THE CONTEST AT NORFOLK.

Efforts to Show That Defective Registration Rendered the Election Illegal.

THE OBSTINACY OF THE ENUMERATORS.

A Preacher and a Lawyer Create Considerable Amusement-Mitchell, the Desperado, Appears at Lincoln.

NORFOLK, Neb., Dec. 23.-[Special Telegram to Tue Bee. |-This was the first day of the election contest made by John H Powers against James E. Boyd, so far as Norfolk is concerned, testimony being taken as to the manner in which the late election in this city and township is concerned. By agreement the sittings are held in the police court room in the city hall. Banker James Stuart of Madison is the notary selected on behalf of the contestant, while County Attorney Mapes serves in a like capacity for the contestees. Judge Allen of Madison conducted he case for Mr. Dowers, while Judge Crawford of West Point and Judge Barnes and John R. Hayes of this city appeared for the contestees. Tsvelve witnesses were examined, including the mayor, city clerk, city attorney members of the Norfolk election board and others, but so far but little of importance has been deduced. The main effort has so far been made to show that by reason of a failure to register the voters, the election in this city and town ship was illegally held and that by reason o this failure to register fraudulent votes were cast and received by the election board. Side attempts have also been made to prove that the women who peddled tickets were smoked out of the polling place or were compelled to leave on account of improper language used in their presence; that two out of three par-ties were present at the polls all day whose business it was to forcibly take tickets from voters and replace them with others, and that an independent leader was compelled by threats to leave the pells and cease working for that ticket. Success has so far persist-ently refused to crown the efforts of the at-Sorney for the contestant. The main stum-sling block has so far been the trouble in Indiag out the number of inhabitants the late census will show for Norfolk. R. C. Milligan, census enumerator for the

First and Third wards, refused point blank to state the number of inhabitants he found in that territory and finding that threats were of no avail Judge Allen ordered the notaries to commit the witness to jail for contempt, but the notaries did not feel that their signity had been seriously injured and re-fused to obey orders. Rev. J. W. Jennings the caumerator for the Second and Fourth wards, was then called but positively refused to be sworn until the oath was so mod fied that he promised to tell the truth, whole truth and nothing but the truth, abo everything that he didn't refuse to testify With this compromise swear agree to, the minister went on the stand but he proved about as satisfactory a witness as the other enumerator. A refusul to answer a question asked by Judge Allen led to a lively tilt between the preacher and lawyer, in which the latter ame out with very much raffied feathers and furnished the spectators with an abundance

The list of alleged frauduleat voters has so far included three names, among which is that of H. O. Whyman, who has only been a resident of Norfolk for ten or eleven years, evidence will have to take a decidedly ferent turn tomorrow if the contestant makes

Not Quick Enough.

BURWELL, Neb., Dec. 22.—[Special to Tas BER.]—This town was treated to an unusual proceeding in the county court vesterday. Henry C. Wilde, formerly an implement dealer of this place, was arrested last Saturday on information from O'Neill that he was wanted there for passing bogus checks and doing other things equally mean. On Sunday morning, soon after the arrival of an offi-cer from Holt county, Wilde's attorney made application to the county judge for a writ of habeas corpus, which was granted. The Holt county officer got an intimation that a writ was being issued and made a break for Holt county, the sheriff of Garfield county giving chase with the writ, and overtool them in the north part of the county. The case was then called for hearing, and after an exciting legal tussel between Hall, attorney for the officer, and Barthey, attorney for the prisoner, the judge decided that Wilde would have to go back to Holt county and tell why he wrote his checks when his bank account was on the wrong side of the ledger The officer left this morning with him.

Jack Mitchell's Flight.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 23.—[Special Telegram to Tun Brs.]—Jack Mitchell, a tough well known here, while in the Yellowstone coun try recently got into a fight with a desperade known as "Mustang Jim." While the two were playing cards a desperate fight ensued and Mustang Jim shot Mitchell three times in the head and stabbed him once in the neck. Mitchell sent several builets into the desperado's body from the effects of which he died and was buried yesterday. Mitchell was arrested on the charge of murder but managed to break jail and escape. This afternoon Jack was in Lincoln a few minutes and although his face was almost covered with bandages he was recognized by some of his old pals. It is not known in what direction he is flying.

The Wrecker Arrested.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 23 .- |Special Tele gram to THE BEE.]-The hearing of the three Lillie brothers, Dave, Jim and George, arrested last night for placing an obstruction on the track which caused the fatal wreck of the south bound Union Pacific near Holmesville Sunday morning has been set for 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. The brothers have tacitly confessed the crime. The prin-cipal was David, the elder of the trio. The boys bear a hard reputation, and George has already served one term in the penitentiary for rape. The body of Bridge Inspector W H. Mercer, who died last night of his injuries, was shipped to Ada, Kan., today.

Killed by a Kick.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 22.—[Special Tele-to THE BEE.]—The son of Fred Koyla, a dairyman, living a mile southeast of the city, met with a fatal mishap vesterday afternoon About 4 o'clock the boy's dead body was found lying in a field near He had gone with of horses to water at the His long absence being noticed the cause was investigated. One horse was tied to a post and the other was running loose. The boy was lying by the side of the water trough with his neck broken. Marks of in-jury under the chin proved that one of the horses had kicked him and killed him.

New Lodge of Mas ns.

KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 23.- Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-A Masonic organization was yesterday organized at Callaway by the election of T. H. Young, W. M.; M. Connelly, S. W., and A. J. McMurthy, J. W. The new society will be known as Delight lodge. The lodge has fifteen charter mem-bers and they have applied for a dispensation. Callaway Masons are keeping up with

PLATISMOUTH, Neb., Dec. 23.- | Special to THE BEE.]-The patition which was presented to the board of county commissioners for the removal of the county seat to Louisville has been offset by a remonstrance on behalf of the citizens of Plattsmouth and the castern portion of the county, and the com-missioners have postponed the final hearing of the petition until January 29. This, it is believed, will kill the effect of the petition.

Caught in the Cogs.

FRIEND, Neb., Dec. 28 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Edward McGuire, while working around a corn sheller today got his hand fast in the gearing which so completely mangled it that amputation was necessary.

Nothing Startling Discovered.

He is now at the Monti hotel under the care of physicians.

KEARSEY, Neb., Dec. 28 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Evidence was taken here today before the state board of transportation on the complaint of A. J. Gustin on discrimination in rates against Kearney and in favor of Hastings. The Union Pacific and Kearney & Black Hills railways were made defendants. Mr. Whitney, general freight agent of the Missouri river division of the Union Pacific testified in substance that the old schedule for Hastings was too low and that recently it had been withdrawn and approximate the property of the control of the Union Pacific testified in substance that the old schedule for Hastings was too low and that recently it had been withdrawn and approximate the control of th a new one made, placing Kearney and Hast-ings on a corresponding basis and that the ings on a corresponding basis and that the present tariff, is a reasonable one. Several business men of Kearney were examined on the merits of the case. Mr. Gustin acted as his own atterney against Hartman and Dryden atterneys for the Union Pacific. No startling discoveries were made.

THE RESULT AT KILKENNY. Parnell's Followers Admit His Crush-

ing and Hopeless Defeat. KILKENNY, Dec. 23.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—in spite of the excitement caused during the past week by the political struggle which has been taking place in this parlamentary district, and though the actual result of the battle fought between the Parnelites and anti-Paraellites was practically in ites and anti-Paraellites was practically in doubt up to the hour of noon, there was little or no excitement; in the streets of Kilkenny this morning. Peace and quiet outwardly at least seemed to reign on all sides, the streets being the quietest portions of the town. Opposite and about the court house a small crowd gathered. Messrs. Paraell, Harrington, Redmond, Scally Hoppassy and Hools were reside the murrage Scully, Homessy and Healy were inside the court house at an early hour awaiting with varying emotions the actual appropriement of the result. Shortly after noon it was officially announced that Hennessy was elected by 1,146 majority.
Though the Parnellites claimed up to the last moment that victory was hovering over their banners, the defeat of their candidate was virtually admitted long before the close of the polls yesterday.

In view of the almost vital importance to

both sides of the exciting political contest just decided, it is claimed that both parties deserve great credit for the fact that no collision took place between their followers, and that the last day of the campaign at least was conspicuous for its almost entire absence of personal abuse which has recently been exchanged by broadsides between the followers and opponents of Parnell.

During the morning, as has been the case since the polls closed, the door of the "count ing room! in the court house was strictly guarded by police, but there was no attempt

to create any disturbance. Shortly before noon Davitt came out from the courthouse and told an Associated Press reporter that he could accept it as a fact that Mr. Hennessy's majority would be about 1,300, and that the Parnellites had suffered a

hopeiesa and crushing defeat. Immediately after the sheriff had officially announced the result of the polling the Par-ellites present moved in a body to the front of the court house and then with a cheer for the court house and then with a cheer hoisted Parnell upon their shoulders. Parnell was upon the point of making a speech when Timothy and Maurice Healy appeared. Trouble immediately ensued. Finally Parnell, in order to prevent what seemed likely to be a disgraceful row, asked the police to induce the Healys to with draw. The police properly acted upon draw. draw. The police promptly acted upon Parnell's suggestion and the Healys were prevailed upon to depart. Parnell resumed his speech, saying he would not be turned aside from his determination to do his duty to Ireland. Seeing that the result of the contest in North Kilkenny was brought about by conspiracy, Parnell added, he would go through Ireland fighting every election and felt confident of eventual triumph.

Scully will lodge a petition protesting against the election of Hennessy on the ground of undue influence on the part of the priests. Over two hundred votes are chalenged by Parnellites.

FINERTY'S OPINION.

He Says That the Influence of the Priests Defeated Parcell. CHICAGO, Dec. 23,-|Special Telegram to THE BEE, |-- John F. Finerty, the recognized western leader of the Parnell faction of the Irish-Americans is not at all cast down by the result of the Kilkenny election.

In no manner should it be deemed a foreshadowing of the outcome of the elections to follow," said he, "for in no other part of Ireland are the people so ignorant as in the Kilkenny district which cludes the mines near Castle-Comer. The result of yesterday's election shows that 1,803 eligible voters falled to east their ballots. This fact indicates plainly that naught but pressure could have kept so many away from the polls at a time of such general excitement. That pressure was the priesthood and the 1,800 voters were Parnell-tes. So that the sentiment and the desire of the people is evident even though it is not expressed in the ballot box. Had the 1,800 voted, Scully would have been elected and Parnell would have been vic-torious. But as I said, this election must not be taken as an indication of what is to follow. For not only are the people in the other parts of Ireland more intelligent, but

as each day goes by Parnell grows stronger."
"Was the action of the priests in accordance with instructions received from Romer" "Most certainly. Since 1852 no such a fight as the priests have just made has been known. The strength they have demonstrated has had great influence, and to the fear they engendered in the minds of the ignorant voters of Kilkenoy the failure of the

Davitt Attacks Parnell Again. LONDON, Dec. 23. -Michael Davitt's news aper, the Labor World, today renews its nslaught upon Parnell, The Labor World ays Parnell is a greater danger to Ireland than any outside enemy. No foreign force has ever so enclangered Ireland's liberty and honor as this new pretender, unmitigated trickster and unscrupulous enemy of liberty and democracy who attacks Ireland's honor and democracy who attacks Ireland's honor in its most vital part and who betrayed a trust of honor committed to his care.

The Labor World continuing says Parnell should not be permitted to hold the power which he abused and which would render Ireland's condition under her dictator worse than that of a South American republic.

McCarthyites Rejoice. Dustin, Dec. 22 .- At the first meeting of the McCarthylte committee today, every body present was filled with enthusiasm over the result of the contest is North Kilkenny.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRE.

The business portion of the town of Azalia, Mich., was burned, involving a heavy loss. The business portion of Alexandria, was destroyed by fire yesterday; loss, \$25,000 The schooner Mary Ellen, from Salisbury, reported lost together with a crew of five

A daily paper will be started by the enal committee to be edited by William Parnell was greeted by friendly crowds at lost stations on his journey from Kilkenny

to Dublin. The jury in the case of Walter Horton, with the drowning of his wife at St. Paul, Minn., brought in a verdict of not

The British ship Talookdar from Calcutta to London was sunk in a collission with another vessel. The captain and twenty-two of the crew were drowned.

The city board of education of Chicago to-night unanimously voted down the proposi-tion that extracts from the bible be read daily in the public schools. A paper asserts that the new reaper and incer twine trust will on the first of the year is charge several thousand men from the factories and offices throughout the country. Quite a severe earthquake shock was felt

in the vicinity of Knoxville, Tenn., this morning. Many persons were aroused from sleep and in the surrounding owns the people report that houses were shaken. Van Houten's Cocoa-Pure, soluble, ecot

Given Away.

All ladies calling at the office of the American Fuel Co., 215 S. 15th street, Boyd's opera house) will be given a peautiful scrap book.

THE SHOE ON THE OTHER FOOT.

Demurrage Sticks in the Craw of the Transportation Association.

DIRECTION OF THEIR FIRST ATTACK.

Another Bitch in the Settlement of Live Hog Rates-Two Railway Statements Published-Managers and Switchmen.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The National Transportation association, composed of the boards of trade of all the principal cities in the United States except New York has adopted a new plank in its platform. Hereafter members of the association, and they are nearly 90 per cent of the shippers of the United States, will refuse to be bound by any railroad decree which affects their rights. They will also demand that such legislation be a matter of conference and that the roads as well as the shippers be bound by the result. The first attack will be made on the car service associations. Under their corporation a snipper is charged \$1 a day defor delay over forty eight hours in unloading cars. In regard to this, Commissioner Inglehart of the Chicago freight bureau, said today: "Our members have daily to pay large sums as demurrage. This charge is all right, as otherwise the shippers would use the cars for storage and greatly inconvenience the railroads. But how does the shoe fit the other foot! Here is a complaint from one of our members that a large shipment of flour was six weeks on the way from Minneapolis to Chicago. We propose to even things up by demanding and en-forcing pay for this delay. In all such cases we will see in future that the jug has two handles and not be the one-sided concern it is at present. Cases are now being prepared nd if the roads do not come to time we will force them to by state and national legis-

One Kind of Rebate. CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. -There is another hitch in the settlement of rates on live hogs and their dressed product. The settlement of Saturday was reached by the agreement to pay Fowler Bros. \$30,000 to release the Alton from its contract to carry packing house products from Kansas City to Chicago at an 18 cent rate. The firm at first demanded \$200,000 but finally accepted \$30,000. Now some of the roads declare this payment amounts to discrimination against the other packers and that it would open wide the door for a new system of paying rebates in advance. Said a well known railroad attorney

of a competing road : "Everyone knows that if the Alton had not made the contract another road would. The purchase of the contract is as legal as buying a pound of sugar. It is the intent which shows the guilt in this case. The Alton was justified in making its contract, but a similar one made now for the purpose of paying advance rebates would be lilegal. Some of the roads are disposed to make trouble over the contract, but in view of the settlement made Saturday and the advance on January 1 they would consult their own best interests by leaving matters alone."

New York Central Statement. New York, Dec. 23 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The passenger committee of the Trunk Line association met today. The questian of equalizing immigrant rates throughout the country was discussed. The action of the committee will not be made known for several days. Following is the statement of the New York Central & Hudson River and its leased lines for the quarter ending December 31 (estimated): Gross carnings, \$9,528,500: operating expenses, \$6,236,103; net earnings, \$3,292,396; first charges, \$2,114,400; profit, \$1,177,996; dividend, \$894,283; surplus,

For the six months ending December 31 (estimated): Gross earnings, \$18,592,734; operating expenses, \$12,473,636; net earnings, \$6,119,108; first charges, \$4,196,400; profit, dividends, \$1.788,566; surplus,

A Balance Remains. NEW YORK, Dec. 23 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE !- The following is the statement of the year's business of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern: Gross earnings, \$20,874,200; expenses, \$14,189,200; net earnings, \$6,685,000. After deducting declared dividends, etc., a balance of \$342,010 is left The annual report of the Michigan Central railroad made public today shows gross earn-ings for that road and the Canada Southern of \$14,340,000; expenses, \$10,510,000; net earnings, \$3,825,000, and suplus carnings, \$1,372,000. After deducting the snare of the Can ada Southern and the amount of the declared dividend there remains a balance of \$102,090. After division as per traffic agreement and deducting the declared dividends a balance remains of \$238,045 for the Canada Southern.

Railroad Dividends. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Lake Shore & Michigan Southern rallway company declared a semi-annual dividend of 234 per cent and an extra dividend of 11/4 per cent. A year ago they declared a regular dividend of 2 percent

The Canada Southern railroad company has declared a regular dividend of 11/4 per The directors of the Chicago, St. Paul Minneapolis & Omana have declared a regular semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent on pre-

and an extra divigend of 1 per cent.

ferred stock, payable January 20. Bo close December 31 and reopen January 21. To Regulate Wages.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- A conference of genera nanagers of western roads was held today elative to the demands of switchmen all over the lines for a uniform scale of wages. The switchmen in Chicago heretofore have been paid by the hour, their wages aggregating in the day 30 to 00 per cent more than the day wages in small cities. The managers agreed upon a scale by which wages outside of the switchmen should be within \$5 a month of he Chicago wages.

A Five Cent Reduction. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Representatives of the Illinois lines met today and considered the new schedule of rates on live stock prepared by the state board of railway and warehouse commissioners. They found on taking up that the schedule makes about 5 cents per hundred pounds for a distance of 170 mile The schedule on shipments within the state. will probably be adopted by all lines.

What the Wabash Wants, CHICAGO, Dec. 23.-Surveyors now engaged n running a line from Chicago to Milwaukee

are reported to be working under the direc tion of the Rock Island road. The line they are mapping out follows the lake shore closely. The Rock Island is said to be anxious to get part of the lumber traffic to the south-west and other branches to the interior of Wisconsin are projected. A Public Warehouse Bill.

The board of directors and the committee on grain and live stock of the Omaha board of trade held a meeting yesterday afternoon at which they discussed the matter of secur-ing the passage of a law for the regulation of public grain elevators. Secretary Nason re-ported that he had visited Chicago and conferred with the secretary of the Chicago board of trame concerning the practical operation of the Illinois law reguating public elevators. He had a copy the filinois law and thought it would be about the thing needed in Nebraska. After some further discussion of the mat-ter the president was authorized to appoint a committee to draft a bill which will be laid

before the legislature. Labruyere's Idea of Journalism Paris, Dec. 23 .- Labruyere, the anarchist journalist who aided the murderer of General

Siliverskoff, Anarchist Padlewiski, to escape,

was placed on trial today together with Madame Duquercy, who concealed Padlewiski in her house after the murder. During the examination Labruyere said he considered he had done something which would raise the status of newspaper reporting. He confessed to having received 3,000 francs for expenses, but although his expenses were only 535 francs he could not account for the remainder. The procureur account for the remainder. The produceur contended that Lauruyere's sole motive was to advertise himself and thereby carn money. Judgement was deferred.

COWBOYS AGGRESSIVE.

They Invade the Reservation and Attack stray Indians. CRESTON, S. D., (via Rapid City), Dec. 23. -The situation is practically unchanged. Several troops of cavalry have been out chasing small bands of Indians, but no casualties

are reported. It is reported a great deal of ill feeling and trouble is being caused by the cowboys lying near the reservation ne and shooting at any Indians who may ap pear. There is no doubt the Indians are the principal aggressors, yet since the arrival of the soldiers the cowboys and ranchers have pecome very bold and are molesting Indians instead of confining themselves to the protection of their homes. The department military commander has given orders to dis-arm any of these settlers who may be caught nyading the reservation for the purpose of attacking the Indians.

Killed by the Indians. PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 23 .- Frank Patterson from Midland brings a report of three white men killed by Indians in Pratt county. IOWA NEWS.

A Prisoner Surned to Death.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Dec. 23.-Dan Brannan, Imprisoned in the Emmetsburg jail, set fire to he bed clothing while lighting his pipe and perished in the flames

An Iowa Trotting Circuit. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 23.—An Iowa trotting and pacing circuit, including Davenport, Iowa City, Dabuque, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs and Independence, was organized today. Meetings will be held in July and August and purses amounting to \$105,000 will

Indicted for Boodling. DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 23 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE. 1-The grand jury this morning returned indictments against Aldermen and ex-Aldermen J. P. Smith, F. T. Morris, H. R. Reynolds, J. C. Macy, M Drady and George W. Sheldon on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the city out of about \$1,000 by false bills. entries and warrants. Some of them were recently acquitted on a charge of wilful misconduct in office. They were all arrested and released under bonds of \$1.000 each. Indictments were also returned against ex-Constables William Kellar, J. Callendar, C. Bracklet, O. West, C. R. Hamilton and Burdick, O. D. West, G. B. Hamilton and George H. Cleggett on the charge of conspin acy to defraud the county by means of false pretenses and fictitious names in making re turns for informations and warrants never served, and by agreeing together to obtain small quantities of liquors from violators of the prohibitory law, so that each of the con stables, searchers and spotters could draw fees from innumerable cases at their pleas ure. O.C. West, Frank Pierce and G. B. Hamilton were also indicted on the charge of blackmailing, and George Cleggett for making false return of a warrant. All the parties were placed under bonds for trial. The grand jury is still at work on charge against justices of the peace for conspiring to swell their fees, and it is likely some of them will be indicted, though there is a difference of opinion as to whether they can be con-

THE ILLINOIS DROUGHT. It is Beginning to Be Regarded

Serious State of Affairs. CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The drought in Illinois is getting to be a serious thing. In central Illinois there has been only one rain this fall and that was not a heavy one. There was but little rain during the summer, and now every ereck in that part of the state is dry. Farmors are bauling water for their stock, an unusual thing for this time of the year. The thermometer has been below the fr point but two or three times, and there has been no snow or ice. There has been no freezing of the ground at all and in some

parts of the country plowing has been done the past week. A large number of cisterns are dry and many wells have given out. The Wool Market. BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The demand for wool has been fair and the volume of trade of large propor tions, in Ohio and Pennsylvania, fleeces there have been sales of X at 31@32c and of XX and above at 33@34. Michigan X can be bought at 29c and some choice lots are held higher. In washed combing and delaine fleecos there have been sales of No. 1 combing at 39@42c, of Ohio fine delaine at 36@37c and of Michigan fine delaine at 34@35c. Unwashed combing wools are offered at 20@28c for one-quarter blood and at 29@30c for three eights blood. Territory wools are seiling principally at 60c clear for fine, at 57658c for fine medium and at 556656c for medium. Texas, Catifornia and Oregon wools are in Texas, Cantornia and Oregon woots are in fair request at previous prices. Pulled wools have been steady but quiet with sales of choice super at 40@45c; of fair to good super at 30@38c and of extra at 32@30c. Foreign

wools are firm and unchanged. Mexico Reviving. CHICAGO, Dec. 23,- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-H. C. Payne, direct from the City of Mexico, where he is one of the most prominent business men, reports that the recent general stringency in the money market has had no appreciable effect in the republic on the other side of the Rio Grande. There was at one time a little conservative talk," he said, "but any one wanting to bor-row money found no difficulty in get-ting enough to satisfy their desires nd at the regular rate of interest, 9 per cent Yes, the rate used to be 8 per cent, crease was made about seven months ago long before any signs of this stringency existed. Business is good in the city of Mexi o. Collections are fairly easy and the propects excellent, and so long as Diaz remains president it is not likely that any change will

Merritt's Seat Contested. Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.-Notice of con test was served tonight on Edward L. Merritt, one of the democratic members-elect to the legislature, by L. W. Coe, a voter of this city. Coe claims that Merritt is ineligible under the constitution and bases his claim on the allegation that Marcitt has not been for five years a resident of Illinois, claiming that a few years ago he left Illinois and be-came a resident of Nebraska. Merritt denies the truth of the alignations. The contest is looked upon as an attempted offset of the Rock Island and Adams county cases.

Stamped to Death. DANNILLE, Va., Dec. 23 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-A shocking tragedy occurred nere today, Edward Enoch, a railroad man, and James Gravett, a carpenter, were in a saioon and both under the influence of liquor. They began to quarrel about some trivial matter and Gravett insulted Enoch when the latter knocked bim down and literally stamped him to death with his heavy boots.

Fire Limit Ordinance Passed. The council passed the fire limit ordinance last night as agreed upon at Thursday's conference. No other business of importance

Gravett's face was evushed and he died al most instantly. Efficien was arrested.

The Beath Record. WOOSTER, O., Dec. 23.-Rev. Dr. James Black, professor of language at Wooster university, died this morning aged fifty-five.

Frank Baldwin, a brakeman, white mak ing connections in the Missouri Pacific yards, had his foot run over and cut off. Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Sooth ing Syrup the best remedy for their child in

A Brakeman Injure 1.

25 cents a bottle. Dr. Birney, nose and throat. Bee bldg.

NON-PARTISAN ORGANIZATION,

Mr. E. Rosewater's Characterization of the Bankers and Business Men's Association.

NOT OPPOSED TO PROHIBITIONISTS.

The People, However, Disapproved of Their Methods and the Lies About Omaha-Some of the Libellous Papers.

The cross-examination of Mr. E. Rosewater by the attorney for the contestee in the gubernatorial contest took place yesterday morning, Mr. Lee Estelle doing the questioning. The Bee did not send out any democratic tickets on the day of the election or the day before.

Mr. Rosewater cross-examined: The business men's association never discussed the candidacy of any one individual before or after either of the state conventions. The majority of our officers were republicans but there was a fair sprinkling of democrats in the association. Mr. Boyd was never dis-cussed at all. We did pretend to know what the democrats might do, and never took their probable action into consideration. There always has been a strong anti-Boyd element here in Omaha. There are two factions of the democracy-the packing house faction and the slaughter house faction. The latter were against Boyd. It was well understood that prohibition would paralyze our schools, that prohibition would paralyze our schools, cripple our business interests and depress real estate as it had in other cities. Also that if prohibition carried, the number of saloons would multiply and that with our present machinery we would not to be able to enforce prohibition and it would relegate us to the old condition of low dives as in the times of low license. It was well known that the liquor traffic was unre-stricted across the river and that on Sunday afternoons nundreds of men went over from Omaha and indulged in debauchery in the dives over there. The saloens here were pretty thoroughly closed. In the past year the condition of things in South Omaha, it is said, have been loose. They have a lower license and a proportionately greater number of saloons. Recently they have been making on effort to enforce the Sunday Slooumblaw My understanding of the way the saloons are conducted in Council Bluffs on election days is that the salous are entirely unrestrained in spite of law, and are carried on unlawfully at all times entirely at the option of their proprietors. One of the objects of the Bankers and Business Men's association objects was to prevent lawlessness and a state of anarchy that would follow the unlawful sale of liquor by a large number of dealers, and to prevent a like condition in Nebraska. I was chairman of the executive committee of this association, and as such en-tered into a contract with Mr. Roggen, as the association instructed me. I have a copy of this contract. His position wast hat of general organizer, and afterwards secretary. His business was to organize auxiliary associa-tions throughout the state and map out work therefor. He had ten or twelve men under nim, with practically the same duties. No instructions were given Mr. Roggen in favo of any particular candidate, but if he acted in this way we had the privilege to cancel his contracts on five days' notice. He was not to dabble in politics. Everybody was free to vote and act as the pleased so far as individual candidates wer concerned. Our one object was to defeat prohibition. The instructions to Mr. Roggen were never modified so far as political candi-dates were concerned. The Personal Rights league must have been organized sometime last winter, or at least a long time prior to the calling of any convention. Its primary object was to oppose the adoption of the pro-hibition amendment. A committee of clergy called upon me last spring to enlist my as-sistance to prevent the passage of the com-

out of all the work, their object being to prevent legislation considered derogatory to the public welfare.

Mr. Boy's received the largest majority ever received by a candidate in this county, at the late election. His position on the question of statutory prohibition had much to do with this result. In case the amendment carried he was committed to enforce the law to the best of his ability. If defeated he would not sanction any law for prohibition during his term. For this reason, he is undoubtedly in-debted for his large majority. He is one of the oldest citizens in the state, and has had a large personal following, and has done much in building up our city. His following did not whelly consist of democrats. He has had many republican friends. He has always been elected by republican votes. as he had many democratic enemies. If Mr. Richards had taken Boyd's stand on prohibition, I don't think Boyd's majority would have been over 5,000. As far as Powers is concerned, I don't think it would have had much effect, one way or the other. I have always taken an active interest in politic long before ever going into the newspape

phlsory educational law, and that was one of their premier objects. The question of indi-

vidual candidates. I unerstand, was to be left

long before ever going into the newspaper business. I have attended all the elections for the past seventeen or eighteen years.

Took an active part in the elections past in 1896-67-98 and 769. Was here on the last election day, November 4. Was at the polling places the whole of the day, save brief intermissions for meals. Most all the business houses were closed, and the saloons had all been closed by order of the mayor, and been closed by order of the mayor, and I saw none of them open. Saw no drinking or drunkenness about the pells, which I consider rather remarkable. Wherever I went the election was so quiet I was really sur-prised at the tack of excitement. At one or two polls there was considerable loud taiking, badinage between ticket peddlers, discus-sing the so-called bogus tickets. That was

There were not many people inclined to

vote for the amendment and it wasn't much of an effort to get votes against it. The repub lican voters particularly seemed to have little todo. People came with tickets prepared.
The only thing the non-workers
did was to work their jaws in idle discussion and bantering. The question of devising some measure to give every regis-tered voter his vote was discussed, and I think the "number" system was devised by the Personal Rights league, first started by the discussion in the papers about the proba ble lack of time for all those registered to get in their votes, on account of the unequal division of the registration districts. "number system" was adopted to expedite
the voting. As the voter approached the
p lls he was asked his name by an agent of
the Personal Rights league and given a card, pon which was his register number. agent stool fifty feet or so from the polling window. Some days prior to the election i went before the county commissioners and advocated the appointment of a prohibi-tionist on the election boards of each ward. I did this also two weeks previous to the elec-tion. Ten days after my visit to the commissioners I published a card opposing those appointments, as I had changed my mind in this proceeding, for I began to think that they would abuse their privileges in an at-tempt to keep legal voters from voting. There was quite a resentment felt in the community against the manner of procedure of the prohibitionists, but none against the prohibitionists simply because they were prohibitionists. It was against individuals who were known to have written inflammatory and scurrilous letters and done all sorts, of scoundrelly work. What originated the feeling toward the prohibitionists was the cowing toward the prohibitions published ardly and lying articles published in prohibition papers and circulated here, their vindictive assaults on lated here. lated here, their vindictive assaults on Omaha, denominating it the scariet city, the Sodom of America, and that we had stuffed the census. Their agents and papers came in naturally, for a good deal of execration at the hands of the people. The paper, the New Republic I think is on The Bre's exchange list, I believe, I also know of the Lincoln Sunday Morning Call. It is on our exchange list. I have seen the daily Bumble Bee, also the New York Voice. The Bumble Bee was first issued a few days before the election. The Voice was kindly sent me perelection. The Voice was kindly sent me per sonally with a big red hand on it. These were among the publications responsible for the feeling against the prohibitionists. The Bumble Bee was thrown about promisnously by boy sover the city a day or two be fore the election. It had no legitimate circu-lation, of course, and I was too busy to pay much attention to it at that time. A representative of the contestant made a motion that all Mr. Resewater's testimony re-

lating t to these papers be stricken out, he had testified that there no feeling against the prohiPeculiar

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tionists, and the matter was consequently

rrelevant.
The motion was overruled. The witness identified the Sunday morning Call of November 2, 1890, centaining the article headed, "Amarchy reigns in Omana—Appailing condition of public morals in Nebraska's whisky-soaked metropolis, etc., etc., etc.," which article was introduced in tes

timony.

A copy of the Bumble Bee, Voice, and other papers were identified, and introduced as evidence. These contained scurrilous articles against Omaha and her citizens, including the paper with the article headed: "John Dale Stand Up," "A Damnable Plot," "Journalistic Prostitutes," "Anarchist Dallies,"

The objection of the contestant's representative to the introduction of the Bumble Bee

was overruled.

Rev. Mr. Crane testified that he visited the row, Mr. Crane testined that he visited the polls on election day in the interests of the prohibitory amendment, and that his tickets were wrenched from his hand by Tony Her-ald. This he alleged was at the second pre-cinct of the Eighth ward.

On cross-examination he said he had not

been molested or in any way interfered with when he went to vote. He also testified that he peddled democratic, republican, inde-pendent and prohibition tickets, all with the amendment in them. He found the same opposition to Boyd and Richards that he did

against Powers. All opposition was directed toward the amendment. John Dale testified that he resigned from the Phoenix insurance company because he considered the company boycotted by the business men of Omaha. This was brought about, he said, by John Rush, who claims to have a letter written by Dale stating that the census of Omaha had been padded from twenty to twenty-five thousand. He denied having written a letter stating this actually but he did write to a friend that it was a street rumor that the census had been padded. He further stated that his business relations with the city press were amicable and pleasant, and lays the stress of the whole thing on Rush's mistake.

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