## DENOUNCED BY MR. WATSON

He Brands as Falsehoods Statements Published in the Atlanta Constitution.

ARRAIGNMENT OF THE SPEAKER'S CLERK

Why the Congressman Voted for the Repubdican Contestant in an Election Case-Bates for Commercial Travelers-Proceedings of the Senate.

Washington, D. C., March 3.-There was a lively scene in the house this morning when Representative Watson, leader of the people's party, arose to a question of privilege and denounced the correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution for accusing him of imroper motives in voting with the republicans in the Craig-Stewart election case. Mr. Watson caused to be read from the clerk's desk a dispatch to the Constitution from its Washington correspondent, wherein it was stated that Mr. Watson had voted in favor of the republican contestee because he expected financial aid from that party in his next race for congress.

Mr. Watson's Defense.

"It has not been long, Mr. Speaker." said Mr. Watson, "since my good name was all the property I had on this earth; since it was to me both house and home, and the time has not come yet when I possess anyhing that is dearer to me. I am as humble, I trust, as the humblest member of this house, but if any member of it, high or low, charges me either directly or indirectly in the cowardly language of insinuation with baving acted corruptly as a sworn juror in passing upon a law question in this house, he shall get my answer as sternly and as promptly delivered as honesty and courage require it to be made. If one of these reading cierks, Mr. Speaker, were through the public journals to denounce as corrupt a member of this house, it would startle into attention every member who knew of that charge, but when the clerk of the speaker of this house denounces in the public print gentleman whom he knows to be the politica opponent of the gentleman to whom he is clerk, then it certainly becomes still more significant, and the justification for the reply is still more complete. Denounced the Statement as False.

"That statement, Mr. Speaker, in so far as it pretends to state the frata, is false. The speaker of this house knows it to be false the gentleman who wrote it knows it to be false, and every member of this house knows it to be false. He says the case was so plainly in favor of the democratic contestant that only seventeen republicans voted to keep the sitting member in his chair. That is absolutely false, and the speaker of this house knows it, and his clerk ought to have known it, and every member of this house knows it. [Applause.] Every republican in his seat, saving two, voted to retain the republican in his seat, and the two republicans who voted against their party associates were met and overmatched; met by three democrats, outside of the deposed lepers who are known as third party men." [Laughter.] "There were three republicans who voted gainst Mr. Stewart," interrupted Mr.

Haughen.
"Then it is a set-off and three republicans did what they thought was only their duty as sworn jurors; and the three democrats who voted for the republican were men who voted for the robublean were men whose loyalty to the party cannot be ques-tioned. Mr. Cockran of New York is one of the chiefs of the national democracy, [Laughter]. He is supposed by any test to come up to all the requirements of loyalty and honesty. The others were Mr. Babbit of Wisconsin and Mr. Hall of Minnesota.

Derided by the Speaker's Clerk. "These three loyal and staunch democrats voted against their party. Why? Because upon the testimony and upon the law it was a question on which lawyers could honestly differ. Ever since I have been here this clerk of the speaker has thought it his daty to deride me, ridicule me, and misrepresent me. In the article which I have sent to the speaker's desk, the climax is reached; the time when silence was prudent and good policy is past. The time when any man, be he ever so patient, would be driven to his denial and his denunciation has come and here, Mr. Speaker, I denounce that insinua

tion, cowardly as it is, as a base and in-famous faisehood." [Great applause]. With these porsonal remarks of Mr. Wat-son the matter was dropped and the house ent into committee of the whole Mr. Rich. sumed the ensideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The unfinished sections were considered without amendment and the committee then rose and rethe bill to the house and it was passed.

In the Morning Hour,

In the morning hour (which began about 4 o'clock) the house resumed the considera-tion of the bill allowing railroad companies to give special rates to commercial trav

Mr. Otis of Kausas antagonized the measure. It was a stroke directed at the funda-mental principle upon which the interstate commerce law was founded. Mr. O'Neill of Pennsylvania offered an

amendment providing that nothing in the bill shall be construed to prohibit any comon carrier from granting reduced rates of transportation to passengers or making re-duced rates for freight. Mr. Harris of Minnesota offered an amend-

ment providing that any common carrier may give reduced rates to members of the Army of the Republic when traveling to any annual encampment.

In speaking to the bill Mr. Simpson of Kansas referred to the author of the inter-state commerce act, Senator Cullom, as an "iniquitnous railroad attorney." He was promptly called to order by Lind

Simpson expressed willingness to withdraw the word "iniquituous," but that would not satisfy Lind, and Simpson withdrew the

entire expression mand for the previous question was voted down, and pending action the house

## IN THE SENATE.

Final Vote in the Idaho Contested Election Case-Bills Reported. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3. - Consideration of the idaho election contest was resumed. Mr. Gray addressed the body in support of Claggett, the contestant. At 3 p. m, the debate on the Idaho contested election

Mr. Higgins, who signed the majority re port, made an argument in justification of it and of Mr. Dubois' right to the seat. Further were made by Mr. Stewart in bearguments were made by Mr. Stewart in behalf of Mr. Claggett's right to the seat, and by Mr. Mitcheil in behalf of Mr. Dubois' right to it. Finally, at 3 o'clock, the debate

was closed and the voting was begun, The question on the minority resolutions in favor of Mr. Clargett's right to the seat was decided in the negative. Yeas, 5; nays, 55. The affirmative votes were given by Messrs. George, Gorman, Harris, Kyle and

Dubois Will Retain His Seat.

A vote was then taken on the majority resolutions affirming the right of Mr. Dubois to retain his seat, and it was decided in the affirmative. Yeas, 55; nays, 5.

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The negative votes were given by Messre. George, Harris, Kyle, Pasco and Stewart. The democratic senators who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Bate, Berry, Call, Carlisle, Chilton, Cockrell, Coke, Colquitt, Gibson of Maryland, Kenna, McPherson, Morgan, Palmer, Pugh, Turpie, Vest, Vilas, Voornees, Walthall and White.

Voorhees, Walthall and White.

The pure food bill was then taken up and upon metion of Mr. Paddock (having charge of it) several amendments, mostly of a verbal character, were agreed to. No action was taken on the bill. Several bilis were reported from commit-

tees and placed on the calendar, including the following: To establish a military post at Helena, Mont. To set aside a tract of land in California for the use of Lick observatory for the astro-nomical department of the University of California.

NEWS FOR THE ARMY.

Adjourned.

Complete List of Changes in the Regular

Washington, D. C., March 3.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The following assignments to regiments of officers recently promoted and transfers of officers are or-

dered:

The commanding general department of California will detail a captain or first lieutenant serving with a regiment in his command to relieve Captain Horace Neide, Fourth infantry, at his own request, of recruiting rendezvous at San Francisco, Cal. Captain Neide upon being thus relieved will proceed to join his regiment. Leave of absence for six months is granted Captain Horace Neide, Fourth infantry; Lieutenant Coionel Joseph P. Farley, ordnance department, will proceed from Frankfort arsenal, Philadelphia, Pa., to United States powder depot near Dover, N. J., on official business and upon the completion thereof will return to his proper station. Leave of absence for to his proper station. Leave of absence for ten days is granted Prof. Samuel E. Tilman, United States military academy, for six months on surgeon's certificate, is granted Captain Marcus E. Taylor, assistant surgeon. Major Culver C. Sniffen, paymaster, will proceed to Fort Meyer, Va., and Washington Barracks, D. C., and pay the troops at these stations, and on the completion of this duty will return to his station in the state.

will return to his station in this city.

The following changes in stations and duties of officers from the medical departduties of officers from the medical depart-ment are ordered: Captain Marlborough C. Wyeth, assistant surgeon, is relieved from further duty at Fort McIntosh, Tex., and will upon the expiration of his present sick leave of absence, report in person to the commanding officer, Fort Supply, I. T., for duty at that post, and by letter to the commanding general Depart-ment of the Missouri: Captain Jefferson R. Kean, assistant surgeon, relieved from fur-Kean, assistant surgeon, relieved from fur-ther duty at Fort Robinson, Neb., and will report in person not later than March 25 to the commanding officer St. Francis barracks, Fla., for duty at that post, relieving Major David D. Huntington, surgeon, and reporting by letter to the commanding general, Department of the East; Major Huntington, upon being relieved by Captain Kean, will proceed to New York City for duty in connection with the Army Medical Board; Lieutenant Colonel Francis I. Town surgeon will in addition to his presen duties, upon the retirement from active ser-vice of Colonel Basii Norris, surgeon, take charge of the medical director's office, Department of California, until such time as Colonel Joseph R. Smith, surgeon, may arrive in that department.

Army Officers After a Prize. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3 .- | Special to THE BEE. ]-A great deal of political wire pulling is being done just at present by officers in the army who are seeking the appointment that will soon be made by the president to fill the vacancy on the staff of the adjutant general of the army. There are nearly forty applicants for the position. Among those favorably mentioned is the name of Captain E. H. Crowder, adjutant general of the Department of the Platte. It is understood that Mr. Elkins favors Captain Crowder on account of old personal friendship. Other influential men have visited Washington re-cently for the purpose of urging Captain Crowder's appointment.

MURDERED FOR HER MONEY.

Terrible Charges Brought Against a Chicago Society Man. Chicago, Ill., March 3 .- It is an ugly thing

to say of a man who occupies a good social position that he murdered his mother-in-law for her money. And yet, this is what H. F. Dunton, an aged and wealthy gentleman who lives at 22 Aldine square, accuses Dr. H. M Scudder of having done. Scudder married an adopted daughter of Dunton, whose feeble wife had a large fortune in her own righ which ap to a few days before the time of her death she had proposed leaving to some blood relatives, but which, at the last moment, as she lay in bed but half conscious of what she was doing, as her husband alleges, she was induced to sign over to Scudder's wife. On Febru-ary 21 another physician was hastily sum-moned to her bedside and found her expiring with ominous wounds in her head, pro-duced by a fall from her chair as she was sitting up one day, Scudder says. As Scudder was the last man said to have spoken with ber, and as he could not satisfactorily account for the wounds, suspicion feil on him. And so a warrant was sworn out for his arrest by Mr. Dunton yesterday and, as he is ill, he is being guarded at his house by

"Scudder was alone with my wife previous to her doath," says the old man in justifica-tion of his course, "The wounds on her head were not there before he came, nor was his explanation of the way in which they were caused satisfactory to me. More than this she had lately altered her will in favor of his wife. Putting these things to-gether I am convinced that the young man

murdered my wife to gain her money The body of Mrs. Dunton was buried in Janesville, Wis, Today it was exhumed and two physicians are making a minute examination of the skull and other parts which was large transfer. which were lacerated in so strange a fashion. Dr. Scudder is a son of the eminent Rev. Dr. Scudder. The latter and his wife ap peared before Judge Scales today in the county court and applied to have their son committed to the detention hospital for examination as to his sanity. Mr. Dunton is proprietor of a horse paper, The Spirit of the Times.

CONFRONTED BY HIS WIFE. Mr. Deacon Undergoes an Examination in

the Presence of His Wife. CANNES, March 3, -Mr. Deacon, the American who shot and killed Abeille the Frenchman whom he discovered in his wife's bedroom at the Hotel Splendide here, was again confronted with Mrs. Deacon pefore the judge d'instruction at Grasse today. The examination was conducted privately. Mrs. Dencon was seen as she was leaving the room in which the examination was held and her manner appeared very dejected, will return to Paris tomorrow.

Mr. Deacon remains confident of his ultimate acquittal. He refuses to receive any visitors except a few of his more intimate friences. It is probable that be will soon be liberated under substantial bail. His trial will take place in April.

## AMUSEMENTS.

The Dowling-Hasson company gave a change of bill at the Farnam Street theater tast evening, presenting "The Red Spider." The scene is laid in a Colorado mining town, and the play is supposed to picture wild western life. That sort of thing is generally a very lurid affair, with blood and thunder rampant, but the Dowling-Hasson company has toned down its extravagances and injected considerably more than the regulation allowance of acting. There are plenty of exetting situations in which guns are pulled and hands thrown up, but there is also a story of love and another of betrayal.

Mr. Dowling acts the hero with suppressed intensity, in agreeable contrast with the tra ditional ranting border character. Miss Hasson's character is lacking in definiteness but she plays it jauntily and uses a treble tone whose peculiarity is rather attractive. The stars are adequately supported, the makeup and acting of W. E. Harvey as a tramp being especially notable. All in all, the play is much better than the average of its kind, and is produced by a capable, well balanced company.

Spalding Given a Testimonial. NEW YORK, March 3 .- The National league men held a secret session today. Before closing the doors, however, they presented A. G. Spinding a testimental of their re-

CONTINUING THE INQUIRY

Progress of the Pension Bureau Investigation-Bussey on the Stand.

ANTI-SILVER DEMOCRATS ASK FOR AID

They Seek it in the Ranks of the Republicar Party-New Postal Law Proposed-News and Gossip from Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3 .- Assistant Secretary Bussey of the Interior department, to whom the supervision of matters relating to the pension office are referred, testified to day before the special pension investigating committee of the house. Bussey said that Secretary Noble told him he thought the good of the office demanded Special Examiner Taylor's resignation. The secretary told witness he thought Taylor had been furnishing matter to the newspapers. Bussey said he thought that one or two other persons were dismissed from the pension office on the ground that they had been furnishing matter to the newspapers. Witness told Enloe that he pever before today heard that young Raum, when appointed clerk, collected a notary fee of 25 cents from each person appointed and promoted in the pension office and did not know

Rerating Pensions. The subject of rerating pensions and making their rerating claims date back to the time of original disability and then taken up, Bussey said, was discovered in the pensions of a number of the employes of the pen-sion office being rerated. Bussey said that the practice was in violation of de-partmental decisions and a violation of the law. The practice had been stopped and the practice he defied any man to show a case revated in violation of the law under Commissioner Raum's administration. Under General Black 1,700 rerated cases were found and under Tanner 1,300 cases. Witness had estimated that if the reratings were generally followed they would cost \$800,000,000. Not all of the pensioners rerated had been removed, but only men responsible for the practice. None of the money received il-legally had been recovered. It was found that the pension money could not be recovered, nor could a salary be attached, so all that had been done was a recommendation for congress to enact a law covering the case.

General Powell's Pension. Mr. Payson asked about the reports in cir culation as to the circumstances connected with the re-rating of Powell, an Illinois pol-itician, by Commissioner Black. Representative Dungan of Ohio-Was that Beneral Powell, Secretary Noble's candidate for commissioner of pensions? Mr. Payson-And this very thing, when attention was called to it, was what knocked

Mr. Dungan asked if Secretary Noble had by letter requested Commissioner Black to favorably consider Powell's case. Mr. Bussey could not state. Mr. Enloe asked how it was that General W. W. Dudley had been rerated without the

facts appearing on the record.

Mr. Bussey said that General Dudley was legally rerated under an act increasing the pension for loss of a leg at the knee joint. The rerating did not go back to the date of disability, but to 1886, the date of the act increasing the pension. Why the record did not show this rerating he did not know, unless it was because the claim was for a specific disability.

One of the Greatest Abuses. To Mr. Enloe Mr. Bussey said the greatest abuse the pension office had to contend with was the practice of congressmen in pushing pension claims. He did not see how the practice could be stopped except by law. It greatly increased the work of congressmen and also of the pension office.

use the pension office as a political machine.

and if it would not be better to take it out of politics.
Mr. Bussey said he had never used the office for political purposes and did not see now it could be readily converted into political machine. His orders were that all pensions should be rated alike. He believed Commissioner Raum had managed the office with efficiency and integrity, and if an investigation should demonstrate anything to the contrary, he should be glad of an opportunity to remedy matters.

LITTLE HOPE FOR SPRINGER.

Condition of the Illinois Congressman Re ported to Be Most Critical. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3,-|Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The condition of Representative William Springer of Illinois, chairman of the ways and means committee was reported this afternoon to be most critical. The physicians say there is very little if any hope that he can live twenty-four hours. His family and most of his intimate friends are evidently prepared for the worst as they fear that erysipelas, heretofore confined to his face, has gone to his brain. The physicians concede this to be the case and the result is almost inevitably fatal. Dr. John A. Vincent of Springfield, Ill., the old family physician of the Springers, has been tele graphed for at the request of the ratient.
While Mr. Springer's family have the greatest
confidence in the attending physicians,
they hope that the presence of Dr. Vincent,
who is an old friend as well as a skillful physician, may buoy up the patient and help b battle against the virulence of the disease This view is shared by Drs. Curtis and Verdi, who hope for good results on the mental condition of the patient. During most of the time Springer is con-scious, and although suffering from intense pain day and night is fully apprised of the gravity of his condition.

Western Pensions WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3 .- | Special Telegram to Tak Bes. |-The following list of pensions granted is reported by THE BEE and

Examiner Bureau of Claims: Nebraska: Original—Alexander R. Tidrick, James S. Wiemor, William R. Wheeler, Anthony W. Sigourney, Albert Tooker. Alexander T. Iteen, T. Cunningham, Henry B. Seelemeler, Leander Whitesell, Alexander Westhoner, Isaac J. West, Charles Mitchell, William L. Hadman, Frederick Dowhower, Charles H. Davis. Additional—Erastus P. Brown. Increase—Jacob C. Morgan, A. Brown. Increase—Jacob C. Morgan, A. kenburg. Original widows, etc.—Elizabeth Mosher, Sarah M. Burwell, Elizabeth Neul, Brown.

Mosher, Sarah M. Burwell, Elizabeth Neal, Matilda Peabody, mother.

Iowa: Original—John Trump, Joseph T. Lacey, John C. Leeds, James P. Martin, Truman O. Phelps, James Poor, Luther Pickard, Glibert A. Rundell, William P. Morgan, John H. Foster, Solomon Presler, John W. W. Fulton, James G. Bull, William W. Wright, Asa Redmond, Abram Wolfe, Henry Buck, Isaac Payne, George W. Toins, Richard M. Boyd, William H. Fitch, Dallas H. Richard, Henry Clay Backus, Americus Richard M. Boyd, William H. Fitch, Dallas H. Richard, Henry Clay Backus, Americus B. Monroe, Andrew J. Brock, Samuel M. Hildebrand, Elijah W. Connor, Alfred Lee Fox, Hezekiah P. Schuyler, James R. Spen-cer. Additional—Leander W. Skeels, Paul Mahu, Harrison H. Love, William H. Tal-bot, John G. Sartorius, Increase—Madison M. Rogers, Alex H. Brown, Henry, Harrick bot, John G. Sartorius. Increase—Madison M. Rogers, Alex H. Brown, Henry Herrick. Reissue—William W. Ramsey. Original widows, etc.—Lucinda A. Bullen, Mary A. Shoemaker, Sarah Hedrick, Nancy Thacker, mother; Susan Chelcote, Mary E. Briggs, Martha S. Berry, Elizabeth W. Walker, Arvilla Johnson, Eliza Jane Morgan, issue of February 19, 1892.

Martha S. Berry, Elizabeth W. Walker, Arvilla Johnson, Eliza Jane Morgan, issue of February 19, 1892. South Dakota: Original—Jacob P. Leip-hart, James E. Nourse, William O. Nye, Additional—Zachary T. Russell, Pearson Ward. Increase—Charles Fountain, Louis M. Yeatman. Reissue—Henry Miller.

Joint Bering Sea Commission

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.-The joint

English and United States commission of

the Bering sea fisheries held a tong session at the State department, this afternoon and practically concluded its deliberations. The members are pledged to secrecy and it is impossible to obtain any official information as to the result of their conferences. There is good teason, however, for the prevalent belief that the commission has failed entirely in their endeavers to reach. in their endeavors to reach a satisfactory agreement as to the best method of conducting the seal fishing industry with a view to the preservation of the species. NEEDS OF THE PENSION BUREAU. Commissioner Raum Makes an Estimate of the Appropriation Necessary.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3 .- The subcommittee of the house committee on pen sions, of which Mr. Mutchler of Pennsyl vania is chairman, today examined General Raum, the commissioner of pensions, with reference to the estimates for pension appropriation for the next fiscal year. The commissioner said that the last year \$1,880,-000 had been spent for medical examinations and this year \$1,500,000 would be spent, which would bring that work up to date The work of medical examination had been pushed forward with a great deal of energy and the appropriation on that account could be deducted for the next fiscal year. The actual amount of money expended on account of pensions during the first six months of the year was \$63,065,673. There was now on the \$books \$28,934,996 against which no requisitions had been made, and about \$15,-000,000 was in the hands of agents, so that \$43,000,000 was on hand for the balance of the fiscal year. The work of medical examination had been fiscal year.

Mr. O'Neill of Massachusetts suggested that this amount of money would not be spent during the remaining months of the fiscal year.

Mr. Raum replied that it must be remembered that the work was being pushed up close to date, and that as the first payments on the new claims averaged \$35, considerable money would be necessary for this purpose.

Mr. Mutchier called attention to the fact that \$125,000,000 was asked for the next fiscal year. \$14,000,000 was apart. year; that last year \$14,000,000 was spent, and that on March 1 the expenditures were \$7,000,000 under the expenditures for the corresponding month of last year, so that there ought to be money left over this year.

LOOKING FOR REPUBLICAN AID.

Anti-Silver Democrats Making Overtures to the Republicans. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.-The lines are beginning to tighten as the time approsches for the vote on the resolution fixing time for the consideration of the Bland bill. The anti-silver democrats, headed by Messrs, Andrews, O'Neill and Williams of Massachusetts and DeWitt, Warner and Cockran of New York, are urging all the arguments they can bring to bear to get re-publicans to agree to assist them in their fight, but thus far the efforts have not been uccsssful.

The events of the day were not encouraging to the anti-sliver men, as it was found that the democrats whom they had counted on as favorable to postponement were weakening and do not wish to be recorded as casting a vote which might be construed as nos-

Representative Pierce of Tennessee has caused telegrams to be sent to every demo-crat said to be favorable to silver, urging them to be present when the vote is taken on Monday. The anti-silver democrats are also moving to have all their forces present.

Amending the Posts, Laws. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—Senator Sawyer, from the committee on postoffices and post roads, reported to the senate a bill in the nature of a substitute providing that "On and after the 1st of July, 1893, all articles of mail of third and fourth classes shall be comprehended in one class, to be known as third class matter, and postage on the same shall be charged at the rate of 1 cent for each two ounces or fraction thereof, to be prepaid with postage stamps affixed thereto; provided, that upon the consolidation of two classes of mail matter all the conditions as to wrappers, permissable printing and so forth, now applicable by law to fourth class matter shall be held to apply to this matter in the third class matter in addition to the privileges now conferred by law upon the latter class."

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3 .- A statement prepared by the commissioner of the internal revenue in regard to sugar bounties shows that 523 claims for bounties, amount ing to \$6,914,654, have been received, and ing to \$0,914,934, have been to \$2,592,020, that 925 claims, amounting to \$2,592,020, have been paid. The payments were as follows: On cane sugar, \$2,715,748; on beet sugar, \$215,408, and on sorghum \$20,866. The sugar, \$215,408, and on sorghum \$20,866. The bounty on cane sugar was distributed as fol-lows: Louisiana, \$2,580,917; Texas, \$129,627; Florida, \$5,204. The beet sugar pounty was distributed as follows: Nebraska, \$53,974; Camfornia, \$139,334; Utab, \$21,898. The entire sorghum bounty was paid to Kansas.

Opposed to Free Lumber, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3. - The ways and means committee today heard a committee from the Lumbermen's association in opposition to the bill introduced by Bryan of Nebraska, placing lumber on the free list. Others also spoke in opposition to the meas-

Lumbermen Elect a President. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.-C. W. Goodyear of New York has been elected president by the national lumbermen's con-

Congressman Mills Much Better WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3 .- Mills is much better today, his cost last night having Blaine Has a Cold.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.-Secretary Blaine is suffering from a cold and did not deem it prudent to leave the house today. Died from His Wounds, DENVER, Colo., March 3 .- Frank Primrose,

a stereotyper for the Rocky Mountain News and who was shot by Charles Leander, stereotyper for a local paper, during a meeting of the stereotypers usion died at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Primmese used to be connected with the Chicago inter-Ocean and caves a wife and family in test city. English Bimetaliste Besolve.

London, March 3.—At a meeting of the Bimetallic league it was respired to petition the government to offer inducements to the United States to bring about the holding of a conference, to establish as international standard of currency. The Death Roll. Minneapolis, Minn., March 3.—A. G. Sawyer, a well known elevator and grain man, died this morning of a complication of diseases. He was the owner of a large elevator line in North Dakota and Minnesota.

Business Troubles, Helena, Ark., March 3, 4B, F. & J. G. Johnson of Clarendon have failed. This firm is one of the largest in eastern Arkansas. The liabilities are \$70,000 and the assets are

nwoonan Eighty-three Married Men Perish OPORTO, March 3. - Among those who lost their lives in the recent gales along the coast of Portugal were eighty-three married men, in addition to a large number who were

No Freedom for the Press.
BERLIN, March 3.—The Neuste Nachrichten is being prosecuted for publishing the London Times London Times' comments on Emperor Will-nam's recent speech at Branden burg.

"Late to bed and early to rise will shorten the road to your home in the skies." But early to bed and a "Little Early Riser," the pull that makes infe longer and better and

NEBRASKA TOWNS SCORCHED

Disastrous Conflagrations at Platte Center and Fairbury.

PARTLY THE WORK OF INCENDIARIES

Damages from the Flames Will Extend Into the Thousands-List of Those Losing Property-Other State News Notes,

PLATTE CENTER, Neb., March 3. - [Special to THE BEE, |- The business portion of Platte Center, near the Union Pacific depot, on the south side of Fourth street, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The property was owned by the following parties: Robert Pinson, store and postoffice; D. H. Carrig, billiard hall and store, the latter occupied by Robert Price and contained general merchandise; T. Brady, store, which was empty. Incendiarism was no doubt the cause of the fire. Four years ago February 9 last six buildings on the same land were destroyed by fire, and the brick drug store of the late Dr. Edwards did the same good work this time as before, preventing the town from total destruction. Postmaster Pinson saved the postal books. His safe contained \$100 cash and \$300 in stamps. The money was saved. The total Stamps. The money was saved. The total loss is \$10,000; insurance, about \$4,000.

FAIRBURY, Nob., March 3.—Fire on the east side of the square destroyed two buildings belonging to Robert Brock, and valued at \$1,500. There was no insurance on them. One of the stores was occupied by O. S. Parmelee as a butcher shop. His stock was entirely consumed. The other building was occupied by Louis Nutzman as a cigar factory. His stock amounted to \$2,000 and was also entirely destroyed; insured for \$650.

CALLED EACH OTHER NAMES,

Nebraska Prohibitionists Have a Red Hot Time in Their Convention.

Lincoln, Neb., March 3.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The prohibition state convention to elect delegates to the national convention which meets in St. Louis June 3. met at Red Ribbon hall this afternoon and evening. The convention may be described as one immense wrangle. The following delegates were elected: Charles Watts, A. Roberts, Mrs. L. D. King, Lincoln; C. D. Stromie, T. P. Wigton, Mrs. Bell Bigelow, Mrs. Mary Hitchcock, Fremont; Ada M. Bittenbender, H. E. George, Lincoln; Mrs. C. M. Woodward, Seward; L. W. Moodby, Omaha; A. T. Wolfenberger, C. E. Bentley, Lincoln. ey, Lincoln.
The great fight came in the evening over

the election of the two national committee-men. C. E. Bentiev and T. P. Wigton were nominated, whereupon Mrs. King of Lincoln moved to substitute A. T. Wolfenberger in place of Bentley. The air was soon blue. Mr. Roberts of Liucoln got up and roundly scored the actions of Wolfenberger during the last campaign. He accused him of drawing a salary when the rest of the brethren were at home working for the cause for nothing. Others followed in the same line. The gist of the charges was that Wolfenberger had worked more for his own interests than for the

Mrs. King of Lincoln made a red hot speech on behalf of Wolfenberger and was followed by others of the same sex. After a red hot time, in which everybody got mad, a red hot time, in which everybody got mad, a call of the counties was demanded, which resulted in a complete victory for Bentley and Wigton. The other business done was unimportant.

Thinks He Has Been Swindled. BLAIR, Neb., March 3 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Dr. C. L. Hart of Omaha came here last night for the purpose of looking up is late investment in Keelev stock, purchased of Dr. B. F. Mouroe. He finds he has a one-tenth interest in the building here, which is worth about \$3,000, and the balance is in future prospects, for which he paid \$5,000. He was allowed by the management to look over the by-laws, etc., and says that Monroe misrepresented the business to him and that he can prove that Monroe guaranteed a two years' position as physician in charge and his private practice outside, worth \$200 per month, and that Monroe has failed to deliver the goods. Hart asserts that he has invested \$5,000 already in this business and will invest as much side of the case. Monroe is in Omaha and his side of the story could not be heard. It is reported that Monroe is all right as far as the financial business is concerned to stand

Fremont Base Ballists. FREMONT, Neb., March 3. - Special to THE Bee.j-A meeting of those interesthd in base ball was held at the Eno last night, with a large attendance of many of Fremont's most prominent business men. The purpose of the meeting was to perfect a local organization for the management of Fremont's club in the new state league. The following officers were chosed: President, E. N. Morser vice president, Gus Reitz; secretary and treasurer, George A. Hickol Directors, the foregoing officers and H. I Dunning, John Deru, Alex Arries and C. B.

A manager will be secured at once, who will immediately sign the players. Fremont is enthusiastic over the excellent prospects for a creditable state league.

Will Advocate Alliance Principles. CLAY CENTER, Neb., March 3 .- [Special to THE BEE.] - The stockholders of the proposed alliance paper met here today and organized a company with a capital of \$3,000 in shares The following directors were elected of \$5. The following directors were elected, each director representing two townships: L. H. Ingersoll, Hon. L. McKeynelds, N. C. Alberts, J. P. Skow, J. W. Burt, H. H. Meck, George Cinnamon, G. B. Lobb and Hon. S. M. Elder, director at large. The officers are: Hon. L. McKeynolds, president; N. C. Alberts, secretary; S. M. Elder, treasurer.

Can't Resist His Ex-Wife's Wiles. Papillion, Neb., March 3 .- | Special to THE BEE. -The wife of Adolph Peterson, a wealthy farmer near here, who created a great sensation some months ago by eloping with a Missouri Pacific brakeman, is back home from the Pacific coast for the third time since her escapade. Although he obtained a divorce from her at a recent term of court, Mr. Peterson has taken the erring wife in to share his fireside, and it is said she will stay. Another marriage between the two may close the romance

Fatally Injured While Drunk, DORCHESTER, Neb., March d. - | Special to THE BEE. |-Richard McDowell, a teamster about 50 years of age, was found this morning about 8 o'clock lying beside the B. & M. track in an unconscious condition with his head badly cut. He was last seen last night at the depot about 11 o'clock, under the influ-ence of liquor. It is supposed that he started for home, and either fell or laid down beside the track and was struck by one of the pas senger trains. His recovery is doubtful, Skipped with the Cash.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., March 3 .- | Special to THE BEE.]-James Fahrenhem, who was but a few days ago given employment at the Union Pacific hotel behind the lunch coun-ter, skipped yesterday with the contents of

STIRRED UP TROUBLE. Labor Organizations Indignant at the Way

Things Were Managed.
St. Louis, March 3.—The recent exposure of methods adopted by the people's party men to coutroi the industrial cenference held here has stirred up trouble. The various organizations in that conference are now, if letters received in this city are to be believed, united in a desire to turn down the men

who ran the conference. The labor organizations, especially, are preparing to go to Omaha July 4, to take action entirely ignoring the men who won a people's party vic-tory and then spoiled it by telling how they

GIVES HIM DUE NOTICE.

Mrs. Nevins-Blaine Interviewed in Chicago

About Her Affairs.
CHICAGO, III., March 3.—Some pungent utterances were given voice here today by Mrs. Marie Nevins-Blaine in relation to the letter she wrote to the secretary. She was en route to New York, accompanied by her little son, James G., jr. She was pale, but stated that, except for the nervous events of the past year, her health was good. Regarding her letter, Mrs. Blaine said: "I allowed Mr. Blame ten days in which to

tell the whole truth about the treatment

given me by his family and-to retract the statement that it was I, and not his son, who had done the courting before our marriage.

Mr. Blaine gave to the public garbied extracts from my letters to his son. These convey an untrathful, unjust idea respecting me. If Mr. Blaine does not within ten days publish the full text of my letters I will give to the public letters which his son wrote to me before our marriage which will prove conclusively who it was that was the wooer.

"Great as Secretary Blaine is, he cannot and will not be allowed to asperse my char-acter with impunity and without rejoinder on my part. If he persists in his attacks on me, I will teach him to regret it. He set up his love for his grandson as an excuse for an attempt to besmirch me. I love that child as my son quite as much as Mr. Blaine can love him as a grandson and for that reason it is my duty to see that his mother does not rest under these charges unauswered."

DENOUNCED CATHOLICISM. Kansas Methodists Score the Roman

Church and Congress. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 3.-At today's session of the annual Methodist conference of the Kansas district the report of the committee on the state of the country was presented and adopted. The report made a distinct attack upon the Roman Catholic church. In the preamble this passage occurred:

"The Kansas conference of the Methodist church has long observed the insidious en-croachment of the Roman Catholic hie-rarchy into the direction of public offices, the dread of the so-called Catholic vote with which it has attempted to inspire time-serving politicians, the malevolent influences of its active lobbying in national, state and municipal legislation and the large sums of public money it has secured for its schools. greatly disproportionate to the number of its membership among the people and wholly unwarranted by the educational results these chools have accomplished."
The resolutions scored the house of repre sentatives for its action in regard to the Car lisle Indian school and Captain R. R. Pratt, the manager of the school. They commended the school, its work and Captain Pratt.

WEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, March 3. The low barometer in the southwest has extended over the lower Missouri valley and the winds in Nebraska have shifted to colder northerly. Rain prevaits in Kansas and rain and snow in South Dakota and northwestern Nebraska. Generally cloudy, threatening weather provails over the western states, with the prospect of a moderate cold wave originating in South Dakota. Temperature has risen decidedly from Nebraska south-

ward. For eastern Nebraska-Rain or snow, colder weather, northerly winds during Friday. For Omaha and Vicinity—Increasing

cloudiness, probably with rain or snow; colder weather during Friday.
Washington, D. C., Marcu 3.—For Arkansas-Fair, except rain in northwest portion Friday afternoon or evening; south winds; colder in northwest; stationary temperature n southeast portion For North Dakota-Showers, winds shift-

ing to south.

For South Dakota-Showers, followed by clearing weather; slightly warmer; variable winds. For Iowa-Light rains; slightly colder; variable winds.
For Missouri-Increasing cloudiness and local rains; colder by Friday evening; south-erly winds, becoming variable. For Kansas-Light rains; variable winds;

slightly colder. For Nebraska—Showers, clearing in west portion, colder in southeast; slightly warmer in northwest portion; north winds shifting to south. For Montana-Fair, west winds, warmer. Colorado-Light showers, variable

winds, stationary temperature, except in extreme southwest portion, colder "DICK" BURDISH PARALYZED.

City Councilman-at-Large Suffers a Severe Stroke at His Home. Councilman Richard Burdish was stricken with paralysis last evening, and for a time his friends feared that it might result

Mr. Burdish was in his place of business when he commenced to feel a tingling sensa tion in the fingers of his right hand, which extended rapidly up the arm and neck. The tinging was followed by numbress and in a very few minutes the sufferer was unable to speak a word or even whisper. A physician was summoned and Mr. Burdish put to bed as soon as possible. Tue doctor worked with him some time and whe he left the councilman was resting a little easier. He recognized a number of friends who called, but could not speak to them.
It was stated by Dr. Peabody that the stroke was probably caused by the complicated heart trouble which Mr. Burdish has

been affected with for some time.

Will Rebuild the Works. RANSAS CITY, Mo., March 3.-The works of the Kansas City White Lead and Oil works, which were destroyed by fire last night were owned by the National Linseed Oil company, which controls fifty similar p'ants in various parts of the country. The loss is much greater than was at first reported, the total footing up \$165,000, with about \$100,000

insurance. The works will be rebuilt.

Fire Record. BROCTON, Mass., March 3.-Fire last night destroyed Barros' shoe factory, causing \$70,000 loss; insured; also the Scandia shoe factory and other property valued at \$25,000. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 3.—The Kansas City White Lead and Linseed Oil company's works here were totally burned early this morning. Loss, \$75,000; partially insured.

Illinois-Iowa Ball League. CHICAGO, Ill., March 3 .- The Illinois-Iows Base Ball league is in session here today for the purpose of organizing for 1893. The following cities are represented: Rockford, Springfield, Quincy, Jacksonville, Peoria, Burlington, Rock Island, Moline and Aurora. Seven applications were received from Illinois towns and one from lows.

Denial from Dr. Webb. NEW YORK, March 8 .- H. Walter Webb, third vice president of the New York Central

road, stated this morning that he had repeived a telegram from his prother, Dr. Webb, saying there was no truth in the re-ports connecting him in any way with the New York & New England road.

Catholics Want a Musical Change. LONDON, March 3 .- The Chronicle says: The vatican, desiring to reform church music with the view of eliminating the profancelement, the congregation of rites has addressed a circular to the principal musicians and com-posers of Europe and America soliciting their views on the subject.

**LUBITION IS UP AGAIN** 

Argue ats in the Iowa Legislature on the Gatch Bill.

OPEN & LOONS PREFERRED TO JOINTS enators Declare the Present Law a Dead

Letter in Every Particular-Indications of a Long Drawn Out · Fight on the Subject. Des Moines, Ia., March 3.-The sounte

chamber was crowded this morning in anticipation of the Gatch bill discussion. After the presentation of a number of petitions and resolutions protesting against the repeal o the prohibitory laws, Gatch took the floor t speak in favor of his substitute for the Groneweg bill. Before beginning the speech he presented

the democrat amendments to the bill. They provide that one-fifth instead of two-fifths of the voters be required to petition for the submission of the question, and siters the liability of the salooukeeper for sales to arinking men. Then he begun his speech: "As upon sub-

jects which it is legitimate to legislate every constituency has the right to be and sooner or later will be, represented; and as it necessarily rosuits from this that in every county constitutiong by itself a representative of senatorial district (of which there are over ninety in the state), there must be local option indirectly, if not directly, upon every such question. In this way it has happened that many counties which were republican before prohibition became the dominant issue in state politics, have become to be democratic now. When all things are considered, candor must, I think, compet every fair-minded person to admit this change in party belief of electors in these counties is the suit of party attitude on the prohibition vuestion.

"Looking only to the interests of the re-publican party, from a purely partisan standpoint, it is anything but pleasing facts. Is it wise to continue to make this question the paramount test to party feeling, while by every act in doing so we endanger the cause of prohibition itself?

Broader than a merely partisan view should be taken of the question in the interest not only of the republican party, but of the prohibition. I oppose granting the right of local option to any territory less than an entire country and favor county option in the interest especially of prohibition, and every intelligent and honest prohibitionist should also be in favor of it."

Then He Produced the Figures. Gatch followed this with with a large array of figures to show that unless county option was soon adopted municipal option

would become a fight a fight between prohi-bitionist and anti-prohibitionist factions. Continuing, he said: "Only by adopting county option can the question be taken out of politics. If the municipal option of the democratic platforms of 1889 and 1891 should become a law it will inevitably carry the legalized, not 'outlawed,' saloon into every county in the state, while, if the statements of leading probibitionists be true, under county option, there would not be a ilcensed rumshop in four-fifths of the coun-ties of the state. If the attitude of all parties remains as at present, and the prohibition law remains as at present, and the same ratio of changes are made in the future as in the past, the democratic party will soon have it in its power to repeat the prohibitory law and enforce municipal option. For the republican party to allow this would be folly. We cannot afford to sacrifice republicanism and prohibition by longer continuing the unequal contest. As the cause of prohibition has in the past looked mainly to the republican party for support, so it would in future, were the question taken out of politics depend for possible success upon the individuals composing the republican party. The p publican party, and by doing so bring defeat and disaster to its own cause. Prohibition is more likely to succeed in a nonpartisan election, since it will command the votes of the probabilitionists of all parties, than at a partisan election at which o many voters will subordinate that issue to other strictly party issues. Then should probibition succeed in any county by a maprity vote, is not the law made the more Gatch then dwelt at length upon the evils of the unlicensed dram shops, their number in Des Moines, desirability of regulating

them in large cities and closed with an earnest plea for the passage of the bill.

Youthful Bandits Arrested. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 3.-Several arrests were made today of boys suspected of being the assailants of Grocer Hackett last dangerously wounded by three young men, who entered his store for the purpose of rob-bing him. Abe Lowe, Henry Jones and Lee McDonald, whose ages range from 16 to 20 years, were identified as the assailants.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Sergeant Ormsby was out yesterday lookng after the dirt haulers who spill part of their loads on the paved streets. No arrests

were made. Fire Chief Salter is hard at work on the new manual for the use of the department. The rules compiled for the use of the Chi-cago department are being followed as closely as possible, as they are considered the best in

Yesterday afternoon a couple of boys on tered a Touth street pawnshop and tried to pawn some lead pipe. The broker inferred that the lads had stolen the pipe and called an officer. The boys fled before the blue coat could get close enough to capture them. Anton Weber, who keeps a saloon at 418 North Sixteenth street and J. H. Crary were on trial in police court yesterday afternoon for assaulting A. C. Ogle a day or so ago. The judge held them to the district court in the sum of \$150 each.

Joseph Neovak was rounding up the "ournt district" Wednesday nigh and wandered into Blanche Carter's negro dive, where he claimed that Blanche fleeced him out of \$5. He had the woman arrested and just as the case was called in police court the com-planant found his money in an inside pecket. The case was dismissed at once.

A Blue Tank line oil wagon caught fire while standing in the alley near the Western Union telegraph office yesterday afternoon and caused a fire alarm from box 42. No

Detective Vizard visited all the banks Detective Vizard visited all the banks vestercay afternoon and showed the cashiers a photograph and a fac similie of the signature of Thomos Hunt, the smooth bank swindler who is working some of the eastern cities. If Mr. Hunt should attempt any of his schemes here the local bankers will be posted and won't be so liable to be caught. A little, dirty, ragged girl, giving the name of Jennie Donahue, was sent to the station iast night by an officer because she claimed to be lost. It was found that the child had been out on a begging expedition, and she claimed that her parents sent her every day to solicit aims. Aster some questioning the child stated that she lived at Twenty-fourth and Grace streets, and the officers sent her and Grace streets, and the officers sent

A young man named James O'Brien collected a big jag in a Third ward saloon last night and picked a row with some of the bystanders. He started to clean out the place, but was struck a blow in the nose which broke it. This ended the fight as far as James was concerned, and he was taken to the police station, where he was locked up after Dr. Towne fixed up the damages to his

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething softens the gums and alleys all pain. 25 cents a bottle.