

BRISCOE OUT OF THE RACE.

He Declines to Run as the Prohibition Candidate for Mayor of Lincoln.

RESIGNATION OF INDEPENDENT NOMINEES.

A Family of Squatters Causing Considerable Trouble—A Small Assignment—District Court—Capital City News.

Lincoln, Neb., March 27.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Last evening J. Z. Briscoe, the nominee of the prohibition party for mayor of Lincoln, handed in his declaration of the office to City Clerk VanDyke, in accordance with the provisions of the American ballot system. Considerable pressure has been brought to bear upon Mr. Briscoe to withdraw from the fight in favor of Mr. Weir, the nominee of the independents, and also the head of the citizens' ticket. It is now generally conceded in political circles that the fight lies between Mr. Alexander and Mr. Weir. Both gentlemen stand high in business circles, and the issue drawn between them will simply be one of general policy. It is believed that Mr. Weir will endeavor to conduct the affairs of the city on a very conservative basis, that the saloons and houses of prostitution will be held to the same strict accountability that Mr. Alexander will regulate these apparently necessary evils as Mayor Graham has successfully practiced.

The following declaration was also received last evening by the city clerk from nominees of the independent convention: Thomas E. Stevens, water commissioner; M. Grace, chairman of the board of public works; M. L. Easterday, city clerk; W. G. Houtz, excise board, and A. J. Sawyer, city attorney. None of these vacancies have been filled.

WHO WILL HE CROSS JUDGES?

The partitioning of Lancaster county a judicial district by itself and increasing the judges to three is stirring things up among the lawyers in the city. One of the new judges to be appointed will be a republican and one will be a democrat and the rub is as to who shall be the lucky men.

MADE AN ASSIGNMENT.

Sam D. Leland, wholesale cigar dealer at 808 P street, made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of his creditors, to wit: McCloy this morning. The matter will come up in county court shortly, and a permanent assignee named. No statement of assets and liabilities has yet been filed, as the property is not being inventoried.

A COOL PROCEEDING.

About ten days ago one Joe Greenwaldt, who bears the reputation of being rather shiftless, concluded to move, and with his wife and two small children started to leave a house. They had nothing to move save what they wore, and while going along the wife and children were stopped by a woman who occupied by a family named Grossback, was open, and without waiting for an invitation, walked in, and asked to be allowed to stay overnight.

ONE THAT HAS PUZZLED THE ATTORNEYS.

Judge Fleid is engaged today in hearing the case of W. J. McGillivray vs. the Kitz-Carter cattle company, C. H. Gould and several other parties. This is an interesting case to prevent the Union Savings bank of this city from turning over to the Kitz-Carter cattle company some \$20,000 in cow notes. The case is an old one, or at least the parties are old ones between the Carter and the Hartman cattle companies over debts due from the latter to the former. It was fought out in the courts several times, but keeps coming up occasionally. E. M. McGillivray had advertised a sale to take place at the fair grounds of a lot of cattle, but the sale was stopped by an attachment gotten out by the cattle company. Finally it was agreed to allow the sale to proceed, the proceeds to be used to prevent the Union Savings bank of this city from turning over to the Kitz-Carter cattle company some \$20,000 in cow notes. The case is an old one, or at least the parties are old ones between the Carter and the Hartman cattle companies over debts due from the latter to the former. It was fought out in the courts several times, but keeps coming up occasionally.

ON FORT CROOK.

Work Will Soon Be Commenced and Pushed.

"It is quite probable," said Colonel Hughes, chief engineer of the department of the Platte, to a BEE reporter last night at the Paxton, "that work upon Fort Crook, to be built at Bellevue, will be begun in a short time. The indications are that considerable work will be done upon the new fort during the summer. The topographical maps, giving the location of the barracks and officers' quarters, as the location committee saw fit to recommend, have been forwarded to Washington for approval."

A Thieving Cyprian.

Minnie Hayes, a resident of the burnt district, was arrested at noon yesterday by Detective Hayes and charged with grand larceny. Some weeks ago Minnie stole a clover leaf scarf pin with diamonds from one of her visitors. She gave the pin to her lover, a man named Moss Banks, who lives in Council Bluffs.

To Recommend for Judges.

There will be a mass meeting of the members of the bar of the Third judicial district at the court house at 3 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of recommending to the governor suitable members of the legal profession for appointment to the bench of the Third judicial district. There are a great many candidates and an interesting time is anticipated.

Held for Trial.

Carl Jacobson and John Sundvall, of the Swedish Post who were indicted on complaint of Charles A. Lundin and charged with criminal libel, were up before Judge Hiesley yesterday. Both men were released on bond to await their hearing, which is set for next Friday, April 1.

Rittmaster Dismissed.

Gustave Rittmaster, who was arrested at the instance of Denver parties on charge of being a fugitive from justice, was arraigned for trial in Justice Hiesley's court yesterday and discharged. No one appeared to prosecute, so there was nothing left to do but dismiss the case.

COL. HINTON TELLS HIS PLAN.

How the Artesian Inquiry Will Be Carried on Next Summer.

INTERESTS THE ENTIRE NORTHWEST.

Hunting the Waters of the Missouri Lost in the Earth's and Bringing It to the Surface for Irrigation.

Colonel Richard J. Hinton of Washington and Fred Robert Hay of Omaha were guests at the Paxton yesterday, where they were found by a representative of THE BEE. In answer to questions concerning the scope of the work in which they are engaged, and the extent of their preparation for the summer campaign, Colonel Hinton said: "I am in charge of the special irrigation inquiry now under the direction of the engineer in the artesian investigation. The public will recall that under the demand of the Dakota senators at the first session of the last congress, and after discussion with Major Powell of the geological survey, congress appropriated \$20,000 for an inquiry into the artesian basin with a view to its use for irrigation. Under that provision field work was begun in April 1900, and concluded on July 1, 1900. The work was accomplished under the supervision of Colonel E. S. Nettleton as chief engineer and Prof. Robert Hay as chief geologist. We have in charge of the matter at the Washington office and received the reports from the field. Quite a large report was made, of which I am a competent and an Engineering News said: 'It is the best report and, in fact, the only one made by this or any other government body.'"

NO DANGER AHEAD.

Opinions of Army Officers on the Situation at Pine Ridge.

"There is but little news about the situation at Pine Ridge," says the report of the military officers. "The Indians are quiet and well behaved, unless some meddlesome and selfish people take a notion to inaugurate a disturbance. The Indians will not fight and do not want to fight so long as they are properly treated."

DEATH NOTICES.

Notice of final illness on the late Mr. H. H. DUBOIS—Charles 51 years of age, at his residence, 1024 Howard street, at 11:30 yesterday morning, of consumption. Burial from residence Monday, March 30, at 2 p. m. in the cemetery.

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Prudent buyers cannot afford to spend one dollar for any article of clothing, until they have seen some of the bargain lines in Men's Suits, Spring Overcoats and Boys' and Children's Clothing.

We are having the largest sale in Children's Suits ever held in Omaha. We will sell this week:

- \$2.00 250 Boys' Cheviot Suits, ages 4 to 14, at \$2; regular price outside of our store \$4. See show windows for samples.
- \$4.00 150 Suits, ages 4 to 14, of the celebrated Sawyer Double and Twist Cassimere, at \$4. Sold last season for \$7.

SPRING OVERCOATS.

We are showing the largest variety we have ever carried in Fine Overcoats. Look in our show window and see the Melton Overcoats, in a medium shade, cloth and silk-faced, at \$7.50 each.

MEN'S SUITS.

The biggest value ever shown in the city is our All Wool Argyle Cheviot, at \$7. See samples in our show window, elegantly made and trimmed at \$7 each; all sizes. We will send a sample of this cloth to any address.

FREELAND, LOOMIS & CO.,
CORNER 15TH AND DOUGLAS STS.
BOSTON.
NEW YORK.
DES MOINES.

BLACK HILLS BUSINESS.

Grocer Adams Thinks the Hard Times Are About Ended.

E. W. Adams, a prominent merchant of Deadwood, S. D., accompanied by his wife, is stopping at the Paxton. Speaking last night of business in the Hills Mr. Adams said: "We expect a good deal of building to be done in Deadwood the coming summer. While times have been hard, yet we have had pretty good trade all winter, and with the prospect of spring we have the promise of improved conditions. We are interested considerably in the arrival of a dozen or more cars of sugar that will be taken out of bond on April 1. All the stores are running very low on sugar on account of the reduced price that will be inaugurated on April 1."

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Prudent buyers cannot afford to spend one dollar for any article of clothing, until they have seen some of the bargain lines in Men's Suits, Spring Overcoats and Boys' and Children's Clothing.

We are having the largest sale in Children's Suits ever held in Omaha. We will sell this week:

- \$2.00 250 Boys' Cheviot Suits, ages 4 to 14, at \$2; regular price outside of our store \$4. See show windows for samples.
- \$4.00 150 Suits, ages 4 to 14, of the celebrated Sawyer Double and Twist Cassimere, at \$4. Sold last season for \$7.

SPRING OVERCOATS.

We are showing the largest variety we have ever carried in Fine Overcoats. Look in our show window and see the Melton Overcoats, in a medium shade, cloth and silk-faced, at \$7.50 each.

MEN'S SUITS.

The biggest value ever shown in the city is our All Wool Argyle Cheviot, at \$7. See samples in our show window, elegantly made and trimmed at \$7 each; all sizes. We will send a sample of this cloth to any address.

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VETERANS OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

Close of a Well Attended and Successful Encampment.

SENATOR PETTIGREW MAKES A DENIAL.

The Reported Trouble with Secretary Noble Greatly Exaggerated—Especially Convict Recaptured—The University Difficulty.

YANKTON, S. D., March 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The eighth annual encampment of the South Dakota department Grand Army of the Republic closed in this city tonight with a gigantic camp fire. The encampment has been attended by nearly one thousand old soldiers and is said to have been one of the most successful ever held. The state department Woman's Relief Corps has been in session at the same time. Judge C. S. Palmer of Sioux Falls, was elected commander of the Grand Army of the Republic and Mrs. Ruth H. Thomas of Huron was elected president of the Woman's Relief Corps. Mitchell was selected as the place for holding the next encampment.

The University Difficulty.

VERMILION, S. D., March 27.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The local board of regents of the state university, called here by the late trouble, have been in session all day. This afternoon the entire faculty were called before them and one of the most stormy sessions of the board took place. Of this meeting no information can be had, as they have not come to any understanding in the matter. Two of the regents are known to favor the students, and as there are only three members of the board present they will probably be overruled. It is expected that the retirement of the president, which will be forwarded to the state board which meets at Brookings next month.

School Lands at Auction.

YANKTON, S. D., March 27.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Eighteen sections of school land in this county are now being sold at public auction in this city. The lands in this county were appraised at an average of \$15 per acre, but are selling at an average price of \$30 per acre. One half section sold for \$53 per acre. The price was paid for Dakota farm land. One of the eighteen sections is cement land. The cement is known as Portland and is abundant. That section is appraised at \$75 per acre, and a cable from London offering \$80 per acre for it has been refused.

Denies the Report.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., March 27.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Secretary Noble returned from Washington today, and in speaking of the reported war of words he is said to have had with Secretary Noble, which was published recently, said the story was largely false and that he never called Noble a "jack-in-the-love." He difference existing between Secretary Noble and himself is said to be of opinion and not due to flashes of temper.