MURDERER NEAL WILL MARRY

The Slayer of Allen Jones Finds a Sharer of His Joys.

HYMEN GETS AHEAD OF THE HANGMAN.

In the Shadow of the Gallows Neal Will Wed a Woman of the Half World—The Story.

Plans have been laid for the presentation, at the Douglas county jail in a few days, of a drama of "Love and Law," the like of which has never been attempted, with one exception, on the mimic stage or in real life. The climax of the play will be the marriage of a condemned murderer and self confessed thief and ex-convict to a disreputable woman who has clung to him through all his troubles and is willing to clasp his hand, red with the innocent blood of two helpless old people, and swear to love, honor and obey him until death, directed by the strong arm of the law, doth them part.

Ed. Neal, the murderer of Allan and Dorothy Jones, is to be married in a few days to a woman of the town known as Josephine Clarke, and the story of their wooing is unequalled in the annals of love.

The devotion that some women have for unworthy men is proverbial. This is noticed among people in all walks of life, but the lower the two sexes sink in the social scale, the more closely clings the woman.

This is peculiarly illustrated in the case of Ed Neal. Shortly after his arrest and return to this city, and after he was confined in the county jail, a woman of the town, Josephine Clarke, appeared upon the scene. She talked with him through the bars and offered words of encouragement both to the accused and to his attorneys. Long before the case was called for trial in the district court this woman not only rendered valuable assistance in the way of looking up testimony, but even went farther and out of her own sinful earnings paid many of the bills incident to the trial. When the case was called, each day she was an interested spectator, occupying a front seat within the bar and as near the prisoner as possible. After each session of the court she followed him to the jail door, and after the man was locked in his cell, she would stand under his window for hours at a time, talking in a low tone of voice, trying to cheer up the murderer of Allan and Dorothy Jones. When the sentence was pronounced that Ed Neal should hang October 9, Josephine Clarke swore that it should not be. She at once set about to secure evidence establishing his innocence, but so far she has not been successful.

Her Lonely Vigil.

Since the date that a stern judge declared that Neal must hang as the penalty for the taking of two lives, Josephine Clarke has been a nightly visitor at the county jail, and any person who cares to visit the gloomy quarters between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock on any evening will find her sitting upon the curbstone on the south side of the court house, intently gazing up at the grated window in the northeast corner of the jail, behind which is confined her ideal of a man. It makes no difference whether there is drifting snow, cutting sleet or drenching rain, at the hour above named the woman is always true to her trust and is always present.

For a time Sheriff Boyd looked upon this as a plot to concoct a plan for liberating his prisoner, but after watching her for a number of nights he concluded that it was the insane freak of a love mad woman and since that time she has been allowed to carry on her lovemaking with her murderer lover without molestation, though she has never been permitted to approach the building.

For months the woman has been a contributor to Neal's comfort and has done much to relieve his prison life of its unpleasant features. During the early part of his confinement his Sunday dinners were furnished by her hands, and each Sabbath day a delicately browned chicken and other delicacies were sent to his cell. This continued for some time after his conviction and until he was placed under charge of the death watch. After that he was not allowed to eat food prepared by other hands than those of the jail cook. The outside supply was cut off from the condemned man, but each Sunday two shining silver dollars have been left at the jail office, with the request that they be spent in the preparation of a good dinner for Neal. Not only has the woman done this for Ed Neal, but she has looked after his raiment and his cleanliness for months. She has kept him supplied with white shirts, undershirts, drawers and socks, and each week she pays his laundry bill.

In the jail it is the custom, and one as old as the jail itself, that prisoners are compelled to shave once each week. The work is usually done by some "trusty" about the place, but in Neal's case "trusties" are not allowed to put a blade to his face for fear of some accident. In order that he may not go with an uncropped beard, the woman each week contributes 50 cents to pay a barber for scraping his chin. This money is distributed among the Omaha barbers by Jailer Horrigan, and it is safe to say that there is hardly a tonsorial gentleman in the city who has not placed his razor against Neal's jugular, as no barber is allowed to shave him twice in succession, no matter what may be his reputation as a careful man.

Determined to Wed.

Some weeks ago the Clarke woman decided to reform, cease living a life of sin, rent a cottage, and whether Neal lived or died become a respectable woman. She even decided to do more than this. If Neal lived she would be true to him, and if he died she would put on the weeds of widowhood and return to her parents. She consulted Father Rigge of the Catholic church upon the subject of marrying Neal. That reverend gentleman saw no legal objection, but the prospective groom had wandered far away from the teachings of the church and would have to be confirmed before the clergyman would agreed to perform a ceremony. Neal was consulted in the premises and filed no objections to uniting again with the church. In fact, he was as anxious as any one for the wedding to go on, even if he could not be with his bride. The religious rites were duly administered to the condemned man and he was taken into the church.

Sheriff Boyd was seen and his consent obtained, he stating that he saw no reason why Neal should not marry if he so desired, although he informed the party who interceded that Ed and Josephine would have to forego the time honored custom of joining hands. Neal would have to stand behind the bars, while his bride would have stand upon the brick pavement two stories below or in the jail corridor at the best.

Active preparations for the wedding have been made and it is believed that it will take place within a few days.

About the Prospective Bride.

Years ago a young man and his bride left their eastern homes and settled in the southern portion of Illinois. While fortune smiled upon him, he reared a family consisting of two sons and three daughters. The little town where the couple had settled grew to be a city, and as time passed on, the husband and father watched over his possessions until he was counted as one of the most wealthy men in that section.

The youngest daughter, Josephine, was at the time this story begins, twelve years ago, a happy blonde maiden of 17 summers. She was the pet of the family and a favorite of the town. Although wild and wayward, she was innocent of the ways of the wicked world. Her education had not been neglected and she had been given every accomplishment that wealth and position could afford. Like most girls of that age Josephine had a lover, a young man who had been her associate from infancy. He was all that could have been expected of a lover, but still he did not come up to the father's ideas of a son-in-law. The young man was refused admittance to the home of his sweetheart, but in that case, as in many others, love laughed at locksmiths. Clandestine meetings were held at the homes of mutual friends and the young couple until finally the stern parents learned of the little love affairs and decided to put an end to such things. The daughter was notified that she would be sent to St. Louis and placed in a convent to complete her education.

She was placed in the convent, confirmed in the Catholic belief and entered upon a life of seclusion. For a time, this being a change, was agreeable, but it soon became distasteful and the girl prepared to escape. One dark, rainy night she tore her bedding into strips, constructed a rope, and fastening one end to the bedstead slid from the second story to the ground. Having saved a few dollars from the liberal monthly stipend allowed by her parents, she bought a ticket to Denver, Col., where she had friends. Upon her arrival in that city, she sought employment, but failed.

Ignored Her Father's Plea.

One morning in looking over the papers, her eyes dropped upon an advertisement written by her father, requesting her to come home and all would be forgiven. In the same column of the newspaper was a notice which stated that the county recorder of Park county wanted a copyist. After debating the matter in her own mind for some time the young woman concluded to turn her back upon her home and accept the position. She at once answered the advertisement of the Park county official and two days later received a letter stating that her services would be accepted and that she would received $40 per month. The next morning, borrowing $10 from her friend, she started for Fairplay, a little town of 700 inhabitants in the mining districts of Colorado, 117 miles southwest of Denver, on the mountain division of the Denver & Santa Fe railroad. There she remained for several months, in the meantime forming the acquaintance of the railroad agent, a young man who had recently came from the east. It was a case of love at first sight, notwithstanding the fact that the agent was engaged to a very estimable young lady in one of the eastern cities. The love affair progressed rapidly, and as is frequently the case, the girl's affection was stronger than her discretion. She listened to his pleadings and was wronged.

A few months later Josephine went to Denver, where she found employment in a dry goods store, but the story of her wrongs followed her and she was discharged.

About this time Josephine concluded to return home. She wrote her parents that she was married and happy and the mother of a bouncing boy. The aged parents at home replied and begged their daughter to return. The Fairplay agent had agreed to accompany her and assume the role of husband, but prior to the completing of the arrangements he changed his mind and

Married the Other Girl.

This caused a change in the programme, and the woman wrote home stating that her husband had died and that it would be impossible to make the trip. In order to cheer the hearts of the old folks at home the photograph of a Denver infant was secured from a photographer and sent with a letter, in which the daughter stated that as soon as the first shock of grief caused by her widowhood had passed, she would return to the parental roof. The father upon receipt of this letter immediately wrote the daughter that he would journey to Denver to accompany her home. Not wanting him to know the true condition of affairs and to throw him off the track, she left Denver and came to Omaha, where for five years she has been an inmate of a Ninth street house of ill repute and known to the world as Joe Clarke.

The Murderer's Identity.

After his arrest Neal told various conflicting stories of his family connections all of them, on investigation proved false. He was a boaster of the crimes he had committed, and all of his confessions in this respect were verified, but no facts touching his identity could be learned. He told once that he was an Illinois boy, and the Clarke woman's story seems to corroborate this statement, but no confession has been secured from Neal. He has told of his father and mother, but says he will die without letting them know of his career. He has kept his own counsel and if any one in Omaha knows of his home life it is Josephine Clarke, his promised bride.

The Clarke woman has been making desperate attempts to secure Neal's release. Before the authorities put a stop to her communications with him by notes she filled every letter with maudlin expressions of unaving love intermingled with promises of what she would do to secure his release. She arranged with an inmate of the jail to assault one of the jailers and secure Neal's release, but the letter was intercepted by Jailor Horrigan and the scheme nipped in the bud. All plans, for his release having failed, she is now determined to marry her murderous lover.

There is a prospect, of course, that Neal may not hang, but the chances are now all against him. The supreme court, now in session, will pass upon the motion for a new trial, the granting of which is the condemned man's only hope.

Arranging for the Hanging.

Sheriff Boyd said yesterday that he had not taken any steps in the way of making the preparations for the execution of Ed Neal on October 9.

The rope was bought nearly one year ago and would be ready at any time. This implement that will prove an important factor in assisting to send the murderer before his Maker was manufactured by a Cincinnati man whose business is to manufacture such ropes. For twenty years this man has been engaged in the trade and succeeded his father who followed the same occupation until his death, which occurred several years ago.

The rope that will be slipped about Neal's neck is three-quarters of an inch in thickness, eighteen feet in length, is of the softest hemp and is as pliable as silk. It is provided with the regulation hangman's knot, intended to fit closely and securely under the left ear of the victim. When drawn tight it will fit as comfortably as a kid glove.

The enclosures will be built just south of the court house and will be of closely fitted lumber, with substantial braces at the top and bottom. This enclosure will be about twenty feet square and sixteen feet high. The gallows will be erected in the center, of 6x6 pine timbers, braced, with a heavy crossbar over the top. The trap will be in the platform directly beneath and will be worked by a lever which will be controlled by the sheriff. Reporters and invited guests, comprising court officials, physicians and sheriffs of adjoining counties will be given seats on the platform. The hour for the execution has not been fixed, but it will be between 10 o'clock in the morning and 4 in the afternoon.

Neal's Last Toilet.

In the matter of Neal's dress there will be no attempt at display. He will wear a suit of black, a white shirt, collar-less and low shoes. He will be led out of the east door of the jail, around the corner of the building and into the enclosure and up the steps to the platform, which will be seven feet above the ground. Upon reaching the place Neal's arms and legs will be pinioned, the black cap, a long silk affair, will be drawn over his head, after which the noose will be adjusted, and upon the word being given, the trap will be sprung and another human being will be sent to eternity. As soon as the physicians pronounce life extinct the body will be cut down, placed in a plain coffin and turned over to the man's friends, should any appear and claim the remains. If there are none, interment will be in the potter's field at county expense.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Love Finds a Way," a drama which gives Miss Katie Putnam only fair opportunity to display her talents as a comedienne, was made known at the Farnam street theater last evening. There is little in the play to warrant extended notice, being conventional in plot and uninteresting in dramatic construction.

Miss Putnam, however, showed that she was a careful, conscientious actress, trained in a school which has given to the stage many actors of more than average ability.

The supporting company has been well selected, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Hart, Mr. Colter, Mr. Mortimer and Miss Wilder being judiciously cast.

Miss Putnam, however, is handicapped by her musical director, who relies more upon his voice to gain perfect phrasing and tempo than upon his ability as a trained leader of an orchestra, his commands being heard in all parts of the house.

Tonight "Old Curiosity Shop" will be the bill, instead of "Erma, the Elf," as previously announced.

Use Haller's German Pills, the great constipation and liver regulator.

DAKOTA COUNTY LITIGATION.

Injunction Secured Against the Commissioners Calling the Election.

CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

Democrats Hope to Ride to Victory on the Issue Between the Towns—How the Case Now Stands.

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The county commissioners of this county were today called in session by the clerk to issue a call for the second election on the relocation of the county seat. Upon their convening they were immediately served with an injunction issued by District Judge Norris restraining them from calling said election. The hearing day was set for September 22 at Ponca. The injunction was based on a writ of error in which fraud and illegal proceedings by the commissioners are charged in issuing the call for the first election.

The South Sioux City residents, who are clamoring for the prize, were sorely disgruntled when they found no call could be issued, as the democrats have been pooling county politics with this matter with some hope of victory.

In this connection the democratic county primary for this precinct, to elect delegates to the county convention at Jackson, Saturday, met yesterday. There was a large number present and all matters were overlooked with a view of downing E. B. Wilbur, who is a candidate for county judge. Not a Wilbur delegate was elected and he is now practically out of the race. The democratic slate as now made out is: Treasurer, C. J. O'Connor; clerk, J. P. Twohig; sheriff, William Ryan; superintendent, L. Erlach; judge, John Williams. The independents' county convention is to be held September 24 and the republican October 10.

Nebraska Lutherans in Session.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The second day of the Lutheran synod of Nebraska began its session in the Lutheran church of this city. Rev. J. C. Jacoby of Nebraska City is president, Rev. W. C. McCool of Ponca, secretary; Rev. Luther M. Kuhns of Omaha, statistical secretary, and Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy of Omaha, treasurer. Rev. L. P. Ludden of Lincoln delivered the address to home missions. About a hundred and fifty members are in attendance. The work represents the operations of the English Lutheran church in Nebraska and parts of Missouri, Colorado, Kansas and South Dakota. So rapidly has the work of this church grown that two new bodies have been formed from this synod. They are the Rocky Mountain synod and the German synod of Nebraska. Omaha is represented by Revs. A. J. Turkle, W. H. Kuhns, D.D., C. Huber, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Captain John A. Swoboda and Rev. J. G. Griffith.

At its morning session the Nebraska synod raised $5,000 for the German seminary at Chicago. The report of the delegation to the general synod showed that the following donations had been made: At Washington, D. C., a home for the aged ministers of the church. At Colorado Springs, ten acres were given to establish a Lutheran Ministers' home for invalids. Rev. Luther M. Kuhns of Omaha presented the report of the committee of the traveling secretary. It showed that sixty-three congregations had been supplied with preachers during the year and eleven vacancies had been filled. Three candidates for ministerial orders are being examined by the committee on education and examination. The total indebtedness of the synod for the year is $62,272.54. Rev. A. J. Turkle of Omaha delivered an address on foreign missions. The statistical secretary reported 135 churches and stations in connection with the synod. The death of Rev. William Toole, late member of the synod, was announced, and Revs. Groenmiller, Sickman and Schnur were appointed to express the sorrow of the synod at the bereavement.

Successful Encampment.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Camp Logan is voted by all to be the finest camp that has ever been pitched at a reunion in this state. It consists of about 400 tents occupying a parallelogram of level prairie. The avenues are broad, running east and west, with electric lights at short intervals the entire length of the camp. The tents are pitched in double rows fronting north and south on the various streets. The headquarters of the various officers are pitched at the east end of the camp, while still east of these the ground is occupied by sutler's tents, booths, dance halls, swings and other places of amusement. A broad avenue runs north and south through the center of the camp and two large water tanks of 700 gallons capacity each are located on this avenue, which are supplied with water from the city water mains.

The camp is under the charge of District Commander Steward and a corps of district officers. In front of the commander's headquarters a flag staff has been raised, from which floats the stars and stripes, and around this staff has been erected a rostrum sixty feet square. Here the main campfires will be held and the speaking will take place each evening.

The veterans are pouring in today by wagon and train loads.

Sunrise guns.
7:00 a. m.—Breakfast call.
9:00 a. m.—Guard mount; sick call.
9:30 a. m.—Meeting of the state organizations at their respective headquarters, and Women's Relief Corps.
10:30 a. m.—Patriotic addresses at the grand pavilion.
12 m.—Dinner call.
2:00 p. m.—Arrival and procession of Sherman Bummers, headed by Captain B. F. Baker.
3:30 p. m.—Capture of Jeff Davis.
6:00 p. m.—Supper.
7:30 p. m.—Camp Fire at grand pavilion.

Tomorrow the grand parade will take place at 10 o'clock and at 2:30 o'clock the sham battle at the fair grounds will occur.

He is no Candidate.

FULLERTON, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Hon. George D. Meiklejohn arrived home this evening. In an interview with THE BEE correspondent, who informed him that his friends throughout the state, and the press in particular, were urging and using his name for the position of supreme judge, he emphatically and irrevocably declared that under no consideration would he become a candidate. He went so far as to state that in case he was nominated he would not accept and if he were elected he would never qualify. He is in earnest in this matter and desires his friends to understand that he means it.

General Van Wyck at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Hon. C. H. Van Wyck of Nebraska City addressed a crowd of 2,000 people at the fair grounds in this city today.

The 2-year-old race was won by Judge Thurston, owned by D. T. Gates, Albion in two straight heats. Time: 3:33¼ and 3:04. The free-for-all race was won by Sailor Boy. Time: 2:42½ and 2:43¼.

The fair closes tomorrow. Thus far it has been very successful.

Omaha Presbytery's Action.

LYONS, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Omaha presbytery closed last evening after a two day's interesting session.

The leading question before the session, aside from the regular business, was the revision of the confession of faith. A committee of five was appointed to report on the revision, which was adopted by the presbytery after a few changes. This report, as now adopted, goes to the next general assembly for final action.

Will Meet in Omaha.

BLAIR, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican judicial central committee of the Third judicial district met here today and called a convention to be held in Omaha Monday, October 5, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Bound for Omaha Under Arrest.

CRAWFORD, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Ira Stephenson, Charles Stevens, A. Shuck and A. Dunworthy were arrested by Deputy United States Marshal Jackson on a complaint sworn out by Lieutenant Ladd of Fort Robinson for having stolen government goods. The stolen property was found in their possession and they were taken to Omaha that night.

Many Veterans Present.

LYONS, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The second day of the Grand Army of the Republic of Burt county was a grand success. The town was astir early in the morning with people preparing for the great crowd anticipated. About 9 a. m. teams began to come in from the adjacent country. The trains from the north and south brought many old soldiers and their friends.

Company H of Tekamah, with Captain C. F. Beck, arrived about noon and were met at the depot by a large delegation of citizens. At noon the crowd was estimated at 2,000. Nearly everybody brought dinner and ate in picnic style. Judge W. F. Norris of the Seventh judicial district was to speak at 2 p. m. but the wind was too strong in the grove for any speaking to be heard.

After the wind had subsided toward evening Rev. Dr. Wheeler of South Omaha and Judge W. F. Norris delivered speeches at the camp. At 8 p. m. a large audience assembled at the rink to see "The Confederate Spy" played by the Sons of Veterans of Lyons.

Crowds at Camp Davis.

VALPARAISO, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Though the wind was a little higher and the dust more plentiful than was desired, the day has passed very pleasantly to those in attendance at the reunion at Camp Davis. Comrades Wheeler of Osceola and Grimes of Lincoln entertained the crowd at the afternoon meeting after which there was a dress parade. The flames of the evening camp fire were fed by Comrades Bank and Hendershot of Raymond, Griffin and Johnson of this place and several others from neighboring towns.

Word was received today that Governor Thayer would arrive tomorrow morning, also Department Commander Teeter and Adjutant General Cole, besides a large number from Lincoln who have not been here yet. A grand street parade is to be one of the features of to-morrow's programme, Sherman post is to be reorganized and a Women's Relief Corps added.

Fiery Phenomenon.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Harlow Goff, living just north of the city on the Broad street grade, witnessed a very strange spectacle last night about 9:30 o'clock.

He was just preparing for bed when a brilliant flash of light attracted his attention. He glanced quickly out of his chamber window and beheld a ball of fire of dazzling brilliance on the opposite side of the road and a few rods to the north. Mr. Goff summoned his wife and both enjoyed the rare sight.

Mr. Goff describes the ball of fire as being about the size of a peck measure and of extreme brilliance, even more brilliant than an arc electric light. It was moving from the southeast to the northwest and was apparently only about twenty feet from the ground.

Long Pine's Springs.

LONG PINE, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A number of the merchants and business men of this town have organized a stock company for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a sanitarium at this place. It has been noticed that among the many Chautauquans who bathed in the water here there were some who found relief and cure for rheumatic troubles, also for indigestion, liver complaints, etc. Facts of this kind came from so many sources that H. P. McKnight, M. D., had an analysis made of the water from three of the different springs on the Chautauqua grounds. The analysis was made by an expert chemist in the laboratory of Aloe & Penfold of Omaha. He states that it is the purest water he ever examined, it containing only 4-100,000 of animal matter.

Fillmore County's Exhibits.

GENEVA, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Fully 8,000 people attended the Fillmore county fair today and they were amply rewarded for their trouble in coming. The display was simply grand in all departments and would have done credit to a larger city. The management is happy tonight, as today's crowd makes the fair a success financially.

The races were watched by the immense throng with a great deal of interest and the lovers of horse racing were treated to some good sport.

Sentenced for Two Years.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Judge Marshall held a short session of district court today. Ed. Jensen, who was captured in this city a few days ago and lodged in jail on the charge of stealing $38 from H. W. Brown at Hooper, while assisting at threshing. When arraigned in court today Jensen plead guilty to grand larceny and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Patriotic Pupils.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—This morning the stars and stripes were raised above the High school building. The pupils observed the patriotic occasion with appropriate exercises.

Magnificent Farm Produce.

ELWOOD, Neb., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Gosper county's fair opened this morning. The exhibit of farm produce is magnificent. Good races will be held each day.

One Minute.

One minutes time often makes a great difference—a one minute remedy for bronchitis, choking up of the throat, lungs, etc., of course is a blessing. Cubeb Cough Cure is such a remedy. For sale by all druggists.

Cubeb Cough Cure—One minute.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Two minor permits, aggregating $50, were issued by the superintendent of buildings yesterday.

The case against Officer Vance Fields for assaulting young George Doane on August 26 was heard in the police court yesterday afternoon. All the testimony was taken, but the arguments were postponed until 11 a. m. Monday.

Fred Haller, the waiter who stole some jewelry from his landlady at 1617 Chicago street a week or so ago, had a hearing before Judge Helsley yesterday afternoon and was bound over to the district court in the sum of $400. Friends furnished the bail at once.

For Schlitz beer apply to R. R. Grotte 1020 Farnam.

Important Water Decision

Judge Irvine has rendered a decision that will prove of interest to the water using public.

W. I. Walker, residing at Nineteenth and Davenport streets, is a consumer of city water. About July 1, when the water tax became due, both Walker and his wife were away from home, and did not return until some days later. In the meantime an agent of the company shut off the water in the pipe leading to the house. Upon Mr. Walker's return he tendered the rental and demanded that the water be turned on. The company refused and in turn made a demand. They asked that an additional $1 be paid as a fine. This Walker refused to pay and at once brought suit in the district court. Yesterday Judge Irvine issued a writ of mandamus compelling the company to at once turn on the water without the payment of the extra dollar tax or fine.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers; only pills to cure sick headache and regulate the bowels.

Got a Bad Fall.

George Schafer, a driver for the People's laundry, fell down the elevator shaft in the Farnam street theater about 2:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was quite badly injured.

The laundryman had gone up to the dressing room floor to get some bundles of clothing. The place being rather dark he did not see the shaft and stepped into it. In falling he struck his head against the wall, which stunned him.

His head, arms and thighs were terribly bruised. The patrol wagon was called and conveyed the sufferer to his home, 2120 North Twenty-second street, where physicians were called and the bruises dressed.

OVERCOATS,

Like the luscious bivalve who is continually getting "into the soup" at church festivals, are to be bought in the months that contain the "R." Ever think of that before? This, the first fall month with an "r" in its make-up, brings with it the necessity of a medium-weight garment. Cool mornings, cool evenings, and some whole days are cool enough to render one of these garments indispensible. If you're a good, solid business man and want a garment for business, we can suit you. If you're a professional man and want a garment to look well and hold its shape, we've got it. If your clothes are seedy and you want a garment to cover up your shabby Prince Albert, Oscar, we'll part with one. If you want a garment to turn inside out and show a handsome lining as you promenade on the "ave," it's right here you'll find it, and if you're an Anglomaniac and want a top coat like they "weah in Lunnun," take our elevator for second floor; you'll find it. Want to know what they cost?

$5.25 BUYS A MELTON OVERCOAT.. Silk faced or plain, as you like, three shades to select from, that you don't have to leave Omaha to find selling for eight or ten dollars.

$7.25 BUYS AN ELEGANT ALL WOOL CASSIMERE GARMENT with fine twilled lining that you'd willingly pay eleven dollars for if we'd ask it.

$9.00 GIVES YOU THE CHOICE of very fine Kersey garments that for style, shape, colorings and fit you'll have hard work to equal under fifteen dollars.

$11, $12 and $13 Gives you the pick of a dozen lines of as fine garments as any tailor gets up when he tries his best.

Want to know more about 'em? Drop in.

Nebraska Clothing Co

Cor. DOUGLAS & 14TH STS.

WRITE FOR CATALOGUE AND SAMPLES.

THEY WILL MEET IN CHICAGO.

Cooks' Congress Called Because of a Jelly Cake Fight.

NEWS OF A DAY IN THE GARDEN CITY.

No Trace Discovered of the Omaha Girls Who Were Supposed to Have Been Drugged and Abducted.

CHICAGO BUREAU OF THE BEE, CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 17.

The burning and now national question, "What is a jelly cake?" which originated at the Sangamon county fair, has resulted in the calling of the first national congress of cooks ever held. This has been determined by a conference of a number of contestants for the jelly cake premium held at Springfield. The congress is to be divided into three sections, one of which shall be composed of professional bakers, another of professional caterers, and another for amateur cooks or housewives. In the course of lengthy resolutions adopted it is declared to be the purpose of the congress to consider and recommend for state and county fairs in the United States a complete classification of the various kinds of bread, cakes, jellies, pickles, pantry stores, etc. Mrs. Samuel J. Willett, jr., of Springfield, who made one of the angel food cakes in the 600 jelly cakes exhibited, and was awarded the premium, has not yet received the piano prize, but Senator Shelby, M. Cullom has taken the cake, which has been presented to him by the firm which offered the premium.

HAVEN'T HEARD OF THE GIRLS.

All knowledge of the young Marcino and Miller girls, who were drugged and brought here by Morelli, the Omaha barber, is denied at 1832 Wabash avenue. The house is an old-fashioned, dingy-looking structure, standing back from the sidewalk. In the basement is a saloon, run by Dunn & Dwyer. Dwyer said that no one had been there inquiring for any girls. The house, he said, has not been occupied in several months.

AXTELL'S OWNERS PROTEST.

The owners of the famous trotting stallion, Axtell, feel that an injustice was done them by the Associated Press in sending out from here a special dispatch from Indianapolis in regard to the horse. The dispatch quoted the chairman of the state tax commission as saying that instead of paying $105,000 for the horse, as alleged, his owners had only paid $50,000; that he had a touch of lameness and that for these reasons the commission had fixed his taxable value at $15,000. Colonel John W. Guthrie of this city, one of the owners of the horse, declares these statements utterly false. He says the animal actually cost his owners $108,000. Of this sum $50,000 was paid in cash and the remainder as principal and interest on the deferred payments; that the horse is not and has not been lame, and that in due time he will be brought before the public to show his wonderful trotting powers.

SELECTED THE CANAL'S ROUTE.

The route of Chicago's mammoth drainage canal from Bridgeport to Joliet is now completely determined and all that remains to be done before the actual work of construction can be begun is the condemnation of the lands through which the canal will pass.

ARTILLERY FOR FORT SHERIDAN.

Fort Sheridan is to have a battery of artillery. General Miles has issued orders commanding light battery G, of the First artillery, now stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., to proceed at once to Fort Sheridan. This is the first move toward getting several artillery companies stationed at the fort, and it is confidently expected that a dozen cannon of respectable size will be at the post when the world's fair opens.

KILLED BY A FRIEND'S CARELESSNESS.

Folger A. Bigelow, a young artist, was instantly killed in his father's residence, 5832 Prairie avenue, last evening, by the accidental discharge of a revolver in the hands of Anthony L. Courtney, a companion. Bigelow had bought a new revolver and Courtney was examining it. He pointed it at the wall and snapped the hammer several times, but the cartridges failed to explode. He raised the hammer again, intending to remove the cylinder and see where the trouble was. As Bigelow walked up in front of the weapon, Courtney's thumb slipped from the hammer, and in a minute his friend was dead with a bullet in his heart.

MEDALS FOR THE SHOOTERS.

The contestants for prizes in the national army shooting tournament have all returned to their respective posts. Of the army rifle team, Sergeants Rose, F. D. Powell, N. Ray and Corporal J. O. Holen received the gold medals for the four highest scores. The other six, Sergeants Quinn, Lutz, Ramsey, O'Brien and Gerhardt and Corporal Draney, received the silver medals. Of the army carbine team, Sergeants H. Hesner, J. T. Jaiason, M. Rohrer and Corporal M. L. Mitchell were presented with the gold medals, and Sergeants F. E. Loy, G. J. Henry, F. Rankin, J. Holtman, Captain W. R. Hell and Private J. B. Foley received the silver medals. In the distinguished marksmen class, Sergeant B. Merwin and Blacksmith Alleiser got the gold medals, and Sergeant W. Davis and Corporals S. W. Sweinhart and P. M. Hake silver medals. The Spaulding gold medal for the greatest score at bullseye firing at all ranges was awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Hotchkiss of the Illinois National guard. Lieutenant O'Brien was the recipient of the Herald gold medal and the Shirley gold medal for the officer making the highest total skirmish record and the highest single skirmish run. Lieutenant W. N. Hughes took the Tribune gold medal for the officer making the greatest number of bullseyes at 200, 500 and 500 yards, and Lieutenant Ramsey the Inter-Ocean gold medal for a similar score at 200, 300, 500 and 600 yards. Sergeant Rose was the lucky winner of both the Herald and Tribune purses of $100 each for the enlisted competitor making the highest total skirmish score. The Inter-ocean purse of $100 for the enlisted competitor making the greatest number of bullseyes at 200, 300 and 500 yards went to Sergeant Austin. Sergeant Merwin won the Kirk purse of $50 for the enlisted competitor making the best individual skirmish run. Corporal Van Scoike and Sergeant Quinn got an eighteen months and a year's subscription respectively to the Kansas City Times for work at the 1,000-yard range. Many small prizes offered by business houses were distributed.

BOSTON TO EXPORT HOG PRODUCTS.

If the request of the North Packing and Provision company of Boston be acceded to by Secretary Rusk, that permission be given to ship products from Boston to Europe, the "Hub" will soon have become a rival of Chicago in this respect. It is admitted that the firm has asked for and expects to receive such permission, and it is expected that within a short time a chief microscopist and the necessary assistants will be appointed by the Department of Agriculture. The North company has been receiving urgent dispatches from Germany since the removal of the embargo on American pork asking it to pack goods for export.

MANY WILL ATTEND.

The Grant monument committee has received the following letter:

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to be present at the ceremony and to participate in the parade attending the unveiling of the statue of General U. S. Grant and take great pleasure in accepting the same. We are glad to have an opportunity to thus express our love and reverence for the great man. We will have a full turnout of all members. Please have our place in line assigned to us. Very truly yours, R. LEO FRANCE, Secretary ex-Confederate Association.

Arrangements have been made for the attendance of the revenue cutters Michigan, Fessenden and Johnson.

FORMING A BRANCH.

Chief Justice Fuller presided at an organization meeting at the Leland of the Illinois branch of the Mary Washington association. The national president, Mrs. Waite, widow of the late chief justice, came to Chicago some days ago and made the preliminary arrangements.

VERY LIVELY CORPSE.

Elgin Birch, one of the heirs to a large fortune left by an uncle, and who has relatives in Washington who believe he was burned in the Haymarket hotel last spring, not only escaped incineration, but according to a letter received from him is doing well in North Dakota. He was not known in Chicago as Birch, but as Charlie Vernon.

LANE'S SUCCESS.

Albert G. Lane, now county superintendent of schools, was last evening elected superintendent of the city schools, to succeed George R. Howland, resigned.

WESTERN PEOPLE IN CHICAGO.

The following western people are in the city:

At the Grand Pacific—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Fish, Miss Gertrude Stryker, Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Potter, Miss Alice Davenport, Omaha; D. T. Hedges, Sioux City, Ia.; C. K. Burmeister, Ogden, U. T.

At the Leland—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Fletcher, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; A. C. Borgen, Sioux City, Ia.

At the Auditorium—Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Burke, Fargo, N. D.; Edgar H. Scott, Omaha; C. A. Guernsee, Wyoming.

At the Wellington—Arthur Johnson, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Glover, Cheyenne, Wyo.

At the Palmer—Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Nissley, Fremont.

At the Tremont—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reed, Omaha.

Miss Ijams of Omaha is at the Richelieu on her way home from the east, where she has been spending the summer. F. A.

Parents Read This.

July and August are anxious months for mothers who carefully watch over their little ones. Hot days and frequent changes of temperature are liable to produce cholera morbus. How satisfactory it should be for parents to know that Haller's Pain Paralyzer is both a pleasant and effective remedy for all summer complaints. It soothes and relieves all pain and griping and always effects a complete cure.

Western Pensions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following list of pensions granted is reported by THE BEE Examiner Bureau of Claims:

Nebraska: Original—Stephen Landon, Jefferson Bramford, Owen C. Hancock, James M. Fodge, Hall A. Turrill, Robert Lang, Alfred Hawkins, Madison E. Parks, Irving D. Smith, William S. Davenport, Charles W. Reynolds, Marvin G. Reynolds, Milton Bates. Additional—Herman A. Hoppe, Edward Hollabaugh. Increase—John Adams. Reissue—John F. Emry.

Iowa original—Henry McGee, Albert Jennings, Luke Sawyer, Barney Leonard, JJseph Crow, Jared Hill, Thomas H. Quinn, Erastus G. Chase, James McNeill Garrett, Sylvanus White, Henry S. Wilson, John E. Eaton, Henderson Manners, John Durgen Thomas A. Black, John Dawson, Silas F. Carpenter, Samuel Burge, Ebenezer B. Hogenboom, Calvin Wilcox, Luther M. Fogue, William L. Dinsmore. Additional: Joseph Householder, Josiah Stewart, John Stondnour, Sion Crambitt. Increase: William Coffman, Loren Robinson, William G. Baker, Isaac Griffith, Alpheus Henry, Walter C. Burgess, John M. Thomas, James M. Swisher, Thomas J. Deford, William E. Newman, George Shellhart, Leander Gillaspy, John McCoy, John T. Alexander. Reissue—Robert Henke. Reissue and increase—Warren Patrick. Original widows—Mary Cole, mother; Lydia Esther Knight, mother.

South Dakota: Original—Marcellus B. Keut, William Kellett, George H. Austin, Charles Robertson, John Trotter, Richard P. Brookaw, John R. McNeil, Joseph Gray. Additional—George Stombaugh.

De Witt's Little Early Risers, best pill.

AGAIN MANIPULATING RATES.

Erie and Nickle Plate Accused of Diverting Much Traffic.

FEARS OF GENERAL DEMORALIZATION.

Chairman Blanchard Dislikes to Interfere on Account of the Prosperous Condition of Railroad Business in the East.

CHICAGO, Ill.,