TWO JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

A Bill Introduced Dividing Nebrasks for Judicial Purposes.

AN UNPOPULAR APPOINTMENT.

Judge Brewer Offends South Dakota The Opinion Expressed That Gowen Was Murdered A Telk With Van Wyck.

WASHINGTON BURRAY THE OWARA BEE, AND FOUNDATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE WASHINGTON D. C. Dec. 17. Manderson introduced a hid today dividing the state of Notraska into two judicial districts as follows: That part of the state lying north of the Platte river is to be known as the northera district, and all that part of the state south of the Platte to constitute the southers division. When any part of a county lies upon both sides of the Platte such county or counties shall be included in the southers district, and the present district court of Nobrasia shall be known as the northern district court. The present tage, district autorney and marshal for the district of Nobrasia shall be known as the northern district court. The present tage, district autorney and marshal for the district of Nobraska are by the bill assigned to the northern district, and the president is directed to appoint officers for the southern division. Senator Manderson says the rapidity forcesing and immense population of Nobraska makes it necessary to hold terms of court at so many places that the officers of a single district can not accommodate the demands of the public. He believes that upon the showing of 1,400,000 population the state will be divided into two districts. Sonator Paddock introduced a menorial of the Omaha board of trade in favor of Chicaro for the world's fair and a potition from the Nobraska Congregational association in favor of additional religious facilities.

Senator Paddock introduced bills granting a pension to James Drake and for the relief of George L. Turner; directing the secretary of the treasury to pay \$17,670 to Whinam H. Hart of Platismouth, Nob., on account of Indian depredations, avidence of which is filed with the commissioner of Indian affairs.

Mr. Aliison presented the potition of Amanda M. Pletcher Cook of Davenport, ia, praying for the payment to the children of K. Fletcher the amount of the moneys and property atolem from him by Cheyenne, Hrule, Sioux and Arrapance Indians in 1865.

Mr. Teller introduced a bill providing that actual bons fide settlers on lands subject to pre-emption within the late Uncompanyer and white river indian reservation in Cotorado who have proviously and claewhere takon in an additional state lying north of the Platte river is to be as the northern distract, and all that part of the state south of the Platte to con-

right of way through public lands for irrigation purposes.

Senstor Pierce of North Dakota introduced bills today establishing a ponitentary in his state and giving the provisions granted by gan act to provide for the division of Dakota into two states and to enable the people of North and South Dakota, Montana and Washington to form state governments and to be admitted into the unest appropriation of \$10.00 is made for a pententiary in North Dakota. He also introduced a bill appropriating \$100,000 for a survey for the purpose of irrigation in the state of North Dakota and an appropriation of \$15,000 for extending the military and remaining the quarters of Fort Abraham Lincoln of North Dakota. Senator Pettigrew introduced a bill providing for the opening to settlement of all abandoned military reservations in South Dakota. The lands are to be entered by homestead.

constead.

UNGING NERRISHA APPOINTMENTS.

The Nebrasha delegation this afternoon called in a body upon the attorney genera in accordance with the agreement at the meeting has night and urgod the immediate appointment of Benjamin S. Baker of Fairbury for district attorney and Wilham F. Guriey of Omsha for assistant district attorney.

DAKOTANS KICKING.

Information was received here this afternoon by Senators Moody and Patterson that
Judge Brewer who was recently nominated
to be an associate justice of the supremo
court of the United States, had appointed a
cierk of the United States, had appointed a
cierk of the United States, had appointed a
cierk of the United States, but appointed a
cierk of the United States, but appointed
a cierk of the United States, but appointed a
cierk of the United States out for South
Datota and had taken for this position a resident of Kaassa. It is understood that Judge
Hrewer mais to the spinishment very soon aftrewer mais to the spinishment of had been
supreme court. It is customary for the position to be filled by the mutual agreement
of the circuit and district junges and the appointment is invariably a resident of the
state in which he is located for official aution. There were a number of prominent
applicants for this position in Soath Datota,
one of whom the two senators had determined to recommend for appointment. They
are naturally very indignant tonight over
the action of Judge Herwer in goine cutside
their state to select a man for the position.
They will tomorrow unite in a telegram asking that the appointment be revoked and will
insist in a very vigorous manner upon having
Senator Pierce and his chileague will enter
a vigorous protest against the appointment
of the clerk for North Dahota from outside
their state. They have been advised that an
Ominia gentleman is to receive the appointment.

Presentation
Entertation
Latan With Nan Witk.

Entertation
Entertation
**Latan With Nan Wit

ment.

A Talk With Van Wick.

Ex-Senator Van Wyck will leave in a few days for New York and Fennsylvania. He has been looking after pensions for many of the old soldiers in Nebraska. He insists that full justice will not be done until every disabled and dependent soldier is put on the receipt list.

abled and dependent soldier is put on the pension list.

He has been urging the department not to delay in suming a return to the public of 300 scres of land which the supreme court has decided the H. & M. rallway holds unjustly. In answer to many enquiries from Nobraska General Van Wyck says he cannot find any spot, from the practices of Nebraska and Kansas, where there is an overproduction of beef. He urges the farmers everywhere to organize alliances, saying that organized capital, corporations and trusts are exterting from them and imperiting their interests, and if they have not the manhood to resist they will be ground down to ruination.

to resist they will be ground down to ruination.

Was GOWEN MURDERSON.

Cassius M. Clay Ancesterite, now a clerk in the treasing department, who during the famous Medium processes and the famous Medium processes and to rese, advances the theory that Franklin M. Gowen, the well known Philadelphia railroad man and lawyer, whose body was found at Wormhop's here on Saturday did not suinde, but was unreferred. Amesatetic says that Gowen was unreferred. Amesatetic says that Gowen was unreferred and that the criminals vowed vengennes. He dies not believe that Gowen houseful a pistol at a store here as reported, but thinks that be was murdered and the mirderer escaped through a window in the hotel. Assistate says that during the Molife McCauler truis there was danger of Gowen's being efficer during the deliver truis, which resulted in twenty of the criminals being hanged.

ONNERAL RAUM'S OFFICE.

Commissiveer Raum's rearrangement of the business of the office and his determination to facilitate the work as rapidly as pessible. It is aimest impossible to decrease, with the present force of comployes, the number of pension supplications, owing to the fact that there are quite as many applications daily received as are disposed of daity. Every possible contriviance has been applied, boxever, to decrease the number of applications on file.

A comparison of the work under Commissioner Tanner with that of Commissioner Black democrat, shows that there has been a steady increase of the number of pensions allowed under republican administration. On that of the democratic administration, or that of the democratic administration, or the control of November is an average one for the pension of November is an average one for the pension, the three work administration, and the pensions of the commission of the control of the pension of the commission of the

making a total for the most to a 1022. Daring the month of Newsborr 1032. Daving the month of Newsborr 1032. Daving the month of Newsborr 1032 and other poissons aggregating for the month of 10.587. Daving the month of November 1899, under the present administration, there were allowed of original pensions 4.035; increase, 7.040; resease, 1,410; restorations 101, and other persions bringing up the grand total to 14,120.

General Raum has made large increases in the work of the office over that under Corporal Tamer, sithough the latter had a great deal more work with the same force than eld Commissioner Black. During the month of August last, when Commissioner Tamer was at the him, there were allowed of original pensions 4,570; morease, 785; resisting, 254; and other pensions making a total 017,517—a little over half as many as were allowed under Commissioner Raum last month. During August, Commissioner Tamer, rejected 2,504; pension claims; while under Commissioner Raum there were rejected through the same force under two commissioners. There were pending August is last, 41,839, pension claims; while should be considered in the comparison of work performed by the same force under the two commissioners. There were pending August is last, 41,839 pension claims; while and final week 423,725 pension of a total of a street and the commissioner Raum is pust now obsposing of shout the same number of claims as are daily received and placed or file. He would have made greater reductions in the number of claims pending had it not been for the assembling of congress and the immense increase of applications filed. During the last week in December, under Commissioner Raum there were received 4,950 claims, and 4,550 were disposed of 1 no way or other. It will thus be seen that Commissioner Raum there were received 4,950 claims, and 4,550 were disposed of 1 no may or other. It will thus be seen that Commissioner Raum there were received 4,950 claims, and 4,550 were disposed of 1 no may or other. It will thus be seen that Comm

that Commissioner Ramm is by a very large many cases as are received than any of his predecessors.

The room adjoining the public business room of Commissioner Ram and looking out from the commissioner Ram the other day there were seen piles of pension cases as high as a man's head on the floor and furniture in all a good waste load. These are papers in complicated or large cases which the commissioner looks into himself and gives individual and special attention. Each of those cases is as complicated as a large probate cases before a district judge, and the work required to dissioner is similar that of a complicated case in the contract of the contr

will be given for the production of beet sugar.

MISCELLANBOUS.

The bill for the transfer of the signal service to the agricultural department was sent to the secretary for his views.

The senate committee on agriculture today tod up all the bills and resolutions relating to the suituation of beet sugar, and after informally considering them referred them.

Concessary of agriculture, was at the bend of the delegation of Sec. and Foxes, and showed them through the agnital today. These indians came on to secure a larger share of the angulies, which now amount to \$15,000 a year, for that notion of the tribe left is fown. They think that the remnant of their people, who are in the Indian territory, receive more of this government bounty than their share.

Senator Paddock will go to Atlantic City on Friday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Paddock and his daughters.

Senator Paddock will go to Atlantic City on Friday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Paddock and his daughters.

Senator Manderson intends to spend the the holidays with friends in New York.

Congressman Connell will eat his Christmas dinner in his house at 1400 Massachuselts avenue.

go to their names in Nobraska for the holi-lays.
Sercent-nt-arms Holmes has about com-pleted the personnel of his office. The new cashier, who came this morning, is E. J. Hartsborn of Emmitteburg, I.a. W.C. Shut-leff of Waterloo, Ia., has been appointed tel-jer. All are ready to assume their new duties when the accounts of Leedom are sufficiently straightened out.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcius Smith of Davenport, I.a., see at the Ebbitt.

Judge. Groff was not at the general land office foday on account of the serious liness of his second daughter, who has malarial fever.

fever.

An order was signed today removing the postoffice from Brownsville to Elk Creek, S. D. Erick Roondal is appointed postmissier. Senator Koody will so to St. Paul on Thursday on law business to remain ten

Thorsday on law business to remain ton days.

By direction of the secretary of war privates Alexander Smith and Joseph Colley, troop H. Ninth cavalry, now with their troop, will be discharged from the service of the United States; also Private Charles L. Gray, Comany H. Twenty-first infantry, Alex Clitton of Nebraska was today appointed a storekooper in the internal revious ervice.

General Clarkson has arrived from an extended visit to his home in lowa.

J. H. Sauder of Jowa was today appointed messenger in the house of representatives.

ROBBED THE POSTMAN. told Highwaymen Do a Successful Job in London.

s pastol at a store here as reported, but thinks that be was murdered and the murdered and the murdered recogned through a windowin the hotel Anestette save that during the Molite Mo-Guire trials there was danger of Gowea's assassination. Anestette was the presenting efficer during the shell McGuire trials, which resulted in twenty of the criminal being hanged.

ORNERIA MANY'S OFFICE.

These who visit the pension bureau frequently and have been frequent visitors at that was to be hive of industry during the past four or five years, are impressed with

NEWS OF NEBRASKA TOWNS.

Toohey, the Murderer of Erwin, Escapes From Jall.

HIS WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

A Farmer Blows His Brains Out-A New Railroad to O'Neil-Testimony in the Dean Case-Meeting of Dairymen.

Murderer Toohey Escapes

DAROTA CITT, Neb., Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Birk.]—James Toobey, the murderer of Elmer Erwin of Sioux City, broke jall this evening. He is still at large,

Details of the Erwin Murder Case.

Danota Citt. Neb., dec. 17.—[Special to The Her.]—The exchement over the murder of young Erwin in Covington has not abated at all, and at the coroner's miguest yesterday most of the evidence goes to show that the murder was without a cause, and that it was not done in seif defense as the murderer claims. There were eight or ten eye witnesses and only one witness tolls. murderer tells. Tom Stevens, a bartender in the saloon where the nurser was commit-

Blew His Head Off.

SHELTON, Neb., Dec. 17.—[Special to The Bes. 1—Vercei V. Hervert, a farmer living about two miles north of this place, commuted suicide today. His wife being the only person in the house at that time rushed into the room and found him lying across a bed with the whole top of his bead blown off with a shotgue, which lay beside him.

A New Hailroad to O'Neil.

O'Neill, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special to The Ber.)—A new railroad to O'Neill. Attorney C. L. Wright of Shoux City and Donaid Me-Lain of New York city, general manager, were in O'Neill last week and presented to the citizens of this town and presented to the citizens of the road from Sioux City to O'Neill by August 1, 1800, and the citizens here agree to vote precinct and city bonds to the amount of \$50,000 or in case such bonds do not carry to pay that amount in cash to the said railroad company. The contract has been circulated and nearly over voter in the city has signed it and a large majority of the voters of the precinct. The leading real-estate men of O'Neill have also donated to the company a large amount of land and town lots, and the contract specifies that this point is to be the location for a large permanent round house large onough for fifteen engines, and is to be the first division of the road wast of Sloux City. There is no longer a doubt of the ourly completion of this road to O'Neill, and it is expected that the grading will be most off its one this winter if the weather will pormit.

The deput of the mew road is to be on four in street between the will be considered to the railroad company are Patrick Fahy, John J. McCafferty, J. Dixon Avery, M. D. Long, Patrick Hagerty, Michael Cavanaugh, C. C. Millard, David Wiscepasoor, David Fitzgerald and John Fitzgerald.

Pairruen in Session.

Falls City, Neb., Dec. 17.—(Special Televied Langerty, Michael Cavanaugh, C. C. Millard, David Wiscepasoor, David Fitzgerald and John Fitzgerald and John Fitzgerald. A New Railroad to O'Neil.

Dairymen in Session.

Falls City, Nob., Dec. 17—1 Special Tel-gram to Tha Her. 1—The Nebraska dairy-men are in session at this place today. The first meeting was held at the court house and a large crowd was in attendance. The ad-dress of welcome was delivered by Samuel Liebty of this city and responses thereto a large crowd was in attendance. The address of welcome was delivered by Samuel Lichty of this city and responses thereto were made by S. C. Hassell, J. H. Munrad, C. L. Gabrielson, A. M. N. Root, Dr. Ashburn, J. Dixon Avery and others. An interesting programme has been provided by the local committee in bonor of Nebraska darymen. The following dairymen were present: J. A. C. Marrill, president, of Satton, L. P. Musrad, F. A. Tripp, C. N. Bexter, of Chicago: E. E. McCarry of Indiana; Hill of Kansus City; Hatchelder of St. Louis, and the following Nebraskans; W. A. and Andrew Carponter, Aurora; F. B. Howe, Fairmont; J. M. Bennett, Hobron; A. M. N. Hoot, Omaha; William Sutton, Table Rocki, O. Campton, Bennett, J. Dixon, Avery, Fremon; Brown, Beatries; Marble, Minden; G. T. Ferguson, Stolla; Parsali, Farfield; J. T. Stanbope, Omaha; H. R. Stoffer, Helville; A. G. Porter, Lincola, and Peter Hennings of Pawnee, The session will continue until Friday.

Memings of Pawned, The session will continue until Friday.

Kearney News.

Kearney News.

Kearney Neb., Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to Tile Ben.]—J. W. Holmes, manager of the Kearney stone works company, claims that they had the lowest old presented to the council attain their and reports say he will enjoin the council from closing up the contract wint C. H. Huber of Council Binds, the successful bidder. Mr. Holmes' grounds are that he gave prices on Akron, O., pionig and that the contract was let for another, the difference of price between the two being enough to bring his bid below Huber's. Just what the result will be no one can surmise. Peter Bridgeman, who was just released from jail on a three menths sentence for as-

sault, was arrested and placed in juil for stealing a bedstead and a few household

sant, was arrested and placed in juli for stealing a bedstead and a tew bonsobold articles from a storage room. He was married recently to his divesced wire, and he was short on house furnishing goods.

A dispute aross today in the meeting of the board of supervisors. Some time and they advertised for bust to complete the court house. Last Saturday was the final day to receive the bids. When Saturday night came there was only one bid in, that of W. T. Scott of this oit. To day Mr. Campbell, a contractor, put in a bid and claims equal recingulates with Mr. Scott. The latter claims that he has a foir and reasonable bid and demands that the contract be given bid. The back is in a dilemma, all owing to their advertising the bids in as obscure sheet.

their advertising the bids in an obscure sheet.

Evidence in the Dean Case.

Wayne, Neb., Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to Tim Ben.]—The introductory evidence in the Dean case began this morning. Neel Benjamin, thirteen years old, testified to geing with his two brothers after the cows at 5 o'clock in the afterness. "Four Indians dressed in dark clothes, fifty steps away, began shooting. We can into a corn field. At the second shot Jimnie was killed. The Indians drove off towards the agency. We carried Jimmie to the house and went for mother, who was at a neighbor's, and told her what had little and the second shot Jimnie to the house and went for mother, who was at a neighbor's, and told her what had allied. The shorts were fired from a revolver. We had not been playing with a revolver that day."

W.J. Renjamin, father of Nocl, testified that Nocl told him that he Indians had killed Jimmie. The toy's mother then testified that Nocl told her some fellows had killed Jimmie.

Lafecronk testified: "Was on the reserva-

Jimme.
Lafecronk testified: "Was on the reserva-tion July 27; saw three Indians in a wagen; they acted wild, as though intexticated; know Henry Rice; saw him in Pender that

they acted wild, as though intoxicated; know Honry Mice; saw him in Pender that afternoon.

James Ailen testified; "I examined the ground where the beys said the indians were when shooting; found tracking leading off towards the archive; don't know when the tracks were made."

E. T. Hull testified to the same as above. William Meaney testified; "I live on the reservation about sixtem miles from Benjamins; saw the defendants near my place at about 5 o'clock, one on horseback and one on foot; two men, a women and efficient in a wagoe, and a boy rining behind. Black Hawk seemed intoxicated; am positive it was near 5 occords.

intoxicated; am positive it was near o o'clock."

'be remaining evidence was immaterial and unimportant. The state falled uterly to concect the defendants with the shooting. When the state rested the defense put in no evidence. The attorney for the prosecution made an argument, but the defense submitted the case without argument. The court then adjourned for supper. A verdict of not guilty was brought in at \$2.25.

A Fruitless Chase.
One, Neb., Dec. 12- | Seculal Telegram to
The Brat | Robert C. Nichols, sheriff of
Valley county, has just returned from a
long and devious chase after John W. Pol-Valley county, has just returned troon a long and devious chase after John W. Pollock, a farmer lately residing in Garfeld county. Pollock was respectfully connected and aupposed to be well off. He quietly left the county Gotober I, disposing of his chattel property before leaving. When the fact of his going was noted abroad and his affairs lowed into, it was found that his chattel property was myrtigaged, in some lostances two or three mortigages being placed on the same chattelis. October 30 Arichids Fisher, I. T. where he faged his to be a suppose that his trail countries to be a supposed to the same chattelis. October 30 Arichids Fisher, I. T. where he faged his to be did not suppose that his trail couls have been traced. His track ted across Lowa, Billnow, Wisconsin, again through lowa, Missofri and Kansas to indian Territory. About twenty-ciph miles from Davcaport be arrived at the house of a friend who drove him into Davenport during the night, where he took the morning train for Kansas City. Nichols had the pleasure of shaking hands with him, but being unable to produce a requisition had to leave him where he found him.

Jait Birrakers.

Jail Breakers,
DAKOTA CITY, Neb., Dec., 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bes.]—A bold attempt was made to liberate the priseners in the jud here this evening at about 8 o'clock. There was only one man guarding the jail, and on some small pretext he was sent down town.

PAWNER CITY, Nob., Dec. 17.—[Special to Tus Ben.]—The Pawnee County Agricultural and Mechanical association has elected S. Hernard president, N. S. Wright vice president, Charlie Schappell secretary, and F. L. Hennet treasurer. A new board of directors was elected said the constitution amended in a few sections. This starts the circumb year of the society's existence.

Applied for a Divorce.

Nemassa Citt, Neb., Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to Tim Bin.]—Less than a year ago James Cook, a young farmer near Dunbar, married an estimable young woman. Today she applied for a divorce, and alleges that he has teaten her centimally since the first week of marriage, and otherwise materiated her.

Gets Another Trial.

CENTRAL CITY, Nob., Dec 17.—[Special to THE BER.]—An adjourned term of the district court was held here yesterday, and by a ruling of Judge Post, Colonel W. H. Webster gets another trial on his embezziement case, at the next regular term. This was the only important matter disposed of, and the judge weat home this morning.

Bound Over.

NERRANA CITY, Neb., Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to Tus Bre.]—Fielding dail, one of the principals is the recent shooting scrape, had his preliminary examination today, and was bound over to the district

court to answer to the charge of attempted killing. The trial of the Heas brothers has been continued to December 20.

The Weather Forcust.
For Omaha and Vicinity—Fair weather.
For Neoraska and Iowa—Fair. warmer, southerly winds. southerly winds.

For South Dasota-Fair, followed by light rains, warmer southerly winds.

Grady Under the Weather,
ATLANTA, Ga. Dec. 17.—Heary W. Grady
arrived home this morning from the north.
He is quite ill, but his physician thinks not
dangerously.

A FIGHT ON JUDGE BREWER.

He Is Charged with Undue Love For Railroads.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

A Short Session of the House-Payorable Report on the Blair Educational Bill-The Sil-

Unboked-For Opposition.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The executive session of the senate this afternoon lasted more than two hours. The principal topic of discussion was the nomination of Judge Brawer to be associate justice of the supreme court. This was called up by Senator Ingalls, on a favorable report from the committee on judiciary. Although there was no minority report the confirmation of the neutration was opposed by senators of both parties, who based their objections upon two grounds.

1. His decision in prohibition cases as Kan.

A His decision in prombition cases in Kanas, which afterwards were reversed by the
supreme court.

2. that the statement of the facts in Judge
Gresham's review of the appointment of the
receiver for the Wabash system of railroads
by Judge Brewer, whose order in the case
Judge Gresham vacated so far as it affected
the roads within its limits and circuit. It
was asserted that these things justify the
suspicion that Judge Brower is a friend of
corporation interests a against those of the
public, and that the facts, as statest in Judge
Gresham's review, warrant an investigation.

The friends of Judge Brower, to is said,
dunied that he was in any wise unduly influenced in his action in the Wabash receiveership, but adjournment exame before the
case was disposed of. It is believed, however, that the nomination will be confirmed,
probably tomorrow.

Congressional Free collings.

Congressional Proceedings.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate comnittee today ordered favorably reports upon the following bills:
To relieve the treasury of the necessity of

available assets that have accrued since the formation of the government, amounting to about \$28,000,000; the direct tax bill in the shape in which it passed both houses of the

last congress.

The senate committee on education and labor instructed Chairman Blair to report favorably his educational bill. This action does not, however, bind any member of the committee as to his action on the floor of the

favirably his educational bill. This action does not, however, bind any member of the committee as to his action on the floor of the senants.

The nomination of William T. Harris to be commissioner of education was ordered reported favorably.

The somate committee on pensions referred the dependent pension bill to a set-committee.

Among the bills reported from the committees and placed on the calendar were the following:

To relieve the treasurer of the United States from the amount now charged to him and deposited with the several states; to increase the pension of pensioners who are ontirely helpless.

Mr. Hale, from the committee on appropriations, reported back a small softeners; bill of \$150.00 for public printing and binding and \$25.000 for the pellular printing of the eleventh census. The bill was passed. A communication from the president to congress in regard to the international markmenting carnestly that a further extension of the limit of its continuance of two months from the last of January, 1820, be authorized, was presented and (with accompanying papers) referred to the committee on foreign relations.

Mitchell withdrew the resolution offered by him last week in reference to the failure of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in order to provent waste of the effective strength of the office, which seemed a judicious one, in

military or naval service of the United States.

Among the bills introduced in the senate today are the following:

By Mr. Pierce-Directing the secretary of the interior to cause the necessary surveys to be made to assertain the feasibility of diverting the waters of the Missouri, James, Mouse and Red rivers to the purposes of irrigation in North Dakota and to cause the sinking of artesian wells to develop the artesian bank underlying the state. It appropriates \$150,000.

After an executive session the senate adjourned,

After an executive session the sensite adjourned.

House,
Washinoros, Dec. 17.—The session of the house was brief. After the introduction of a few bills a resolution was offered for calicalling the states alphabetically for the introduction of bills. Referred to the committee on rules. As nothing could be done the house adjourned.

At the session of the Silcott defalcation committee is became evident that the majority favor an appropriation bill to cover the deticioncy, but the minority opposed it and if accessary will make a minority report. The committee reassembled after the adjournment heur today and resumed consineration of the legal points involved and practically reached an agreement on the measure which may be regarded as a compremise between the diverse wisws of the members. This measure will provide for the reference of the subject to the court of claims, which tribubal is to determine the responsibility for the defalcation and adjust the claims of follows from the fluidings that tooy are entitled to reimbursement another meeting of the committee is to be held to perfect the form of the measure and to agree on the details.

The New Extradition Treaty. Washington, Dec. 17,—President Har on today transmitted to the senate the ex tradition treaty with England referred to in his message, negotiated by Secretary Blains and Sir Juliao Panneclote, the British min-iater. By its torms the number of extra-ditible offenses is inrely increased. The most important addition is that of emborie-ment, but if the treaty be ratified Caesata and the Unsted States will coase to exchange a class of undesirable readents who have interto secured immunity from punishment. The Samoan treaty accordance at Berlin last spring has not been transmitted to the secuate. tradition treaty with England referred to i

Nebraska, towa and Dakot : Pensions Washington, Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to Ting Ben.]—Pensious granted Nebraskaus Original Invalid—Altert C. Van Epps. Omaha; George Clark, (deceased) Beaver City; Albert A. Palmer, Seward, J. E. Biake, Crete, Increase—Samuel Martin, Onaha; Peter Brown, Talmage; Stephen Deitch,

Malcelen; George C. Whitney, Stuart; Francis Houchin, Red Cloud; Olid Olsen, Newman Grove; P. M. Lackey, Culbertson; Andrew Lawrence, Eveling, Original widows, etc.—Laurinda, widow of John Guyer, Almal, Mary E., widow of George Clark, Beaver City.

etc.—Laterinda, wistow of Joan Goyare, Almas Mary Es, wistow of George Clark, Beaver City, Pensions for Iowans: Original invalid—James McKee, Avon; William B. Stratton, Smithland; John Moldeton, Marshallown: Michael J. Appleton, West Print.

Increases—George W. Sylvestor, Esira; Hichard C. Marlin, Hodrick; William Bacon, Greenfield; Jacob Rank, Deep River; Charles Morgan, Rodman; Robert Wilson, Lalvetto, J. M. Argubright, Lamount; Robert Clark, Pagabright, Lamount; Robert Clark, Proxis Jacoban, Farenmeton; Guille, Cassally; Frances M. Rather, G. M. Cassally; Frances M. Rather, G. M. Lawon, Charles G. M. Cassally; Frances M. Rather, G. M. Lawon, Lawon, Cassally; Frances M. Rather, G. M. Lawon, Lawon, Charles Jacob, C. Calloway, Rose rail; Samuel R. Cain, Harfford; John Ratston, Keota; Thomas W. Holman, Contractic, Reusse, James W. Simmon, Shehandoah, Original widows, etc.—Mary A., wildow of Jehn Kenny, Gresco.

Persions for Dakotans; Original invalid—Wisslow Abbey, Mitchell; William La-Grant, Bonilla, Increase—James Egan, Vermillion; Daniel Waterbury, Waterbury, Western Farents Issued.

Western Patents Issued,
Washington, Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram
to The direct patents were today granted
is follows:
Nebraska—V. Long, Peorlis, Neb., fence
wire stretcher; Mose Marits, Omaha, horse
collar fastemer; Thomas L. Register, Tesnamah, Neb., windmill covernor; Max F. £.
Stodimeller, Pomeroy, Ia., batter wecker;
Jen A. Wahlstrein, Wakefleid, Neb., middings purifies.

Stodhuteller, Fomeroy, 1a., autor weard-Jen A. Wahistram, Wakofleid, Nob., midd-lings purifier.

Iowa-James Brady, Brooklyn, N. Y., as sluner to Fitch typewriter company, at Des Moines, Ia., key lever for type writing ma-chine; Ashor A. Brower, Creston, Ia., car-pet structher; Anson E. Clay, Newburgh, Ia., grain meter; S. Cordorman, Waveland, Ia., barrow Engene Harmon, Rippley, Ia., halter; Abner B. Keaton and R. D. Crawell, Whiterses, Ia.: said Criswell assignor to Konton, fifth wheel far vehicles; Ander Jen-sen, Oukfield, In., wire feace machine; Henry Philips and F. W. Byers, Ottamwa, Ia., said Byers assignor to Philips, pick or 100 hidder; John W. Patersough, Charnada, Ia. force mobalite.

Ia, fence machine.
South Dukota—James W. Reed and C. H.
Martin, Sioux Falls, Dak., paper pulp ma-

Allowed the Accounts.

Washington, Dec. 17.—First Comptroller Matthews has decided to allow the accounts of United States Marshai Nocales of Olitabeans and of the United States commissioners appointed by Judge Shackelford for duy in that territory, on the ground that the services readered by them were legal and proper. The accounts amount to about \$150,000.

Hartshorn Succeeds Silcott. Hartshorn Succeeds Silcott.
Washington, Dec. 17.—Sorgeant-at-Arms
Holmes, of the house has appeinted E. J.
Hartshorn, of lowa, to be cashier of his
ofice, in place of Defaulter Silcott. Hartshorn has given a bond of \$50,989.

Bond Offerings.

Washington, Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to The Size.].—Bonds offered: \$1,350 at \$1.27, \$1,550 at \$1.07.

WEST'S TRIAL

Much Evid nee of a Celminating Na-

Much Evid once of a Criminating Nature Adtuced.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to This Birs.]—In the trial of James J. West, ex-president of the Times company, on the charge of fraudient overrissue of stock, much evidence of a criminating nature was adduced. Mr. Husskamp, now president of the Times company, was one of the witnesses, and testified that he first heard the charges against West in President Odell's office at the Union National bank. Then the cross-examination recurred to the conversation of examination recurred to the conversation of witness with West when the latter told him that stock had been over-issued to the ex-

that stock had been over-issued to the ex-tent of 1.090 shares.
"Did West not say," asked the lawyer, "that the stock over-issued was less than 1.019 shares; that it was a mistake which muss be corrected at once and that the credit to him of \$19 shares should be annalled t" "No six."

into the office of the death of the transition of the office of of the office of the office of the office of the office of the o

GATHERING THEM IN.

The Mayor of Salt Lake and Other Officials Arrested.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 17.—The recent investigation of the grand jury into the alleged
frauds in the disbursing of funds and the making of contracts by city and county offi-cials is resulting in a large number of ar-

cials is resulting in a large number of arrests.

Mayor Armstrong was arrested last night,
there below nine indictments aranist him
charring intent to defraud the city and
county. Today Charles A. South, BishopRamey, Josse Fox, County Serveyor John
C. Cutler, County Clerk L. D. Young,
Abram Carnon, Alonzo Young, JoshnaMideley, Stephen A. Mamo, Williams were also arrested on maletaments
and taken before the commissioner and gave
bonds in the sum of \$1,001 each. All will be
arrangued Saturday.

bonds in the sum of \$1,500 each. All will be arraigned Saturday.

A Cool Criminal.

Kannas Citt, Mo., Dec. 17.—[Shecial Telegram to Tite Birg.]—Probably one of the strangest things that ever bappened in the criminal history of Missouri was brought to light in this city today in the case of Billy Mischell, who will be hanged in the jad yard here Friday morans for the murder of Michael Kilrisky more than a year and. It was developed that in all of Mitchell's long imprisonment and subsequent tedous trial, has been keet in ignorance of her boy's trauble, and now that the execution is so near at hand it is feared that to suddenly inform her of the young mur's horrible take would result seriously. Mitchell is the coolest man ever sentenced to death in this city. When he returned to the jail after the verdict had been announced he sand: "Well, boys, they're going to hangune." Ever since he has expressed a wish that the execution might be furried up, as he wanted to get it off his hands. Mitchell's sister is with him, but his wife refused to even lend her presence to the murderer's last hours.

A supplemental Petition.

ence to the murderur's last hours.

A supplemental Petition.
Caicaoo, Deo Ir.—[special Telegram to Tus Bun.]—Charles W. Larne filed a supplemental petition in the sucerior court to his bill today for a receiver for the Harmiess spur wire company. He charges J. Allein Barber, president of the company; John A. its Strees, secretary, and Richard Street with concepting and attempting to put in operation a plan to wreck the company; The amenaed bill insists that the revocation of the liceose, which makes the company's stock valueless, was brought about at the instance of Streets, Harber and their associates solely with a rice to produce the materies of Larne and that such produces the meterests of Larne and that stockinolders.

A Thomsand Miners Strike.
Recursive, N.Y., Dec. 17.—A thousand coal miners in the Waiston and Adrian mines struck this morning.

ECHOES OF THE CRONIN TRIAL,

Friends of the Sentenced Men Call and Condole.

KUNZE HAS DRIED HIS TEARS.

The Prisoners Expecting Another Chance for Liberty-Longenecker Tells flow the Verdict Was Reached.

The Pleasures of Hope, Cricua, Dec. 17.—There was a sound of weeding in the visitors case in the fail this morning.

Friends of the four men convicted yester-day called on them and deplored their fate.

Friends of the four mon convicted yespen-day called on them and acapieral their fata. Borke alone received no callers. He pre-serves the same careless demeaner he has exhibited since the trial began. Little Kunze had recovered his spirits. The fact is all the prisoners, now that the suspense is over, are looking forward with hope to the possibility of a new trial.

suspense is over, are looking forward with hope to the possibility of a new trial.

Culver the Causs.
Curoaco, Dec. 17.—State Attorney Longonesider this evening, after a conference with one of the Croini jurors whose name he withhold, told how the verdict was reached.

As surmised, Juror John Culver, who spend much of his spare time during the long evenings reading the bible, was an influential factor. The first incident in this connection occurred while the trial was in progress—the time when Mrs. Contain testined. That occurred while the trial was in progress—the time when Mrs. Contain testined. That occurred while the trial was in progress—the time when Mrs. Contain testined. That occurred while the property of the following the company to the contained and when asked: "How do you account for the older the contained and when asked: "How do you account for the older the dear the contained and when asked: "How do you account for the older the dear the counter and when asked: "How do you account for the older than the contained and when asked: "How do you account for the older than the case of Crount's death had not been proved, and he contended that the was impressed with the older than the actual to the want is an extended that the was impressed with the older than the contained when the was impressed with the older than the case of Crount's death had not been proved.

know a dog may laye been taken in it." The cause of Croun's death had not been proved, and he contended that he was impressed with the idea that Daniel Coupthin had a good face.

When the time for balloting arrived Culver voted for the acquittal of all the defondants. He steadinstly declared that Hoggarticularly he would not send to jail even for one day. The result was a long struggle and repeated ballots, ending in the compromise verdict announced.

Farmor Pherson had voted steadily for the execution of all five defondants and was the last man to yield. It was he who was holding out toward the end, and not until an hour or so before the everdict reached the public diln egive in.

The leading thought of the jurors, other than Culver and Formon, seemed to be to few the control of the process of the proces

Bouncing Ctan-na-Gael Officers, CHICGO, Dec. 17.—Detective John Stifts and M. G. Crowe and Patrolman Redmond McDonaid, who testified in favor of Daniel Goughlin in the recent Cronin trail received notice of dismissal today from the force for conduct unbecoming officers and for nearest of duty. "This is only a beginning of the runwist," said an official today, "and from this time on you can look out for the removal of Channa-Gael mee and their sympathicers daily."

Woodcuff's Case.
Curcaso, Dec. 17.—It seems probable now
that the indictment against Frank Woodruff
for complicity in the murder will not be
pushed to trial, but that he will be tried for
here stealing.

REAL RUSSIAN INFLUENZA.

Realth Officer Edison's Opinion of the

Realth Officer Edison's Opinion of the New York Cases.

New York, Dec. 17.—The sanitary inspector who investigated the report of Russian influenza reported today to the board of health. The matter was brought to the actention of the board by Leilman, who notified it that seven members of the family of Albert Klamroth were suffering from what he believed to be Rassian influenza. The inspector says. "The ages of those attacked range from lifty years to four years, all but two little children being over tweaty-one years. No cause of the attack is apparent. None of the family have been thrown into contact with suyone suffering from the disease. The first asymptons were sudden faintness, chills and marked prostration. Then succeeded headache and a general feeling of malaria followed by acute corzar, winding up with bronchitis. Examination showed the national duct as sick as persons witt soad cold. The duration of the attack was two days and upward. Health officer Edison said he had no doubt this was real Russian influenza.

Succorr for Starving Indians.

Russian influenza.

Succor for Starving Indians.

Det. 17. — Special Telegram to Tus Bue. 1— The expeniation to relieve the starving bands of Grand Portage Indians returned to Duluth this morning after a take journey of 360 miles. Indian Agent Leaby was in charge of the expedition and the supplies, which consisted of two car loads of floor, pork and beef, were put off in nearly equal portions at Grand Marais and Grand Portage. At the former place there were no actual cases of suffering, but at the latter there were about one hundred and sixty Indians in a dendrable condition for the want of actual necessaries of life. The arrival of the food was halled with every evidence of extravarant loy, as a boat was not looked for at this late time of the year, Runners were sont out to the different settlements and the trial rolls were present in a few hours. A great feast followed, and with care the linelisms now have enough to last them until spring. A total of 265 ladians were relieved.

The Low Stars be Enforced.

Kanas Curr, Mo, Dec. 17.—[Special Telegram to The light | The clovator men of this city met at non-today and appointed a committee to confer with Railroad Commissioner John B. Breathitte on the impending fight botween the state and the cievators. bir. Breathitte met the committee this afternion, but the conference resulted in nothing satisfactory to the grain men. The commissioner says the law must be onforced, and that it is his decisions to help enforced. The crain men are determined that they will not qualify they moviders as public warehouses, as the law directs, ciaiming that thur deviators are private property, to be used as they see it.

Consul Lewis' Recall Demanded. Copercht 1855 by Jam's Gordon Bennett.1
Zanainan, Doc. 17.—[New York Herald
Cable—Special to The Ben.1—The Moorish

government has cabled to Washington de manding the recall of Consul Lowis. Grea excitement prevails in Tanglers owing to hi action on Sunday relative to the selzore of a case containing fire arms.

Eleven L ves Lost.
LONDON Dec. 17.—The back Tonly Castle was wrosted at Holyhoud today. Eleven persons were drowned.