FAILED TO SEE THE CIRCUS

Iowa Countrymen's Amusing Experience with Nye and Burbank.

THEY FAILED TO APPRECIATE THE SHOW

After Concluding That They Had Been Confidenced Out of the Price of Admission an Indignation Meeting is Held.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—An amusing incident occurred at the close of the Nye and Burbank entertainment here last night. The opera house was packed and, of course, the audience appreciated the great moral show. Among the audience, however, was a crowd of grangers, who had driven through muddy roads for twenty miles to see the show. Their fancy had been caught by the flaring posters and they expected to see something like a three-ring circus, Roman hippodrome and menagerie combined. Edgar Wilson's drawl, carefully contrived puns and funny stories failed to touch them. At the close of the entertainment the grangers held an indignation meeting outside the opera house and decided that they had been swindled. Some one proposed that "Balehead" Bill be branded as an imposter and ridden out of town on a rail. The angry countrymen were surrounded by a large crowd and their deliberations watched with interest. Some of the more conservative of the visitors finally overruled the rail part of the notion and the meeting broke up without doing anything more serious than swearing.

IOWA LEGISLATION.

Many Bills of Minor Importance Acted on in the Senate and House.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 25.—Bills were introduced in the senate to require the national flag to be placed on all school houses and to provide for and regulate the administration of trusts by trust companies.

Petitions were presented asking that the World's fair be closed Sunday and that the prohibitory law be retained.

The discussion of the state tax levy then commenced. No action was taken and the senate adjourned until tomorrow.

In the house a bill was introduced to provide an eighth of a mill tax for the State Agricultural college. A large number of bills were reported from committees and the number of measures on the calendar was increased to nearly 300.

The house had a wrangle about taking up bills out of regular order and finally decided that all must come in turn as placed on the calendar.

A bill changing the rule as to the burden of proof in an action granted on negligence so the defendant must prove contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff, where such defense is made, was ordered engrossed, and the house adjourned till tomorrow.

Can't Agree on Orators.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The annual business meeting of the State Oratorical association was called to order this morning at 10 o'clock in Green's opera house by President Kilpatrick. A committee on credentials was immediately appointed, who in a few minutes reported the authorized orators and delegates, naming in this report John D. Denson as the authorized representative of the Upper Iowa college. As two orators with accompanying delegations were present from this institution the report gave rise to much bitter feeling. The entire day has been occupied by the association, which went into a committee of the whole to consider the credentials of these two factions.

Traveling Man Sentenced.

SPENCER, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A. E. Kidd, a well known traveling man and late general manager of the American Pill and Medicine company of this place, has been tried and convicted of forgery and sentenced to the Anamosa penitentiary for a term of years. The case grew out of a suit by Kidd against the company, the charge being that he changed the special finding of the jury in that case for the purpose of obtaining a new trial.

Plucky Girl's Fight for Life.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A kerosene lamp exploded in the hands of Anna Mahoney, a domestic at H. McGriffin's, last evening. The girl was badly burned about the back, chest and hands. She also inhaled some of the flames. Notwithstanding her terrible injuries the plucky girl seized a bedquilt and made a heroic fight to extinguish the flames. She finally succeeded. She will recover.

Not Ruled by a Mob.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A dispatch from a reliable Emmetsburg man says the story sent out from there regarding the alleged mob rule of saloonkeepers is untrue. Those who were supposed to have broken into the jail and secured liquors in the sheriff's custody were all indicted nearly a week ago.

Arrested for Stoning Trains.

CRESTON, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Dan Boyd, who lives four miles south of Hamburg, has been arrested by Detective Ihlenehart of this city. Boyd is suspected of being the party who has been stoning passenger trains on the Red Oak & Nebraska City branch of the Burlington, and the evidence is pretty strong against him.

Caught Between the Cars.

OSKALOOSA, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—R. P. Payne, a brakeman on the Iowa Central, was fatally injured here last night by being caught between the cars while making a coupling. He died at 4 4 o'clock this morning after terrible suffering. He was married, about 40 years old and lived in Grinnell.

Will Meet at Keokuk.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The officers of the First Iowa Cavalry association met here today and selected Keokuk as the place of the ninth annual reunion, to be held September 14 and 15.

Found Dead in a Barn.

OSKALOOSA, Ia., Feb. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—J. H. Davis, a patent medicine vender, was found dead in a barn near Leighton this morning. He was about 60 years old and unmarried.

THE NATIONAL PAGEANT.

Last Rehearsals for the Big Show at the Grand Friday Night.

There are 400 seats left on the floor of the Grand opera house for the performance of "The National Pageant" Friday evening. This the committee desires to state as an erroneous impression has gone forth that all the seats are taken for the opening night of this great society event. The last rehearsal of the tableaux was given Wednesday evening at the opera house, the costumes have been distributed and the last things are being done to make an elaborate historical series of pictures of the nation's progress since the days of Christoher Colombo.

A large force of ladies are working on the decorations and by tomorrow night the house will breathe an air of patriotism, as flags and bunting will hang from every beam and rafter.

Music will be a special feature of the performance. The trained choir boys of Trinity will participate in the tableau of the Declaration of Independence. Mrs. Cotton as Columbia and Miss Bishop as the Goddess will sing patriotic songs, while Hans Albert's Philharmonic orchestra will furnish the instrumental music. Mr. Pennell has a grand old Puritan solo in "The Landing of the Pilgrims," while several members of All Saints' choir will take part in one of the choruses.

Mrs. Cora Pond Pope, the manager of the pageant, is perfectly satisfied with all the details and does not hesitate to predict a great artistic success for those participating.

The National Pageant has fun and patriotism for all, and as it is under the auspices of the Woman's Christian association, it should be largely patronized.

Charmed Their Friends.

The young ladies of St. Cecilia's church gave a pleasant entertainment last evening at Exposition hall and it was very much of a success. A musical program, including numbers by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ritter, Messrs. O'Grady and Murphy, Misses Flannery, Brady and De Witt and Mr. and Miss Herold, was very pleasingly rendered.

Miss O'Neill displayed much elocutionary ability in the recitation of "Curfew."

At the conclusion of the program an elegant supper was served in the roomy north gallery, after which the floor of the hall was cleared and dancing was indulged in until after midnight. The young ladies netted a neat sum by the entertainment.

IN SUNNY ITALY.

Father Rigge Takes a Party of Omaha People on a Pleasant Trip.

There are any number of people in Omaha who have never visited Italy, but thre are several hundred who imagined that they were there last night. At least all of those who attended the illustrated lecture delivered by Father Rigge at Creighton college hall, for the benefit of St. John's Altar society, went away with the feeling that they knew something about that beautiful and far away country.

The lecture opened with a trip across the Alps. A visit was then made to Milan and to the famous cathedral where Napoleon was crowned king of Italy. Passing on, a visit was paid to Florence, its beautiful gardens and its vine covered hills. The audience tarried for a short time and then visited the remarkable city of Venice, situated upon its eighty islands and containing innumerable churches and cathedrals. After rambling through the streets, the audience was taken across the Bridge of Sighs that spans the grand canal.

Leaving Venice the audience embarked upon the placid waters of the Adriatic sea and sailed along the coast, past pleasant cottages and vinyards, where the inhabitants of the country could be seen tilling the soil and gathering the fruits of the field.

Rome—Rome that sits upon her seven hills and at one time ruled the world, with its churches and costly buildings, was thoroughly explored until those present felt nearly as much at home there as in Omaha.

The closing feature of the entertainment was a tableaux scene from Shakespeare's "King Lear," in which A. L. Kingsler took the part of the king, F. Gallagher the part of the fool and D. J. Flarety the part of the friend of the king.

COLLEGE CONTEST.

Rival Societies of the Omaha Commercial in Annual Competition.

Many were turned away last evening unable to gain admission to the spacious rooms of the Omaha Commercial college, Sixteenth and Douglas streets, to enjoy the exercises incident to the sixth annual contest between the two mutual improvement associations of the college, the Commercial Literary society and the Omaha Stenographers association. The rooms were tastily decorated with flowers, flags and the national colors, and the hallways leading to them were illuminated with Japanese lanterns.

An eloquent address on "Education" was delivered by Bishop Newman, and it was followed by an interesting program of essays, orations, instrumental and vocal selections and a debate between members of the two societies on the question: "Resolved, That the perpetuity of our republic demands the passage of laws restricting suffrage by property and educational qualification."

This evening a recention will be given at the rooms to the ex-students of the college.

Accepted the Bid.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., Feb. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Word was received today that the bid put in by parties from here and Lincoln for the Noble sewing machine plant had been accepted. J. Chase of this place will be manager for the new company, and work will begin in a short time. The citizens here are feeling jubilant.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Linwood of Sidney is at the Dellone.

John Bradford of Gretna was at the Dellone last evening.

C. J. Schroeder of Atlantic is at the Dellone.

J. W. Goodhard of Elkhorn was at the Dellone last evening.

Dr. C. T. Burchard of Falls City was a guest at the Dellone yesterday.

Milo A. Manning of Crawford is at the Millard.

C. M. Dinsmore and George H. Porter of Stanton were at the Millard yesterday.

Joseph Thomas and wife of Carroll are guests at the Millard.

J. Mahoney and wife of Chadron are registered at the Millard.

Harry Schickelantz of St. Paul is at the Millard.

George W. Wainright of Blair is stopping at the Millard.

Charles G. Steele of Norfolk is at the Millard.

Dick Thompson, now agent of the Blair institute, but formerly a quiet newspaper man of Hastings, is doing a little missionary work in the city.

W. H. Harrison of Grand Island is a guest at the Murray.

E. Q. Gibbon of Superior is at the Murray.

A. L. Towle of O'Neill is registered at the Murray.

O. Blumenthal and K. Blumenthal of Fremont were at the Murray last evening.

Bartlett Richards of Chadron is stopping at the Murray.

C. F. Calhoun of Springfield was at the Murray last evening.

H. M. Bostwick of Woodbine was a late arrival at the Murray.

H. F. Wilson of Wayne is at the Paxton.

K. O. Hert of Beatrice took supper at the Paxton.

N. T. Richards of David City is registered at the Paxton.

Henry N. Blake of Beatrice is stopping at the Paxton.

George W. Frank, jr., of Kearney is registered at the Paxton.

Heyward G. Leavitt of Grand Island is at the Paxton.

Fred J. Fox of Creighton is registered at the Paxton.

A. W. Padget and H. Stanton of Yutan are at the Merchants.

D. O'Neil of Lincoln is stopping at the Merchants.

Ed Perry of Wayne is registered at the Merchants.

W. A. Ecker of Lincoln is a guest at the Merchants.

J. W. Hauenstine of St. Edwards is at the Merchants.

W. W. Roberts of Creighton is at the Merchants.

J. Francis Kaufman of Lincoln is registered at the Merchants.

D. J. Drebert of West Point is at the Merchants.

W. H. Dearing of Plattsmouth is a guest at the Merchants.

J. S. Dew of Tecumseh is registered at the Merchants.

H. C. Rowntree of Lincoln is a guest at the Merchants.

J. H. Hulbert of Fontanelle is stopping at the Merchants.

Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Kuhns left yesterday afternoon by the Wabash for Augusta, Ga.

George J. Paul left yesterday afternoon for a business trip through Ohio and Indiana.

Mr. W. Z. Todd, editor of the Burwell Enterprise, in company with his brother, called upon THE BEE.

Rome Miller of Norfolk, until recently one of the proprietors of the Paxton, is a guest at that hostelry.

George W. Hutton of Coleridge is at the Paxton.

A. B. Outhouse of Loup City is a late arrival at the Paxton.

J. F. French of Blair is at the Paxton.

Mr. E. P. Heizer, the able editor of the Sioux City Journal, and Mr. Sammons, business manager of that paper, are in the city on business.

Prof. William Lighton has just returned from a visit to the Lincoln Microscopical society, and while with them exhibited his fine microscope and a rare collection of sections of hard substances cut and prepared by himself.

Mr. I. Newton Smith of Philadelphia is visiting his brothers-in-law, Governor and Thomas F. Boyd, and Mrs. C. T. Taylor. Mr. Smith has not been in Omaha for years, and notices great changes in the city. He will remain in the city several days.

[FROM YESTERDAY'S SECOND EDITION.]

EVIDENCE AGAINST THE WIFE

Story Told by the Clerk of the Hotel Where the Deacon Tragedy Occurred.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S LATEST SPEECH

Why Lilian Hammersley is Not Happy with Her Duke—Killed by a Falling Chimney—General News from Europe.

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GRASSE, Feb. 24.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—I am able to give you the following sworn statement of M. Baumann, secretary of the Splendide hotel, made to the judge d'instruction, who is investigating the Deacon-Abeille tragedy: "On the night of the crime Mr. and Mrs. Deacon dined together in their own apartment with their children. I am not aware when Deacon left the hotel, but at midnight precisely he came into my office. He was apparently calm, and asked me to go up stairs with him. He had nothing in his hands. I could not imagine what he wanted. On reaching the threshold he stopped in front of his wife's door. After knocking twice, he said quietly, 'open the door.' Fully three minutes passed before Mrs. Deacon opened the door, which gave admission to her bedroom. Then Deacon said to me, 'stand to one side, but do not go away.' By this time I thoroughly understood the situation. I had caught a glimpse of Mrs. Deacon by the light of the candle burning on the mantel piece. She was in her night dress. Deacon entered the room alone and closed the door. After a lapse of two minutes I heard three reports, which, however, did not in the least resemble pistol shots. To corroborate this I may say that people sleeping in the adjoining rooms heard nothing, and none of the visitors in the hotel knew what had happened until the next morning.

What Actually Took Place.

"Immediately after the reports, Deacon opened the door to the bedroom and came into the corridor holding a candle in his hand. He said, 'Come in,' and leading the way we crossed the bedroom.

"I saw Mrs. Deacon rapidly crossing the room clad in a peignor, but otherwise in her night dress. She blew out the light held by Deacon, but when I struck a match and relighted the candle she said that she wished it known that Monsieur Abeille was in the salon. Deacon conducted me into the salon and went up to the sofa. Pointing behind it, he said:

"'I wish you to note that man lying there.'

He then told me that he had leaned over the sofa and fired down on the man whom he saw was Abeille.

"At that time Abeille was lying crouched up behind the sofa. I thought he was dead, as he neither moved nor spoke. He was dressed in a silk night shirt, over which he wore trousers, coat and vest. He gave me the impression of a man who had hastily pulled on his clothes.

"Deacon then retired to his wife's bedroom and called my attention to the fact that two persons had evidently occupied the berth, and then said: 'Send for the police.'

"During the whole of this time Mrs. Deacon did not show the least emotion."

A remarkable fact is that though the room Abeille occupied at the hotel communicated with Mrs. Deacon's room, the door was fastened on the side of Abeille's room. It is still more extraordinary why Abeille did not escape through the door into the corridor, as he could have done easily.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S SPEECH.

His Brandenburg Effort Severely Criticized—A Remarkable Effusion.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—At a banquet given in Brandenburg, at which the emperor was the guest of honor, his majesty made an address, in the course of which he blamed the critics of the government as enemies of the state. He urged all those who loved the fatherland to follow him in the course he had entered. After saying that it was consoling to receive in the midst of affairs occupying his whole time so warm a recognition of his efforts for the people's welfare, he proceeded: "Unfortunately it has now become the fashion to criticise and nag at every step taken by the government. Public peace is disturbed on the most insignificant account. The enjoyment of life shared by the whole German fatherland as a result of this nagging and persecution many persons have been imbued with the idea that our country is the most unhappy and worst governed in the world and that life in such a country is a perfect plague. That this is not the case, we of course, are well aware; but would it not be better if discontented persons were to shake the dust of Germany from their feet, retiring as soon as possible to some country where such an undesirable, wretched state of affairs does not exist. They are of no advantage to themselves, at the same time are doing us no service.

"We live in a state of transition. Germany is gradually emerging from infancy. She is now about to enter on the period of youth. It would be well, therefore, if we freed ourselves from infant maladies. We live in exciting days. But quieter days are in store since our people, now uniting, undeterred by the utterances of voices abroad, are putting their trust in God and in the loyal solicitous efforts of their hereditary ruler."

He next referred to a supposed historic incident in connection with Sir Francis Drake's discovery of the Pacific, saying that when the admiral had made a landing in Central America he inquired of natives regarding the great ocean. A native chief, in response to the inquiries of Sir Francis, said: "You are in search of the great water. Follow me and I will show it to you." Then, despite the warnings and exhortations from the admirals, Comrade Sir Francis Drake, led by the chief who had volunteered to guide him, started to make the ascent of a lofty mountain chain. After surmounting many terrible and disheartening difficulties the great navigator and his companion at length finished their toilsome journey and arrived at the summit of the mountain. Then the chief pointed to the sea beyond them, and Sir Francis Drake, looking in the direction indicated, saw the wild waters of the sea which he had just crossed. The chief next led the admiral around a projecting rock, when, lo, there suddenly burst upon the enchanted gaze of the explorer the sparkling mirror of the Pacific, stretching away in majestic calm as far as the eye could reach. "So may be it with us," said Emperor William, "a firm confidence in the sympathies accorded your worth and mine inspires me continually with fresh strength to continue my task and advance in the path heaven has pointed out to me. I am also impressed with the feeling that whatever has occurred in the past is due to the hand of our supreme Lord on high. I am firmly convinced that He, who was our ally at Donnewaitz, will not now leave me in the lurch. He has so constantly aided the cause of Brandenburg and my house that we cannot believe that He has done all this for no purpose. No, on the contrary, we still have a great destiny before us, and I am leading you to glorious days."

In concluding the emperor urged his hearers not to allow glimpses into the future to be darkened by grumblers and the speeches of discontented partisans.

His reply to attacks upon the policy of the government was: "My course is the right one and it will be prosecuted to the utmost." Then he added: "I trust by brave Brandenburgers will assist me in the task."

The report of the imperial speech as published in the late edition of the Reichzatger includes the reference to the episode of dubious authenticity, given in certain accounts of Sir Francis Drake. The press generally has not yet had time to criticise the emperor's speech.

The Freisinnige Zeitung alone comments on the utterances of the emperor. It says: "The remarks made by Emperor William at the banquet which he attended at Brandenburg are pervaded with the same spirit which impelled him to write in the visitors' book at Munich the sentence: 'Supreme lex regis voluntas,' and the inscription under the picture which he presented to the minister of worship: 'Sic vomscum jubeo,' and which produced his remark at the Brandeburg banquet in 1890, 'He who bars my way I will dash to pieces,' and the expression, 'There is only one ruler in the country. I'm here and will suffer no other'." The Freisinnice Zeitung adds: "Emperor William is right when he says that Germany has passed her childhood. We even believe that she has reached man's estate. See therefore no longer needs absolution, but has a constitution demanding a constitutional government."

LILY'S MORDECAI.

Wronged Woman Who Stands Between Happiness and a Duchess.

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LONDON, Feb. 24.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—The real reason for the dispute about the marquis of Blandford's allowance from the duke of Marlborough, his father, in which the latter was victorious, lies in the jealousy which always existed between Lady Blandford, the duke's former wife, and the duchess of Marlborough, formerly Mrs. Hammersley.

Lady Blandford is persona-grata with the queen, and society was also on her side when she divorced her husband, although unwillingly, after writing the most pathetic letters, offering to condone everything for her children's sake. Since then she has openly regretten that she did not suffer in silence, for her children's position is naturally affected by the divorce. But on the other hand, the present duchess of Marlborough was never cordially received, and only on great pressure did the queen allow her to be presented on her marriage. Nor are they welcomed at Marlborough house, for the prince of Wales has a forcible memory for any slight to himself or any one he favors, and has never forgiven the duke for leaving Lady Aylesford, a friend of his, alone and almost starving in Paris. It is stated openly that it is entirely the duchess' fault that the duke no longer pays Blandford's allowance nor college expenses, for Lady Blandford always sat like Mordecai at the gates, spoiling all her pleasure despite her high position and great estates. Lady Blandford has one daughter already out and another comes out this season. She is enabled to keep up her position by the liberality of the duke of Abercorn and other relatives.

STILL IN A MUDDLE.

French Politics Becoming Mixed More Than Ever and Business Suffering.

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PARIS, Feb. 24.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—The crisis continues and the complications are continually becoming greater. M. Rouvier has been charged with the task of forming a ministry and is encountering the greatest difficulties. It is said this evening that M. de Freycinet and M. Bourgeoise do not desire to become members of a ministry of which Mr. Rouvier will be president.

The continuance of the crisis is having a very bad effect, and President Carnot's popularity is visibly waning. M. Constans, on his part, is also not satisfied. Indeed we are in a lamentable state of confusion, as I predicted three months ago that we would be. The mournful part is that the business of the country is suffering. Though from a material point of view there may be continued signs of progress, it cannot be denied that the evidence of real greatness and strength are daily diminishing. It is possible that the Chamber will be dissolved.

M. Rouvier has found it impossible to form a coalition ministry. M. de Freycinet, M. Bourgeoise and M. Ribot—that is to say the radical element—having refused to become members of a moderate ministry. M. Rouvier considers his mission ended, and will present the facts of the case at the Elysee tomorrow.

We are entering now upon an era of great difficulties, the solution of which we will not easily find. In the world of politics, fashion and business there is great uneasiness this evening.

JACQUES ST. CERE.

HARD ON HARROW.

Chilians Claim He Acted as a Newspaper Correspondent During the War.

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VALPARAISO, Chili (via Galveston, Tex.), Feb. 24.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to THE BEE.]—Judge of Crimes Noguera is conducting an investigation into the authorship of certain dispatches to a New York newspaper from this city. The agent was summoned to testify. He said that the messages were signed Reamer. This is declared to have been the assumed name of Lieutenant Harlow, the World's fair commissioner to Chili.

Valparaiso papers tonight publish the facts in the case, and say they cannot understand why Lieutenant Harlow, sent to Chili on a mission of peace on account of the World's fair, should spread such inflammatory news in the United States. They express the hope that the directors of the World's fair and the United States government will take cognizance of Lieutenant Harlow's action.

The telegraph manager also testified that Lieutenant Harlow received messages under the name of Reamer at the United States consulate. Public opinion is considerably excited against him and Consul McCreery. Lieutenant Harlow has all along denied sending any news abroad, while Consul McCreery has stated publicly that he was not aware that Harlow was doing anything of the kind.

MANY WERE KILLED.

Factory Employes Buried Beneath the Debris of an Immense Chimney.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The manufacturing town of Gleckheaton in Westriding, Yorkshire, was today the scene of a frightful accident, resulting in the loss of a number of lives. A massive chimney at the Marrs machinery and flannel factory collapsed and fell on the roof of the factory just as a number of young women were leaving the works. The piteous cries of those caught in the ruins could be heard, and the horror was soon augmented by the breaking out of fire, in which numbers of the imprisoned victims were burned. The number already extricated includes eight killed and many injured by having limbs crushed. Five of those that were in the shop are still missing and are not likely to be extricated before morning.

At 3 o'clock this morning a crowd was watching the operations of rescuers who were carrying on their work by the light of bonfires. Twelve bodies have been extricated from the ruins. Two bodies are supposed to be still buried at the base of the fallen chimney. Two of the wounded persons have succumbed to their injuries and another is in a dying condition.

IN THE REICHSTAG.

German Statesmen Discuss the Workings of the Tariff.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—During the debate in the Reichstag today on the proposal offered and supported by the socialists to abolish the tariff on foods, Herr Beck urged the house to ascertain how many millions of people were distressed through the duties and how few derived advantages from them.

Herr Manteuffel (conservative), Herr Buhl (national liberal), and Herr Behr, a member of the Reichstag, defended the duties as protecting the agricultural interests, which were the greatest in the country.

Herr Bebel (socialist) said that the fruits of the protective tariff were pocketed by the landlords. He instanced the eastern provinces of Prussia, where the wages of laborers are down to the starvation point. When the proposal was put to vote it was rejected by the house.

New York Republicans.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The republican state committee will meet at the Fifth avenue hotel to fixe a date and place for the state convention to elect delegates to the republican national convention. There is no secrecy about the work of the committee. They have practically decided to hold the convention in Albany, May 4. One member said tonight: "When we get together I think it will be pretty well known who is to be the candidate for the presidency. It looks like Harrison now, but no one can tell what they will do."

Wrecked and Burned.

BELLEVUE, Neb., Feb. 24.—[Special to THE BEE.]—A wreck occurred just south of here on the B. & M. last night at 9:30 o'clock, caused by No. 66 crashing into the rear end of an extra that had stopped to repair its engine. The caboose and one car loaded with machinery were wrecked, and catching fire from the stove, were burned. This is the same train that was wrecked near the depot here a few nights ago. No lives were lost.

TRANSMISSISSIPPI CONGRESS.

Warner Miller Tells of the Nicaragua Canal —Yesterday's Proceedings.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 24.—This was the second day's session of the Transmissisippi Commercial congress. The early part of the session was consumed by the introduction of the following resolutions:

To provide for means to send delegates to Washington to urge these measures.

By Mr. Shirmer of Missouri—Referring to the action of the Board of Trade in favor of establishing a United States naval reserve and petitioning congress to make such appropriations as may be necessary for the use of naval militia in the several states; recommending the transfer of revenue marine service to the Navy department; the improvement of the great lakes, improving the Mississippi river and tributary streams independent of other river and harbor appropriations.

By Mr. Hardy of Utah—Recommending liberality on the part of the government in making appropriations for public buildings, especially in Ogden and Salt Lake City, and to establish a land office at Ogden.

By the chair—Demanding immediate admission of New Mexico as a state.

Resolutions were also submitted by the New Orleans Board of Trade as follows:

Favoring increased facilities at the mouth of the Mississippi river; for the improvement of navigation of the Mississippi river; favoring protection by the national government of levees of the Mississippi river and its tributaries.

Governor Hubbard of Texas delivered an address on the subject of water ways.

Adresses on the same subject were also made by Mr. W. T. Gresha and Mr. Crawford of Texas.

At the afternoon session the following program for Thursday was adopted:

Morning session: Mississippi river improvement and protection; addresses by Senators Gibson and White.

Afternoon session: Silver coinage; addresses by Governor T. E. Anthony of Kansas, Mr. A. C. Fisk of Colorado and Hon. Thomas Pattison of Colorado.

Hon. Warner Miller, ex-senator from New York, and now president of the Nicaragua Canal Construction company, was then introduced and delivered an interesting address on the plans and progress of the canal.

Senator Miller gave a brief historical account of the various efforts that have been made to construct an interoceanic canal and an account of the various surveys that have been made by the United States government and private parties, the results of which have gone to prove that the only feasible route for a canal across the American isthmus is by way of Nicaragua. The government has demonstrated this most conclusively by several extended surveys which it has made of the entire isthmus from Mexico down to South America. This opinion regarding the Nicaragua canal has been concurred in by all the American and foreign engineers who have ever examined the country. Generals Grant, Sherman and McClelland all approved the route and were desirous of seeing the work undertaken. It is a well known fact that Generals Grant and McClelland were both interested in former concessions and would have been the one president, the other chief engineer of the enterprise if they had lived. Americans have always believed in the feasibility of this route and never had any faith in the ill-fated enterprise of De Lessaps, and the result proved the soundness of their judgment.

Mr. Miller then gave a description of the physical conditions of Nicaragua and of the route as now located, over which he had passed with a party of engineers and other gentlemen, who all pronounced the work entirely feasible. The distance across the country from Greytown on the Atlantic to Brito on the Pacific is 170 miles, of which there are only twenty-seven miles of artificial canal, the rest being river and lake navigation, amply providing for the speedy and safe transit of the largest vessels now navigating both oceans. Lake Nicaragua furnishes more than ten times the volume of water necessary for the operation of the locks of the canal, and for the artificial basins to be created, while back water navigation of the river is obtained by the construction of a large dam.

The value of this canal to the commerce of the United States is best illustrated by stating that the distance between San Francisco and New York and New Orleans is shortened a little more than 10,000 miles from the distance going around the Horn, or nearly one-half the circumference of the globe. The Pacific states are benefited not only by being brought nearer to the gulf and eastern ports, but they are also brought proportionately nearer the whole of Europe. The exports of wheat and most of the raw products of the Pacific coast go to the markets of Europe at the present time, where they are brought into competition with the wheat coming from India, through the Suez canal. The construction of the Nicaragua canal might easily double the output of the Pacific states in wheat and other agricultural products and find for them a more profitable market than now because the cost of transportation, which is a large item of expense in commerce, would be reduced by the reduction of the distance.

Mr. Fisk of Colorado asked how the congress would act in the matter. Mr. Miller replied that the company is a private corporation chartered by the government. It is authorized to issue bonds, but has not done so, owing to the closeness of the home and foreign markets. It is intended to sell the bonds in America, but he had no recommendations to make to the congress.

Ex-Governor Anthony asked how long it would take to finish the work with the funds on hand, and Mr. Miller replied that it would take about five years.

Hon. J. L. Terrey of St. Louis was next introduced, and delivered an address upon the bankruptcy bill.

SENATORS ON THE CARPET.

Alleged Misconduct of Iowa Lawmakers Being Investigated at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The special committee appointed to investivate the charge that two senators were found in a house of ill fame in this city Saturday night, February 13, have held several secret meetings, and more will be held. From an authoritative source it is learned that at the meeting yesterday afternoon Captain Thompson, Sergeant Morgan, John Briar, editor of the Graphic, a Leader reporter and Jeannette Allen, madame of the disreputable house in which the senators were supposed to have been found, testified. The latter had a very poor memory and couldn't tell whether the men were in her house or not. She didn't remember having seen them. The police hadn't been there and hadn't arrested them. Mr. Briar swore that Captain Thompson had corrected a list of persons he had arrested and that the names of the senators in question were on that list and that the captain had not crossed off their names when he marked out the name of another whom he said was not there. The Leader reporter testified that he saw two men there who looked like the senators on trial.

Gowrie's Mayor Arrested.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Feb. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Samuel Daughenbaugh mayor of Gowrie, is in several peaks of trouble. He was arrested by his own policeman for being drunk and disorderly and spent a night in jail. He secured bail on Sunday and served papers on the men who had him arrested, charging them with malicious prosecution. They in turn commenced suit against the mayor for serving papers on Sunday. Mayor Daughenbaugh's bondsmen withdrew and a number of citizens requested him to resign. The mayor finally secured new bondsmen and still holds the fort.

He Paid Himself.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—When County Treasurer Baylies became cashier of the Marquardt Savings bank the board of supervisors resolved to cut off his salary. Therefore when Mr. Baylies went out of office he helped himself to his salary and turned the office over to his successor $1,000 short in cash, which he had charged to himself as unpaid salary. The county will have to sue Mr. Baylies instead of Mr. Baylies having to sue the county. The law requires all salaries to be paid on warrants.

Iowa Elopers Captured.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Feb. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Will Lucas, a jeweler of Gowrie, and Georgia Weitsel, daughter of a well known citizen of that place, eloped last night. Their flight was discovered and the couple were captured at Tara while waiting for a train to take them east. Their proposed marriage was indefinitely postponed.

Killed by a Convict.

FORT MADISON, Ia., Feb. 24.—A convict named Pollard, last night assaulted and killed Clem Jumbrogel, foreman of the shop in the prison in which Pollard was working. Revenge for being reported was the cause. Pollard comes from Ottumwa, and is now serving a sentence for manslaughter.

DALY STILL WINNING.

He Knocked Out Joe Hand at Chadron in the Ninth Round.

CHADRON, Neb., Feb. 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The sparring match between Danny Daly, the featherweight boy of Bangor, Me., and Joe Hand of Hay Springs, in which Daly posted a forfeit of $200 to stop Hand in ten rounds, took place at the Chadron Athletic club rooms this evening. Honors were about evenly divided up to the end of the seventh round. In the eighth round hard fighting was done, Daly drawing first blood. Hand was knocked down twice in the ninth round and completely knocked out. This was by far the best exhibition yet given here.

Two Good Games.

Yesterday afternoon Hayes continued his hard luck and lost an ordinary game to Symes. He played better than on Tuesday, but hardly strong enough to hustle Symes, who slowly jogged along to victory by the score appended:

Symes—5, 2, 1, 1, 7, 5, 0, 3, 1, 5, 0, 2, 0, 0, 18, 6, 0, 7, 2, 0, 0, 1, 3, 2, 0, 0, 3, 4, 1, 0, 17, 0, 12, 2, 3, 0, 0, 0, 2, 1; 12, 3, 2, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 6, 0, 3, 2, 3, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 0, 15, 0, 1, 7, 11, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 2, 4, 17, 0, 1, 0, 16, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 3, 5, 7—300.

Best runs, 18, 17, 17; average, 2.65.

Hayes—2, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 1, 8, 3, 1, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 12, 0, 2, 0, 7, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 8, 1, 12, 4, 1, 7, 4, 1, 1, 3, 2, 2, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 4, 0, 7, 7, 4, 3, 18, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 1, 3, 0, 2, 1, 6, 0, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 1, 3, 0, 0, 0, 1, 5, 3, 1, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 13, 1, 0, 0, 5, 2, 2—250.

Best runs, 18, 13, 12; average, 2.3.

From his twenty fifth to his seventy-fifth inning Hayes played a strong game, but he couldn't keep up the pace. In the next twenty-five innings he made but twenty-five points.

Last night Keniston and Cahn furnished an exciting game for a good crowd. Both were in good form and some very nice work was executed. Keniston, however, played very unsteady, although he won by the best average of the series. In his first twenty-two innings he got only fifty-six points, including a run of twenty-eight; in the next twenty-two 119—a strong game indeed; in the third twenty-two he made but sixty-six, his best run being sixteen, while in the next fourteen he pounded out fifty-nine and game. Cahn played steadily, his corresponding sections of the game footing up 66, 73, 66 and 35. The score:

Cahn—0, 0, 0, 2, 1, 1, 1, 7, 1, 0, 7, 15, 0, 4, 4, 4, 2, 12, 0, 2, 0, 3, 0, 5, 1, 13, 3, 5, 4, 0, 0, 1, 6, 0, 2, 2, 7, 1, 10, 0, 3, 4, 6, 0, 3, 0, 8, 3, 3, 7, 3, 6, 1, 0, 2, 0, 16, 0, 0, 4, 7, 0, 10, 3, 0, 3, 1, 3, 2, 4, 2, 19, 1, 0, 3, 1, 1, 0, 2, 0, 0—251.

Best run: 16, 13, 12. Average: 3.13.

Keniston—2, 5, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, 4, 0, 0, 8, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 28, 5, 0, 0, 4, 8, 18, 2, 16, 4, 20, 0, 0, 22, 1, 1, 6, 0, 1, 0, 7, 1, 0, 0, 1, 5, 0, 1, 1, 6, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 3, 7, 3, 2, 4, 0, 0, 0, 16, 0, 3, 11, 0, 3, 1, 2, 1, 12, 0, 5, 0, 0, 8, 1, 0, 0, 2, 4, 6, 18, 2, —330.

Best runs: 16, 13, 12. Average: 3.7.

Results at Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER, N. J., Feb. 24.—Weather cloudy and track heavy.

First race, five-eighths of a mile, selling: Lettoon won, Pine Ridge second, Gardner, the favorite, third; P. J. H. Lakewood and Hydra drawn. Time: 1:09.

Second race, seven-eighths of a mile, selling: Richal, the favorite, won, Edgar Johnson second, Kanesville third. Time: 1:39½.

Third race, thirteen-sixteenths of a mile, selling: Dr. Helmuth, the favorite, won, Wheeler second, King Regent third. Time: 1:32.

Fourth race, five-eighths of a mile, selling: