WORKING FOR OMAHA'S TEAM

Western League Magnates Arranging to Secure This City its Base Ball.

RIGHT NOW IS THE TIME TO SUBSCRIBE

Business Men and Property Owners Will Be Asked to Make Up a Small Bonus—Outlook for the Season.

JOHN W. SPEAS, president of the Kansas City base ball club, is in the city, and this afternoon, with the committee appointed, will wait on Omaha's business men with the view of raising the small bonus the Western league asks for putting in and maintaining a club here. It is not apprehended that this committee will meet with much trouble in securing the amount wanted, as the business element of the city recognize thoroughly what a ball club in the second organization in the country means to them in an advertising way. Every city in the circuit is now in line, and nowhere has there been any coldness on the part of the public in furthering the interests of the project. Omaha is the only city in which the league has been compelled to put in a team, and now as long as it has done this, and will be forced to equip new grounds at an immediate outlay, the business men should respond generously and promptly.

At the most it is a niggardly amount that is asked, compared with the expenditures necessary to be made, and as long as the league guarantees the city a club during the existence of the organization, let it be one, two, six or ten years, vigorous appreciation of this generosity should be demonstrated. The plans and specifications for the new building in the new park across the river are very elaborate and will be an ornament instead of an eye-sore.

There is no time to lose. In six weeks more the season opens, and Omaha's grounds must be in shape for at least preliminary practice by April 1. The live business men of this city know full well that conducted under proper conditions the great national sport deserves all the prosperity it has attained. It is not open to criticism by reason of the brutality which often attends foot ball or the gambling practices that accompany horse racing. As played in these modern times it has almost been reduced to an exact science. Few pictures of outdoor life in America are more stirring and diverting than those presented on the panorama of the national game as the car of summer rolls on from spring to its autumnal destination. That they will be reproduced and repeated in elaborated form this year at the new Mid-City park can be anticipated confidently from the excellent arrangements entered into by the league, especially for this city. The reconstructed league is now a body that will rival in the allegiance of the people even the great political parties, and with a little assistance by those to be most benefited and it will enter, when the season opens, on a career of brilliant and abiding success.

How About This, Anyway?

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 9.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The members of the Milwaukee base ball team will be drawn at the meeting of the Western league to be held in Chicago next Tuesday, March 15. The players who will fall to the Milwaukee club will be notified by President Williams, and will report in this city for duty April 1, and Manager Cushman will then take charge of the team.

Mr. Cushman has arranged to play a number of exhibition games with different clubs of the Illinois and Iowa State league. He will then take the team to Cincinnati, where the club will play April 5, and from there they will go to Pittsburg, where they are to play against the Pirates on April 7 and 8. Manager Cushman and the boys will jump to Louisville, where they will play the Colonels April 10 and 11.

By the time the Western league season opens the men will have had all the practice necessary, and will be ready for the championship series.

Eagerly Anticipating.

We fully expect to have the opportunity of laying before our readers some time next September, writes Eugene Field in the Chicago News, an accurate report of the meeting between John L. Sullivan and Charlie Mitchell, beginning in this wise:

"When the bell tapped both men scored evenly and got away, Mitchell securing a distinct lead from the start, which he steadily increased.

"Second Round—Mitchell continues in good form. At the end of his seventh mile he threw off his shoes and after that he traveled somewhat lighter and freer. Sullivan appeared to be losing wind, but his friends think he may overtake his competitor in the woods near the Alabama line along toward morning.

"Third Round—Sullivan has just made a tremendous spurt of six miles. Mitchell is out of sight and pools sell 5 to 1 in his favor.

"Fourth Round—Mitchell has just stubbed his toe on the projecting root of a cypress. First blood for Mitchell.

"Fifth Round—Slavin and Ryan, who have been acting as Mitchell's seconds, fell off their bicycles near the end of the seventy-third mile, completely exhausted. Mitchell, apparently as fresh as when he started, is still forging ahead. Sullivan is said to be laid up at a farm house near Bayou Catouche, under the care of a chiropodist.

"Later—The race has been awarded to Mitchell, who is still running. Sullivan is severely punished about the feet and may lose several toes," etc., etc.

Results at Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER, N. J., March 9.—Weather cloudy, track sea of mud:

First race, three quarters of a mile, selling: Lettoon (the favorite) won, Judge Nelson second, Owen Golden third. Toulon and Gounod drawn. Time: 1:26.

Second race, five-eighths of a mile, selling. Maidens: Abra Daly won, Maid of Richland second, Santa Rita colt third. Willie B and Easter drawn. Calculus (the favorite) ran unplaced. Time: 1:10¾.

Third race, one mile, selling: Birthday won, Juggler second, Bard third. Houri (the favorite) ran unplaced. Time: 1:56¾.

Fourth race, nine-sixteenths of a mile, selling: Minnie J (the favorite) won, Bonnie Lass second, Annie E third, Nerina drawn. Time: 1:01.

Fifth race, three-quarters of a mile, selling: Wigwam won, Paola second, William Henry third. Coriolanus, Tappahannock and Fast Time drawn. Kanesville (the favorite) ran unplaced. Time: 1:24.

Sixth race, six and one-quarter furlongs, selling: Patrocles won, Teddington (the favorite) second, Dirigo third. Judge Sterns and Skidmore drawn. Time: 1:31¾.

Going at Guttenberg.

GUTTENBERG, N. J., March 9.—The track was in a sloppy condition today.

First race, six furlongs: Character won, Ofaleese second, Architect third. Time: 1:25.

Second race, three furlongs: Dillon J. won, Vocal second, Rey Del Mar third. Time: 40.

Third race, six furlongs: Jay F. Dee won, Marie Lovell second, Bill Barnes third. Time: 1:21¾.

Fourth race, mile and one-sixteenth: Azrael won, Sir George II. second, Kempland third. Time: 2:10.

Fifth race, four and one-half furlongs: Colcstream won, Marty B. second, Objection third. Time: 1:02.

Sixth race, seven furlongs: Fenion won, Algernon second, Forest King third. Time: 1:44¾.

SOUTH OMAHA.

Work of the Storm.

The violent wind of yesterday played havoc with swinging signs and everything that was movable about town. A sudden gust forced in one of the plate glass windows in Saxe's drug store on N street and completely shattered it, entailing a damage of about $50. A portion of the slate roof on the Brown Park school house was loosened and distributed over the neighborhood. Two joints of one of the smoke stacks of the Cudahy Packing company came down with a crash during the afternoon, but fortunately no one was under it.

The telephone wires are partially down and the fire alarm system is almost entirely disorganized. The force of the wind made it impossible to repair the breaks during the day, but fortunately there was no occasion to turn in an alarm. The roof of a shed in the rear of Collins' music store was lifted by the wind and dashed against the windows of the second story of the store, breaking nearly every pane of glass in that end of the building.

T. B. Hatcher had just finished a 120-foot bill board on Twenty-fourth street for advertising purposes, which was completely wrecked. There was scarcely a movable sign left in the city, and although the total damage would not amount to over $500, it will require considerable trouble to repair it.

Will Submit Bonds.

The Board of Education held a special meeting last night to consider the question of submitting a proposition to the people to vote $25,000 in bonds for the purpose of building two additional school houses this spring. One of the contemplated buildings is to be located on Missouri avenue and the other in the northern part of the city.

The matter was discussed at considerable length, and all members present seemed to be in favor of the bond proposition except Mr. Slate.

Prof. Munroe stated that judging by the past growth of the schools and the attendance during the present term, additional accommodations were a necessity.

Mr. Funston finally offered a resolution providing for the submission of the bond proposition to the voters and it was carried, Mr. Slate voting in the negative.

A petition was read from property owners in the east half of sections 5 and 8 of district No. 4 asking that they be transferred to district No. 3, and referred to the county superintendent of schools. This property is located inside the city limits and the property owners are consequently liable for school taxes both in district No. 4 and South Omaha.

Mr. Otis of the Smead company, who put the heating apparatus in the Brown Park and Fourth ward schools, asked that the board accept his work and the board will act as a committee of the whole this afternoon to examine the apparatus and report whether it is satisfactory or not.

Notes and Personals.

Ray Hall has returned from Lincoln.

J. L. Butler of Defiance, Ia., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Johnson.

The South Omaha Democratic club met in Judge Levi's office last night.

The regular quarterly meeting of the First Methodist church was held last evening.

Mrs. J. P. McGovern of North Platte is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Rowley.

An Uncle Tom's Cabin company played to a moderate audience at Blum's hall last evening.

George Murrow of the Cudahy Packing company will erect a $2,500 residence at Twenty-third and L streets.

James Phillips, chief engineer of the Cudahy Packing company, has purchased a $1,900 lot on Twenty-fourth street between C and D streets.

The meeting of the First Ward Democratic club, which was to have been held at Pivonda's hall this evening, has been postponed until Friday night.

The sale of stamps at the South Omaha postoffice amounted to $3,103.35 during February as compared with a total of $2,365.95 the month before. This shows an increase of about 30 per cent.

Mike Cudahy of Chicago arrived in the city yesterday and will remain at least for some days. It is stated that Mr. Cudahy is here for the purpose of consultation in regard to the improvements which are to be made at the Cudahy company's plant.

M. J. Hollister was arrested for disturbing the peace. Mrs. Bishop, a neighbor, was the complainant. Hollister and G. W. Makepeace were engaged in a wordy war over the former's wife, and grew so boisterous that Mrs. Bishop appealed to the police.

The school fund accruing from liquor licenses for the ensuing year is estimated at $37,000. Four additional teachers will be required, making the salary list about $25,000. There is an unpaid indebtedness from last year of $5,000, and the bill of the Smead company, for heating apparatus, of $3,000 will be due June 1. This leaves a balance of $4,000 for incidental expenses.

WHERE ALGER STANDS.

He is a Candidate for the Republican Presidential Nomination.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 9.—General Russell A. Alger, who yesterday announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for president, arrived at the Grand Pacific hotel today and was seen in consultation with State Auditor Haney and Secretary Charlie Pardridge of the republican state central committee. These two gentlemen informed General Alger that Senator Cullom would probably have the solid state delegation from Illinois.

General Alger, speaking of his candidacy, was very confident. "For many months," he said, "I have been importuned by influential republicans in Michigan and other states to become a candidate for the republican nomination, and I have consented. My candidacy does not mean that there is any dissatisfaction on my part or on the part of my friends with the administration of President Harrison. Harrison has made a good president, but it is the right of every American citizen to aspire to the presidency, and I am an aspirant, and I shall hereafter use all honorable means to enlist support from all sections of the country. I shall have the solid delegation from Michigan. I shall have support from other states, but I do not care to state what it is and where it will come from."

"I have received many letters from southern republicans asking me if I am prepared to use money to assist my candidacy. To all these letters I have replied very emphatically that I shall do nothing of the kind. I would not spend money to assist me if I knew that it would make me president tomorrow. If a man cannot win by honorable means, he should be defeated."

Speaking of his war record, General Alger said that he has a surprise in store for Mr. Charles A. Dana, which will be a regular bombshell when it is made public.

"I have been in correspondence," he said, "with the secretary of war regarding the official records of the War department for some time. Yesterday Secretary Elkins sent me the last copies of all the records in the case for which I had applied. In my office in Detroit several stenographers are at work preparing a transcript of the documents, which could not by any stretch of the imagination be construed as reflecting on me. From these records I prefer to be judged, and I shall not make public any of the hundreds of flattering letters and documents which are commendatory of my conduct during the war. I propose to be vindicated. My own name and that of my family has been attacked. The defense will be ample. I have no fear of the result. General Custer, it is true, is dead but there are many phases of this matter that concerns his treatment of me that can be readily attested to by the old army officers. General Custer wished to place his brother above others and that dealt a severe blow at those who were working for promotion from the position of corporal up."

General Alger and his family are enroute to California where they will remain several weeks.

REPUBLICANS WIN.

Logan, Utah, Gives a Big Majority Against the Democrats.

SALT LAKE, Utah, March 9.—The municipal election in Logan, Utah, has resulted in a republican victory by a majority of seventy-seven. The election was one of the most hotly contested ever held in Utah. Logan has been looked upon as a democratic stronghold. It is the home of Apostle Thatcher, a man of great personal influence in Utah and a strong democrat. The democratic nominee for mayor also was the son of a prominent Mormon democrat, Caine, the Utah delegate to congress. Under the circumstances it is claimed by the Mormons that the result effectually disposes of the question of "Mormon church influence" in the political field. The Salt Lake Tribune, liberal, says editorially today:

"We congratulate Logan on having a genuine American election, and we say good for Logan. That division on party lines as between the two great national parties has come to stay in Utah is, according to Mormon authority, now an undeniable fact."

Held for Trial.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 9.—Nelson F. Evans, a director of the suspended Spring Garden National bank, was held for trial in $12,000 bail today.

[FROM YESTERDAY'S SECOND EDITION.]

SATISFIED THE UNION PACIFIC

Chairman Walker Reverses a Decision on Western Freight Arrangements.

COLORADO AND UTAH LOCALS AFFECTED

Agreement of the Roads to Withdraw from the Defunct Association Upheld—A Decision That Came Too Late in the Season

CHICAGO, Ill., March 8.—On December 10, 1891, the commissioners of the Western Traffic association passed upon various questions that had been raised in respect to the withdrawal of certain traffic subject to different local agreements in Colorado and Utah. One of the agreements referred was that of the Colorado-Utah association, composed of the Colorado Midland, the Denver & Rio Grande, the Rio Grande Western and the Union Pacific roads, which had adopted rules and regulations covering all freight and passenger traffic originating at and destined to Colorado and Utah common points.

The agreement at that time, however, had not been signed by the general managers of the interested companies and the commissioners after considering the subject authorized the withdrawal of such traffic from the jurisdiction of the Western Traffic association when the signatures of the general managers should be appended. Subsequently the Union Pacific declined to sign the agreement and gave notice of withdrawal from the Colorado-Utah association, effective March 27, 1892. Accordingly another hearing was held by the commissioners, and today Chairman Walker issued a second decision reversing the former one and holding that the traffic in question could not be removed from the control of the general organization.

The document closes as follows: "It is claimed by the other lines that some understanding existed at the time the Western Traffic association was formed to the effect that this particular traffic should be excepted and that this understanding was not reduced to writing for the reason that the provisions of article 9, section 2 of the by-laws was believed to be adequate to enable the parties to exempt traffic in the manner afterwards attempted. It is not claimed, however, that the commissioners would be authorized to act upon any such unwritten understanding; they have no discretion in the premises but are obliged to follow the language of the by-laws as furnished them by the advisory board for their guidance. Under those by-laws the traffic in question is embraced within the jurisdiction of the Western Traffic association, and has not been removed by any sufficient agreement of interesting members. It necessarily follows that said traffic still remains subject to the jurisdiction of the Western Traffic association as previous to any attempt to remove the same had been assigned to the transmissouri division thereof where it now belongs. Having been advised that this subject will be presented to the advisory board at its next meeting, by appeal, the commissioners, pending such appeal, will suspend action under this decision."

A decision just handed down by the commissioners of the Western Traffic association seems to be altogether too late to be of any practical benefit. Last January the Transcontinental association, on account of the heavy frost that had damaged the fruit crop in southern California, decided to establish an emergency rate of 90 cents per 100 pounds on citrons from California to Chicago and the Mississippi and Missouri rivers, the rate to expire February 15. Subsequently the Atchison asked authority to extend the rate to March 1. The commissioners have finally decided to deny the request.

Announced Their Ultimatum.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 8.—An ultimatum has been prepared by the Kansas railroad commissioners regarding the fifth class rate reduction, making a 15-cent rate on sugar from Kansas City, Atchison, Leavenworth and Fort Scott to the four interior points over which there has been so much discussion. The commission orders that on and after March 16, 1892, the rate on sugar in car load lots from Fort Scott, Kansas City, Kan., Leavenworth and Atchison shall be 15 cents per 100 pounds; and that in place of the order of January 1, 1892, reducing the rate on fifth class, a commodity rate shall take effect and be in force from and after March 16, 1892, on canned goods, coffee and beans in car load lots of 22 cents to Salina, 25 cents to Hutchinson and Wichita and 28 cents to Arkansas City.

Annual Election of the Missouri Pacific.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 8.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Missouri Pacific today the directors of the past year were re-elected. The annual report shows net earnings of $7,423,000, an increase of $46,000.

SOUTH AMERICAN NEWS.

Saenz Pena Continues to Exploit His Proposed Presidential Policy.

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BUENOS AYRES, Argentina (via Galveston, Tex.), March 8.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to THE BEE.]—Senor Saenz Pena declares that he will adopt measures to rehabilitate the finances, with a view to restoring metallic currency. General Roca will sail for Europe when Saenz Pena enters upon his duties as president.

The judges of election are engaged in scrutinizing the votes for deputies in the recent Sunday elections. Numerous frauds have already been discovered. Congress, when it is convened, will be asked to declare these fraudulent elections null and void.

Claudio Vicuna, who, after being elected president of Chili, was forced to fly from the country, is preparing a pamphlet on the Chilian civil war.

Isthmian Tonnage Dues.

PANAMA (via Galveston, Tex.), March 8.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to THE BEE.]—The Star and Herald publishes an important cable dispatch from Bogota in regard to the alleged tonnage dues on the isthmus. The dispatch is signed by Minister of Finance Goenago and says that Panama and Colon are exempted from the law.

Put Down an Outbreak.

LA PAZ, Bolivia, (via Galveston, Tex.) March 8.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to THE BEE.]—An Indian outbreak occurred a day or two ago and government troops were sent to quell it. Advices just received state that a battle had been fought and that the Indians have been completely routed with a loss of 1,000. Thirty of the government troops are said to have been badly wounded.

Chili's New Cabinet.

VALPARAISO, Chili, (via Galveston, Tex.), March 8.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to THE BEE.]—It is expected that arrangements will be perfected tomorrow for forming the new cabinet. A meeting of liberal members of congress was held last night to discuss the situation. It is probable that Eduardo Motte will be minister of foreign affairs and Augustin Edwards minister of finance. Valdez Vergara, who held the latter office, will not accept the portfolio again.

Rioters Being Arrested.

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, (via Galveston, Tex.), March 8.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald. -Special to THE BEE.]—Serious riots took place during the recent carnival. The police are making arrests of the ringleaders.

The United States warships Chicago, Bennington and Atlanta have sailed for La Plata.

Will Invest in the Enterprise.

KEARNEY, Neb., March 8—Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Kearney Irrigation and Canal company held a meeting today to hear the report of E. G. Brabrook, who has just returned from a six months' business trip to England in the interest of the company. The report is to the effect that $3,000,000 of English capital will be put into the enterprise on certain conditions which are possible to be met. The proposed canal will tap the Platte river near Lexington and will be carried as nearly as possible over the divide between Wood River and the Platte. The terminus will be at a point near Wood River. The canal will be used for power and irrigation purposes. Its estimated cost is $1,000,000. The balance of the sum raised will be used for building factories which will be leased to operatives. Plans have already been made for establishing a binding twine manufactory, a brewery, cereal mill, packing house and beet sugar factory. Work will be commenced in the near future upon the canal.

Veterans Meet at Superior.

SUPERIOR, Neb., March 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The fourth interstate reunion of Nebraska and Kansas Grand Army of the Republic was held in this city today. The attendance was large and enthusiastic. C. E. Adams was elected commander; Colonel Thomas Shuler, senior vice; J. D. Brown, junior vice; E. C. Chapman, officer of the day, and H. F. Hellman, quartermaster. The next reunion was located at this city. The Woman's Relief corps also held their encampment at the same time and elected Emma B. Knight, president; Olive Bailey, senior vice; Mary Brasfield, junior vice; Belle Miller, secretary; Kate Pond, treasurer, and Adda Billings, chaplain.

He Was Anxious to Marry.

KEARNEY, Neb., March 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—John Tatum, a young man living a few miles north of the city, was arrested here today, charged with horse stealing. It is alleged that he took two horses from parties living near the city and sold them at Gibbon in order to get a surplus with which to defray wedding expenses. The preliminary trial has been postponed until Friday, and in the meantime he is out under bonds. The wedding has been postponed also.

MRS OSBORNE'S AFFLICTION.

Physicians Discover that She is Subject to Epilepsy in Its Worst Form.

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LONDON, March 8.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—If Mrs. Osborne is well enough to be brought up her trial will occur Thursday morning at "Old Bailey." She has been very ill, and at one time it was feared she was dying, but she has now recovered enough to stand the ordeal of appearing in court. A week ago she developed a serious form of hysteria-catalepsy, which on Wednesday resulted in total unconsciousness. For sixteen hours nothing could rouse her until Dr. Gilbert, house physician at Holloway prison, believed her to be shamming, and finally sent for Sir Richard Quain, the queen's physician, who told me today that he stuck a long needle into her arm under the belief that she was shamming and failed to make her move a muscle.

Quain ascertained for the first time that she has been subject to epileptic fits all her life, which fact was carefully withheld by her family from Captain Osborne before the marriage. She told her husband she knew she was stealing the diamonds, but her mind is a perfect blank so far as changing the bank notes is concerned.

He's in Jail Now.

Ed A. Koen failed to find bondsmen to take the place of Elsasser and Donnelly, who declined to continue on his bond and he was turned over to the sheriff until bondsmen could be found. Koen spent Monday and Tuesday nights in the Douglas county jail.

Patents Rapidly Secured.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Washington office of THE BEE Bureau of Claims today secured for Anson R. Spear, Devils Lake, N. D., a patent on an improved envelope. This case was only pending in the patent office comparatively a short time and this fact together with the excellent terms of the patent allowed shows the excellent facilities possessed by THE BEE Bureau of Claims for securing patents for inventions.

THE BEE Bureau has also been notified by the commissioner of the general land office in the case of timber culture entry number 1287, in the Visalia, Cal., land office, or an order modifying the action of the local officers in rejecting the commutation proof of William P. Conlan of Easton, Cal., and allowing him to offer additional testimony. In this case THE BEE Bureau of Claims represented Conlan and after a hard fight succeeded in securing him his just rights. The bureau is uniformly successful in the prosecution of land business.

Buying South Dakota Lands.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., March 8.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—There is no abatement in the rush for lands in the ceded Sioux reservation. Scores of settlers are arriving here and the rush has not been equaled since the boom times ten years ago. Many of the newcomers are buying deeded lands in this section and one real estate dealer sold nineteen quarter sections of Brule county land to one party of settlers from Iowa. A steady rain is at present falling in this section and crop prospects could not possibly be better.

NEWS OF YESTERDAY.

Domestic.

Secretary Foster has left England for the United States.

Charles Ward was hanged at Tunkhannock, Pa., for the murder of his wife.

Latest reports from Mr. Springer's bedside are that he continues to improve.

Bishop Horstmann has taken charge of the Catholic diocese of Cleveland, O.

The Cherokee Land company of Knoxville, Tenn., is in the hands of a receiver.

Jay Gould and party have abandoned their Mexican trip and will return to New York.

Secretary Blaine's condition alarms his friends and has been the basis of a number of sensational reports.

W. E. Mitchell was stripped and almost beaten to death by a Jackson, Tenn., mob for assaulting a little girl.

The annual report of the Union Switch and Signal company of Pittsburg, Pa., shows an increase in net earnings of $101,000.

The Evangelical society's lawsuit continues at Cleveland, O. A number of reverend gentlemen gave their testimony yesterday.

A terrific explosion destroyed the nitroglycerine magazine of the High Explosive company near Findlay, O. No one was hurt.

A bill has been introduced in the New Jersey legislature to legalize the deal whereby the Reading absorbed several competing lines.

Ex-Governor Job A. Cooper and others of Denver bought a three-quarter interest in the Mary Anderson claim at Creede, Colo., for $15,000.

A leper in a Philadelphia hospital, a mass of corruption, was until his discovery employed as the cook at a hotel in which there were 125 guests.

Reports were received that a blizzard has been raging in the neighborhood of Grand Forks, N. D., and west of there. Wires are down west of Minot, N. D.

In the district court of Dallas county, Texas, G. W. Mealorr was sentenced to ninety-nine years in the penitentiary for killing Isaac Webb at Garland, February 6, 1891.

A wreck occurred on the Creede branch of the Rio Grande near Del Norte, Colo. Several passengers were injured. B. Disman, a merchant of Salida, Colo., was seriously hurt.

Prospectors who were in the New river region of the Colorado desert at the time of the recent earthquake bring to San Diego, Cal., the report that several active volcanoes are in operation there.

William A. Losey of 526 Monroe street, Brooklyn, who has been for eleven years the confidential bookkeeper for Mallison Bros. & Co., paper warehouse, 18 Beekman street, was arrested and locked up, charged with embezzlement.

The Grand Army of the Republic excursion from El Paso, Tex., to the City of Mexico, to occur in conjunction with the annual encampment of the Department of Texas at El Paso on the 23d, 24d and 25th of this month, is creating great interest throughout the southwest.

Twelve more iron furnaces at Birmingham, Ala., reduced wages 10 per cent because of the low price of iron. Of some 2,000 men affected less than 100 showed their objection by quitting and their places were easily filled. There will be no strike, the men understanding the situation.

The heirs of the late Simon Black of Denver, Colo., have filed an action in the United States court charging Flora, his wife, with destroying a will for over $1,000,000 by which they would have been greatly benefited, and also strongly intimating that he was foully dealt with.

Foreign.

It is reported in Antwerp that the United States has offered to purchase the Congo Free state from the Belgian government.

A wedding party near the town of Gettinge, Montenegro, were attacked by a band of Albanians, nineteen of its number being killed or wounded.

The police of Toranto, Italy, have arrested 138 persons suspected of being members of a society known as Maia vita, the principal object of which is brigandage.

The police of Vienna have issued orders forbidding the further distribution of free bread there to persons who are out of employment and in needy circumstances.

SIXTEENTH STREET VIADUCT

At the Council Meeting Last Night it Was Decided that it Must Go.

MIGHT BE MADE TO LAST A LITTLE LONGER

Experts Tell of Its Unsafe Condition—Park Lands—Vetoes by the Mayor—Ordinances Passed and Other Business Transacted at the Meeting.

The city council has decided that the old wooden structure along the line of South Sixteenth street, known as a viaduct, must go. This was decided upon at the meeting held Tuesday night. The ordinance declaring the necessity of having a new and modern viaduct was passed, but not without an interesting fight, which started soon after the council convened.

Mr. Chaffee, chairman of the special committee, stated that he had another engagement and could not tarry long. Owing to that fact, he said that he had a report which he desired to make. He was granted that privilege, and the report, which was as follows, was read:

Mr. Chaffee's Report.

"Your committee to which was referred an ordinance declaring the necessity of constructing a viaduct along Sixteenth street over the railroad tracks, between Leavenworth and Pierce streets, herewith submit as part of our report a communication from the city engineer regarding the present viaduct on Sixteenth street. As the city engineer reports that with proper care and regulations the present viaduct will be safe for the next two or three years, your committee can see no special reason for the passage of this ordinance at once, and inasmuch as your committee is led to believe that arrangements can be made with the railroad companies to build the viaduct on Sixteenth street, we would recommend that the city engineer be added to the committee add that the committee be granted time to have a conference with the railroad officials.

"We would also recommend that the Board of Public Works be instructed to at once notify the Omaha Street Railway company that it must not allow more than one motor train over the long span of the viaduct at one time, and that the order must be strictly enforced."

The letter written by City Engineer Rosewater was called for. It was read, and in it he declared that the viaduct might be repaired, but it would not be safe.

Mr. Elsasser moved that the report of the special committee be placed on file.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tuttle, while the friends of the ordinance applauded.

Mr. Chaffee stated that the building of the viaduct was an important matter and should not be rushed blindly. He thought that by approaching the railroad corporations in the proper manner they would build the viaduct, but it could not be rushed. A conference with the officials of the railroad companies might result in good.

Mr. Prince said that Mr. Chaffee talked about a conference, but what was the use of a conference with the railroads. Holdrege had said that the city could not even compel the railroads to even repair the viaduct.

Explanations from the City Engineer.

City Engineer Rosewater was called for. He explained the condition of the viaduct. In the first place it cost but $30,000, and was intended merely as a temporary structure. It was built when the city had but little money and was not intended for street cars, not even horse cars. At the present time it could be strengthened so that it might stand for two or three years. The factor of strength he estimated at three, which was not satisfactory, as that factor should be at least eight.

Mr. Munro declared that it was an insult to the members of the committee on viaducts and railways when the ordinance was taken from their hands and referred to the special committee. It was for no other purpose than to side-track the ordinance to accommodate the railroads. That rule had been applied to corporations by former councils, but he did not propose to perpetuate such a practice. Continuing his remarks, Mr. Munro stated that he blushed when he thought of the audacity of the chairman of the special committee. That gentleman stood up in the council and gave utterance to the exact words that the railroad officials used when they held the conference with the committee on railways.

Mr. Elsasser said: "What does Mr. Chaffee mean when he speaks of properly approaching the railway officials?"

Then he cited the instance when the city voted $250,000 of bonds to aid the Union Pacific company and in return secured a cow shed, which was known as a depot. Then the city voted $150,000 of viaduct bonds with the understanding that a union depot was to be erected. The plans, he said, had been changed, but the depot had never been erected. Again the city had given the railroads the right of way up and down the streets and alleys of the city and in return they had raised their switching charges for the purpose of driving business out of the city. He ventured the opinion that the time had arrived for action and not for properly approaching the officials of the railroads.

Passed the Ordinance.

As an amendment to the report of the special committee Mr. Elsasser offered an amendment that the same be placed on file and that the original report declaring the necessity for the construction of the viaduct be adopted.

The vote on the amendment was as follows: Yeas, Messrs. Back, Bruner, Conway, Elsasser, Jacobson, Lowry, Munro, Prince, Specht and Tuttle—10. Nays, Messrs. Bechel, Burdish, Chaffee, Edwards, Howell, McLearie, Steel and President Davis—8.

The ordinance was put upon its third reading and passed by the following vote: Yeas, Messrs. Back, Bruner, Conway, Elsasser, Howell, Jacobson, Lowry, Munro, Prince, Spect, Steel and Tuttle—12. Nays, Messrs. Bechel, Burdish, Chaffee, Edwards, McLearie and President Davis—6.

There was another round of applause, and the victors squared themselves for another round, but this time they were defeated.

The ordinance declaring the necessity for the erection of a viaduct over the railroad tracks along the line of Fifteenth street was killed on its third reading.

The committee on viaducts and railways reported in favor of the passage of the ordinance and that report was adopted; but when the third reading was reached the vote was like this: Yeas, Back, Elsasser, Howell, Jacobson, Lowry, Prince and Tuttle—7; nays Bechel, Bruner, Burdish, Conway, McLearie, Munro, Specht, Steel and Mr. President—9.

The resolution to place wash basins in the offices of the city clerk and the treasurer, at a cost of $235.45, was referred.

A resolution ordering two coats of white paint on the exterior wall of the east side of the city hall, providing the Bee Building company would paint its building on the west side, was referred.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Elsasser, was referred:

Whereas, There are changes to be made in the rotunda of the city hall, costing $18,000, and to insure competition in bidding for said work; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the architect, the city attorney and the committee on public property and buildings, be and they are hereby instructed to prepare the necessary papers to be signed by the present contractors of work on the rotunda and that it is to be stated in said papers what amount the said contractors will release the city from paying in case said changes are made; also that said contractors shall relieve the city from all obligations in regard to said changes should some other bidder receive the contract as contemplated in the drawings and specifications made by Architect Beindorff, and that said contractors shall do nothing to impede the work of any other contractor, should he secure the work.

Vetoed by the Mayor.

The mayor vetoed the proposed allowance of $500 to Architect Beindorff to apply on account. He stated that Beindorff had already received $15,580.63, and he had some doubts about the amount due. The veto was sustained and the committee on public property and buildings instructed to investigate matter.

The mayor also vetoed the concurrent resolution appropriating $1,500 to aid in the construction of the bridge over Cut-Off lake. Till an accurate survey was made he had doubts about the location of the proposed bridge. He could not tell whether it was in Nebraska or Iowa, and besides that he thought that the council had no power to appropriate the amount.

The veto was rejected by a vote of 14 to 4. The mayor called the attention of the council to the fact that the Methodist conference would convene in this city during the month of May.

The matter was referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Bechel, Edwards, Howell, Munro and Steel.

The Board of Public Works reported upon C. E. Squires' old street sweeping bill, amounting to $7,945.68. Mr. Birkhauser of the board stated that the bill had been allowed less $597.23, which was 5 per cent of the whole amount.

The bill and the report were referred to the city attorney.

The appointment of William Thompson as superintendent of plumbing was taken from the table.

Mr. Specht moved that it be again tabled.

The motion was lost, after which the appointment was confirmed.

The appointment of John Yerach plumbing inspector was confirmed.

Mr. Steel asked that the appointment of W. A. Austin dump master be taken from the files.

The motion was lost and then Mr. Howell moved that Peter Besen's be taken from the files. The motion prevailed and Besen's appointment was rejected.

The bids for printing and binding the reports of the heads of the city departments and the messages of ex-Mayor Cushing and Mayor Bemis were opened and referred.

The city hall contractor was instructed to change the finish of hardware of the city hall from solid bronze to Bower Barff, providing that Contractor Coots would allow a credit of $265. Stanley wrought steel butts were ordered instead of bronze.

The council decided to allow the contractor to place derricks along the Sixteenth street side of the new postoffice building, providing there was a tight board fence around the block and no derricks placed outside of the fence.

The proposition of W. A. Redick to sell the building in Shull's addition for a city hospital was placed on file.

City Hall Steps Too Steep.

A resolution by Mr. Prince to instruct the contractor to change the steps on the Farnam street side of the city hall was referred. The resolution stated that the present steps were too steep and too hard to climb.

Any number of crosswalks in various parts of the city were ordered laid.

Mr. Specht offered a resolution providing for a five year guarantee on asphalt and a one year guarantee on brick and stone pavement.

President Davis declared the resolution out of order as it conflicted with ordinances in force.

By resolution the Board of Public Works was instructed to take the necessary steps for laying stone walks around the city hall.

The park commission submitted fifteen bids for lands for parks.

Mr. Elsasser insisted that the bids should be referred to the committee on boulevards.

Some member said they should go to the committee on public property and buildings.

Mr. Elsasser said the motion was a direct slap at his committee, which was the committee on boulevards. The bids finally went to the committee on public property and buildings.

The committee on public buildings and property reported that it had taken notice of Mayor Bemis' letter, in which he stated that work was not progressing upon the new city hall as rapidly as it should. Mr. Coots was doing all that he could and the work was progressing in a most satisfactory manner.

The request to donate four old cannon to the veteran corps of the Grand Army of the Republic was granted.

Some time ago Inspector Tilly found fault with the rooms assigned him in the new city hall. His request for other rooms was placed on file.

Jerry Linahan of the Market House company asked that the council decide whether or not the city wanted a market house. This was referred.

Mr. Elsasser's resolution instructing the comptroller to invite bids for street signs to be placed at all of the street corners in the city was placed on file.

Cross walks were ordered on Douglas, between Sixteenth and Twentieth street.

Mr. Tuttle said that the Board of Public Works had ordered boards laid across the street, but that boards were not cross walks.

The Edison General Electric company asked that the council extend the time for receiving bids for electric fixtures in the new city hall. The communication was referred.

The people in Walnut Hill and other additions in the northwestern portion of the city asked for better service on the Walnut Hill car line.

Among the Ordinances Passed.

Among the ordinances passed were these: Providing for the issuance of library bonds in the sum of $100,000, the date of issue being changed from May 1 to July 1, 1892.

Redistricting the city and providing for the removal of garbage.

Regulating the use of certain streets and alleys by railroad companies for switching purposes in the city of Omaha.

The passage of the ordinance providing for working prisoners upon the streets was defeated.

The ordinance provided for the employment of a guard at $90 per month. Mr. Lowry thought that when prisoners were employed in cleaning and repairing streets it was taking the bread out of the mouths of the honest laborers.

President Davis said that he had heard of barnacles clinging to the bottom of the ship, but hiring a man at $90 per month was the worst barnacle that he had ever seen.

The ordinance will be amended and considered at the adjourned meeting to be held tomorrow night.

The new specifications of the Board of Public Works providing for a ten year guarantee on pavements was discussed at some length and was deferred when they came up for adoption.

Fire Record.

PUEBLO, Colo., March 6.—The Dexter stables on Sixth street run by Mansfield & Pollard burned this evening. In all, twenty three horses were fatally burned, eleven belonging to the stables and twelve boarders. The latter comprise some valuable roadsters and family horses. The insurance is small. The origon of the fire is thought to be incendiary.

TASCOTT HAS BEEN FOUND.

He is Prospecting for Gold in the Wilds of Alaska at Present.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 9.—A letter was received by the sheriff today from Juneau, Alaska, from J. C. Howard of that place, informing him that W. B. Tascott, the alleged murderer of Millionaire Snell of this city, is now in the Yukon river country, 900 miles northwest of Juneau, that he left Port Townsend, Wash., in April four years ago, passed through Juneau, and that he has sent word he will return there next August.

Granted a Divorce.

LONDON, March 9.—In the divorce court today in the case of Gilro