creased with civilization. Affirmative— Messrs. William A. Schrei, Albert L. Sut-ton and Miss Cora Parrish; negative—Mr. M. G. Zerbe and Misses Jeanette B. Mullen

and Grace E. Richardson.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Court Tentonia, L. O. F. At the meeting of Court Teutonia, No. 195, Independent Order of Foresters, held last night, arrangements were completed for the first grand annual picnic to be held in Germania gardens, Twenty-fourth and J streets, Sunday, September 1. Chief Banger, L. C. Bisely and Dr. Rosewater, of Court Eclipse, No. 167, of Omaha, were present visiting with the Teutonians.

All members of Court Teutonia are reuested to meet at the hall at I o'clock sharp Sunday afternoon to march in a body to the

depot to meet visiting Courts Eclipse, No. 167, and Gate City, No. 201, of Omaha.

All members of Court Magic City, No. 168, and Brokop Velky, No. 200, are invited to meet with Court Teutonia, No. 195, at the hall at 9 o'clock, and attend the reception of visiting courts and attend the picnic.

The season at the Emanon will be opened by a grand reception and ball Friday evenng. September 15. The board of managers met Wednesday evening and arranged for a series of social pleasures to eclipse all previ-ous ones and to make the Emanon the social

organization of the Magic City. Notes About tue City. John Mullings, who won the fine \$15 pipe at Ruser's park Sunday, playing nine pins, will put the pipe up to be played for at B. Blum's bowling alley, Saturday evening, September 15.

At the meeting of the South Omaha Turnverein held at the Wisconsin house, Wednes-day evening, Messrs. John Frey, Charles Hannse and Alfred Zimmet, the committee on hall, were authorized to act and rent B. Jetter's hall on the terms offered-Miss Etta De Hart is dangerously ill.

Word has been received from Daniel Raf-ferty and Francis Boyie that they sailed from New York for Ireland. Charles Kuhn, proprietor of Columbia hall the best variety show in the city, will build a variety theatre building, Twenty-seventh and Q streets, Third ward.

The game of ball between the Operators and Sobotkers, announced for Sunday, has een postponed. Lee Truitt has removed from the Hunt Gould block, N street to a cottage on Twenty fourth street between M and N streets. A slight fire yesterday in Millspaugh & Cuddington's coal bins, Railroad avenue and

M streets, was put out without damage o oss other than removing the coal out of the Leon Lozier, of Council Bluffs, will run a fifty-yard race in South Omaha with Bert Welton, of Greenwood, for any part of \$500 The offer is also open to any other person A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs.

M. L. Temple is now of the clerical force in the office of Swift & Company. The Rev. Mr. Robert L. Wheeler will preach Friday evening in the Presbyterian church, Castellar and Eighteenth streets,

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Discovered. Helen Thayer Hutcheson in St. Nicholas. On the slope of a hill in the edge of a wood, Bloomed and blossomed a sisterhood Of pale-tinted Blossoms that nobody knew, Saving the Wind and the Sun and the Dew The Wind blew back the curtains of dawn, And the Sun looked out when the Wind was

were wet, When the Wind was flown and the Sun was The Wind brought a wild Bee out of the To dream for an hour on a Biossom's breast, And the Sun left a Butterfly hovering there With wide wings poised on the golden air.

And the flowers with the tears of the Dew

dance, In his own bewildering radiance, Round the slender green piliars that rocked as he flew, And shook off the tremulous globes of the

And the Dew brought a Firefly to whirl and

The creatures of air gave the secret to me. I followed the hum of the heavy-winged Bee, I followed the Butterfly's wavering flight, I followed the Firefly's bewildering light. I found the pale Blossoms that nobody knew; They trusted the Sun, and the Wind, and

the Dew; The Dew and the Wind trusted Firefly and I give you the secret they gave unto me. Maraafa Still Reigns. LONDON, August 29.-Advices from Apla dated July 20, states that Malietoa declines

for the present to assume the royal preroga-tive on the ground of sickness, and that Ma-taafa still reigns.

THEY WILL ALL BE GREAT. The Omaha Fair, Merchants' Week

and Coliseum Exposition. The coming week will be a great event in the history of Omaha. There will be the Merchants' week celebration, the Omaha fair and the Coliscum exposition. Judging from the efforts of the management of each feature, neitner will eclipse the other.

The fair ground is a scene of busy activity at present, a large force of men being on gaged in arranging matters for the great display. Owing to the fact that Sherman avenue has been cut down to grade to allow the east main entrance has been abandoned as far as wagons go, and will only be used for foot passengers, who can step from the cars to the ticket office. Teams will be driven to Manderson avenue and Seven-teenth street, where a new entrance has been

Inside the inclosure all is activity. Workmen are busily engaged in repairing the old and constructing the new buildings. The cateror is fixing his restaurant preparat to feeding visitors, the art hall is being deorated, all the floral halls are undergoing re pairs, and by Monday next everything will e in prime condition.

The art hall will this year be under the supervision of Mrs. Briggs, with Mrs. John A. Wakefield as assistant. Elijah Allen will have charge of the Douglas county exhibit in The display of stock this season promises o excel that of any previous year, the en-

tries being very numerous. Farm produce will be represented by countless exhibits. It is doubtful whether the attractions of

the speed ring will ever be eclipsed by those of the present year. The entries, as pub-lished by The Bee, are of a first class order, and many are the fine horses who will com-pete. R. J. Wheeler, of Toledo, O., one of the finest horsemen on earth, has been se-lected as starter. The free-for-all pace will take place on Wednesday, while the free-for-all trot occurs Friday. The horses are already beginning to arrive. Among the leading steeds on the ground are the celebrated You Bet and Dom Pedro. owned by an Omaha man; McShane's Silver Sail Joel L and Minnie O. Smith's McCon Sail, Joel L and Minnie O. Smith's McCon-nell, by the celebrated Ensign. Pete Mc-Coy. McCormick's Little Willie, Sabin's Counsellor, Edgar's "Ben," and a host of others are on deck. In addition to this Badger, of Kansas, with his ten charlot horses, and Lizzie Williams will be present. Secretary Gibbs and President Monnt are on hand at all hours and are working like Trojans to perfect arrangements.

Justice in Gay Colors. The court house is to be elaborately decorated and beautified for next week's festivities with flags and bunting arranged in fantastic and showy designs. The commissioners will meet this morning for the purpose of taking such action as may be neces sary, so that the decorators can commence work at once and have it completed by Monday morning. This building always attracts the attention of strangers and will be one of the central points of interest to all who visit the city. By being properly clothed in gay colors, its beauty will be greatly enhanced.

The Coliseum.

Jack Prince, manager of the Coliseum, is enthusiastic almost to the verge of insanity. And no wonder, for Jack has his hands full The building is filled with people, spectators and workmen, and Prince has to superintend the entire affair. He must watch the electric light company put in the machinery for the twenty 2,000 candle power lamps, and observe the Consolidated Coffee company erect their arch. The details of the corn statue of liberty must be watched. and everything else attended to. The Coliseum exposition will beyond a doubt grand affair. All space is taken and is rap-

Starch grows sticky-common powders have a vulgar glare. Pozzoni's is the only Complexion Powder fit for use. GENERAL DANDY'S ARRIVAL

The Deputy Quartermaster General Visiting Old Army Friends. Gereral George B. Dandy, deputy quartermaster general of the army, with headquarters at Washington, arrived in this city

He was escorted to the new quarters of the department of the Platte, in THE BEE build-ing, by Colonel William B. Hughes, chief quartermaster, and Colonel Charles M. Terrell, chief paymaster of the department. He was delighted with the magnificent marters and contrasted them with those in which, in earlier years, the headquarters of this department have been located.

General Dandy is in charge of all the

national cemeteries, and is now on a tour of inspection of those in this section of the country.
Two years ago, after a service of several years as chief quartermaster of the depart-ment of the Platte, with headquarters in this city, General Dandy left to assume the duties of his present position. His presence here at this time will be taken advantage of by many acquaintances

vas so strongly formed. The general will remain here for a couple Army Notes. Major Guy V. Henry has been granted sever days leave of absence.

to renew the friendship which in those days

Captain Ray reports George H. Thorne, of private in company D, Eighth infantry, here on furlough, without means to join his sta-tion, and orders that the necessary transporation be furnished Thorpe.

Scalded to Death. Last evening the fifteenth-months' old child of Henry Falvey, clerk at the quartermaster's depot, pulled a bucket of boiling water over on itself, scalding it severely over the shoulders, chest and abdomea. It was thought that the little fellow could not

survive many hours; its sufferings were most

pitiable. Up to midnight last night the child's death had not been reported.

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THE GREAT EPWORTH LEAGUE

Meeting of Its Representatives to

Hanscom Park M. E. Church.

AIMS OF THE ORGANIZATION,

Consolidating the Various Associations Among the Younger Element of the Methodist Church-Women's Missionary Society.

Two Conventions.

The Epworth league convention of the Tenth Methodist conference district continued last night the work begun at the Hanscom park Methodist church yesterday morning.

After music, a prayer by Rev. A. C. Calkins, of New York, and scripture reading by Paster Thomas, of University Place, Lincoln, Paster G. M. Brown, of the Hanscom park church, delivered the address of welcome. "We have a welcome for you," he said, "broad enough for Nebraska, Colorado, the Dakotas and the empire of Japan. We welcome you for the good that this conven tion will do our church and the greater good it will do for the young people all over the Tenth district. This work seems to be touching just the place that ought to be touching just the place that ought to be touched, and that is an additional reason why we are glad to have you here. It seems as though the Methodist church had organas though the Methodist church had organized all around the children. This is a move to organize in the only place where our organization is not already com-plete. The need of it forced upon the church the organization of a national Ep-worth league. It is a mighty power and will be felt in the uplifting and uponilding of the young people of this district." Dr. Paine, of Lincoln, responded in a happy

Field Secretary M. S. Carroll followed in an address, setting forth the history, nature, purposes and aims of the league. He invited purposes and aims of the league. He invited questions, and was with good reason delighted at the interest manifested by the audience. Heretofore, he said, there have been a number of itterary and social as well as religious organizations among the younger element of the M. E. church, and an effort is being made to consolidate them all into c

At a convention held at Cleveland a resowas passed favoring the proposed con-tion. This was ratified by the Young olidation. People's alliance, held at Indianapolis, and the various other organizations have been following their example. This consolidation, which numbers 60,000 young ladies and gen-tlemen of the M. E. church, has adopted the name of Epworth league. Epworth was the birthplace of John Wessey, the pioneer in

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A platform meeting was held yesterday af-ternoon, Rev. G. M. Brown delivering the address of welcome. Short addresses were also made by different delegates, and the day spent in getting acquainted with each other and the work. Beside Fisid Marshal Car-roll, visiting detegates present are: Omaha district, Rev. Mr. Dayhoff, of Va-

Comana district, Rev. Mr. Dayhon, of Va-cuma, and William C. Blackburn, of Omaha; Norfolk district, Rev. J. W. Jennings, of Dakota City, and Rev. J. B. Priest, of Bee-mer; York district, Rev. A. S. Calkins, P. E., and Rev. H. C. Harmar, of Ulysses; Lincoln district, Dr. B. L. Paine, of Lincoln, and Rev. D. L. Thomas, University place, Lincoin, and Rev. George Ferguson, of Ord.
Sessions will be held this morning, afternoon and evening. In addition to the organization of the Tenth district league and election of officers, two members are to be elected as its representatives in the board of

WOMEN'S POREIGN MISSIONS. It happened that the semi-annual meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Omaha district also convened at the same church yesterday, holding a morning and afternoon session, but the meeting in no way

A large number of ladies wer Fremont, South Omaha and Cou. being well represented. Mrs G. M. president of the local organization, Brown, and Mrs. F. B. Bryant acted as secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. T. B. Hilton, district secretary, was present. The morning session was devoted to the reading of various reports by Mrs. F. B. Bryant, Mrs. T. B. Hilton, Mrs. William Fried and Mrs. White. Luncheon was served in the parlors of the

church from 12:30 to 1:30 p. m At the afternoon session, Mrs. J. J. Shelley, treasurer of the Topeka branch, delivered an address, Mrs. T. C. Clenden-ning then read an interesting report. After the appointment of committees and transaction of miscellaneous business the convention adjourned.

THE REALTY MARKET.

NSTRUMENTS placed on respect during G W Loomis, adm, to Anna Petersen, lot J. Oak Hill, deed. M. S. Connell, lot 15, blk 124, Dundee Place, w. d. A. K. Keltn. and husband to F. C. Johnson, lot 2, blk 81, Omaha, w.d.

Building Permits. The following permits.

The following permits were issued by Building Inspector Whitlock vesterday:
Wiley & Williams, one-story store and feed shed. Thirty-sixth and Farnam. \$ 900
W. W. Porter, one and one-half-story residenc, 212) North Twenty-second.

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