# KELLEY, STIGER & CO. The Most Satisfactory Christmas Offerings

Great attractions in our

### Silk Department For Christmas.

Christmas Gifts! The lady will be pleased with a silk dress pattern of pure extra fine black, warranted silk-Alma Royal.

Christmas prices. \$15, 40,

Your choice of Black Faille Francaise Satin Rhadama and Gros Grain-a full dress pattern of these rich black silks -warranted.

A Choice Present for Christmas. Superfine black alma royal silk, warranted not to break, crack or shift. Fashionable and Servicable.

A dress length of

## Faille Francaise.

Any Color-Exquisite shades, suitable for party or street wear. Faille Francaise of the most renowned silk manufacturers in the world. Price of Dress Patterns Christmas tide. \$16.10.

We offer just at this season of the year, our superfine

## China Crepes.

All the beautiful tints in stock. \$1, 25. \$1.25.

## Just Received,

New effects in changeable peau de sole. Just the thing for pretty party dresses or fancy waists. \$1.25.

We Display

## For Party Dresses.

Exquisite tints, superior quality, of the very fashionable satin duchesse, plain and pretty stripe effects.

## For Fancy Waists.

We are now showing, suitable for

New glace stripes, new changeable taffetas, new plaids, both French and Scotch: New designs in two-toned silks, etc., etc.

## Fancy Plaid Velvets.

Closing out line, splendid colorings'

Our 48-inch Taffeta Silk.

## Is thoroughly reliable, and we recommend it highly for petticoats. \$2.25.

## Velour Russe.

New effects—a bargain at \$1.85.

NOTE-We have just received our last importation of velvets. We have now any grade in navy blue velvet, and a full line of other shades.

## Great Bargains

in Dress Goods! Dress Goods! Buy Useful CHRISTMAS PRENENTS. A nice black dress. A lady will also appreciate a good colored dress pattern. We offer you bargains just at this time.

## Changeable Diagonal Cloth.

This stylish and servicable dress fabric. 42-inches wide, regular price \$1.

## Bengaline.

This fine all wool Bengaline, any shade, 42 inches wide, regular price, \$1.

## Whipcord.

Our superior whipcord, 40 inches wide, is a great bargain at 75c.

## Just Received

English wide wale diagonal suitings, 48 inches wide, worth \$1.25. During this sale we offer at

## Foule Beige.

A superior gray mixture, soft and pretty, just the thing sor elderly ladles 48 inches wide.

## |Bargains,

See on our center counter the nice warm, all wool dress goods, that were sold at 50c, 60c and 75c. All going at one price now-

> 40c. 40c.

## Plaids.

We are showing a splendid assortment of plaids. They are fashionable now. Nice styles for children, also. At

85c.

85c.

## Storm Serge.

We offer some bargains ir navy storm

## 60c, 85c and \$1.

You can find all the latest fashions in our dress goods department.

## Black Dress Goods. See Our 85c Bargains.

40-inch all wool bengaline. 46-inch extra fine French serge. 46-inch French silk-finished henrietta These are all the best brand of dress abries, and worth much more.

## See Our \$1 Bargains.

42-inch superfine whipcord. 40-inch French railway cord. 40-inch English drap de alma. 46-inch extra fine French henrietta. 40-inch superb electral berber. We recommend these as suitable for Christmas gifts. They will give satis factory wear, and are fashionable.

### Gloves. Gloves.

Our glove department is now so replete that we can please the most fas-

tidious. See our Biarritz glove at \$1. Cannot be surpassed in this city. Our spun silk mitts at \$1 are unequaled.

## Latest Novelties

n fine embroidered handkerchiefs, chatalaine and shopping bags, pocketbooks, fans, ribbons, etc.

Real duchess lace handkerchiefs from \$1 up to \$15 each, the best values in the

Real French hand embroidered fine linen lawn handkerchiefs, hemstitched and scolloped borders, marvels of beauty, at \$1.50, \$2, \$3 and up to \$12.50 each.

Very delicate Swiss embroidered chiffon handkerchiefs at 50c, 85c, \$1.25

Fine Irish hand embroidered scol-loped border all linen handkerchiefs in an endless variety of beautiful designs, at 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and up to \$3 each.

hand and machine embroidered lawn handkerchiefs, all new designs, at 12tc, 15c, 25c and 30c each; astonishing values. 3 special prices in unlaundered hand embroidered pure linen lawn handker-chiefs, hemstitched and scolloped bor-

ders, at 25c, 30c and 50c each. 1,800 cornet, every thread linen, hand embroidered initial handkerchiefs, hemstitched borders, I dozen in neat box for

border silk handkerchiefs at 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c each.

Latest novelties in hand painted \$1.25 up to \$20 each.

Latest novelties in ladies' purses, card cases and combination pocketbooks in seal, Russian, skake, lizard, bon con-strictor, aligator and the fancy leathers, from 35c up to \$5 each.

Ladies' chatalaine bags, latest styles from 50c up to \$7 each. Ladies' shopping bags from 50e up to

## Ribbons, Ribbons,

in all the new delicate shades for fancy work at very low prices.

Real tortoise shell

## Hairpins,

## Men's Handkerchiefs

Our stock of men's all pure linen ver shown. We import direct from Belfast, Ireland, and carry a full line in The prices will please you. ill widths of hem.

Special prices for holiday trade.

Lot 1. 400 dozen men's printed border hemstitched handkerchiefs, in polka dots, fancy stripes and figures, full size, all colors, warranted fast, at 124c each.

Lot 2 500 dozen men's linen hemtitched hand embroidered initial handkerchiefs, put up in fancy boxes, half dozen to the box, a full line of initials, at 25c each, \$1.50 a box.

Lot 3. 300 dozen men's all pure linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, full size, in † inch, 1 inch and 1† inch hem, 4 special prices in Irish and Swiss special value at 35c, three for \$1. Lot 4. 100 dozen men's extra fine all

pure linen bemstitched handkerchiefs, large size and very suitable for embroldering. in \(\frac{1}{2}\) inch, 1 inch and 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) inch hem, at 50c each.

We call special attention to our own direct importation of men's real china silk hemstitched handkerchiefs, in plain white and fancy printed borders, at 50c, 75c, 85c, \$1, \$1.15 and \$1,25. Real Japanese embroidered scolloped

SPECIAL. SPECIAL.

200 dozen men's all fine silk hemstitched hand embroidered initial hand gauze and ostrich feather fans from kerchiefs, very latest style of initial, one inch hem and full size at 75c each worth \$1.

## Suspenders

We have just received a large and a very choice line of men's plain black and silk satin suspenders, suitable for embroidering in plain black and gold mountings, at \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.25 and

## Collar rnd Cuff Boxes

We have a large and choice assortment of men's leather collar and cuff boxes, new and very attractive designs; and fancy squares. The colorings are colors, black, dark red and solid leather, different shapes and sizes; at more.

ment of men's leather collar and cuff boxes, new and very attractive designs; and fancy squares. The colorings are very handsome, and we carry every shade of silk so match.

## Fancy Goods.

Christmas goods now displayed is hemstitched border handkerchiefs is this department is specially attractive the largest and most complete we have this season. Read these prices and then come and see our magnificent display

Silk cushions, in all the new patterns and shades, at these prices, \$1.35, \$2 and

Indian baskets, in every design imagnable; work baskets, paper baskets, vall pockets, etc., etc. See them. They will make very useful presents. The

prices are to numerous to mention. Celluloid fancy goods, hand-painted. These goods are very handsome, and ought to be seen to be appreciated. Hairpin receivers, hand-painted, in

hree discerent designs; prices, 40c, 45c, Whisk broom holders, hand-painted,

n four different designs; price, 50c, 65c, Hair receivers, hand-painted, as-

orted designs; price, 65c. Calendars, hand-painted; price, 75c. Jewel tray and pin cushion com

pined, hand-painted; price, \$1. Celluloid letter receivers, handpainted; price, 65c.

Sacket rolls, cushions and bottles. nand-painted; prices, 30c, 40c, \$60. Jewel cases and card receivers, asorted styles, hand-painted; price, 90c. Handkerchief cases, in celluloid and

satin, hand-painted, very pretty; also, glove cases to match; prices, \$2, \$2.25,

\$2,50. Brush and comb cases, in celluloid, with gilt, very choice; price, \$3. Lace toilet sets, very handseme;

prices, \$1, \$2.75, \$3.25. See our line of silk drapes, embroidered with tinsel and hand-painted; al prices.

Imported doylies, center pieces an table scarfs, hems titched and Irish point work in great variety of styles and prices to numerous to mention. Tinted stamped goods, in all the new

## Fur Department

This department is specially attractive this season for children as well as

Chilren's Turkish Angora sets, in gray, tan and white, the very finest quality; regular price \$5.00, our

### Price \$3.25

Children's white and tinted Thibes

\$3.50

Children's China Lamb sets, \$8.00

Children's Chinchilla sets, \$2.80

Ladies' furs in great variety. Muffs in all the popular furs, all prices from 45c to \$20; boas to match, prices from

\$3 to \$16 BO

## Umbrellas

The finest assortment ever shown in Omaha is the one we have just re-

The haudles are elegant and the qualities of silk unsurpassed, and every one one is warranted for one year.

SPECIAL. Among them is one lot of fifty, with

trimmed walnut handles, at

\$3.25; worth \$4.80

The next better lot is 100, with an extra fine assortment of handles, in

\$3.75; worth \$8

# KELLEY, STIGER & COMPANY, CORNER FARNAM AND FIFTEENTH STS

Mrs. Wollburg of Millard Meets Death in

Her Husband's Presence. HIS EFFORTS TO RESCUE HER IN VAIN

With a Garden Hoe the Victim's Head Was Kept Above Water for a Few Moments-Two Theories Advanced by Friends.

MTLLARD, Neb., Dec. 10 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Mrs. Wollburg, wife of William Wollburg of this place, was drowned this afternoon about 4 o'clock in a cistern in the kitchen at her home. It was thought at first that she had committed suicide, but circumstances indicate that it was an acci-

Mrs. Wollburg went to the cistern, it is thought, to draw some water, and while in the act of dipping the water slipped and fell into the eistern, striking her head against a water pipe which projected into the top of the cistern. Her husband, who was in an adjoining room, heard the noise and ran to her assistance. He had nothing that he could reach her with but a small garden hoe. and with this hooked into her clothing he managed to keep her head out of water for five or ten minutes, but finally the clothing gave way and the woman sank out of his reach. He then ran out and called for help and neighbors hearing his cries ran to his assistance, but before they could rescue the

unfortunate woman life was extinct. Mrs. Wollburg has been subject to spells of mental derangement for over fourteen years and had been suffering from this affliction for several days past, and it is thought by some that she became demented and threw herself into the cistern. She leaves a son, who is married and lives in South Omaha, and two married daughters. Mr. Wollburg is employed by Swift & Co. South Omaha, and is away from home most of the time. Coroner Maul was notified and will hold an inquest tomorrow.

Plattsmouth People Think They Have Discovered a Treasure.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Dec. 10 .- [Special to THE BEE.]-A. B. Knott, proprietor of the Plattsmouth Herald, has for the last two weeks had men at work at his residence in South Park digging a well. After going fifty-four feet sand rock was reached and a drill was put at work and after going through eighteen feet of limestone a twelve inch vein of coal was struck. Going farther down a good sized vein of oil was struck When the workmen reached a depth of 14 feet a strong vein of water was reached which filled the well to within forty feet o the top. The oil which seeps out of the sand stone comes to the surface and the well car d. An investigation will be made The opinion seems to be that there

### are good prospects for oil in this city. Nebraska Dairymen to Meet.

GIBBON, Neb. Dec. 10 .- | Special to THE BEE. |-The eighth annual convention of the Nebraska Dairymen's association will be held at Minden, Kearney county. December 20, 21 and 22. An interesting program of practical subjects has been prepared and the papers and discussions will be presented by men of practical and not theoretical experience. There will also be an exhibit of butter and cheese for which \$250 in premiums are offered. The classes in the premium list are so arranged that the private dairies do not compete with creameries and factories except in sweep-

CISTERN stakes where diplomas only are awarded. The principal railroads of the state have granted a one and one-third rate upon the certificate plan, conditioned upon the attendance of the state have per of the shelling machine, crushing it into a pulp, rendering amputation above the ance of 100 or more delegates. All sessions of the convention are free. All are invited. Particulars will be furnished by the secre-

tary, S. C. Bassett, at Gibbon. To Entertain the Commander-in-Chief. Superior, Neb., Dec. 10.-[Special to THE BEE.]-Extensive preparations are being made by the members of the Grand Army and citizens generally to receive and entertain Commander-in-Chief Weissert and staff. General Dilworth and staff of Nebraska and General Greene and staff of Nebraska and General Greene and staff of Kansas, also the Woman's Relief corps departments of both states, are to unite with the commander-in-chief in a grand camp fire in this city on the 14th inst. Committees of prominent citizens have een appointed and invitations have been enerally extended to the old soldiers in

orthern Kansas and southern Nebraska to

Nebraska's Fire Record. Tobias, Neb., Dec. 10.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Early this morning fire was discovered in the Musil building, and in a short time the building and its entire contents were destroyed. The ground floor was occupied by H. H. Cowgill as a general mer-chandise store and the second story by Dr. J. H. Berland as a dentist's office and Hiram Townsend as a dwelling. The Townsend family barely escaped with their lives. Loss on building, \$1,500; insurance, \$700; on general merchandise stock, \$4,000; insurance,

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 10 .- [Special Telegram to The Bee. |-Rev. J. D. Cruntermine was formally installed as pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city last night. The ceremonies were participated in by several of the pastors of the city. Rev. E. H. Cutis of Lincoln delivered the charge to the people and Rev. D. W. Harsha of Tecumseh delivered the charge to the minister The ceremonies were under the direction o Rev. E. H. Brouillette, pastor of the Second

Captain Murdock Re-elected. WYMORE, Neb., Dec. 10 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE. ]-At an election held by Battery A, Nebraska National guard, today Captain C. M. Murdock was for the fifth time re-elected captain of that organization by a uranimous vote. The battery was or ganized June 25, 1875. C. M. Murdock was then elected lieutenant. In November, 1878, he was elected captain and has continuously held the position from that date.

Presbyterian church of this city.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 10 .- [Special to The BEE. |-The Beatrice National bank took

possession of its elegantly equipped new building at the corner of Sixth and Court streets today. The bank has been doing business for the past nine years at the cor-ner of Court and Fifth streets. Unchanged at Beatrice. gram to THE BRE. |-The situation relative

to the telegraphers' strike on the Rock Isl

and remains unchanged from prior reports

in this locality. An operator was sent from this city out to Virginia station, ten miles east, today to take the place of a striker. NEWMAN GROVE, Neb., Dec. 10 .- [Specia to THE BEE !- Daniel Wenrick, an old citizen of this locality, was kicked to death by

two young horses he was driving this morn-

Cold at Beatrice. BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 10.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Local thermometers registered 10 degress below zero at 6:30 this

Hastings, Neb., Dec. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bre.]—Joseph Wolfe, a farmer living seven miles south of Hastings, while en-

LOCAL BREVITIES. The coroner's jury in the M. Donahue case returned a verdict of accidental death yes terday. Coroner Maul was called to Millard last night to hold an inquest on the body of Mrs.

Wollurg, who was drowned by falling into a The inquest in the case of Michael Dono-iue, who was killed in the Union Pacific vards Tuesday night was finished vesterday verdict of accidental death was returned Mrs. A. S. Horn of the Pullman house was obbed of \$80 by a thieving bell boy yesterday. The boy's name is Frank Zimmerman

At Germania hall last night the holsterers and Mattressmakers Social club gave their first annual ball. The attendance was large and the affair proved to be a very enjoyable one to those present. Evangelist Albert Mack will preach this morning, afternoon and evening at Zion Bap-tist church. A collection will be taken up

at the evening service for the support of the organization represented by the evangelist

The St. Nicholas sale, in connection with

and he had only been employed a week at

St. Paul's Mission, postponed from last Wednesday, owing to the storm, will be held at the residence of Mrs. Le Messurier, 3028 Chicago street, Tuesday afternoon from 2 o'clock to 8. Warrants were issued in police court yesterday for the arrest of the following persons for neglecting to clean off their sidewalks: J. Steinberg, 101-3-5 North Tenth street; Frank Grosgeou, 2574 Cuming and Gus Stugy, 1903 Cuming.

The performance of "The Cricket on the learth," deferred from last Friday night on account of the storm, will be given at the club room of the Unitarian church tomorrow evening. The parts are taken by members of the Unity club and their friends. A "Constant Patron" of the street car company complains to The Bee that the cars of the company are so badly dilapidated

that it is impossible for a woman to ride in the cars during severe weather without suf fering severely from the cold that comes in through the poorly constructed car floors. A reorganization of the Young Men's con ress was attempted last night, but the attendance was very small. Rev. Llwyd was elected chairman by the seven youngsters present, and the club will try and hold an-other meeting next Friday night at the Young Men's Christian association rooms. The mayor has designated the following

west; Chicago, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-ninth streets; Pierce, between Ninth and Third streets; Park Wild avenue, between Williams and Pierce streets, and Sixth street between Hickory and Pierce streets. John Evan Griffiths, well known Omaha, died in Ogden, U. T., recently of heart disease and was buried by the Ancient Order of United Workmen. Death was sudden, as the deceased went to bed in apparently good health and never woke again

additional streets on which coasting will be permitted: Farnam, from Fortieth street

### nis death. He had many friends in eastern Nebraska. PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

The deceased was 42 years old at the time of

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Omaha—F. Upton, Windsor, Lincoln—W. S. Harwood, Plaza; P. Egan, Holland, Council Bluffs—T. Burman, Hotel

At the Mercer: M. J. Collins, Boston At the Mercer: M. J. Collins, Boston, Mass; J. B. Riggs, Rochester, N. Y.; J. W. Love, Fremont, Neb.; W. H. Bagnell and family, York; J. S. Fugnson and wife, York; A. B. Field, Chicago; N. Hassalo, Denver. A. B. Field, Chicago; N. Hassalo, Denver.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 10.—[Special Telegram
to The Ber.]—The following Nebraskans
are registered here today: Victoria.—E. P.
Peck, Omaha. Auditorium—Mrs. Dr. E. W.
Lee, M. Baum and wife, Omaha. Great
Northern—F. A. Nash, Omaha. Palmer—
Euclid Martin, N. Hilton and wife, Omaha.
Crand Pacific—T. O. Eichelberger, B. H.
Barrows, Ed McCormack, Omaha.

Two Kansas Towns Up in Arms and Ready

for Bloodshed. REVIVAL OF THE SEWARD COUNTY WAR

Springfield and Liberal Both Want the Seat of Government - Serious Trouble Expected at Any Moment - Telegraphic Communication Cut Off. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 10.-Kansas has an-

other county seat war. It is not a new one, but a continuation of a war that has been waged intermittently for the past seven years. The scene of the disturbance is Seward county, and the combatants are the rival towns of Springfield and Liberal, each of which wants the county seat, and wants it bad-bad enough, indeed, to fight for it Seven years ago Seward county was organzed and Liberal made the temporary county seat. A year later the question of locating the headquarters for the county's government was left to a vote of the people, and their decision was to have been final. Springfield came off victorious, but Liberal prevented the removal of the records by injunction proceedings. The Springfield men, not to be euchered out of their victory, attempted to remove the records by force, but a strong guard at Liberal prevented their carrying out their design. The Springfield people retired from the field, having determined to test the question in the courts. The case dragged along in the courts until finally the supreme court decided that Springfield had been legally chosen the seat. Liberal, how ever, was not to be discouraged by that decision, and went to work to reverse, if possible, the result of the first election by preparing a petition and securing the requisite number of signatures for a new election. The Springfield people sought to prevent the election by injunction, but it was

### defeated by the Liberal people. Organized a Band of Armed Men.

The election was held simultaneously with the general election in November. In the neantime a conference between the leaders of the rival towns compromised the question of the temporary location of the county of the temporary location of the county's records by entrusting them to neutral parties at Arkalen. During all this time Springfield has been in fact the county seat of the county, and all the county's business has been transacted there. This fact, of course, required the canvassing of the vote on the county seat question at Springfield. Tuesday was set as the time for ranyassing the vote. The Liberal time for ranyassing the vote. time for canvassing the vote. The Libera people do not have entire confidence in th honesty and impartiality of the Springfield crowd when it comes to deciding as ques-tion of such importance as the location of the county seat. They therefore organized a band of armed men to proceed to Spring field and see that no irregularities should take place in canvassing the vote and an-nouncing the result. The party numbered seventy-five men, and they started from Liberal for Springfield early this morning armed to the teeth with shotguns, revolvers and Winchester rifles, determined that there should be no error in the canvass.

Since 4 o'clock nothing has been heard from either Liberal or Springfield. Springfield has no telegraphic communication with the outside world, Liberal, six miles distant,

being the nearest telegraph station. Lib-eral is a Rock Island station, and the oper-ator joined in the strike of last Thursday.

ator joined in the strike of last Thursday. He will send Western Union business, but will receive nothing. It is thus impossible to communicate with press correspondents. A message was received from there this afternoon stating the situation. The report stated further that the armed party had not returned. It is feared here that the presence of so great a number of armed men in

influence upon the crowd.

At the same time that the armed party Springfield another party of similiarly armed went to Arkalon, ostensibly to protect the records there against seizure by the Springfield faction. A feature of this expedition is that Mrs. Martin, superintendent-elect of public instruction was of the party. She was unarmed, but he presence lent a moral purpose to the expedi-tion, and at the same time—had a softening

When the party arrived at Arkalon they found that Springfield people had made no move toward removing the records. They held a consultation, at which it was decided that their rivals might still make a attempt to secure the records; that they could not stand guard over them forever, and if they had to fight for them they would prefer to do the fight-ing at home. It was decided, therefore, to take possession of the records and to remove them to Liberal. The custodian had no means of protecting the records in the face of an armed mob of forty men and one woman, so he quietly surren dered them. The Liberal party then quietly left town and returned home. The party arrived at Liberal at 3 o'clock. A guard was at once placed over the records to resist any possible attack by the Springfield people.

The news of the removal of the records has probably not yet reached Springfield

When it does it is believed the anger of th people there will know no bounds and that an attempt will be made to secure them. Should the attempt be made the guard at Liberal would doubtless defend the records to the best of their ability and then there will be more trouble. Seward county is in the judicial district over which Judge Botkin presided. The old feud between the judge and the noted Sam Wood is still fresh in the minds of newspaper readers. The participants in the presen war are the same men who took part in that feud. It was near Springfield that Sheriff Dunn was murdered last January when he was attempting to prevent the assassination of Judge Botkin, which was planned, it was be lieved at the time, by the friends of San Wood, who had been shot and killed shortly pefore by James Brennan, an intimate friend

## between the opposing forces during the present disturbance is confidently expected. Don'ts for Typewriters.

over county seat wars, and a serious conflic

The following rules were adopted at a meeting of young and pretty stenographers and typewriters in New Oreans, and are published by the Times of that city for the benefit of that necessary and ornamental order of office di rectors, and for the enlightenment of their employers:

Don't bleach your hair until you have

Don't state your speed when applying

as more than 200 words per minute un-

secured a position.

tice owes them to you.

less you can write fifty. Don't take more than two hours for Don't get to the office later than I o'clock if the proper time is 9. Don't worry if you can't read your

notes—stenographers seldom can.

times per week. Don't use the telephone more than six hours a day—give the firm a show. Don't forget to write all your personal letters during office hours. Don't buy any postage stamps-the of-

Don't ask for a day off more than five

Rags from a Cholera District. NEW YORK, Dec. 10 .- The steamship State of Alabama, which arrived in port from

Bremen, has on board a consignment of rags which had been collected in Hanover, Germany, a district in which the cholera was very prevalent during the past summer. The federal authorities will not permit the land-ing of the rags and the steamship will have to take them back to Bremen.

## TO ASSIST OMAHA'S POOR increased to 1,000. Services will be held each day at the mission.

New City Mission Placed Upon a Sound Financial Footing.

HOW IT WILL PROBABLY BE MANAGED Old People's Theater to Be Secured as

Headquarters-Employment and Homes

Will Be Provided for the Un-

fortunates of the City. A largely attended meeting was held yes terday afternoon in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian association, and the new city mission was placed upon a sound footing, both by moral and financial support. The meeting was attended by about 300 Christian men and women who were there with an earnestness of purpose and intention

that was commendable, and they accomplished a great deal. The city mission was fairly started upon its new road, and a home and employment will be found for the many unfortunates in

the city who at present are not blessed with Rev. Mr. Duryea presided. He stated the object of calling together the Christian men and women of the city, who are ever ready to perform a kindly office for unfortunate humanity. Dr. Duryea said it was the de-sire to place the old Omaha City mission upon a sounder and broader base, where its field of usefulness would be increased and it could more properly perform its duties to the unfortunates of the city, which has grown so rapidly that the number of these people have increased more rapidly than they could prop

### erly be cared for. Evangelist Mills' Ideas.

Rev. B. Fay Mills was on the platform and responded to an invitation to address the meeting. Mr. Mills spoke at length and de tailed his observations and experiences with missions of this nature in the eastern cities. He told of the grand—work accomplished in New York City, Boston and other places His recital of several cases of reclaiming un fortunates who were at the very bottom of the channel of vice and sin, warmed the hearts of those in hearing with sympathy and kindness. Many of the rectaimed are now leading honorable lives, and are good Christians, and they would hardly be recognized as the tottering wrecks of a few year

The evangelist urged that no time be lost In establishing so commendable an institu-tion in Omaha.

Rev. A. W. Clark, who now has the Omaha City mission in charge, was requested to de-tail the proposition and what action was necessary to establish the industrial mission.

Rev. Mr. Clark said that the time had ar rived when the Christian men and women o Omaha should more actively take hold of the matter of looking after the unfortunates who are homeless and out of employment and have been lost to all sense of the better man hood which once prevailed within them The proposition was to secure the old Per The proposition was present the proposition when the proposition of the proposition of the growing scale, such as the demands of the growing

The organization will be composed of three delegates from each church in the city and the ministers will be ex-officio members. I addition to this there will be a board of managers consisting of 200 members of the different churches in the city. The mission will be nonsectarian and will simply be Christian undertaking. In the mission building a reading room will be established. To those who are taken in will be given employment. Several industrial branches are to be established. The girl's sewing school, which consists of 150 members. will be removed there and it is expected to increase the membership to 300 or 400. The mission Sunday school will also be held there and the attendance will probably be

natural and silver turned, at

Several other gentlemen spoke favorably work of subscribing funds. and laymen of the different churches quickly pledged themselves and congregations for sums ranging from \$50 to \$500. It required but a few minutes to secure pledges amount-ing to \$3,738. The total amount it is desired

ing to \$3,738. The total amount it is desired to secure is but \$5,000, and with but \$1,200 to raise it is very evident that the mission will be established and that in the very near future Rev. Mr. Clark stated that there will be no delay in commencing the work of re-modeling the old playhouse. The services of an architect will be secured Monday and the plans will be drawn. Rev. Mr. Roberts of Boston will arrive in the city within a few days and lend his experience in establishing the mission. Rev. Mr. Roberts has devoted a great deal of his attention to this work and his knowledge will be of value in this in-

stance. No time will now be lost in establishing the new mission, and its good work will be soon commenced.

The Great Cattish of the Mississipple New Orleans Times-Democrat: The catfish business, I confess, surprised me as to its magnitude and the uneducated taste of the west with reference to fish One of these firms told me that good fish-redfish, sheepsheads, etc.-were in no request, and sell away below catfish. Some pompano were sent, but the consignee wrote to the shipper, telling him his hogfish were not wanted and would not sell, and he could not dispose of them. While catfish are bought at \$6 per 100 pounds the choice fish are paid less for, and the business in these is insignificant. But catfish are sent away out to Pueblo, Colo.; to Kansas City, Mo.; Leavenworth, Kan., and Topeka, Kan. They are skinned, disemboweled, heads cut off and are packed in boxes of

100 pounds each, with a cake of ice.

The variety they catch and ship are the

mud, blue and fresh water cats. They

range in size from one to twenty-five The fishermen catch only in winter. They bait with sardines, shrimps and small fish. The tishermen are paid \$6 and upward per 150 pounds, and, as the fish only sell for about 6 cents per pound to the western consumer there is not much money in it for the Morgan City Competition seems sharp purchaser. but a good deal of trade is worked in by way of trade, as all the purchasers have a store. I am told that from Morgan City to Melville there are from 800 to 1.000 men engaged in catching catfish. They have floating boats and live on the water during the fishing seasonsay six months-and cut wood in summer. The fish are caught in Bayon Chene, Boutte, Bayou Sorrell, Bloody Bayou, Grand Lake and Lake Chicot. It is said that the Red river water poisons the catfish and forces them up streum.

Will Meet Him Later On. Chicago Pribune: A six-foot spectator with a muscular arm and a hand like a smoked ham rushed in between the two

young men who were pommeling,

scratching and gouging each other and

separated them. 'If you don't stop this," he said, holding them at arm's length and shaking them them till their teeth rattled, "I'll bump you together and break bone in your worthless bodies! Now

the bruised eye and disfigured nose, picking up his hat and shaking his fist at the other young man, "I'll in a foot ball game some day where we can fight this out without interference.

"That's all right," said the youth with

The trial of Clara Allen, arrested for per-jury in the Miller case, has been postponed until next Saturday.