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How Supply Contracts of the Hastings

JUST LOOK AT THESE QUOTATIONS.

Goods Bought at Exorbitant Prices Regardless of Ruling Market Quotations-Who Got the Rake-Off?

LINCOLN, Nob., June 22 - (Special to THE BEE. |-The recent disclosures of fraud in the Hastings asylum has led to an examination of the contract for supplies that have been ordered for that institution, and here is found a very interesting state of affairs that it would be well for the board of public lands and buildings to inquire into while thy are in the investigating business.

Some of these bids, particularly those for proceries and provisions, would make ery interesting subjects for such an investigation, and would, perhaps, explain in part why the patients in the Hastings asylum have so much better appetites than those in the other asylums of the state. In other words it might offer a solution of a problem which vexed several members of the last legislature. They could not understand why it should require more money per capita to furnish board and clothing for the patients at the Hastings asylum than it did for those in the Lincoln and Norfolk asylums. The Lincoln hospital, with 350 patients, receives \$55,000 for board and clothing, or \$186.97 per capita, while the Norfolk asylum, with 205 patients, was given \$40,000, or \$194.17 per capita. Hastings, with only 100 patients, got \$38,000 for board and clothing, or \$238.50 per capita. Just why it should cost so much more to feed and clothe the patients in Hastings than it did to render them the same service at Lincoln and Norfolk was a puzzle.

Had they studied a few of the Hastings contracts, the mystery could have been easily explained. Notwithstanding the fact that these contracts are supposed to be let out to the lowest bidder, upon competitive bids, a glance at the comparisons made be-low, will show that under the system of manipulation in vogue at Hastings, the state pays fully ordinary retail prices for goods actually purchased, and in many instances the prices greatly exceed the retail price of the goods bought.

The following is a comparison of the prices of some of the goods in the contracts ordered July 1, 1890, and October 1, 1890. Expernced grocerymen will doubtless be astor led at the fluctuations in prices as here iown: July '90 Oct. '99

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ARTICLES.	Cents per pound.	
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Apricots, California Barley, Pearl Baking Powder,	1214	
Cream Beans, navy Beans, Lima	40 2	
Currants, select arie Chocolate, bakers Cheese, full cream		
Cloves, pure ground Codfish, boneless Cracked Whent		
Cinnamon Gelatine Hominy		
Mackerel, choice,		

WATER STOPS IRRIGATION.

FOR INVESTIGATION. Imply Contracts of the Hastings Asylum Are Manipulated. LOOK AT THESE QUOTATIONS. How and the state of the state

chased 104 pounds of chewing toolacto at the then ruing high price. The decline in starch might also be ac-counted for in the same way, as your corre-spondent sees by the bill on file that on Sep-tember s one dozen six-pound boxes of kings-sold to the ford's silver gloss starch was sold to the Hastings asylum at 8 cents per pound, and again on the 27th of the same month another again on the 2 th of the same month above invoke of 144 pounds of starth was sold at the same price. This bill also shows that on Sep tember 29 forty-eight pounds of chocolate was sold this institution at 40 cents per pound, or an advance of 6 cents per pound above the contract price. On the same date also a purchase of forty eight pounds of baking powder was made at the same price per pound. Two chests of tea were also bought during the latter part of the month of September, for which 25 cents per pound was

It would really seem unfortunate for the state that Steward Liveringhouse should not have foreseen the remarkable decline in the price upon these commodities that took place on the 1st nay of October, and had delayed these purchases for a few days, as quite an amount of money could have been saved to the state had he done so. It is evi-dent from bills on file from this grocery house that liberal purchases had been made of goeds that had advanced in price upon leason. October 1, and it appears also that but small quantities of the articles upon which the price declined wore purchased during the

quarter ending September 31. A shrewd business man would have pur-chased the goods that were liable to advance in a few days before the advance was made, but would have deferred his purchase of

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out would have operred his purchase of goods upon which the price was decilining, until the price had reached the bottom. The inference to be drawn from the above exhibit is clear. It is evident that there was collusion between the steward of the Hastings asylum and the merchants of whom the goods were bought, to not only secure this particular part of the contract for sup-plies, but to also compel the state to pay retail price or more for the goods bought from him under his contract. This is a matter which it would be well for the board of pubic land and buildings to inquire into, not done with reference to the Hastings justitution but with the other public institutions of

the state as well. Speaking of these abuses the commissioner of public land and buildings in the last lennial report of that office says:

of public land and buildings in the last biennial report of that office says: The present system of purchasing the sup-plies for the various state institutions is at best expensive, objectionable and radically wrong, when viewed frim an economic stand-point, and the next session of the legislature should radically revise the existing methods of miking these purchases. Under the present system of estimates and bids, while it is the intention of the law to solicit open competition, and every precaution and measure possible is taken by the board of purchase and supplies to induce the same, yet the bids are so manipulated by local dealors that this object is practically defeated, and the state compelled to purchase these sup-plies at a price but little, if any, under the regular retail price of the goods bought. The present manner of purchasing these supplies furnishes local dealers who have been awarded contracts and in this way the state is very often imposed upon, greatly to the define of the public institutions. Again, under the public institutions. Again, under the public institutions of the affairs of the public institutions. Again, under the existing system of furnish-ing supplies the appropriation funds are too frequently used in keeping with that concep-tion of charity which declares that it "hideth a mititude of size." Items for luxuries, privileges and conveniences that are alone enjoyed by the officials and their friends are too often cloaked in a claim for "board and clothing, fuel and lights," or some one of the maintenance of the institutions.

Heavy Rains the Past Two Weeks Damage the Works. ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF RECIPROCITY. Much Enthusiasm in the New Move-

ment is Displayed Throughout the State-Chautauqua Matters.

CULBERTSON, Neb., June 22.- [Special to THE BRE.] -The heavy rains in the past two weeks have practically stopped all work on the irrigating ditches now being constructed in this section of the state. In many places these rains have done considerable damage to the dams, wasteweirs and other adjuncts of the ditches that were only partially com-pleted. The ditches are full of water and the embankments will have to be cut in order to let the water out before work can be resumed. It is the intention of the different litch companies to resume work with a larger force than ever as soon as the weather will permit. The interest in irrigating ditches has not abaled in the least notwithstanding the fact that this section is being dmost drowned out by the heavy rains this

Three Verdicts in Her Favor. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 22.- [Special to THE BEE. |- An important case was tried the other day in the district court before Judge Chapman and a jury, wherein Anna E. White sued the voluntary relief department of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad for

the amount of insurance claimed to be due ipon the death of her husband, Landon E. White. White was an engineer on the road, and on July 21 of last year he applied for membership in the relief department through the general soliciting agent, who forwarded his name to the superintendent, J. C. Bart-lett, at Chicago, July 22. White was taken sick and finally died in September. The relef department then refused to pay the in-surance money, upon the claim that the man had never become a member. In the suit that followed, however, it transpired that White had been carried on the books of the department for two months; that an assess-ment had been deducted from his wages for the month of July, and an for the month of July, and an assessment levied in August and that a sick notice had been sent to the superintendent from the division office in Plattsmouth. A few days after White's death the relief de-partment sent a check to the man for \$1.10 to refund the two months, due hat that was refund the two months' dues, but that was not accepted. The defendant also claimed that White was not a member owing to his

not having undergone a medical examination prior to his admission, but on this point the testimony was conflicting, Mrs. White testifying that her husband had been examined, the examiner having gone to their residence for that purpose. This was the third time the case had been tried, the plaintiff again obtaining a verdict

for \$1,000. In the first trial the jury returned a verdict for \$1,000 in favor of the plaintiff. This was unsatisfactory to the defendant and by mutual consent the case was tried before County Judge Ramsey. He also decided in plaintiff's favor. The case then came up in the district court as stated above and a mo-tion for a new trial has been made preparatory to taking the case to the supreme court. Mathew Gering, attorney for the plaintiff, has now sued the relief department on behalf of his client for sick benefits in the sum of \$122 on account of Landon P. White, de-

ceased. Promises of Crete's Chautauqua. CRETE, Neb., June 22.-[Special to THE BEE.]-The Crete Chautauqua managers announce today that on Friday, July 10, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, a joint debate will take place. The question is: "Resolved, that Coinage of Siver Should be Free." The affirmative will be argued by W. A. Mc-Keighan, congressman-elect; the negative by A. P. Hopkins, Esq., president Commercial National bank of Omaha. This, no doubt, will be one of the most interesting and instructive lessons of the whole assembly Instructive lessons of the whole assembly, both of the speakers being well known. The lecture of Dr. George W. Miller of Kansas Cit, announced for 2 p. m. on July 10, will take place at 10 o'clock in the morning. The group s of the Crete Chautauqua are beautiful this year and no expense has b spared to put everything in good order. The pontoon bridge over the Blue has been rebuilt and has been tested by the bridge engineer of the B. & M. and he declares it strong enough to carry a locomotive. The programme promises great things and bids fair to surpass all previous ones. Ex-Sen-utor Ingalis will speak July 4 on the "Problems of our second century." Hon. V J. Bryan of Lincoln, "the young man elo juent," on July 9 will deliver his masterl address on "The Young Man in Politics. the amount of \$40,000 for the purpose of im-proving sowers and establishing a system of waterworks, a total of 900 votes were cast, Arongst the foremost lecturers who will be present at Crete are Dr. Hurlbert of New York, Dr. Palmer, also of New York, Miss. Lydia von Finkle stein of Jerusalem, Rev. Young of Canada, John DeWitt Miller of New York, Hon. W. proposition. M. Camback of Indiana. On the Fourth of July there will be national music, fireworks and illumination of the grounds. Dr. Palmer will lead the chorus during the who The attendance will be larger than store in North Donver, left his store about 7 any other year. Applications for tents are received daily by the management. The going to his home. He was next seen at the ion of '91 promises to be more brilliant than any of the former years. Epworth League Officers. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 22.-[Special to stating that Mr. Morris was lying dead at Sterling, Colo. Mr. Morris, when he left the THE BEE. |- The Enworth league of the Methodist Church held its annual meeting in this city the other day and elected the fol owing officers for the ensuing year: Presi tent, Robert W. Brown; first vice president C. S. Polk; second vice president, Ella Ken-nedy; third vice president, M. E. Wright; fourth vice president, Alice Wilson; secretary, Blanche Kennedy; treasurer, Morris The following delegates to the district con Continue of the Epworth league to be held at Greenwood, June 25 and 26, were appointed ; Alice Wilson, C. S. Polk, Blanche Kennedy, Missouri Pacific in southern Kansas, where Vettie Waybright and Margaret Davis. heavy storms occurred last: Friday and Saturday, have reported the condition of the

forms The Bee that he is now pre-pared to furnish all the necessary information recarding the organiza-tion, and that a corps of lecturers, appointed from Hastings lodges stand ready to institute similar lodges throughout Ne-braska. A dozen or more applications and letters of inquiry have been received in the past few days asking for information, etc. William Dutton will commence the erection of a \$12,000 pusiness block, corner Second street and Denver avenue, as soon as places and specifications can be completed. and specifications can be completed.

Preparing to Celebrate. DAROTA CITY, Neb., June 22 .- [Special to THE BEE.]-A final meeting was held at this place for closing up all arrangements for celebrating the coming Fourth of July. The finance committee reported nearly \$500 raised. The celebration promises to eclipse any heretofore held in this section. Over \$200 will be distributed in purses for horse racing and \$100 will be expended in fireworks. A Sioux City band has been engaged for the day.

Cora is Tired of Fellows. CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., June 22.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The report was brought here this evening by Missouri steamboat men that Mrs. Cora Belle Fellows Chaska will apply for a divorce from her Indian husband. Sam Chaska. It will be re-membered that the marriage caused consid-erable talk at the time it occured, the parties posing in a number of dime museums throughout the country.

Tennis Tournament.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 22.- Special Telegrain to THE BEE |-The annual tournament of the Neoraska State Tennis association for singles will commence promptly at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning on the local association prounds in this city. Teams have entered from Omaha, Lincoin, Holdrege, Minden, McCook and other points. The meeting gives promise of a most interesting session.

A Sudden Death.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 22.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Mrs. Newton Dobbins of Spava, Ill., who with her husband and granddaughter were visiting friends in this city, died while sitting in a carrriage this morning preparatory to taking a drive about the city. Her remains were taken to her former home this afternoon.

Beatrice Chautauqua.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 22.- Special Tele gram to THE BEE.]-The Beatrice chautauqua begins tomorrow. From present indications the assembly will be the most largely attended and successful yet neid here. A large number of visitors are already here from various quarters of the state.

Light Blaze at Dakota City.

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., June 23,-[Special to THE BEE, |-Last nightan unused store building owned and formerly occupied by Scott Best was found to be on tire. The fire was easily extinguished before doing much dam-age. Supposed to be of inpendiary origin.

Dropped Dead in His Dooryard. BEAVER CITY, Neb., June 22,- Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-A. D. Frank, the aged father of Mrs. Judge E. W. Lewis. dropped dead in his doorward this evening at o'clock. Heart failure was the cause.

FOR THE MURDER OFFEW TAILS

Five Men Charged With the Crime Are Arraigned for Trial. STURGIS, S. D., June 22.-[Special Telegram

to Tun Ban.]-Judge Thomas convened circuit court this moraing for the purpose of proceeding with the "tr. " of the three Culbertson boys, James Julfs and Alvin Mar-

in custody at the time court was in session a

month ago, was arraigned this morning and

Defendants have retained able counsel

It is the popular belief that it will be im-

o convict these men owing to the genera

bad feeling that exists over the acquittal o

Bonds Will Le Issued.

day for the purpose of issuing city bonds to

Denver Poisoning Case.

ific east-bound train at 8:20 p. m.

store, was in the best of spirits and is known

to have had \$200 in his pockets. After death only 15 cents was found. His domestic rela-

tions were most pleasnat and Mrs. Morris is positive that her husbaad has been mur-

lered. Today the coronar's jury brought in

Harvest in Kansas.

WICHITA, Kan., June 22 .- Sixty-nine sta

ions on the main and branch lines of the

wheat crop in the localities. The counties on

the border of the Indian territory have al-

ready harvested 75 per cent of their crop The remainder is standing firm and ready to

be harvested this week. The loss in those countles is insignificant. In the second and

hird tiers of counties from the Indian terri-

tory about one quarter of the crop had been harvested. The standing wheat was only slightly damaged. Damage to corn and cats

Trouble Between Indians.

Los VEGAS, N. M., June 22.- A letter from

Fort Wingate states that troop D, Second

cavalry, has left that post for the Indian

miles from there. The trouble is between

the Indians themselves. They are stealing

are unable to quell the disturbance. One In dian policeman is reported killed by the ho tiles. This makes two troops of caval

now in the field on the Navajo and Zuni res

Dory Race Across the Atlantic.

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Lawler, in the dory Sea Serpent, sailed from Occan pier, Winthrop, on their race to Lands

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Bosrov, Mass., June 22. - Captain Au-

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ITALIAN LABORERS MOBBED.	Washington in fifty farm house loss by crops \$25,000. Near T
Gang of Drunken Workmen Treat a Colony of Dagon Roughly.	house was wreek " and several members of his family injure and Jacob Bar 's distillery were de- stroyed. Near amounted to \$10,6
ONE OF THEM RECEIVES FATAL INJURIES.	SHORT IN MIS ACCOUNTS.
Serious Revolt in Missouri Against the Employment of the Hated For- cigners—Valuables and Money Confiscated.	An Old Government Officer Arrested for Embezziement, Washington, June 22 Antonio Karl, an old and trusted discussing officer of the United States geographical survey was ar- rested this afternoon charged with the em-

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bezziement of \$3,000 of government funds. It is understood that Kari hus made a confes St. Louis, Mo., June 22 .- A race riot besion of his guilt. He was under bonds in the tween laborers employed by Contractor sum of \$40,000. Workley at Heman's camp at the chain of rocks, a point about five miles up the river, where the new waterworks are being constructed, occurred between 1 and 2 o'clock Sunday morning, in which one Italian was the accounts of field parties and frequently dangerously stapped, twenty-two of his fellow countrymen driven from the camp, their valuables and money confiscated by the gang of American and other laborers making the attack and a race panic inaugurated. The riot was primarily caused by the advent into camp of a lot of Italian laborers and the report that Contractor Workley had gone to Chicago for more, All Saturday a good the amount apparently missing. At the direction of Major Powell, the director of the survey, a warrant was sworn out for the feeling of revolt against the employment of Italian labor had been gaining in strength and bitterness. As soon as the laborers were paid off in the evening they congregated at a saloon just outside the city limits where bad whisky is dealt out to the men, who pass the time in gambling away a dollar of money entrusted to bim and the discrepancies were caused by clerical errors. He had noticed something wrong with the their hard carned money. About 1 oclock Sunday morning the gambling party broke accounts before this and was arranging to make good the amount of the discrepancy in case he could not find the error. The matter has been laid before Secretary Noble and he has directed that Karl be proceeded against. up and the sixty or more mea, crazy drunk, started for their sleeping quarters. On the way over, a man named William R. Blair, it

is alleged sprung the idea of "driving out the damned dagos." It took like wild fire, and with muttered curses against the Italians the drunken mob hurried toward the camp. "Dann the dagos." This was the cry with

"Damn the dagos." This was the cry with which the attack began on the sleep-ing Italiaos. The drunken crowd sprang into the tent amidst the hated foreigners, armed with sticks, clubs, knives and whatever else they could lay their hands upon. The fight did not fast long. The Italians were at too great a dis advantage, and after a brief resistance they field in terror, leaving behind all their be-longings. They carried away one of their comrades, named Catalize Francisco, dauger-ously wounded by a cut in the breast which prosecution of the culprits in the Melmite with closed doors. ed that as far back as 1889 he instituted an ously wounded by a cut in the breast which threatens to result fatally. The Italians made their way to this city,

open trial might lead to disclosures which it would be inconvenient for the war office to where they reported the matter to the police, and Francisco was taken to the city dispenmake. Turpin's subsequent conduct, he said, caused a further exhaustive inquiry in 1890 sary, where his wounds were dressed.

At the camp their departure was followed by a scene of nilage. Their values, bundles and packages were broken open and the con-tents taken possession of. The police at once began a rigid investigation, and the following arrests were made: Edward Manley, John H. Jones, Michael Cahill, William R. Blair, William C. Brooks, Fred Reader and John

of the national defense the prosecution pro-ceeded showing that everybody concerned, except the persors charged, deserved the confidence of the country. M. DeFreycinet added that the conduct of the government being questioned the chamber must pass an explicit vote of confidence. M. De Larmy reminded the house that the military attache at the London embassy warned the French government in 1858 that secret communications were going on with the Armstrongs. After a protracted debate a vote of confidence in M. DeFreycinet was adopted, 338 to 137. Spiller, These men profess jgnorance of the attack upon the Italians and say they were awakened by a commotion and merely aided in driving from camp the disturbers of their slumbers. One of the assaulted party, how-ever, has identified two of the men arrested. Italian Consul Dominicko Ginnochio is inadopted, 338 to 137. dignant over the attack on his countrymen and will doubtless enter into a preliminary correspondence with his government on the subject. He has demanded of Chief of Police Harrigan protection for the Italians, and also an immediate official investigation turned to this port today and will leave for of the riot.

STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

hern Kentucky. About re swept away, and the royed will amount to kinsville Jamas Barnes' MISSOURI ON THE RAMPAGE. and several members of am McPherson's house Water Higher Than for Several Years and 's distillery were de-ungfield the damage Still Rising.

> -FARMS TUMBLING INTO THE RIV R.

Government Work Abandon-d-The OLI Muddy Deserting St. Joseph-Great Loss to Property Threatened.

Sr. Josern, Mo., June 22 .- The Missouri iver is higher than for several years and is Karl had been in the government employ till rising All government work on the for twenty-one years and for ten years had Kansas shore has been abandoned and the been disbursing officer of the topographical government fleet moored in a place of safety, division of the survey. He had charge of The rapidity with which the surging waters the accounts of heid parties and frequently traveled with them, carrying large amounts of money. The deficiency was discovered by John D. McChesney, chief disbursing officer of the survey, and when Karl's attention was called to it he said he knew that his accounts were not right and that a mistake had been made some-where. He said he would try to find out where the mistake was and if he could not straighten the matter out he would make good the amount apparently missing. At are cutting away the Kansas bank can best be imagined when it is stated that half acre lots of earth have been tumbling into the theriver over since yesterday morning. A workman who came in from Belmont on the government steamer this morning stated that the neck of land which now separates the river north and south is less than one and a quarter miles wide. At the rate the river is iow cutting the land away, it would require but a short time to place Elwood subarb on an island and leave St. Joseph two miles man's arrest which was served and the prisoner was locked up. Karl said topight to a reporter that while there were perhaps apparfrom the river. This would also leave St. Joseph's million dollar bridge standing regularities and misappropriations of funds shown by his accounts, that he never had taken over a dry spot where the river once wended its way south. Several farmers have lost hundreds of dollars in wheat and corn which have been washed into the river by the falling banks.

Reached Kansas City.

KANAAS CITY, Mo., June 22.-The flood in the Missouri reached the city last night and the water now stands 2314 feet above low water mark. An additional rise of two feet would flood the low lands along the river bank and cause great loss to property. The rise in the Missouri has backed up the waters of the Kaw until they stand within two feet of flood tide.

END OF A MILITARY SCANDAL.

Colonel Fletcher Retired Because of the Fort Omaha Episode.

Westington, June 22.- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Lieutenant Colonel Joshua S. Fletcher of the Second infantry has been placed upon the retired list. It seems that it became a question of promoting or retiring him, and in view of the recent proceedings it was concluded that it would be better to retire him. There has been so much talk of this and so much effort to contradict the stories in circulation that the retirement could scarcely be confirmed at the war de-partment today. Fletcher's retirement pro-motes to the place Major John B. Parke of the Sixteenth infantry, while Captain Henry B. Freeman of the Seventeenth becomes major of the Sixteenth.

The retirement of Colonel Flotcher recalls The retirement of Colonel Flotcher recalls a stormy episode in the career of that officer while stationed at Fort Omaha. He was tried by court-martial on the charge of con-duct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. He accused his wife of unfaithfulness with two subordinates connected with the post. The colonel was visited by the latter and called to account for the scandalous and malicious charge. He denied on oath to both of them that he had made such a charge.

lquique, via Galveston, June 22 .- The Later, he called together the officers of the regiment and to them stated that he had made such charges and that the same were the south tomorrow. The British man-ofutterly without foundation A second charge was lodged agains namely, "Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline." In support of this charge it was shown that notwithstanding the colonel who was in comnand of the fort, had been informed that one of the parties accused had been sent for to refute the charge of initidelity in his own quarters, Fletcher, in a cowardly man-ner, avoided meeting the officer in question, fleting with undigni-fied huste through the rear of his quarters to the drive of flexible the second se the city of Omaha, without any notification to the post adjutant or the next officer in rank.

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Beans, two pounds, string	1.00
Corn, two pounds	1.50
Cherries, Lusk's	
Peaches, Lusk's	4.80
Plums, Lusk's	2,85
Pears, Lusk's	4.80
Peas, Marrowfat	2,00
Succotash	1,50

In the above list it will be seen that from July 1 to October 1, the price of evaporated apples, for instance, advanced from 6 cents pound to 19 cents per pound. The ad-ace as shown by the catalogues of the wholesale trade on evaporated apples during the above period was only 3½ cents. It will be noted in the above showing that pearl barley also advanced from 3 cents per pound to 6 cents, while the advance in the whole-

sale price was only ½ of a cent. In the item of Price's cream baking powder it will be noted that the price from 40 cents in July to 20 cents in October. During this period the wholesale price re mained unchanged. Another item which indicates a very

marked decline in price, is that of chocol te. This commodity dropped in price from 34 cents to 10 cents. The wholesale price remained unchanged.

It will also be observed that the codfish market became very active during the above mentioned period, and the price of this brain food advanced from 7 cents to 1216 cents per pound, while the market quotations during this same period show that codfish was actually 1/2 cent per pound cheaper in Octobe. than it was in July.

Another commodity which suffered a very severe decline in prices was that of Kings-ford's silver gloss starch. It will be noticed that the price of this article declined from 8 cents per pound in June to 2 cents per pound in October. But to counterbalance this decline, New Orleans molasses au vanced from 25 cents per gailon to 70 cents per gallon

From the above table of prices, it will be ebserved that chewing tobacco was sold to the state for 39 cents per pound, during the quarter cuding September 30th, while during the quarter following it was sold for 20 cents per yound. Smoking tobacci for 20 cents per yound. Smoking tobacco also declined even more rapidly in price, from 40 cents in June to 19 cents in October The trade lists, however, during this period did not show any such fluctuations. The prices of both smoking and chewing tobacco in the wholesale trade remained practically unchanged. To compensate for the decline in tobacco, however, it would be ab-surd that Lusic's California apricots advanced from \$3.00 per case in June to \$1.50 per case in October. The market advance of these goods had only been 60 cents per case.

String beans also came to the reacue and advanced from \$1.00 per case in June to \$2.00 per case in October. The market advance during this time had only been 15 cents per

A glance at prices given above on canned goods will show that the decline in the price of tobacco, chocolate, baking powder, etc., was far more than balanced by the very marked increase in the price of canned fruits The tea market it would appear broke very hard about this same time. In June ter and accelerate per pound, in October it had declined to 15 cents per pound, in October it had declined to 15 cents per pound, but in the meantime, hominy, which in June sold for one ceut per pound had risen in price, until in October it sold for five cents per pound

pound. The Vinegar appears also to have been the Hastings dealer. cornered b Vinegai that in J. e sold for eight cents per gallon in October sold for 18 cents per gallon, the wholesale price of vinegar had varied. But by reference to the gastron's report of the Hastings asylum as published with the report of commissioner of public lands and build-ings, it is found that seven barrels of cucum-ber plotteds when we to the the the the ber pickels were put up at that institution prior to November 30, 1890. This undoubt-edly created an unusual demand for vinegar and caused the above rapid advance in price. Oatmeal was another article upon which

other necessary funds appropriated for the maintenance of the irstitutions. The present law is defective at its best, and fails to accomplish the object for which it was designed. Many abuses and penalclous prac-tices have engrated themselves upon it, until it seems to me an absolute necessity that other methods be adopted that shall be free from the defects and irregularities of the sys tem now in vogue

Those Butter Contracts.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., June 22 - [Special to THE BEE. |-Investigation at this place relative to the butter deals of Steward Liveringhouse of the Hastings asylum develops the fact that during 1839-50 and for some time prior to that J. W. Liveringhouse owned or controlled a majority of the stock of the Grand Island creamery company and was the lessee and manager of the plant. When Liveringhouse was appointed steward of the Hastings asylum the personal managenent of the creamery was entrusted to a Mr. Culbertson, but Liveringhouse still re-tained his lease of the business and directed its general management from Hastings. Culbertson was simply an employe of Live inghouse and received a stated salary f his services. During the greater part of the years 1889 and 1890 this creamery supdied the Hastings asylum with butter The contract for this service with the state was made in the name of this man Culbertson, who was simply Liveringhouse's "hired man" to run the manufacturing part of the business, while he himself looked after the disposing of the products to a good advantage, and among the liberal patrons of the Grand Island creamery was the Hastings asylum. That institution was liberally supplied with Grand Island butter at good prices. Culbert son was in reality only the "stoot pigeon" with whom the contracts were made while Liveringbouse was the man who sold the butter and raked in the profits. At a meeting of the stockholders of the creamery com pany some time last fall some slight changes were made in the management of the business, and Roeser & Co. of this city are now the managers of the creamery, who have had the contracts for furnishing the Hastings

asylum with butter for the past six months. However, among the list of officers of the creamery company for the present year ap-pears the name "J. W. Liveringhouse, vice president," Whether this fact has anything to do with the present contracts your corespondent was unable to learn.

CLOSE OF THE TURNFEST.

Lucky Contestants for Prizes Offered by the Tarners.

Arcutson, Kan., June 22 .- [Special Tele gram to Tug Beg. |- The annual turnfest of the Missouri Valley Turn Bezirk, closed here tonight with a ball, during which the successful contestants in athletic sports were announced. For all round turning, the Kansas City team, consisting of eighteen men, won first place. The three individual prizes authorized by the Bezira were captured as follows: First, Rudolph Segenika, Kansas City; second, Julius Werner, St. Joseph; third, Sigmund Hellwitz, St. Joseph. Besides these there are about thirty minor prizes given by the local turnverein.

K dnapped His Child.

MARYVILLE, Mo., June 20.-[Special to THE BEE |----Ed Torrance, a desporate character, kidnapped his child, which the court had granted to his divorced wife, on the st-eats here today. Snatching it from its mother' arms he ran down the street toward th depot followed by a mob of people which he held at bay for over an hour with a revolver. The sheriff and posse finally succeeded in taking him, and he now awaits a preliminary heuring.

Boot Makers Close Down,

HOLBROOK, Mass., June 22,-Whitcomb & Paine, manufacturers of calf boots, closed their factory this week indefinitely. This action is taken because of the unsettled state of business throughout the country.

Guards and Convicts Killed.

COLE CITY, Ga., June 22 .- The prisoners at a convict camp, twenty miles from Chattanooga, Tenn., attempted to escape this morn ing, and in the melee two guards and two convicts were killed.

New Pickling Company.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 22.-[Special Tele gram to THE BEE|-Another canning and rickling company was organized today with A. L. Clarke, Wm. Kerr, W. H. Lanning and George E. Brown as incorporators. Capital stock paid in, \$10,000. The articles of in corporation were signed this afternoon and will be filed with the secretary of state to-morrow. The Queen City Canning and Pickling company is organized for the pur-pose of pickling, bottling and canning various ainds of vegetables. The company for the present will occupy the three stories and basement of the Enterprise block, vacated

recently by the Gazette Journal company. Railway Connections with Omaha.

PLATTSMOUTH, Nob., June 22.- Special to THE BRE. - The Missouri Pacific main line extension to Omaha via Plattsmouth was to day completed by its connection with the line at Gilmore. The citizens of this community are greatly gratified at its comple-tion as Plattsmouth has long looked and hoped for a direct southern outlet and better transportation facilities. The two depots, freight and passenger, in this city are now

under construction and it is expected to have them completed by the end of this month. Knights of Reciprocity Boom.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 22.-[Special to THE BEE. |-Hastings Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Reciprocity, was instituted Saturday evening with a charter membership of sixty. The

City of MEXICO, June 22 .- The telegram announcement of the new organization in stating that the Guatemalan government had Hastings in THE BEE recently has resulted emitted \$6,000,000 in bonds instead of \$3,iu numerous letters of inquiry from all parts of Nebraska. Secretary A. H. Brown in-sold by Barillas, is officially denied.

January. Andrew Culbertson, who was not After Months of Waiting Denver Brickmakers 'cknowledge Defeat. DENVER, Colo., June 22.-The brickmakers' strike was declared off at a meeting held

pleaded not guilty. The judge ordered a special venire for twenty-three jurymen to complete the nanel returnable at 9 a m to last night. After months of waiting, the correw, when interesting proceedings are men were compelled to acknowledge defeat and today nearly all the old men will ask for States Attorney McCall will be assisted work at the reduced wages. The reduction in the prosecution of the case by W. B. Sterling, United States prosecuting John Ridenour and Thomas Keeley and the attorney for South Dakota, and Attorney General Dollard of this state, who are bere maiming for life of Frank Surber at City park are among the evil results of this strike. cluding some of the most noted criminal law A number of brick yards that have

nained idle all summer will be started up during the present week.

Bees Create a Panie. KANSAS CITY, June 22 .- An immense swarm

Plenty Horses. The prosocution, however, claims to have a chain of evidence that will of bees created a little panic today at the prove conclusively that the men are guilty as charged in the indictment. corner of Eighth and Main streets, the very heart of the busiest portion of the city. A wandering minstrel from fair Italy stopped DEADWOOD, S. D., June 22 .- Special Teleon the corner and proceeded to grind out a choice air from his numerous collection. The gram to THE BEE.]-At an election held tobees, which were just passing the spot, were attracted by the hum of the organ and attempted to swarm on the Italian's head. The musician beat a hasty retreat unharmed. The queen bee then headed for the globe of an only 3 votes were against the electric light, and her enraged subjects fol lowing, settled within and about the globe, seemingly contented in their strange resting DENVER, Colo., June 22, -A mysterious place. Then the electric light man, making his rounds to renew the carbons, lowered th poisoning case has caused some excitement globe to the street, not noticing its strange here, C. B. Morris, proprietor of a drug occupants. That made the bees mad and the crowd that had collected to see the fun soon o'clock Saturday night, stating that he was decided there was very little humor in the situation. The bees scattered about am he crowds, which hastily dispersed, severa naion depot, where he boarded a Union Pahaving been severely stung. An old farmer came along with a box finally and succeeded Saturday night his wife received a telegram in swarming the bees and carrying them off.

Widow Weidman Accused.

CHICAGO, June 22,-Mrs. Barbara Weidman, the handsome young widow of a north side tabacconist is under arrest on a charge of poisoning her husband, who died in May last with symptoms of arsenical poisoning. The body of young Wiedman has beem ex humed and the stomach is now undergoing chemical analysis. The accused vehemently asserts her innocence and that she will bring an action for slander against her late husband's relatives in order to prevent her from getting possession of some real estate which her husband owned. She accounts for the presence of a box of poison in the house where she lives by saying that she bought it for the purpose of committing suicide, being driven to desperation by her husband's pool health.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, June 22 .- The statement of he condition of the treasury made today hows a balance available of \$1,664,879. The treasurer's statement issued today, but which bears the date of the bin inst., shows a cash balance of \$42,129,529.18, or \$203,164 loss than the total amount of deposits in the national banks and of fractional silver.

Kickapoos Still Hold Out.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl., June 22 .- The Cher kee commission has returned here, after spending ten days negotiating with the Kick-apoo Indiaus. They still emphatically refuse to agree to any proposition providing for the opening of the reservation. It is likely the president will soon order the Indians to take allotments under the Dawes bill.

THE WEATHER FORECAST.

For Omaha and Vicinity-Pair, warmer. For North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska ad Iowa-Fair, warmer, southerly winds, For Missouri, Kansas and Colorado-Fair, varmer, southerly winds.

Liquor Dealers Fail. NEW YORK, June 22 .- Samuel Barth & Co. vholesale liquor dealers of this city and Baltimore, assigned today without preferences

A Kentucky Tornado.

LOUISVILLE, June 22 .- A tornado is reported from the counties of Monroe, Metcalf and

war Melnomene has arrived from the south ringing sixty-seven sacks of mails delayed four months at Valnaraiso. Men are steadily joining the congressional army, many volun-teering to serve without pay. It is expected that the congressional army will soon assume

Congressional Army Growing.

United States flagship San Francisco re-

CHAMBER OF DALUTIES

Adopted a Vote of Confidence in M.

De Freyeinet.

PARIS, June 22 .- In the chamber of depu-

ies today M. Lassere moved that the govern-

ment explain why they so long delayed the

seandal and why the trial was conducted

M. De Freycinet, minister of war, respond-

inquiry into the relations existing between

Furpin and Tripone and he found that an

and the committee on the matter reporting that a trial would not endanger the system of the national defense the prosecution pro-

Stand or Fall Together.

LONDON, June 22.-Alarmed by recent Wesleyan discussions on inspiration and Sabbath keeping Mr. Spurgeon, with a number of other ministers, has signed a manifeste declaring for thorough Calvinism and accept-ing testaments as the word of God, saying that the two must stand or fall together.

Fatal Trip in a Balloon.

the offensive.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 22 .- Yesterday a large balloon was being inflated with gas when it escaped and carried upward four workmen. When at a great height the bal loon burst, and the men were thrown to the ground and horribly mangled.

Killed an Editor

Moscow, June 22 .- The editor of the Mos cow Illustrated Gazette fired with a revolver at the editor of the Vedomosti today. The shot missed the man for whom it was in-tended but killed the latter's companion, a journalist named Sibiriakoff. Connor Defeated at Ramburg. HAMBURG, June 22 .- Carl Abs defeated Tom Connor, the American wrestler, in a

half hour contest yesterday.

Liberals Sweep Away Tories. HALIFAX, N. F., June 22 .- The liberals have obtained power in Prince Edwards Islands for the first time in thirteen years, making a clean sweep of the tory office holders.

DISPOSED OF THE ASSETS.

Charge Upon Which a Council Bluffs Citizen is Arrested.

Chicago, June 22 .-- B. M. Wells, of the tumber firm of Judd, Weits & Co., of Council Bluffs, Ia., was arrested here this afternoon on a warrant sworn out by the attorney acting for St. Louis parties who assert that Wel's disposed of some of the assets of his firm which is now in the hands of the receiver. The matter involved is about \$30 and the St. Louis firm asserts he should have turned it over to them. Wells declares he had no right to pay them until the business was entirely settled by the receiver and that the arrest was made to try and force him to

pay the debt.

Murdered His Father. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., June 22 .- A Key West special to the Times-Union says: A most deptorable affair occurred here this afternoon when Joseph Demeritt, aged nineteen plunged a knife into his father's heart, kill ing him instantly. The father, George W, Demeritt accused his son of stealing \$10 which the latter denied and while being chastised by his father, committed the awfu crime. He now fully realizes what he done and is crying bitterly in prison. The patricide is a cigar maker of morbid dis-position and a consumptive. The father was

i fisherman.

Money for Indians.

WASHINGTON, June 22 .- The secretary of the interior has about completed arrangements for the payment to the Sisseton and Wahpoton Indians of South Dakota of the \$378,578 appropriated by the last congress in discharge of the obligations created by the agreement with those Indians made December 13, 1889. As the fund is to be paid per capita, and as these. Indians number 1,724, each Iudian will receive about \$218.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Antwerp-The Rhineland, from New

At Philadelphia-Thu Ohlo, from Liver-

At Queenstown-The Holland, from New

At London-Sighted-The Maasdam, from

New York. At New York—The Slavonia, from London. At Copenhagen—The Hoola, from New York.

The post was thus left without a commanding officer and the colonel was left exposed to the ridicule of officers and enlisted men under his command.

Later, when, after an absence of nine ours, he returned to the post and was knecked down by one of the men whom he had traduced, he failed to assert the dignity of his rank by not summarily placing the as-sailant in arrest or resisting the indignity placed upon his rank and office.

Colonel Fletcher pleaded not guilty, but he was found guilty, however, of all the charges and sentenced to be dismissed the service of the United States.

The proceedings finding and sentend were approved by the proper reviewing au thority, and the record w and the record was forwarded for

Upon this record the latter endorsed the

following order. "The sentence in the foregoing case of Licutenant Colonel Joshua S. Fletcher Second infantry, is confirmed; but in view of the judgment of the acting judge-advocate, concurred in by the major general command-ing the army, that the findings upon the first charge and specifications are not sustained

by indubitable proof, and in consideration of the excellent record of the accused, it is mitigated to a suspension from rank and duty with a forfeiture of one-fourth of his pay for three years."

The court martial convened in this city July 13, 1880, General August V. Kantz act-ing as president, Captain Charles Porter, Eachth infantry, judge advocate, Since the action of the court Colonel Fletcher has resided in Philadelphia.

Besides the promotions above referred to the following will be made: First Lieutenaut Charles A. Booth, Seventh Infantry, to captain, and Second Lieutenant Robert H. toble, First infantry, to first lieutenantcy.

Wheat in Elevators.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn , June 22 .- The wheat in private elevators of Minneapolis is given by the Northwestern Miller at 3,168,000 bushels, a shrinkage of 221,000 bushels compared with last Monday. On the other hand, the public

stock increased 104,405 busnels, the total stock in the city being thus made 7,795,580 bushets. There is altogether at Minneapolis and Duluth 10,249,798 bushels, or 181,250 bushels less than the week before. The Maract Record figures the stock in the country sevators of Minnesota and the two Dakotaa t 2.004,000 bushels, a decrease of 280,000 auchels. This makes the total stocks of westen wheat 12,253,798 bushels, or 460,120 (els less than last week. A year ago the total stock was 10,878,447 bushels.

Fight with Convicts.

CHATTENOOGA, Tenn., June 22 .- A special to the Times from Cole City, Ga., says: Seven convicts at Cole City altempted to escape from the stockade this morning. One of them named Largdell was sliled and Ward and Paimer, white, and Jackson, colored, were wounded fatally. They were all armed, having overpowered the guards and secured guas, and in the fight killed Pat Kowland and Jack Ranklos, guards, and wounded Captain Moreland, forewan, seriously. Three of the convicts escaped, but one has been captured. Those at large are negroes.

Mr. Cleveland Sat Upon.

SALT LAKE CITY, U. T., June 22 - Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The democrats of Salt Lake, in convention, sat on Mr. Cloveland by refusing to adopt a resolution favoring his nomination for the presidency. The objectionable feature was the inconsistency of his attitude toward the silver plank in the ocratic platform.

The Death Roll. Loxney, June 22 - John Henry Reginald

Scott, fourth earl of Cionmel, died today