FRAUDS WERE PERPETRATED

How Perkins County School Lands Were Recently Leased.

INVESTIGATE

ject Worthy of Considerable Attention -Other Cases May Be Unearthed -Lincoln News Notes.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 30 .- [Special to THE Bug, |- Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings Humphrey was today put in possession of the details of some startling frauds that have been perpetrated upon the state In connection with the leasing of the state school lands in Perkins county. Last mouth 12,600 acres of school lands that had been forfeited were placed again on the market and the sale was advertised to take place on the 25th inst. Large tracts of forfeited lands were also put on the market on the same days in other counties. In the absence of the commissioner of public lands the county treasurer is authorized by law to conduct the sales. In his general circular of instructions to the county treasurers inter ested Commissioner Humphrey explicitly stated that in all cases where there were two or more bidders for the same piece of land the land was to be soid at auction to the one offering the highest premium above the 6 per cent required by law. In all cases where the party who bid in a piece of land and afterwards declined to take it the land was to go to the next lowest bidder and so on. In Perkins county the county treasures either failed to understand the letter of his instructions or he willfully disregarded them, as will be seen by reference to a letter received today by the commissioner, an extract from which is as follows:

How the Frauds Were Perpetrated. "In some instances parties who had con cotted the scheme to lease certain tracts of land bid the premium up as high a 1700 per land bid the premium up as high a 1700 per cent, and after the sale was closed they came in and refused to take the land and pay the premiums, but banded in the application of some friend to lease the same at private sale. G. H. Prime, deputy county clerk of Perkins county, bid a premium of 220 per cent on the southwest quarter and northeast quarter of section 16-11-40, and the same was sold to him at that bid. After the sale was closed he went to the treasurer and refused to take the land. At the same time he handed in an applica-At the same time he handed in an applica-tion signed by his wife to lease the land at private sale for 6 per cent only, and no money accompanied the application. If he is allowed to lease the land at private sale the state will be robbed of 234. I bid 100 per cent promium on this same least and would have paid the cash for the same least. At the time of the sale I salied the treasurer's attention to the fact that all bids on lands should be accompanied by the cash, but no attention was paid to this and no money was required.

Two More Similar Cases.

"In another case the deputy county treasurer bid a premium of 1,700 per cent on the southeast quarter of 16-10-41 and H. E. Goodail bid 217 per cent on the southeast quarter of 16-10-40. After the sale had been closed they both refused to take the land at the amount bid. Both, however, handed in applications to take the land at private sale. The deputy treasurer proposed to take the piece bid upon by Goodail, and Goodail was to take the piece bid upon by the deputy. By the transaction the state lost between \$1,000 and \$1,500."

Commissioner Humphrey starts for Per-"In another case the deputy county treas

Commissioner Humphrey starts for Per kins county tomorrow morning to investigate the matter. If he finds the information in the letter received today to be correct all the leases of the Perkins county lands will be held for further investigation and in all cases where the law has not been strictly complied with the leases will be cancelled.

Gossip at the State House. R. E. Mead, a dealer in shelf and heavy hardware at Ong, Neb., writes Governor Boyd to inquire whether or not the state does not pay a prize of \$1,000 to all mothers having three children at one birth. He says: "I am the happy father of such an event and if there is any prize I would like it." Private Sec-retary Morrissey replied to the father of the triplets that unfortunately the laws of the state falled to below any such prize but gave it as his own personal opinion that such a ze should be awarded.

prize should be awarded.

Judge Norval today issued an order suspending the sentence of Mark May, convicted in Douglas county, until his case could be reviewed by the supreme court. May is given the privilege of his liberty the presentation of bonds to the amount

But one case was filed in the supreme court today. It is entitled Martin C. Frank against the Pacific Mutual Lafe Insurance company. Secretary of State Atlen is detained at Cincinnati, where he went two weeks ago with his wife. Her illness, while not alarming, will prevent her return for several days

The Somerset Trust company of Omaha was incorporated by papers filed at the office of the secretary of state this afternoon. The capital stock is placed at \$200,000 and the incorporators are Edward Stringer, John S. Kay and W. E. Davis.

Tha Creighton Butter and Cheese factory of Creighton, Neb., was incorporated today with a capital of \$6,000. The Board of Public Lands and Buildings

held a session this afternoon to fluish up a few matters left over from the regular

Nebraska County Judges Meet. Twenty-six county judges, representing as Twenty-six county judges, representing as many counties in Nebraska, have been holding a state convention in this city today, for the purpose of discussing matters of interest and importance connected with their offices, and also to take steps for presenting subjects of needed legislation to the coming session of the legislature. The convention found a permanent organization with the following officers: President, Judge I. W. Lansing of Lancaster; first vice president, Judge F. N. Morgan, Rock; second vice president, Judge E. R. Dean, Butter; chief clerk, William Warren, Dakota; chief baliff, W. S. Bourne, Gage.

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An executive committee or supreme beach was selected composed of the following: First judicial district, J. H. Church, Nemaha; Second, B. S. Ramsov, Cass; Third, I. W. Lansing, Lancaster; Fourth, C. F. Dickinson, Burt; Fifth, M. Newman, Saunders; Seventh, George H. McKee, Thayer; Eighth, William Warren, Dakota; Thirteenth, George Conn, Keith; Fourteenth, James S. West, Dundy; Fifteenth, F. N. Morgan, Rock. Morgan, Rock.

Today's session was taken up entirely by a discussion of the objects to be attained by the organization. One of the main ob-jects of the association is to get some action from the legislature making the practice uniform throughout the state. At present the statutes and books are silent and each judge must make his own system. The result in many counties has been imperfect

Keeping up Their Usual Gait. The festive burglars and footpads are The festive burgiars and footpads are keeping up their usual gait in spite of the fact that the regular season closed some time age. At the residence of D. T. Hunt at 2748 Potter street they forced open the front door and ransacked the house. Five or six people were asleep in the house at the time, but the fact that they remained asleep probably accounts for the fact that they remained asleep probably accounts for the fact that the thieves got away with two suits of clothes and an overcoat. They then made their escape, leaving Colonel Hunt song in bed, where he remained until some one could come down town and get him an-

one could come down town and get him another suit of clothes.

The nouse of Mr. Keyser, a brakeman on The nouse of Mr. Keyser, a brakeman on the Rock Island, was also entered. There were several ladies present, but Mr. Keyser himself was not at home. The burglars accured \$22 in money, but left four ladies' gold watches unmolested on the bureaus of the several rooms. The ladies all believe that they were chloroformed, as they feit the effects of the drug for some time the next day.

Last right two thugs, one a white man and the other a negro, made a desperate assault on Sam Lee, a Chinese laundryman at 1234 N street. They had a bundle of clothes and asked for a ticket or check. After they had received it they asked for a drink of water, and as soon as the

Draperies, Curtains,

Portieres,

Silk scarfs,

Silk pillows,

Rattan chairs,

Rattan rockers,

Child's chairs, 'Kids'" rockers,

'Kids'" half high chairs,

Costumers,

Mahogany parlor chairs, Maple parlor chairs,

Inlaid parlor chairs, Gilt parlor chairs,

Parlor lamps,

Imported shades,

Curio tables,

Curio cabinets, Fire screens,

Easels,

Hanging medicine cabinets,

Blacking cases,

Carpets,

Parlor cabinets,

China cabinets,

Dressing tables,

Cheval glasses, Dining tables,

Parlor tables, Card tables,

Hall tables,

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Ladies' desks, Men's home desks, Music cabinets.

accommodating Celestial went out to a conveniont hydrant to get a fresh supply they commenced to ransack the place. Lee returned before they had discovered anything of value, but his cries for help alarmed them. They both turned in and gave him an enthusissing thrashing. They then cleared out, after failing to find anything worth carrying

Lancaster County Shipments, The outshimments for Lancaster county for the year 1891 have finally been reported to the commissioner of labor and the showing is as follows:

Cattle, 409 cars, 8.180 head, \$327,200; hogs, Cattle, 409 cars, 8,189 head, \$37,290; hogs, 793 cars, 47,589 head, \$380,610; horses and mules, 30 cars, 600 head, \$30,000; sheep, 80 cars, 6,400 head, \$24,000; wheat, 152 cars, 76,000 bushels, \$24,600; corn, 2,084 cars, 1,042,000 bushels, \$200,500; carts, 24 cars, 344,000 bushels, \$25,560; barley, 5 cars, 2,500 bushels, \$1,125; rye, 39 cars, 19,500 bushels, \$16,600; barley and cye, 5 cars, 2,500 bushels, \$1,600; barley and cye, 5 cars, 2,500 cars, 2,500 bushels, \$1,125; rye, 39 cars, 19,500 bushels, \$15,600; barley and rye. 5 cars 2,500 bushels, \$1,575; flax, 52 cars, 20,000 bushels, \$3,800; flour, 27 cars, 4,050 barrels, \$37,820; hay, 64 cars, 1,152 tons, \$5,760; mixed stock, 5 cars, \$3,000; building brick, 16 cars, \$1,600; poultry, 1 car, \$300; ice, 398 cars, \$11,940; stone, 315 cars. \$21,500; seed, 1 car, \$1,200; indes and tallow, 23 cars, \$16,100; potatoes, 3 cars, \$750; millstuff, 1 car, \$140; butter and eggs, 1 car, \$2,250; wood, 2 cars, \$200; packing bouse products, 316 cars, \$379,-200; miscellaneous, 1,578 cars, \$394,500; miscellaneous, 1,578 cars, \$394,500; miscellaneous, 1,578 cars, \$394,500; miscellaneous in pounds, 8,122,824, \$47,680. The total number of cars is 6,664, the products being valued at \$2,175,540.

It may be stated that the above figures do not include the manufactured products shipped from this county, as the commis-sioner was unable to secure them in time for publication in the biensial report this year. They would increase the total very materi-

ally. Still After Mr. Doolittle, Mayor Weir is still after the scalp of the absent member of the excise board, Mr. John Doolittle of Lincoln and Chicago. It will be remembered that several weeks since, the worthy mayor removed Mr. Doolittle from his position on the board for the reason that he was not a citizen of Lincoln. The city council refused to have it that way and decided that the only may be a proposed from way Mr. Doolittle could be displaced from the board was by the preferment of written charges and a due trial in accordance with charges and a due trial in accordance with the provisions of the charter. The mayor has accepted that view of the case, and at the meeting of the coun-cil held last night he came for-ward with his charges. He alleges that Mr. Doolittie has been guilty of misconduct in office, in that he has removed his residence from the city and has been grossly negligent of his official duties. According to the opinof his official duties. According to the opin-ion given by the city attorney the charges must be heard within ten days and a per-sonal notice must be served upon Mr. Doc-

sonal notice must be served upon Mr. Doointic within five days of the hearing.

No time has been set for the hearing of
the charges against Mr. Doolittle. The case
is a continuation of the struggle between
Mayor Weir and the council over the control
of the police force. If the mayor
eventually triumphs he will reorganize
the force. If he is defeated the force will
remain practically as it is. In either event the force. If he is defeated the force will remain practically as it is. In either event Lincoln with have to struggle along with a police force entirely too small for the needs of the city. There is no complaint new of the carelessness or lack of vigilence on the part of the present force. The department is doing everything it can to suppress law-lessness, but the force is entirely too small. This fact is universally conceded by the friends of both the mayor and the council in the present contest.

Improving the Water System. The water works system will be improved by the immediate construction of a new standpipe with a capacity of 500,000 gallons, at the corner of Twenty-third and South streets. The improvement was authorized by the city council last evening and work will be commenced as soon as the necessary contracts can be let. The new standpipe will be 100 feet in height and have a diameter of twenty-five feet. It will be ten feet higher than the old pipe at the F street pumping station and consequently it street pumping station and consequently it is estimated that the pressure in the business portion of the city will be double what it is at present. The pressure now is scarcely forty pounds, but Commissioner Percival states that the new pipe will give a pressure of at least ninety pounds. The complation

of the new standpipe will enable the city to do away with the necessity of operating the F street station, and the saving to the city

annum.

Heard in Lincoln Court Rooms. The Lansing theater imbroglio is settled and no receiver will be appointed. Henry Oliver, the applicant for a receiver, with-drew his petition this forenoon and the case

will be dropped. The \$5,000 damage case filed against Colonel Billy Barr by C. F. Atwood was dismissed this forenoon for lack of prosecution. Atwood had sued Barr for damages to that amount, alleging as the basis of the suit that Barr had accused him of stealing several ar-ticles from the Barr block.

The Badger Lumber company today re-

ceived a verdict awarding it a judgment of \$367.55 against the Missouri Pacific Railroad company. The amount was claimed by the iumber company for switching charges due it under an agreement with the railroad. The city of Lincoln today confessed judg-

ment in the county court in favor of J. F. Lansing for \$425 on account of grading damages in front of his property on K street between Eleventh and Twelfth.

The case in which Farmer Hale sues the Union Pacific Railroad company for \$5,000 damages will be heard without a jury, both sides being willing to trust the case to the

The officers of the Lancaster County Fair association today commenced suit against A, S. Williams and S. W. Buraham for \$100. They allege that it cost them that amount to defend an injunction suit brought by Willia.ns to prevent the removal of the fair from Lincoln to Hickman.

Lincoln in Brief.

Patrick Dobbins was this morning sen-Patrick Doodins was this morning sentenced to live days imprisonment in the county jail for indecent exposure.

John O'Shea, the railroad man charged with stealing an overcoat from Tom Draper, was fined \$3 and costs by Judge Waters this

forenson.

The case against M. Adler, the pawnbroker, charged with having received several stolen watches, was dismissed today for lack of prosecution. There was nothing to show that Adler had concealed the watches. He bought them in due course of trade and had displayed them in his show windows for sev-

eral weeks before they were discovered.

The renual concert of the Lincoln Oratorio society will take place on the evening of December 9. It will be the leading musical event of the season and several hundred of the best musicians in the city will participate.

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J. N. Davis, who was yesterday reported to have engaged in a difficulty with Chris Bauer, was connected with the affair only as a witness.

There is a change in one of the oldest law firms in the city. Lamb, Ricketts & Wilson, who have been together for more than ten years last past have dissolved, and Mr. W. J. Lamb, the sculor mem-ber of the firm, has associated with him Messrs. Adams and Scottof this city and the firm will hereafter be Lamb, Adams & Scott. Messrs. Adams and Scott are men of high standing, fine legal ability and wide ex-perience in the practice of the law. The new firm will be a very strong one.



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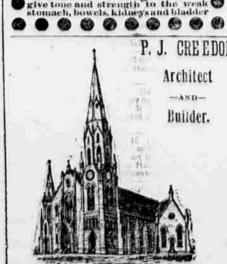
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