THERE WILL BE VACANCIES.

It is Now Too Late to Issue the Call for Special Elections.

POLITICIANS FILLING THE CITY.

Do Clerks Hold Over from the Last Legislature?—Misfit Marriages —Funeral of the Firemen —City Notes.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 27.—[Special to THE BEE.]—According to the provisions of the statute there must be a ten days' notice by the governor for an election to fill vacancies in the legislature. The chief executive failed to issue the call yesterday for elections to be held June 4. No elections to fill vacancies can now be held and the seats of members who are ineligible will be vacant.

JUST BEFORE THE BATTLE.

In Representative District No. 1 Ernest Werner has been elected in place of William Fenton, but the governor has not yet received Fenton's resignation, and if he has not resigned of course he will represent his district. In representative district No. 38, O. P. Hager takes the place of C. P. Hayes, deceased.

Friends of Rev. H. A. Guild are urging his appointment for the position of chaplain of the house.

Clyde Barnard, second assistant chief clerk, is on hand, willing to accept Tom Cooke's position in case that gentleman does not serve. A politician propounds the following: "You are aware that the board of transportation now has a resolution on file requiring the secretaries to prepare and present at the next regular meeting on June 4 a freight tariff. If the same should be presented and adopted what will the governor do with the legislature that convenes on the following day, June 5?"

HOW ABOUT THE CLERKSHIPS?

The present query is whether the persons holding clerkships and other elective positions in the legislature will hold their positions at the special session called for June 5. This morning Secretary of State Cowdery received a letter from Mrs. Jennie Holland asking if she still held the position of engrossing clerk in the house. Secretary Cowdery's reply was to the effect that she still held the position. He cited as his authority the precedent established by the last special session in May, 1882. At that time there was no question as to the right of the clerks to hold over. Tom Cooke, first assistant clerk of the house, declares that he will hold his old position in the house despite the fact that he is now supervisor of the census in the Third district.

ARE THEY ENTITLED TO THEIR SEATS?

B. R. Cowdery, secretary of state, received the following telegram this morning from Red Cloud:

Ben, if Colonel Hoover has resigned we do not know it. No notice has been given. If he has I would recommend Hon. James A. Tutley of Red Cloud as his successor. Yours,

H. D. RANNEY, County Clerk.

Colonel Hoover at present holds the position of deputy oil inspector, but still claims the right to represent his district. This raises the question whether a legislator who is holding another lucrative public office in the state is qualified to serve. Section 6 of article 3 of the revised statutes makes the following provision: "No person holding office under the authority of the United States, or any lucrative office under the authority of this state, shall be eligible to or have a seat in the legislature; but this provision shall not extend to precinct or township officers, justices of the peace, or officers of the militia." According to this provision it is insisted that R. C. Cushing, who is now mayor of Omaha, Richard Berlin, who is county commissioner of Douglas county, and Adam Snyder, who is the county treasurer of the same county, are all ineligible to hold positions in the special session.

GETTING READY TO SEE THE FUN.

There is every indication that there will be a large crowd of visitors and lobbyists in the city during the special session of the legislature that convenes June 5 in response to the governor's proclamation. The mails bring in floods of applications for accommodation during the session and the hotels are fairly besieged with requests to save best rooms. This session of the legislature will probably attract more attention than any held for years, and nearly all the politicians of any importance in the state will be here.

One feature of most of the applications for lodgings is that they are generally engaged for a month or more, despite the fact that the governor insists that the session can do the work in two weeks. Already a number of senators and members of the house are in the city, but none wish to be interviewed.

MISFIT MARRIAGES.

Lincoln again comes to the front with three applications for divorce inside of that many hours. The first was that of Joseph Paden, a citizen worth about $60,000, who has grown tired of the strange treatment he has received from his wife. He believes her mind is not exactly right. The two are gray-haired and have been married nearly thirty years. They lived in Omaha since 1872, but two years ago she, he asserts, deserted him. At 10:30 a. m. today he filed his petition for a divorce and in just one hour and thirty minutes the decree was granted.

Mrs. Nancy A. Patterson is the next one in line to be released from the bonds of matrimony. Nearly twenty years ago in Illinois she was married to Mr. Griff. L. Patterson and they now have eight children. She says that he has been guilty of the grossest brutality to her and has besides failed to provide for his family. On the 11th day of last October he assaulted her with a club she alleges, and gave her a terrible beating and fractured her skull. For several weeks she lay at death's door and the physicians accounted her recovery almost a miracle. Since then she has been afraid to live with him and asks that she be granted a divorce.

Gertie Mulvey has been a wife for only fourteen months, but recounts a revolting tale of cruelties to which she has been subjected by her husband, Horace G. Mulvey. She asks for the return of her maiden name, Gertie Frauen.

THE REAL ESTATE MEN HAPPY.

The efforts of the members of the real estate exchange to entertain the Washington visitors proved very successful as the excursionists brought or contracted for $250,000 worth of Lincoln real estate. Already $40,000 in cash has been paid on the purchases. Yesterday the visitors returned to Washington. The assurance that Lincoln is to have the B. & M. shops proved a valuable aid in the transfer of realty to the excursionists. The real estate agents here are discussing the best means to get up other excursions.

FUNERAL OF THE FIREMEN.

The funeral over the remains of the two firemen, John Thornburg and Clarence Protsman, who lost their lives while battling the flames Sunday night, occurred at St. Paul's church at 1:30 p. m. Rev. E. K. Raston of the Plymouth Congregational church preached a touching discourse. A long funeral cortege followed the hearses to the depot. The entire fire department turned out with the hose carts and other wagons draped with crape. The members of the city council were in line, and Capital City lodge No. 68 of the Knights of Pythias.

The remains of Thornburg were shipped to Perry, Ia., for interment, and those of Protsman to Vevay, Ind.

SUPREME COURT.

The proceedings of the supreme court today were as follows: Causes argued and submitted: State ex rel. Ahern vs Walsh; Plattsmouth vs Beck, on motion; Seward vs Kleak; Seward vs Conray; Allis vs Newman; Maahen vs Neff; Schuyler vs Hanna; Ford vs Steele; Dusenbury vs Albright; Martin vs State; Sheedy vs Benadom; D. T. & G railway company vs Hutchins; Bjerbower vs Miller; Dailey vs Kinsler; Kock vs Losch; Shields vs Harbach; Reynolds vs Dietz.

The following cases were continued: Midland vs Bub; Blakely vs Cedar Rapids & Northern railway company; Staker vs Begole; Bull vs Wagner; Black vs Wetherald; Davis vs State; Atchison & Nebraska railway company vs Forney; State ex rel Board of Transportation vs Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railway company; State ex rel Attorney General vs Atchison & Nebraska railway company; Sawyer vs Parks; Anderson vs Lombard Investment company; State ex rel Tennison vs Coleman; Shaffer vs Stull; Mathis vs Pelman; Deering & Co. vs Kuffner; Oliver vs Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway company; Malcolm vs Hansen.

The following cases were filed with the supreme court this morning: Mary H. Rupert and others as Peter Penner, Henry Schroder and N. P. Devoll, error from Douglas county; John Ahern, treasurer of school district No. 84 of Richardson county, vs John F. Walsh, treasurer of Richardson county; Hiram D. Upton vs Thomas O. Donohue. Appeal from Butler county; John Prall vs Charles Peters and Charles Peters, jr., error from Sarpy county; Phineas Langford vs State. Error from Dakota county; John N. Peyson vs Corniff; Shellenberger. Error from Dakota county; John Gangran et al vs Mary Crosby, error from Dakota county; A. B. Summs & Co. vs C. C. Benner et al, error from Richardson county; Edgar L. Holyoke vs James H. McMurtry, error from Lancaster county.

The following cases were dismissed: State ex rel Tunnison vs McArdel; Gantner vs Omaha Belt Line railway company.

NOTARIAL APPOINTMENTS.

The following notorial appointments were made today: W. M. Taylor, Red Willow county; E. H. Wooley, Lancaster county; Floyd Seybott, Lancaster county; Albert F. Smith, Jefferson county; Frank A. Kirk, Harland county; Daniel L. Johnson, Douglas county; S. P. Bostwick, Douglas county; J. R. Mason, Dawson.

CITY NOTES.

J. W. Vanarsdale is occupying a cell at the police station on the charge of stealing a wagon from Mrs. Mary Matthews.

Joe Turner, a colored man of very bad reputation, is in hock on the charge of forging the name of Chief of Police Melick to a check and passing the same on Webster & Rogers for a pair of shoes.

Hon. James Damville, an ex-member of parliment, and at present United States congressman, holding the position of chairman of the house committee on finance and commerce, will be in Lincoln in three or four days to take steps toward building a glucose factory here. He wishes the co-operation of the moneyed citizens.

W. H. Webb wants $10,000 from the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad company. Webb says that during the great strike of locomotive engineers he was induced to come from Connecticut to Lincoln with his family on the promise of having a position as engineer for five years. Later the company set him to doing menial work in the roundhouse. The company in its answer says that to begin with there was no contract with Webb for five years or any specified time, and second that the reason he was reduced in the ranks was because he was incompetent as an engineer.

Edwin N. Lamb and Cyrus W. Fisherdick were both admitted to practice this morning as full fledged attorneys at law.

In the case of David May vs Mrs. Carter printed in yesterday's BEE the item should have read that the case was decided in Mrs. Carter's favor. Her husband had no right according to the court to sell property that belonged to Mrs. Carter individually. May therefore loses the $250 he paid Carter for the horses.

Violet vs Rose is the flowery title of a case in the district court. Violet wants Rose to pay him $950 due on a promisory note.

James Masterman wants his title to lot 11, block 218, of the city of Lincoln made clear. William P. Goodfellow claims to hold a deed for the same property.

Stated by H. B. Cochran, druggist, Lancaster, Pa. Have guaranteed over 300 bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters for dyspepsia, sour stomach, bilious attacks, liver and kidney trouble.

TRADES UNION MEETING.

Green's Hall Crowded with Workingmen Last Evening.

Pursuant to a previous announcement Green's hall was densely packed with members of the various trades unions last night. It was an open meeting and the object was to discuss matters pertaining to the interests of the labor of the city.

W. B. Musser of the Central labor union addressed the meeting, stating that open meetings are called more for the benefit of men who are outside of the unions than those who are safely within the fold. Continuing his remarks, he said: "We have a fight on our hands that promises to be the greatest battle of the age. In this fight, if we lose anything, we lose all, so it behooves us to stand firm. Already we have accomplished much, but in our labors we have just begun. At this time we are making an endeavor to organize the clerks of the city. In doing this we propose to take into our various societies 3,500 young women who are laboring from twelve to fourteen hours per day, receiving salaries ranging from $3 to $5 per week. Out of this these girls are expected to clothe themselves, pay their room rent and board. In the name of suffering humanity, how can they do this? We have a humane society in Omaha, but it is not entitled to the name. The members of the organization sit quietly by and without lifting a hand, allow these wrongs to continue day after day, week after week, month after month and year after year. Shame on such a society! The name is a mockery. If these men will not do their duty let us arise in our strength and ask them to disband."

M. Olson advocated a thorough organization. Said he: "Bankers, railroad men and capitalists organize, and why should we not do the same thing. If a few men can form themselves into a body and practically control the wealth of the country, why should not we, the men who create this wealth, do the same thing. When we do this we can go out and demand our rights as men. That once accomplished, you will not see mechanics working for $1.25 per day."

Brother Blake believed every working man should appoint himself a committee of one to go out among the tradesmen and induce them to organize. "Let us wade into the stream," said the speaker, "demand better wages and shorter hours. We can live on one loaf a day if we are forced to it. What have we got for the long hours of drudgery we have put in? Nothing. What will we have to leave to our children if this system of oppression is continued? Nothing. It is high time we stood up like men to exercise the rights a good God has given us. Let us show capital that we are men and not a drove of cattle, standing meekly around, waiting for the butcher's knife. If you get the worst of it don't whine. Dollars will not be shoveled into your pocket as long as you submit to this tyranny. You have got to work out your own salvation, but you will never do it without you make an effort. Now is the accepted time. The iron is hot and is only waiting for you to strike for liberty and your rights."

Brother Turney, thought that if men had lived up to this period without seeing the benefit of organized labor there was no use of talking to them. "We want to do more work and less talking," said Mr. Turney. "If we have been cheated and robbed, it is our fault, because we have placed the robbers in a position to do so. I know no nationality, no color or place of birth. We are all children of one father. No matter what the color of the skin may be; no matter what the language the man may speak. If the heart is right there will be no trouble. Organized labor is in the fight, working for the generations that are to follow, and Omaha has a duty she owes to herself, which is to go ahead and place herself squarely before the people in this great fight."

After the conclusion of the speeches the initiatory steps were taken to perfect the organization of a union of Swedish carpenters, which will start out with a membership of nearly one hundred members.

Brought Back to Answer.

The Iowa man, M. D. Reed, who is charged with doing up one or two Omaha men by trading them territory in which to sell Bacon clothes wringers, was brought back last night by Detective Haze. At 7 o'clock he was arraigned before Judge Helsley, plead not guilty, after which his case was continued until today, he giving bonds for his appearance.

Reed states that the whole trouble grew out of his client's not understanding the conditions of the contracts. He is of the opinion that as soon as he can see the men and explain the situation the prosecution will be dropped.

A Free-For-All Fight.

Bessie Kenlow, Delia Brown, Jerry McCarthy and Will Neal woke the echoes of Tenth street by indulging in an open air, free-for-all fight last night. The female members of the quartette were knocked down and kicked about the pavement for half an hour, or until the patrol wagon arrived and conveyed the entire party to the city jail, where they spent the night.

Found Dying With Consumption.

Theodore Williams, a young man dying with consumption, was found in an old house on South Sixth street last night. He was taken to the police station, and today will be sent to the hospital.

THE COUNCIL.

A Busy Session of the City Solons Last Night.

The eighteen voluble gentlemen who are burdened with the duty of making laws for the city put in four hours last night earning their bread by the sweat of their vocal organs, and adjourned at midnight with a small grist of unfinished business on hand.

One of the big features of the meeting was the report of the appraisers awarding damages to property owners by reason of the proposed change of the grade of Douglas street from Sixteenth street to Twentieth street. Damages were awarded as follows:

Lillian Jacobs	$ 500
Marshal Kennard	750
Lizzie A. Mount	2,500
O. F. Davis estate	3,000
A. J. Hanscom	9,000
Dr. George Tilden	3,700
Herman Meyer	50
Estate of George J. Jones	50
W. G. Maul	1,800
N. B. Falconer	2,000
Sarah G. Sharpe	5,500
James McCord	6,500
Harriet Pritchett	500
Alvin Saunders	500
Benjamin R. and J. B. Folsom	500
Lewis Rosewater	500
Dorotha Pundt	500
M. C. Cummings	1,600
George Davage	2,000
G. W. Smith	400
Emily J. Briggs	100
Anna C. Meredith	300
John A. Horbach	150
Total appraisement	$41,400

The amounts awarded include the cost of removing or lowering buildings and the construction of retaining walls, where such changes are made necessary by the change of grade.

A communication was presented by R. C. Patterson, E. W. Simeral and P. L. Perine, a committee appointed by the citizens' committee, asking for a conference of committees from the council, fire and police commissioners, county commissioners and the citizens' association relative to taking some steps toward ridding the city of vagrants and tramps. The matter was referred to the committee on police and judiciary to meet with the other committees named for a conference to be held this afternoon at the office of the fire and police commission.

Acting Mayor Chaffee, who is also a member of the board of health, presented a veto to the ordinance creating the office of city chemist and fixing his salary at $600 a year. The reason offered was that the brevet mayor did not deem the creation of another city office advisable. The compensation, he held, was more than was required for the necessary occasional analysis of milk and food products. He suggested that a better plan would be to allow the board of health a stated amount each month for the purpose of analyzing such food products as the board may deem necessary. The veto was sustained by a small majority. The vote on passing the ordinance over the veto was: Yeas, Bechel, Cooper, Donnelly, Ford, Lowry, Moriarty, O'Connor, Osthoff, Wheeler, 9; nays, David, Kaspar, Madsen, McLearie, Chaffee, 5.

The bill for the taxes on the Exposition building, amounting to $245.70, was presented and referred to the city attorney.

A resolution was adopted approving the transfer of certain property by Lyman Richardson, J. T. Bell and others to the city to be used for park purposes.

On recommendation of the city attorney the claim of Eliza C. Whitney, for damages occasioned by the grading of Thirty-second avenue, amounting to $1,200, was ordered paid.

The city attorney gave an opinion on the amount of compensation due the supervisors of registration, as follows: "The law fixes the rate of compensation at $3 a day, and provides that the supervisors shall sit from 8 o'clock in the morning until 9 o'clock in the evening. I am of the opinion that for their services from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m. they should receive $3 and that they should be paid pro rata for extra time."

The city attorney, in response to a resolution, offered his opinion that the city should observe its own laws and should therefore secure a building permit for the erection of the city hall, or else pass an ordinance exempting the structure from the requirements of the ordinance. The report was approved and a resolution adopted requesting the mayor to secure the necessary permit.

Fanning & Slavin were allowed $395.14 for cleaning streets not included in the regular schedule.

The first report on the Eleventh street viaduct repairs came in in the shape of two bills, one for $41.61 for material and one for $53.25 for labor. Both were ordered paid.

The communication from the fire and police commission, recommending the appropriation of $50 a month from the police fund for detective fees, was referred to the committee on finance.

A proposition from the Thompson-Houston electric light company to furnish electric lights, according to the meter system, for the new city police station, was referred to the committee on gas and electric lights.

A protest against the proposed grading of Pierce street from Twentieth street to Twenty-seventh street was referred to the committee on grades and grading.

A waiver of damages from the property owners on Thirteenth street for the grading of that street from Dominion street to the south city limits was read and ordered spread on the records.

The proprietor of Kessler's hall asked permission to exempt the stage in his garden, a part of which is in the fire limits, from the operation of the fire limits ordinance. The matter was referred to the building inspector with power to act.

A protest, signed by sixty citizens, against the proposed closing of Seventeenth street across the B. & M. and Union Pacific tracks was referred to the committee on streets and alleys. The protest was granted, upon the recommendation of the committee and the ordinance closing the street rejected.

The building inspector and the committee on public property and buildings were instructed to sell the heating apparatus in the Exposition annex at the best figures obtainable.

The report of the committee recommending the grading of Twenty-sixth street from Cass to Dodge was rejected.

A petition for the opening of Lake street from Thirtieth street to Fortieth street to a width of sixty-six feet was granted and the city engineer instructed to prepare the necessary ordinance.

A protest was presented signed by a majority of the property owners affected against the construction of a sewer on Eighteenth street from Leavenworth to Pierce. The contract for the sewer has been awarded and approved and the work commenced. The committee on sewers reported adversely on the protest and the report brought out a spirited discussion which resulted in tabling the protest and the adoption of the committee's report.

The democratic party was given the use of the police court room on Saturday evening for the purpose of holding a city convention.

Mr. O'Connor went after the chairman of the board of public works on account of the latter's failure to repair the pavement on Sherman avenue in accordance with a recent resolution of the council. Mr. O'Connor accused Mr. Balcombe of having wilfully and persistently neglected the work. This charge brought out a grist of general remarks upon the manner in which street repairs have been and are being made, and finally resulted in the appointment of Messrs. Osthoff, Davis and Kaspar as a committee to investigate the matter and secure a report from the chairman of the board of public works.

Ordinances were introduced regulating pawnbrokers' establishments, regulating employment agencies, and making it a misdemeanor to give short weight or measure.

The following officials were appointed for the school board election:

First Ward—Judges, E. T. Glenn, E. K. Long, C. E. Goodman; clerks, W. L. Mardis, James E. Lindley.

Second Ward—Judges, John R. Yerak, Daniel O'Keefe, August Schroeder, clerks, Frank E. Dworak, John J. Sweeney.

Third Ward—Judges, Thomas Crosbie, D. McCleave, John Lakstrom; clerks, Al Green, John Jangousge.

Fourth Ward—Judges, A. P. Nicholas, P. E. Robinson, Alex McIntosh; clerks, J. H. Merchant, Andrew Bevins.

Fifth Ward—Judges, Frank Freiday, E. C. Erfling, Charles Wilkins; clerks, Ernest Fincke, John Wallace.

Sixth Ward—Judges, W. A. Grant, H. J. Miller, D. A. Powell; clerks, George J. Stoney, H. E. Jones.

Seventh Ward—Judges, George Sabine, William Farr, John Kowalewski; clerks, Charles L. Thomas, M. D. Roche.

Eighth Ward—Judges, J. E. Small, Thomas H. Doyle, A. W. Parker; clerks, H. W. Reynolds, William Anderson.

Ninth Ward—Judges, J. Y. Patterson, H. L. Seward, A. G. Edwards; clerks, Charles J. Johnson, Frank P. Zimmer.

MOTOR MATTERS.

Electricity to be Used on Harney and West Dodge Streets.

At a meeting of the directors of the street railway company yesterday it was decided to turn the Harney and West Dodge street line into a motor line, and work will be commenced at once making the necessary changes. For the present the cars will run from the corner of Tenth and Harney streets to Dodge and Thirtieth streets, with a branch line running to Creighton college. The yokes in the line will not be removed for the present.

The new rope which was put on the Harney street line about sixty days ago has given out and as the line on Tenth street south of Harney will soon have to be abandoned on account of the construction of the viaduct, it was not thought worth while to attempt to renew the rope.

Superintendent Smith stated that the company have found that electricity was a cheaper motive power than a cable, except where there is a straight line with a heavy traffic. As the street car service of Omaha is spread out in such a way as to yield small returns for the present, and as the Harney street line has so many curves, it will be much cheaper to use electricity.

"The West Dodge street line is the poorest paying line in the city," said Mr. Smith, and I expect it will be still worse when we get the motor line on Farnam street.

"Do you think there will be any difficulty in climbing the hill on Twentieth street?"

"No; I think a motor will be able to get up all right. The travel will probably not require a trail car so that no trouble will be experienced. We will commence work on the line at once and will have it in running order very soon. As soon as the viaduct is completed the line will be extended to the depot the same as the cable was before. We are going to replace the old flat rails on Farnam street east of Seventeenth with girder rails before we put the motor cars on that line. This line will eventually be extended through Dundee Place by way of Forty-first and Dodge streets, and thence northwest. We shall know in a few days when this will be done, but it will be probably very soon.

FRANCIS MURPHY.

Boyd's Opera House Crowded at Last Evening's Lecture.

Boyd's opera house was jammed last night with probably the greatest audience that has yet greeted Francis Murphy. "Take it to the Lord in Prayer" was sung by the audience standing. Dr. Harsha, Rev. Savidge, Mr. Nichols of the Union Pacific shops, and Mr. Turney, M. Wilkins and John Wilson spoke. Rev. Savidge made the opening prayer. Another hymn was sung and the collection was taken up during which Mr. Murphy kept up a running fire of humorous and pathetic remarks.

Mr. Murphy will hold a prayer meeting at noon tomorrow under the United States National bank. On Sunday morning a number of gentlemen who have signed the pledge will speak in the People's church at Boyd's opera house.

Mr. Franklin Smith, choir master, sang a beautiful solo, "Hold Thou My Hand."

The boys with the fans who were parading the aisles were asked to sit down if they had had no lemonade to give away.

Mr. Murphy with all his magnetism and bonhomme came to the front and spoke. There are men he said who are sick, liquor sick, in this city, men whom the great body of the people know nothing about. He told of a poor Scotchman who was a drunkard in the gutter, whose stomach was ruined, but who was lifted up and helped and taken care of by good women—women were not in politics then, thank God. When I heard from brother Starr, "Come to us at once," I thanked God and came at once.

Rev. Harsha was asked to speak and said, "We ministers have respectable people to preach to, but we have not the qualifications to reach the drunkards as Mr. Murphy." Dr. Harsha gave a word of advice to the wives of men who were trying to stop drinking. "Don't scold," he said, "always look at the bright side of things and if the day is dark tell him it is bright."

W. F. Higginson told a good Irish story and followed it up with a clever and stirring appeal to signers of the pledge to supplement it with prayer. "I am as proud," he said, "of my blue ribbon as any Grand Army of the Republic man of his medal.

Mr. Murphy announced that Mr. E. Rosewater would speak tomorrow evening, which was received with applause.

Turney M. Wilkins of South Dakota made a clever speech during which he said that Francis Murphy had done more to save drunkards than any one in the country, despite the harpies and silly people.

A baby in the audience greeted Mr. Murphy with a wail and he came to the front. Mr. Murphy said "bring the babies, with you, mothers, and if they can make more noise than I can we will wait for them." The liquor traffic would go down, he said, and urged every one to come forward and sign the pledge.

A hymn was sung while the people came forward and signed the pledge.

A RAPID BLAZE.

J. W. Reece's Feed and Sale Stables Destroyed by Fire.

Last night's fire worked sad havoc with J. W. Reece's feed and sale stables, situated at Twenty-fourth and Clark streets.

A lighted cigar supposed to have fallen from the hand of a man who was in the rear the barn is supposed to have started the blaze, which rapidly spread to the hay in the second story of the building.

At 7:30 an alarm was turned in from box 39, and a few moments later No. 1 was on its way to the fire, but by the time the boys reached the scene, the flames had broken through the roof and fanned by a strong wind, made such rapid headway that in less than thirty minutes, the large barn was a mass of smoking ruins.

As soon as the fire was discovered the spectators in that vicinity turned their attention to removing the horses and wagons, so that nothing but the building, 300 bushels of corn and 200 bushels of oats were destroyed.

The loss is estimated at $4,000, on which there was an insurance of $1,000 on the building.

Poundmaster Pulaski Victimized.

Count Pulaski, the poundmaster, was victimized yesterday afternoon. His hired man had caught a horse that he found running at large upon the streets, and locked it in the pound. While he was on the way to the station to report his catch, some unknown person broke down the fence, mounted the animal and rode rapidly away.

Brief Career on the Rostrum.

Daymond Crairgis filled himself with whisky last night, and while so filled, he undertook to dictate the doctrine to be preached by the captain of the Salvation army. Daymond mounted the restrum and for a time held full sway, but upon the arrival of a policeman, he was induced to go to jail, where he spent the night.

Proved His Innocence.

J. S. Hughes, the man who was accused of passing a counterfeit dollar in the Ninth street house of ill fame, was tried in the United States court yesterday afternoon and acquitted by the jury. Hughes was able to prove that he did not know the money was bad.

Building Permits.

The following building permits were issued by the building inspector yesterday:

G. L. Thompson, one and one-half story frame dwelling, Moore and Burt streets	$ 2,500
C. T. Smith, one-story frame cottage, 408 Ohio street	800
L. C. Smith, one-story frame cottage, Walnut and Eureka streets	1,000
J. C. Sinclaire, one-story frame cottage, Thirtieth and Pinkney streets	800
Five minor permits	1,115
Total	$ 5,915

Iowa Indians Accept.

GUTHRIE, I. T. May 27.—The Iowa Indians today formally accepted the offer of the government and the signing of the contract was completed tonight. This means the addition of 221,681 acres to the public domain.

A Greenback Call.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 27.—The chairman of the national greenback committee issued a call for a convention to meet in Indianapolis August 27.

K. P. SUPREME LODGE.

The Board of Trade Endorses the Movemement to Secure It.

At a meeting of the directors of the board of trade the communications from Colonels Crager and Wells of the Knights of Pythias, bearing upon the advisability of securing the session of the supreme lodge of the world in 1892 for Omaha, was reported upon favorably by the ways and means committee. The report of the committee was adopted and recites that the board is in favor of the movement and realizes its importance to Omaha. Any movement to raise funds will receive the hearty co-operation of the board. It was also stated that the board would furnish any advertising matter which the committee desired for distribution at Milwaukee, showing the advantages, etc., of Omaha.

The secretary was instructed to correspond with Fred Slocumb, secretary of the Michigan State Press association, and ascertain how many members of the association will be with the party which comes here next month and how long the stay will be.

A communication was received from A. H. Scharff stating that the Omaha Guards would take part in the prize drill at Kansas City next month and asking that the board be present. The invitation was accepted for any one who cared to go.

A Romantic Episode.

NEW YORK, May 27.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A strange story of violence and slavery in the very midst of this city came out at a hearing held in the Tombs police court today. A beautiful young Chinese maiden was the victim. She has been locked up on the top floor at No. 11 Mott street, in the heart of the Chinese quarters, and compelled to submit to indignities from Chinamen. It further appeared in the story she told through an interpreter that she was sold to her master by her lover for the sum of $600. The case was discovered by a reporter. Suen Yee is the pretty seventeen-year-old victim, and she is a native of Amoy, China. She came to this country five years ago, four of which she spent in San Francisco. She was the hand maid of a wealthy Chinese bride. One day she fell in love with Ah Poor, a Chinese gambler. The scandal drove her from her employer's home. She came to New York disguised as a boy, and in Poor's company. Her gambler lover was unfortunate at gambling and lost $18,000, and poverty drove him to sell his girl to Lee Khi. The girl was much frightened when brought face to face Lee Khi in the court. Lee Khi was held in $2,500 bail for examination tomorrow.

Panitza Exonerated.

SOFIA, May 27.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—In the Panitza trial today the public prosecutor in his address exonerated Panitza from any intention to murder Prince Ferdinand, or any one else, and also exonerated the czar and Russian Minister Hitrovo from all knowledge of the plot. But he contended that the Ottoman penal code required the death sentence from Panitza, Armandoff and Pitzoff, and a long imprisonment for the others accused. Major Panitza's counsel opened the case for the defense. He described the whole case as a ridiculous affair, to which the penal code was in no way applicable. He refuted the charges against Panitza, who, he said, was known for his bravery and patriotism. The arrest of Panitza, he maintained, was a violation of the law. As for the letters which had been presented in evidence, they were not worth refuting. Not a single argument had been adduced to prove that Panitza authorized the correspondence with Captain Kolobkoff.

Gladstone Speaks.

LONDON, May 27.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—Mr. Gladstone, speaking at Hawarden today, predicted an early general election. He appealed with a final utterance against further faltering with the Irish question. The electors, he said, would share the moral responsibility for crimes committed against Ireland if they elected a new parliament similar to the present body. He denounced the bill for the compensation of publicans who may be deprived of their licenses. The whole control of the license system, he said, ought to be vested in local elective bodies. It would add £300,000,000 to the national debt to purchase a publican's license. The working people, knowing as they do the social horrors arising from the liquor traffic, ought to protest en masse against the government's immoral licensing plans.

Railroad Predictions.

NEW YORK, May 27.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Parties holding Central Pacific mail stock state that the following ticket will be elected at the annual meeting tomorrow: C. P. Huntington, I. F. Gates, Henry Hart, Edward Lauterbach, Calvin S. Brice, Samuel Thomas, Oliver H. Payne and J. B. Houston. The election of this ticket means the signal defeat of the Gould interests, which have had control of the company for several years. It is also antagonistic to the Northern Pacific, and appears to be in the interest of the Manitoba and Canadian Pacific roads. J. B. Houston, who held the presidency before the Gould party obtained control, will resume that office. Jay Gould, George Gould, Sidney Dillon, Russell Sage and William Rensen will retire from the directory.

An Editor Whipped.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 27.—The Florida Republican last week contained an article charging Captain Burroughs of Tallahasse and others with having made the recent attack on the house of Mrs. Craft. Today Captain Burroughs called on Zeph Harrison, publisher of the paper, and demanded the name of the writer of the article. Harrison refused, whereupon Burroughs gave him a most severe beating. Harrison will be laid up for some time. Ex-Governor Reed, who was in the office, received a severe blow by accident.

Knocked Out in Two Rounds.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 27.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Joe Oliver of New Orleans knocked out Jack Lawrence of Detroit in two rounds before the Columbia Athletic club for a $600 purse tonight. Oliver fought fast from the start and had Lawrence so dazed in the second round that he merely held up his hands until a right hander on the jaw put him to sleep. The men weighed 133 pounds each.

An Argument Cut Short.

Charles O'Mally, the man who was robbed by his room-mate at the Derby hotel, had more trouble last night. He was down in the vicinity of Tenth and Pacific streets, trying to drown his sorrows in the flowing bowl, when he argued a point with a drinking companion. The argument continued until O'Mally's head was cut open with a beer glass, after which he was taken to the central station and placed in the hospital ward.

Rubber Goods Advanced.

NEW YORK, May 27.—In response to a circular the representatives of the rubber industry of the United States met here today. Because of the recent advance in rubber it was resolved to advance the price of belting, hose and mechanical rubber goods generally from 10 to 25 per cent.

A Very Rough Voyage.

QUEBEC, May 27.—The steamer Circassian, from Liverpool, reports an exceedingly rough passage. On Tuesday four cabin passengers were standing at the head of the stairs leading down to the saloon when a tremendous wave struck the ship, knocking them down. A Mr. Valpy died in a short time. Three others terribly injured will recover.

The Weather Forecast.

For Omaha and vicinity: Showers.

Nebraska—Rains, local storms; southerly, shifting to westerly winds; decidedly cooler by Thursday morning.

South Dakota—Cloudiness, rains; winds shifting to colder; northwesterly winds.

Iowa—Warmer; threatening weather and rain, with local storms; high southerly winds.

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usands of Acres Overflowed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 27.—The recent heavy rains have caused many streams to overflow. Reports from the San Joaquin valley tonight state that many thousand acres of cultivated land are under water. A great deal of damage will result.

Steamship Arrivals.

At New York—The State of Alabama and the Devonia, from Glasgow; the Ocean and the Elbe, from Bremen.

At London—Sighted: The Manitoban, from Philadelphia; the City of New York, the Denmark, the Lydian Monarch, and the Mentmore, from Baltimore.

Officers and Ladies Drowned.

POTSDAM, May 27.—By the upsetting of a boat six army officers and a number of ladies were drowned today. Seven persons were drowned in a similar accident at Dantzig recently.

Church Howe Resigns.

ST. LOUIS, May 28.—Church Howe has resigned the vice presidency of the Pacific railway of Nebraska, a part of the Missouri Pacific system. His successor will be elected at the annual meeting.

Croker Coming Home.

NEW YORK, May 27.—The Tribune will say tomorrow that ex-Chamberlain Richard Croker has started home to face the state senate investigation committee.

J. W. Davis Governor of Rhode Island.

NEWPORT, R. I., May 27.—The legislature today elected John W. Davis governor and other members of the state ticket.

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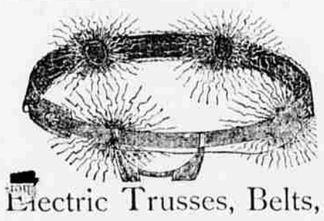

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