BUTCHERED HIS BROTHER.

Bloody Deed of a Frinken Man Near Ecciber, Neb.

DETAILS OF THE TERRIBLE AFFAIR.

Charles Behandst Jailed at Fremont for the Crime-Efforts of the Murderer to Escape Were Futile.

SCHINNER, Neb., Dec. 20 .- [Special to THE BEE | A fatal stabbing affray occurred about 7 p. m. Thursday, December 24, four miles south of this village on the Shuiz farm, rented by the Behrndst boys. The family consisted of Charley, the murderer, Julius, the victim, Fred and John. It seems Charley was in town the day of the murder and got pretty well filled up with whisky. He returned home about @c'clock and commenced to raise a row with his brothers about the division of the property, smashing the furniture and crockery and calling them vile names. His brother Julius rushed out to his father's farm, about two miles away, and got the old man to come, with the hope of

When they reached the house, and just as Julius entered the door, Charley met him with a huge butcher knife in his hand, and yelling abdomen, literally disembawelling him

The murderer immediately fled to one of the neighbors' houses without hat or coat and stayed there all night. He did not make known what he had done, only remarking that he had a fight with his brother. In the morning he borrowed the bired man's cap and overcoat and went back to the farm to do his chores. He was told by his brother Fred that his brother would die, He then said they would never see him again alive and left, going west on foot. He was overtaken by Dr. Mortlock of Scribner, who was on his way to see a patient. on his way to see a patient. He asked th doctor for a ride which was granted hit then wanted the doctor to carry him to Glencoe, about twelve miles from the scen of the stabbing, which the doctor refused to

He told the doctor he and his brother had had a fight and that his brother got after him with a pitchford and in running he fell, the times of the fork going into his body. He said he had an uncie living near Glencoe and wanted to get there as soon as he could. The doctor still refused to take him as had a very sick patient to attend. He then got out and went on his way afoot. It is supposed he was making for his uncle's farm, about two and a half miles south of Dodge. In the meantime the old man came to Scribner to get a dector about two hours after the deed was done. Upon an examina tion the doctor declared that the man could

The man died last might. The relatives of the family made no effort to detain the murderer, but let him go. The marshal of Scribner, Herman Busch, went out to arrest him, but he had flown. The sheriff of Dodge county was notified, and came up on the last train and went out to Dodge and captured the murderer at his uncle's. He was taken to Fremont.

to Fremont. The family is known as a hard set, and have repeatedly quarreled and abused each other. These who saw the man after the stabbing say it was a sickening sight.

FINE STOCK SALE.

Several Animals With Good R cord

Go Under the Hammer. BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 26.-|Special Telegram to Tue Bee. |-Thirteen head of standand tred horses, belonging to the stables of A. C. Sabin, were sold under the hammer here today to satisfy a mortgage.

The horses all sold at ridiculously loss figures and brought an aggregate of \$3,612. A few of the representative sales were as

Sabin's Counsellor, bay stallion, fouled March 30, 1887, sired by Counsellor, first dam Julia by Chicamauga, sold to R. W. Sabin of Beatrice for \$1,500; Chancellor, chestnut stallion, foaled August S, 1887, sirea by Counsellor, first dam She by Chicamauga, sold to C. H. Calkins for \$200; Julia, gray filly, fooled in 1879, sired by Chicamauga, t dam Suse by Sam Bowne, \$400, Pate Stock Farm company of Louis; Maggie Mitchell, black mare, foaled in 1884, sired by Star Harold, first dam Lilly O by Royal Almont, \$159, to Pate Stock Farm company; Miss Valentine, bay filly, standard producer, fosled February 14, 1889, sired by Counsellor, first dam Fanny D. \$150, to J. E. Cobbey, Beatrice: Belladelle, standard brown filly, fosled January 22, 1890, sired by Counsellor, first dam Julia, \$500, to Pate Stock Farm company; Olecta, standard bay filly, foaled in May, 1891, sired by Counseller, first dam Julia, \$320, to Pate Stock Farm company. Private purchases also made today by the Pate Stock Farm company, represented by Messrs. Charles Cookston and Fred Burgdoner, are: Wood-ford's last bay mare, by Woodford's Mam-brico, time 2:21, and a sorrel filly by Counsellor, 2:214, purchased from James Ladd. owner of Counselior and present owner of Lebasco, 2:1614.

Prominent Fremont Citizen Dead. FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 26,-|Special to THE BEE. |-Manley Rogers, a prominent citizen of Fremont, died at noon yesterday after an illness of several months from Bright's dis-Mr. Rogers has been a resident of the city for the past twelve years and has been minent until the past three years in business circles. He was at one time cashier and subsequently president of the F National bank. Funeral services will held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Presbyterian church, under the auspices of Centennial lodge, Independent Order of Odd Pellows, and the remains will be taken to Warren, Ill., for interment.

Oxford Masonic Ceremonies. Oxrono, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special to The BEE. |-By virtue of special dispensation of the grand high priest, the new office bearers of Miriam chapter, No. 47, Royal Arch Masons, were formally installed last night by Most Eminent High Priest George E. Whitman. The elective officers are: N. A. Whitman. The elective officers are: N. A. Pettigrove, high priest: A. R. Paine, king; H. W. L. Jackson, scribe; A. Neilson, treas urer; J. L. Lashbrooks, secretary. Following the installation core nonies, an elegant ban-quet was served at the B. & M. eating house, which was enjoyed by the Companions and their ladies.

Burglars at Dodge.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special to THE BEE. |-Burglars entered the general merchandise store of Milligan & Hrabak, at Dedge, last night and obtained about \$350 in cash and valuables. They pried open one of the front doors and then cracked the safe by drilling a deep hole in it and filling the hole with powder, which was exploded. They also forced an entrance into H. Quesner's store, where about \$5 in change was taken from the cash drawer. No clews have

Dedicated the Pipe Organ. ASHLAND, Neb., Dec. 26. - [Special Telegrain to THE BEE. [-Today Rt. Rev. Bishop Worthington of Omaha assisted in the dedication of the elegant new pipe organ which has recently been placed in the Episcopal church here. The church was beautifully with ferns, cut flowers and draperies, all of which were arranged very

Colonel Pickett's Funeral. ASHLAND, Neb., Dec. 26. - Special Telegrain to Tug Bug |- The late Colonel T. J. Pickett, who died here Thursday evening. was buried under the auspices of the Masonic lodge today. Visiting members assisted from Greenwood and Elmwood.

Will Retain the Office. Falls City, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special to THE BEE, |-It is generally believed here that Postmaster Holdbrook will remain in charge of the local office. Very few republicans desire his removal.

Work of Ciever Forgers. BEATRICE, Neb. Dec. 26. [Special Tele-gram to Tun Bee.] - A number of cleverly axecuted forgeries were uttered here Thurs

day night, but were not unearthed until today. The checks as far as at present actoday. The checks as far as at present accordained, are three for about \$300 each on the name of W. W. Buchanan, and two for \$13 and \$18 respectively on I. N. McConnell. The three first were cashed at the New York Rucket store, Bell & Cadwallador's and L. Manapeager's restaurants, and the two last at Moore's meat market and Deutsch Bros.' clothing store. The parties present-ing the checks bought some trilling article in each instance and received cash for the balance. One of the forgers is pretty ertainly known to be an incorrigible mem-per of one of the leading families of the city, and he is kept under strictest police surveil lance with the hope of approhending his confederate. The checks were drawn on the First National, Beatrice National, Nebraska National and American banks. The forgeries were ascertained to lay upon the presentation of the checks at the several banks.

TRAINM N C. LEBRATE.

Members of Elkhorn Valley Lodge Score a Tr umph

Nonrolla, Neb., Dec. 28 .- | Special to The BEE. |- Last night, under the auspices of Eikhorn Valley todge No. 101, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, occurred their seventh annual ball in the opera house at this place. B-tween 400 and 500 tickets were sold, representatives being present from nearly every division in the state. The half was decorated in a most beautiful and appropriate manner. It was lighted with three monster headlights and hundreds of beautiful lanerns, artistically arranged, representing the different signals red, white and green. To add to the beauty were hundreds of beauti-ful Hags and mottoes, one of the most conspicuous being the motto of the order, "Be-nevolence, Sobriety and Industry." There were twenty four sets in all, each given a proper couldet, such as "Our Brotherhood," "Let Off the Smck," "C. C. Hughes," "Fif

teen Days," Give Her Sand," etc. The music was furnished by the Norfota orchestra to the great delight of all. When Superintendent Reynolds called for twenty seven extras Jack Crotty whistled "down brakes," and Ed Marnhy called out "the next stop will be Norfolk function with twenty minutes for refreshments.

With a Bullet in His Brain.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 23. - [Special to THE BEE. | Joe Diegen, who was shot by a playmate Tuesday, has surprised the attending physicians by surviving as long as he has. Although he carries a builet in his brain, his ttendants think there is a slight chance for is recovery

For the first time in many years Adams ounty has seen three judges sitting on the bench within two days, Judge Gaslin is holding his forewell term here now, Judge Fibbets of Lincoln tried the Bostwick and City National bank cases and Judge Chap man of Nebraska City tried the Emspahr

While Frank Farrell, the son of Paving contractor Thomas Farrell, was riding on seventh street last night, his horse fell with him. Frank's leg was broken and there is a possibility of its having to be amputated.

Victim of the to m.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26 - Special Telegram to The Beg. |-The boly of an unknown man, apparently about 30 years old. was brought to Lincoln tonight from near Waverly, this county. He was evidently frozen to death, although there is a small wound and clot of blood on the right side of his face. It is known that vesterday morning he stopped a gang of B. & M. section hands and asked for something to eat. He old them that he had been in the regular army until two weeks ago when he received his discharge, spent what money he had at Omaha, and after he recovered from an attack of delirium tremens, started to walk to his home in the western part of the state. He evidently went to sleep beside the track last night and was frozen to death. The coroner will hold an inquest in the morning.

They Remembered the Doctor. BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 26 - Special to THE Brg. | -The patients of the Keeley institute Christmas morning took Dr. B. F. Monroe. the physician in charge, completely by surprise. The boys, after the 8 o'clock 'short,' persuaded the doctor to accompany them to the club room. Immediately upon his arrival Chairman Hunt of the league called the boys to order and Hon, William Westner of Lin-coln, in behalf of the league presented the octor with a very handsome \$30 chair and oot stool as a token of the many kindnesses ac had bestowed upon them, and for curing heir appetite for strong drink. was overcome with emotion and in a very few touching remarks thanked the doners The occasion was one that will long be re membered by those in attendance.

In Honor of St. John's Day OXFORD, Neb., Dec. 26.- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-A Masonic festival in oner of St. John's day was given yesterday by Rawal tolge of this city which was largely attended by the best people. An interesting feature of the event was an adby Deputy Grand Master Samuel R.

Davidson of Tecumseh. Santa Claus Was Burned.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 26.-While R. A. Beatty was amusing children at his residence last night in the character of Santa Claus. the cotton batting in which he was enveloped caught fire and he was severely burned. The assistance of O. C. Weiser, who was near, alone saved his life. Both gentlemen were severely burned.

Death From Lagrippe.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 26,-[Special to THE BEE.]-Mrs. E. L. Sandusky of this city died at 2 o'clock p. m. yesterday, of lagrippe. She was an estimable lady. Her husband is a popular traveling man for an Atchison, Kan., greeery house. The funeral occured today.

Newspaper Changes. ELEBORN, Neb., Dec. 25 .- [Special to The

BEE.]-With this week's issue, George Woodbury of Omaha takes charge of the editorial and mechanical departments of the Exchange, vice Frank R. Blackman, signed. Mr. Blackman goes from here to

Seriously Injured.

Unvssus, Neb., Dec. 26.-Joseph Creekbaum seriously injured himself yesterday, in an effort to suicide. He told his family he was going hunting, and shortly afterwards he was found near the house, badly hurt.

WILL HAVE A HOUSE.

Omaha Club Determines to Erect a Building for Its Quarters. The Omaha club held a meeting at the club rooms last night for the purpose of deciding the question of purchasing a lot upon

which to erect a club building.

The meeting was largely attended, many of the leading pusiness men and financiers of the city being present. Judge H. J. Davis was chosen as chairman and the secretary, Mr. C. S. Montgomery, proceeded to read some resolutions that had been prepared a view of conferring upon board of directors the power to with ourchase a lot at the northwest corner of Eighteenth and Douglas streets, The size of the lot is 66x140 and the price purchase asked is \$35,000. The resolution was pabut the club finally reconsidered and amended it so as to give the directors authority to purchase some other lots in case they could not got the lot at the corner of Eighteenth and

Douglas at a reasonable price. Bishop Newm in.

The Methodist Review, the highest offic in iterary authority in Methodism, says of Bishop Newman's Wesley memorial sermon at the Washington ecumenical that it was "the literary masterpiece of the conference." If a vote were taken as to who is the most finished pulpit orator in Methodism, Omaha's resident bisnop would be the subject of great congratulation. If the question was as to who has the widest fame of living Methodist orators, Bishop Newman's name would largely lead them all. One is reminded of what was said of Daniel Webster in England as he sees the bishop on the streets: "He looks like a cathedral!" The people of Omaba are offered a rare boilday treat in being in vited to hear this great man preach a Christ-mas sermon in the First Methodist church Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

Dr. Cultimore, oculist, Bee building.

GOULD'S SIDE LOST

Decision Rendered in an Important Railroad Case at Lincoln.

MORE THAN A MILLION INVOLVED.

Interests of the Missouri Pacific Defeated by the Fitzgerald-Mallory Construction Company-History of the Litigation.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26 .- (Special to Tun Bur. j-If Jay Gould consents to be guided by a decision handed down by Judge l'ibbetta in the district court in this city today he will be poorer to the extent of \$475,000. The case, which was ended today, so far as the listrict court is concerned, is one of the most important ever tried in the district court in Lancaster county, and its history forms a unique chapter in the history of the railroad development of the west,

The suit against Jay Gould as the prestdent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad company was instituted by the Fitzgerald-Mallory Construction company in December, 1888. and in their petition the plaintiffs claimed that there was a balance due them for railroad construction of \$1,400,000. Prior to the commencement of the suit the Fitzgerald-Mallory company had constructed a line of railroad known as the Denver, Memphis & Atlantic and running from Chetope, Kan., to Pueblo, Colo. The road, although constructed under a different name, was really a part of the Missouri Pacific system and the two companies became involved in litigation after the completion of the line. The Missouri Pacific set up the claim that it had ad the road and sued the Fitzgerald-Mallory ompany for that amount. It was further ilezed, on behalf of the Missouri Pacific, that Messrs. Fitzgerald and Mallory induced the Missouri Pacific to exchange \$1,500,000 of its stock for \$1,000,000 worth of the stock of the Denver, Memphis & Atlantic road, and then, having control of the board of directors o managed the latter road that its stock be

came comparatively worthless.

To clinch its ease, the Missouri Pacific also alleged that Fitzgerald and Mallory secured a grant of lands from the government and also pocketed the proceeds arising from the sale of bonds voted by towns and counties along the line to aid in the construction of the road. On the other hand, Messrs. Fitzgerald and Mailory, in their counter suit against the Missouri Pacific, alleged that Jay Gould, Russell Sage, Levi P. Morton and other magnates of that road secured possession of the Denver. Memphis & Atlantic by the pe-

culiar methods in vogue on Wall street and then repudinted its debts.

The case was tried before Judge Tibbetts last September, but it was not until today that he handed down his decision, giving the Pitzgerald-Mailory company a verdict for \$475,000. The attorney of the Missouri Pa-cific at once filed potice of appeal.

Cmaha and Lincoln Tug-of-War.

It is now definitely settled that a contest between the enampion Omaha team in the recent tug-of-war in that city and a repre-sentative team from Lincoln will take place on New Year's night. Managers Hickey and Prince of the Lincoln and Omaha teams arranged the details today. The Lincoln team to go Omaha will be the Freight Handlers, or Sullivan's draymen, as they are known here. The members of the team are all big, brawny men whose occupation is of itself a natural training for contests of this nature. More over, they unite brains with strength and will give the Omana team a hard tussle. A future contest by representative teams of the two cities will take place in Lincoln at the close of the series of contests now in progress here.

Donated a Car Load of Corn. The first car load of corn to be actually guaranteed to the Russian relief train from Nebraska comes from Fremont and is donthe wholesale inquor firm L. P. Larson & Co., of that city. Today Governor Thaver was notified of the fact and received sent out to all its customers and traveling

"It has been our custom heretofore to remember our customers and employes with some token of the season. But this year we have come to the conclusion that a better use of the money usually expended for present may be made in placing at the disposal of the governor a carload of corn for the benefit of the Russian relief fund. We make this hange in the bestowal of our Caristmas be uests believing that our customers and employes without an exception will heartily oin us in the worthy benevolence, and the orn has been ordered and the governor notified accordingly."

Willing to Donate His Services.

Governor Thayer today received a letter from an ambittous citizen of Omaha who, although he is not prepared to donate either money or corn to the necessities of the fam-ishing people of the drouth-stricten prov-nces of Russia, is ready to furnish any quantity of advice. He very considerately told the governor and all parties concerned just what kind of corn to select, how to ship it and how to distribute it, and wound up by requesting the governor to send him t Russia with the corn in order that he might ee that it reached the proper parties.

Workingmen's Cost of Laying.

Some time ago the State Bureau of Indus trial Statistics sent out a large number of blanks that had been specially prepared for the collection of statistics regarding the cost of living in Nebraska. These blanks were sent to workingmen throughout the state with the request that an accurate account of their expenditures for the actual necessities of life be kept. For some reason the workngmen of the state did not take kindly to the dea, and so far the results have not been all that the officers of the bureau bad hoped for Today, however, the commissioner received a letter from Michael Nelson, statistician for Labor assembly No. 727 at Omaha asking for 100 sets of the blanks, saying that that num-ber of workingmen of that city had agreed to keep the reports for six months. It is hoped that workingmen of other cities of the state will follow the example of their orethren at Omaha.

State House Gossip. Amended articles of incorporation of the Nebraska Farm & Implement company were filed with the secretary of state today. The company was formed at Beatrice for the pur-pose of doing a general live stock and im-provement business, and its capital is \$164.

Judge Broady was a visitor today. He i at present engaged in the preparation of an article on the life and public services of the late Judge O. P. Mason, to be read at the forthcoming meeting of the State Historica

Dr. Cullimore, oculist, Bee building.

In Memoriam. The Catholic Mutual Benefit association met yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the hall in the Arlington block, to pass appropriate resolutions on the death of John L. Miles. T. J. Mahoney was appointed to draft resolutions and present them at the next meeting. Two members were appointed to stand waten over their dead brother. The society will attend the funeral in a body at 5 o clock this afternoon and march to the cemetery. The charter and banner were ordered draped for thirty days out of respect for the deceased.

Western People in Chicago. CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram to Tan Ben. |-The following western people

are in the city:

At the Palmer-Charles H. Marple, Omaha; O. L. Hudson, Sloux City, Ia.; J. R. Koettes, Clinton, Ia. At the Wellington-J. A. Garver, jr., Des Moines, Ia.

At the Leland-Mr. and Mrs. F. Gray, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
At the Auditorium-Mr. and Mrs. C. J.

Greene, John Feenan, Omaha. The New Postoffice. Judge Lorenzo Crounse, assistant secretary of the treasury, who is spending the holidays in this city, will not return to

Washington until Friday. The judge brought with him a photograph

of the new postoffice buildings Ho said that the plan as first submitted had been materially changed, and thereby improved. He felt confident that the people of Omaha would approve the proposed writiding, which would be extended west to Seventeenth street in case the additional appropriation should pass the present session of congress. The judge thought the chances for this happy utcome were favorable owing to the fact that several other large cities were seeking additional appropriations for their public buildings, rendering it possible for one con-gressional delegation to make the ups that

FIRE AND POLICE MATTERS. Some Results of the Commissioners'

would work to our advantage.

tion Monday at 11 a. m.

Meeting Last Night. Mr. Coburn presided at the meeting of the Fire and Police commissioners last night, About a dozen applicants for the position of fire alarm operator were present and wer informed that they could have an examina

Chief Seavey reported that the recen lice raffle for Mrs. Seavey's painting netted \$843.25 for the relief fund, Officer von Mugge, who is now in San Francisco on leave, was granted a fifteen days' extension. Charles C. Elington of Fruck 2 was given ten days' annual leave.

Joseph Laux of Truck ! applied for ten days' leave and got it. J. B. Fish resigned as special policeman. Accepted. A proposition was submitted by the agent of the Holloway estate agreeing to erect a 44x100 feet brick building for fire department headquarters at the southwest corner of Fourteenth and Howard streets for a

nonthly rental of \$250. It was referred to the committee on property. protest against granting a li cense to Captain O'Donahne, 213 North Sixteenth street, was next on the list. Several police officers testified that the front blinds were down on Sun-days and people frequently walked down the alloy adjoining the samon, but nobody was ever seen in the bar roomer drinking. A decision in the case was held over until the meeting Tuesday evening. Another protest again t James Netzel, 30r2 Wainut rlill, was heard, and the license was afterwards heard, and the hoonse was afterwards granted. Below is a list of licenses granted: Huns Higgins, 1512 Do Igestreet; M. Thomas, 1513 South Third; William Krug, northeast corner Twelfth and Chicago; Valentine corner Tweifth and Chicago; Valentine North, 1388 Cass; Oscar Manger, 1013 Parnam; James Douglas, 1322 Douglas; M. Woll-stein, 2224 Cuming: Woilstein & Seligman, 522 South Thirteenth; Wollstein & Seligman, 22 North Sixteenth; John Tuthill, 1513 Far-am; M. Neve, 412 South Eighteenth, R. Kopald, 902 Capitol avenue; Henry Pundt 1218 Farnam; M. Muller, 301 North Sixteenth; K. Schultz, 621 Pacific, Lentz & Williams, 1418 Farnam; A. M. Frick, 1001 Farnam; T. J. Foley, 1412 Douglas; Gladtone Bros., 1308 Douglas,

Protests were filed against W. W. Thomp-on, rear of 1517 Douglas street, and John Wuetbrich, 1025 Dodge street. These cases will be heard at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday.

WHAT ARE THEY WORTH?

Question of the Value of Lots Haised

Through a Failure. "Your sale of the Louis Reed tract to Chicago parties fell throughf" remarked a BEE reporter to the agent who was negotiating it. "Yes," was the reply, "we failed to agree ipon terms, and so the deal was not made." "I understood a certain young banker, son of one of the oldest bankers in Omana, contributed something to the unhappy result?"

was the next sympathetic sentiment of the brief discussion "Well, yes, we did feel that his want of judgment in the matter of values kept us out of a handsome commission and an Omaha man out of about \$150,000. Three bankers had given our client an appraisement of the property higher than the figures we were authorized to offer on the forty-acre tract. It contains 200 city lots, and we consider them cheap at the figures named. The young banker was asked for his mate of their value and he placed them at \$100 each. Our customer was naturally frightened and although the prospects had been promising up to that moment, he immediately gave up the pur-

"Where is the property!"
"West of Brigg's place and south of Dun-Farnam street runs through the tract and Dodge separates it from Dundee Place. G. G. Wallace sold a lot no better within a tone's throw of the Reed tract for \$2,000, nly a few days ago."

The reporter left the real estate agent pondering upon the value of a lot he owns in Benson and another in Bowling Green, if the young banker's estimate of real estate values is correct, and concluded that the county tax of 90 cents on each must be fully 90 per

WANT ANOTHER VIADUCT.

cent of the real value of the lots.

South Side Citizens Insist on Better Traffic Accommodations.

Property owners and citizens generally want a viaduct over the railway tracks on Fifteenth street. To accomplish this the executive committee of the South Side Citiens club and a special committee composed of Messes, McShane, Paxton, Kennedy, Hall. Ramge, Barker and Sheely held a joint meeting last night in Mr. MeShane's office.
The meeting was a closed one, but the

object of it was for organization. Commit-ces were appointed and some action will be taken to secure the passage of an ordinane providing for the construction of a viaduct over the tracks on Fifteenth street. Members of the South Side club think there is immediate necessity for the demand of ad-different viaducts to connect the northern and

southern business portions of the city,
At the joint committee meeting it was said
that the Sixteenth street viaduct was inseare and unsafe and should be condemned. It is proposed to make the railroads pay the expense of constructing the viaduct. The committee will prepare an ordinance to that end to be introduced in the city council.

Fourteen * ports Captured There wasn't any tip out yesterday afternoon when the police raided the Douglas street gambling houses about 5 p. m. on a

noment's notice. Fourteen men were found gambling in soms over Hornberger's saloon and were taken into custody. All the other well known found. All the players were shortly released

Dr. Cultimore adjusts glasses, B bldg PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

H. Thurber of Norfolk, Neb., is at the E. C. Beede of Nebraska City is at the

Bernard Edington of Fullerton, Neb., is at he Millard. A. J. Handlon of Chadron is stopping at John Thomson of Fremont is registered at

John C. Hunter and wife of Hastings are John P. Fenton of Beatrice is registered at the Dellone.

S. H. Mallory of Charlton, Ia., is registered at the Paxtop. J. P. Smith of Scribfier. Neb., is a guest at the Millard. Ben R. Cowdery of Lincoln is domiciled

at the Millard. E. W. Bignell of Lincoln was at the Mur-William Homke of Nebraska City is stopping at the Paxton. I. D. Clarke and James Hassett of Papil-

ion are at the Paxton. F. E. Jandt and Dr. A. T. Bryant of Crawford are at the Millard. Frank P. Ireland, mayor of Nebraska City, registered at the Paxton. F. Faulkner and Miss Neva Faulkner of hus ler are at the Millard.

J. P. Simmonds and Frank P. Fenton of Fremont are stopping at the Dello George W. Ross, a cattle dealer of Dougas, Neb., is registered at the Areade. A. E. Rickley, a juitice of the peace and a estate dealer of Rushville, Neb., is at

B. F. Smith, wife and daughter, have re-turned from their hiliday visit at Lincoln. They are now at the Paxton Miss Etta Rosenberg who has been visiting friends in Beatrice acturned to her home in Kountee Place last Thesday over the OverPERILOUS DAYS IN NEBRASKA.

Story of the Great Indian Scare of Tairty Years Ago.

CHILDREN MASSACRED BY BRUTAL REDS.

All the Country Between Ponca and Niobrara Deserted by the Frightened Settlers-Scouting on the Prairies.

Ponca, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special to THE BEE. - Dixon county was first settled about thirty-five years ago, previous to which time. with the exception of an occasional white man who ventured here to trade or hunt. the Indians were the sole occupants. The first white men who saw this country were Lewis and Clark, when they passed up the Missouri river in 1804 on their expedition to the Pacific coast.

Indian legends inform us that in those very early days a large Indian village was ocated near where Ponca now stands, another one at Ionia, and still other important In dian towns at Martinsburg and Dailybranch. In these various villages resided portions of he Omahas, the Dakotas and the Poncas, he latter being the predominating tribe in this part of the country. These dif-ferent bands were frequently en-gaged in quarrels with each other, which often led to bloody conflicts. One desperate pattle, which took place about a mile north of Ponca, near the river, between a large number of Omaha and Ponca warriors, re suited in a great slaughter of the former. The Omahas had come down from Daily-branch, where their town was located, on a raid, and were ambushed and nearly byery

However, these desperate encounters between different bands occurred many years before the country was inhabited by white settlers. It was in 1855 when the first ad-venturous spirits located here, at which period the Indians in the vicinity, in num ers or hostility, were not generally danger ous neighbors. They would steal horses, but unless they had increased their courage and animosity by a supply of firewater, they never showed a desire to prac-tice on the whites any of those hairlifting ceremonies which, among themselves they had previously been accustomed to en gage in. Still, for several years, it was not deemed entirely safe to be far away from nome without a gun.

Settlers Lived in Fear.

Although those few primitive settlers experienced many hardships and discourage-ments, nothing of a starting character occurred until 1862. It was on October 14 of that year when Ponca, then a village of per haps forty people, was suddenly turned into a state of wild excitement and her usually quiet streets were filled with terrified men omen and children.
The country between Ponea and Niobrara

at that date was very sparsely settled. Only at great distances apart could the homesteaders' cabins be seen, and only now and then could be found the soil turned over for cultivation. Those who had drifted from the east and located in this strip of country were forced to confroit the usual disadvantages of pioneer existence, and many obstacles felin their paths to thwart their hopes and in tentions. This was the year which the Indian outbreak place in Minnesota and Dakota, thus

cresting discontent among all the tribes over the country. Each night during this threat-ening period the families in their lonely ening period the families in their lonely cabins knew it was possible that before the dawn of the following morning they would be tomahawked and scalped and their homes reduced to ashes Their fears increased as the days went by, but, unwilling to abandon all their worldly possessions, they remained, only hoping for the arrival of the time when the savages would be quelled and peace and safety restored. in October of the year in question, a

friendly Winnebago half-breed Indian passed through these settlements scattering the news that an immense number of Sioux trail great destruction to lives and property. burning nouses and massacring the inmates. So terrible a report of imminent danger carried dismay into every household and caused he strongest hearts to quail. On receipt of his awe inspiring news the question arose n the homesteader's mind as to what course hould be pursued to best secure protection

against the approaching danger. Driven from Their Homes.

In Ponca, on the October day above men ioned, about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Mr. M. Q. DeAgley, the only merchant of the town, was in the act of closing his place of business for the night, when he heard the din of wagon wheels and the tramp of horses, and in the course of a few moments a long train of wagons, one after another, appeared, coming over the hills which skirt the town on the west. Mr. DeAgley, knowing of the Indian outbreak, although at a considerable distance, was stricken by the fear that the moving wagons were these of the red men and that they were stored with the plunder reaped from the rural settlers, and that in ambuscade lay the warriors, waiting for darkness to come, when Ponca should be spoliated, her inhabitants scalped and her few rude dwellings and bus ness houses swept away in smoke. Mr. De his neighbors, and to assist them in preparations for defense against the danger which seemed to be pending. But before he could make the rounds the streets were thronged with wagons, occupied not by Indians, but by homesteaders who had been impelled to make an exodus for the east by the report that the Sioux savages, were marching on Niobrara, and were designing to wipe out that place, as well as all the white settlements between there and

Sioux City. It seems that a man named E. G. Smith who lives about eight miles south of Niobrara, was the first recipient of the exciting news, and without hesitation, he gathered into his wagon his family, together with all the provisions, grain and household goods that he could conveniently carry, and immediately started out in an eastern direction. The dwellers in the first cabin which he reached on his journey very willingly adopted his plan, and also loaded their wagons with portions of their scanty wealth and followed on his eastern exodu-In brief, each pioneer along the road did the same, until, when the company entered Ponca, it consisted of about sixty teams and

Formed a Scouting Party.

The good people of this town, loth to see the descrition of such a rich territory, en-couraged the settlers to halt at this point and consider what, under the circumstances, would be best to do. A public meeting was held on that evening to consider the matter. It was an exciting gathering. Enthusiastic speeches were made, some maintaining that if they remained in this country their lives would be in peril, while others held that the report might be exaggerated and would bear After a careful and thorough discussion of

the question it was concluded to organize a corps of horsemen and leave the next morn-ing for an examination of the territory between Posca and Niobrara. Those who could best leave their families were closen to make up this company of scouts which embraced about sixty of the most bale and vigorous young men. The visitors were provided with quarters for the night, barns and cellars being converted into places of lodging. Everybody arose early the next morning to prepare for the departure of the military force. wer, the arrangements were not very extensive, consisting mainly in obtaining a sufficient number of guns and horses, About so clock a. m., they assembled, and

after electing as general A. L. Merser, and after an exchange of some parting words with their relatives and friends, the galiant company rode away. Through a wild country, and one especially gloomy on their route through the forest along the Missouri, the company pursued its course toward Niobrara. At any moment the men, knowing the Indian style of warfare, would not have been surprised to see the enemy spring from some ravine or dense thicket of timber and attack them. The commander kept strict watch over the surrounding country, and directed his forces to be prepared for battle on an in-

stant's notice. First Victim of the Reds. As they came at long intervals to the

deserted capins of settlers no sign of life was

out to them. By noon a distance of sixteen miles had been covered and a halt was made on one of the Lime creek hills, near the county line between Dixon and Cedar counties, for rest and refreshment. The fact that not an Indian had so far been seen gave succuragement to the scouts, especially to those of them who had only the day before fled from their homes. After the half hour spent in eating and rest, the march was resumed. For three hours they rode along undisturbed, nothing of note developing until within a short distance of St James, a little town about thirty miles northwest of Ponca. At this point, about four miles east from St. James, their attention was attracted to a large rock, a short dis-tance north of the roat. Partly hidden by the vines which festooned the rock, they saw a little cirl, probably 12 years old. She was apparently in creat distress, and on nearer approach it was seen she was covered with blood. When she saw the scouts, she called to them, and ran, as fast as her wounded to them, and ran, as fast as her wounded condition would permit, to claim their pro-

tection. This great rock, where the girl had conccaled herself, is familiar to all settlers in that part of the country. At that date it was of significant meaning to the superstitious Indians. Like Spirit Mound, directly across the river from this point, this rock was believed to be haunted by malignant and infe-destroying spirits and that certain eath would be the portion meted out to the venturesome Indian who approached it.

Innocent Children Slaughtered.

The soldiers found the girl to be suffering from a painful wound inflicted by an arrow which had penetrated her left arm. Between subs she told a mournful story. It was gleaned that her name was Betsy Biueman. and that she, together with her mother and two brothers, had lived in a little log cabin some distance off of the road, her father hav-ing several months previous joined the United States army. About 3 o'clock Ing several months previous joined the United States army. About 3 o'clock on that afternoon Mrs. Blueman went over to St. James to purchase some groceries, leaving her three children. Charley and Henry, aged 10 and 16 years respectively, and Betsy at home. While the mother was absent, four big Sioux Indians came to the door and demanded admission. The door was locked and barred, but it was soon beaten down, and the savages entered. soon braten down, and the savages entered to perpetrate their inhuman designs. Henry ne older boy, had in the meantime secured and made a defense as best he But his head was soon pierced

by a bullet, and his heroic efforts in behalf of their home were suddenly ended y death. After murdering Henry, Charley ocame the flext victim. In the meanwhile etsy escaped through the door, and, put ting forth her utmost speed, fied. Forth nately for her, and almost providentially i would seem, her steps were directed toward the rock, where she was afterwards found by he soldiers. She was pursued some distance and received an arrow in the arm, but the superstitious fears of the India permit them to approach too near the bounted rock.

A Mother's Awful Discovery.

After hearing her story, Betsv was accom panied by the soldiers to her home, which was found to be in the timber near the river and nearly a mile from the road. time they arrived there, the Indians had The scouts found the house plunder ed, Henry lying dead in a pool of blood and the grief stricken mother, just returned from St. James, bending over Charlie, who had been stabbed in the breast, and who, though unable to speak however, as he was mortally wounded, and in a few minutes his life and sufferings were ended. It was decided to convey the family o St. James, and it was done, although con siderable time was spent in effecting the necessary preparations for removal, and it was near So'clock in the evening when they

reached that place.
The hospitable people there tendered every assistance in this time of great need. The remains of the two boys were placed in one of the dwellings to await burtal, and Mrs Blueman and her little girt were comfortably provided for, the wounded arm was attended o and everything was done to console them in their distress and bereavement.

At St. James the company of men remained

during the night. The people manifested great joy in seeing them, and were very olicitous in providing for their wants. Some of the inhabitants had deserted the town, but several families were still there, probably tther being unable to get away or consider ing the circulated rumors not well founded. The next morning the little army resumed its road toward Niebrara. It would have gained several new recruits at St. James, but the known presence of the Indians in the timber near by, made it necessary that they should remain for home protection. During this day their second day from Ponca, they traveled thirty-five miles to the little town of Frankfort. Throughout the journey the same dilligent watch was kept for the enemy, but

not an Indian came into view. Found a Deserted Village.

Frankfort had been totally abandoned, and as the soldiers entered the town they were received, not with gorgeous pomp, but by a number of unestentations chickens, which assembled from fences and barn tops, and which, wrestling with In the unpeopled houses they established quarters for the night. They had become extremely fatigued by their two days' experience, the journey had been very irksome, few having saddles and many being wholly unaccustomed to horseback They arose early the next morning to find,

not the fine weather which had previously prevailed, but a sky heavy with clouds and a drizzling rain. Here the army tarried until 10 o'clock, when the clouds dispersed and the sun once more gave out its genial rays. The air after the shower was exhibitating and the trip was continued with renewed vigor. The rain had laid the smoke which before filled the sky and darkened the surrounding landscape. Burnt tracts over in Dakota could be seen, and it was evident that the smoke, which had proven so great an alarm, had emanated from prairie fires. As they pressed through the solitude and saw the broad and fertile valleys awaiting only the hand of civilization to convert them into luxuriant fields of cereals and vegetables, they grew more ardent and determined in carrying out the purpose of their expedition. At 7 o'clock in the evening the company arrived at Niobrara, located on the Missouri river, about twenty-nve miles from Frankfort. Niobrara, previously a noted and vigorous frontier town, now, from the quiet which everywhere reigned,

visible, but as yet no injury had been dealt seemed almost deserted. It was at first conseemed almost deserted. It was at first con-cluded that this place also had been for saken, but a light gimmering through a window proved the contrary. The travelers followed the light and soon reached the building. which was of considerable size in proportion End of the Suspense.

Although the inmates were startled by the Although the inmates were startled by the unexpected appearance of the scouts their presence was, as would be supposed, very welcome. At Nightara, it seems, the scare was equally severe. Those who had not left the town were collected in this building, where they hoped to make an effectual defense should the location come. fense should the Indians come. Supper was gladly served to the soldier guests and everything done to secure their comfort.

The territory had been carefully examined and nothing appeared to indicate any danger. It was thought these four savages, who had committed the fieldish crime at St. James, were the only hostile Indians in this part of the country and were the sole incentives of the entire Indian scare. Hence the party concluded that further investigation was unnecessary and decided to return to Ponca So, after a few days of much needed rest, the

return march began.

At St. James, Dr. P. A. Glen stopped to look after the interests of Mrs. Blueman and her child and to give them a sum of money which the generous hearted members of the cor troubles. The four renegate Indians had not been again seen, nor, indeed, were they ever afterwards seen on this side of the Mesouri. In Pones, the suspense of the women and children, and the few men who were unable to undertake the hazardous trip, was painful bear. Imagination pictured friends friends and relatives under the all were wrapped in gloom and despondency, until the safe return of the pioneers turned their forebodings to joy. In a few days those who had fled to Ponca from their homes returned to them, thankful to know their property was not devastated and that the lives of themselves and families were secure from danger,

Press Club Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Omaha ress club at its rooms in THE BEE building this afternoon at 4 o'clock. At this time a report will be received from the executive committee relative to the assimilation of the affairs of the old Press club. Also a draft of the constitution and bylaws will be presented.

All newspaper writers in Omaha, Council Biuffs and Souta Omata are urged to attend this meeting which will be one of the most important the club will ever hold.

Charged With Embezziement Jennie Barker flied a complaint before Judge Heisley yesterday afternoon charging her sister, Mrs. Nathaniel Harris, and the husband of Mrs. Harris, with embezziement. The complaint alleges that the Harris family, who keep a grocery at Twenty-eighth and Leavenworth streets, recently appropriated dishes and table linen to the value of \$10. No arrests have as yet been made.

The Perivation of Pollar, Few persons have ever troubled themelves to think of the derivation of the word dollar. It is from the German thal (valley), and came into use in this way some 300 years ago. There is a little silver mining city or district in northern Bohemia called Joachimsthal or Joachin's valley. The reigning duke of the region authorized this city in the sixteenth century so coin a silver piece which was called "joachimsthaler." word "joachim" was soon dropped, and the name "thaler" only retained. The piece went into general use in Germany and also Denmark where the orthography was changed to "daler," whence it came into English, and was adopted

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