### TROUBLE IS COMING

Prospects of Much Woe for Somebody Promised by the Independents.

INVESTIGATIONS TO BE VERY RIGID

Irregularities of All Sorts to Be Searchingly Looked After.

EX-STATE OFFICERS ARE ACCUSED NOW

Treasurer Hill and Governor Boyd Under the Ban of Populist Disapproval.

SERIOUS NEGLECT OF DUTY IS CHARGED

Hill Said to Be Many Thousands Richer by Reason of the Governor's Failure to Call Him to Account-The Senatorial Situation.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 19 .- [Special Telegram to Tue Bee. ]-Men who have been in attendance at Nebraska legislative sessions for the past twenty-four years say that there was never before a senatorial fight like the present. It has become unbearably dull, and is getting more so every day. Today's vote was indicative of nothing, and in all human probability that of tomorrow will indicate ess. There was some talk this evening of adjourning tomorrow noon after the balloting until Tuesday merning, but the constitutional lawyers said that it would never do as the statute requires a ballot to be taken every day, so a session will be held Satur day. It is stated that the only valid excuse for missing a ballot would be on the ground of no quorum and that such an event would only tide it over for twenty-four hours.

As long as 131 of the 133 members of the joint convention are present, there is little probability that the question of quorum will be raised.

The only curiosity felt concerns the likelihood of changes and what they will probably be, but information from the headquarters of the various candidates is to the effect that the vote tomorrow will be about what it was today. The candidates have remained in their rooms the greater part of the day, and have received the usual number of calls. It was so dull this evening that several of the senatorial managers availed themselves of the opportunity to retire early and prepare for the battle that is to come some time in the future.

#### Only Feature is Boodle.

The talk of coming investigations is all that enlivens the dragging hours. The plan thus far mapped out by the more honest members of the independent contingent is to trust the matter to a subcommittee. It has leaked out that the plan of the boodlers to stave off damaging developments was to secure the appointment of a permanent commission, whose luty it would be to investigate every state institution. The course that was then to be followed was to have the commission begin with the institutions where it is practically certain that everything is all right, deferring taking up those where an investigation is most needed until the last. In this way the developments most to be feared by the boodle gang would not be forthcoming for nearly a year, and it was figured that before that time the public would become satisfied that there was nothing so very rotten after all. The scheme was a pretty one, but it fell through just the same.

### Will Go After Treasurer Hill.

Another leak reveals the fact that the Independents are taking counsel with a view of instituting proceedings against ex-State Treasurer Hill. It is claimed that he is the only state treasurer who has ever refused to invest the permanent school fund in state warrants for the benefit of the temporary school fund. It is rumored that the state funds have been used by a syndicate of Lincoln banks to swell their deposits, about the time their quarterly statement is due or whenever a visit is expected from the national bank examiner, and that the money has been passed around from one bank to another for this purpose. The independent investigators have become imbued with the idea that the ex-treasurer was enabled to pocket between \$150,000 and \$200,000 to which he was not legally entitled during the four years that he held the office of custodian of the state funds, and it is proposed to bring suit to compel him to disgorge.

And in this connection it may be stated that the investigators have taken occasion to severely censure ex-Governor Boyd, be cause of his failure to comply with the laws. Under the law the state officers are required to make a report to the governor every three months under oath of all moneys received by them in the way of perquisites or interest. This report is required, whether there are any such receipts or not. Such a report was never exacted of Treasurer Hill by Governor Boyd, and it is stated as a reason therefor that the treasurer was assumed not to have received any interest for the state money, but the independents are cavorting around just the same, and demandmanding to know why the governor didn't

That there is an abundance of evidence being placed in the hands of the independents there is no reason to doubt. It has also come to the light during the past few days that a number of witnesses whose names were presented to the grand jury with a statement of what they know were not called upon to testify, and some aspersions are being cast upon certain of the grand jurors for that reason. These are the men who are now laying what they know before such of the independents as they know they can trust, and It is certain to come before

the public before the close of the session. Two merchants of this city have already imparted some very damaging information concerning the furnishing of state supplies, and the members of the firm that has been slated for the bill are quaking in their boots. That there is yet to be a shaking up of the dry bones has become a dead and moral certainty. One peculiar feature of the disclosures thus far made is that not a republican member has gone a foot out of his way to assist in uncarthing the hidden things that the public is so anxious to get its eye upon, and it is difficult to see what benefit the republican party is to derive from this session, if at the close all the credit for the investigations must be given to the independents.

#### Rumors from the Pentientlary.

It is whispered that a state of affairs exists at the state penitentiary that will

in a state of insubordination bordering on mutiny, and all because of the treatment that they are receiving under the direction of the prison contractor. It is alleged that the convicts are being overworked to a degree that can scarcely be believed; that they are being worked over hours, and the minimum amount that is required of them is such as to test their skill and powers of endurance to the utmost, while the punishment infileted if they fail to meet the requirements is said to be extremely severe, in fact almost barbarous in its cruelty. It is further charged that not only was the death of Convict Powell due to inhuman punishment, but that another convict who recently met his death under the wheels of a car within the penitentiary walls threw himself under the car, preferring death to a further endurance of the treatment that was accorded him-

Contractor Dorgan Insists that there is nothing in it, and that such reports are circulated every time the legislature is in sesslon, and says that the convict last referred to would not suicide, as he had only two searching and rigid investigation.

### Independent Senatorial Caucus.

The independents caucused tonight, but nothing of moment developed. It is given out that there will be a few changes in the populist votes recorded tomorrow, but they do not propose to begin their fight in earnest until Tuesday. In all probability a few of their votes will be cast for Church Howe.

The independents will insist on taking a ballot in each house next Tuesday in order that no loophole in the way of illegality may be left open. The anti-Powers faction tried to force the caucus to a nomination tonight in order to compel the nomination of Powers right away and thus give them ample time to kill him off before the battle became in-

One of the democratic leaders in the house stated today that it had been thoroughly demonstrated that the democrats and independents would never be able to agree on the senatorial question and the republicans would elect their man if they could mass their strength on one candidate, as there were enough independents with strong republican predelictions to carry them to that side of the fence when it came to a close finish. He was satisfied that the republicans held the key to the situation.

#### Senatorial Program Adopted.

The senatorial program as adopted today by the republicans is to allow Paddock to have all the time he wants to develop his latent resourses, and it is stated that none of the others will uncover much more force than has so far been shown, until after Paddock has become discouraged and lies down from sheer exhaustion. Then the plan is to allow Thurston to come on and show what he can do, and after him, Crounse will be given an opportunity. It is a great scheme, as but one candidate will be keyed up to concert pitch at a time. It is stated tonight that the sale of pools on the senatorial race will begin next Monday at the various sporting resorts.

The independent caucus last night tried to place a rule on every member of that faction requiring him to stand firm and to give two days' notice whenever he desired to release himself from the compact. A member asked what good a two days' notice would do if they were approaching the final baflot, and when the impracticability of the move was apparent it was withdrawn

# It is stated tonight that ex-Chief Justice

Amasa Cobb of Lincoln is to be a member of the supreme court commission, in case the bill goes through, and it is certain that it will pass, as all parties are favorable, and the supreme judges are working for it. It is rumored that Judge Samuel Chapman of Plattsmouth and Judge M. L. Hayward of Nebraska City will be the other two members of the commission, but the names of ex-District Judge Francis G. Hamar of Kearney, ex-District Judge Allen W. Field of Lincoin and ex-District Judge Barnes of Norfolk are also mentioned in this connection. Corporate Activity.

There has been an awakening of the tele phone lobby within the past twenty-four hours. The cause was the introduction of three telephone bills, and it is realized that a counter irritant cannot be applied too soon

to suit the interests of this corporation. The railroads are figuring to prolong the senatorial fight, for reasons that are obvious. After consultations with General Hawley, attorney for the Elkhorn, Captain Lorenzo Billingsly, attorney for the Rock Island, W. R. Kelly, assistant general solicitor for the Union Pacific, and B. P. Waggoner of Atchison, general solicitor of the Missouri Pacific. T. M. Marquette, general solicitor for the Burlington, yesterday assumed the position of supervising political engineer of the railroad combine, and all orders relative to the actions of the railroad lobby during the remainder of the winter will emanate from his

### headquarters in the Burr block.

On General Orders. It is stated that Judge William Neville, Judge Beach I. Himman and several other ex-democratic populists, who are here help ing the wheels go 'round, are doing so at the instance of the democratic national committee. This information was allowed to drop the other evening by Congressman Me-Keighan, while in a high and glorious bender, when he claimed that he was the medium through which this deal was effected. Speaking of McKeighan's drinknail Mr. Hill every quarter, as required by | ing, he was asked a few nights ago when on one of his periodic bibulous indulgences why he did not take some gold cure. He replied that he did not have to, and said that as long as Carlisle and other eminent Americans could take their toddy and have nothing come of it, he should continue to smile when-

#### ever he felt like it. Omahogs at the Capital.

Pat O Hawes was taken sick this morning and left for home as soon as he learned that his lonesome vote for senator had taken flight. He hastened out and bought 25 cents worth of quinine and eleven neckties at 6 cents apiece, and immediately shook the dust

of the capital city from his moccasins. W. J. Broatch of Omaha is here, and is apparently finding sweet comfort in the presence of Paul Vandervoort.

### Blaine Stronger and Better.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 19 .- Dr. Johnston, after visiting Mr. Blaine, said that the patient had improved since yesterday and was stronger and brighter today.

Mr. Blaine's physician, who visited him soon after 7 o'clock this evening, reported no material change in Mr. Blaine's condition. There seemed to be some improvement so far as his physical strength is concerned.

Movements of Ocean Steamers January 19. At Hamburg—Arrived—Slavonia, from Baltimore At Fastnet-Signaled -Eruttic, from New York, for Liverpool and Queenstown.

At Philadelphia—Arrived—Verbie, from

ereate a sensation when it is fully uncovered. It is charged that the convicts are

#### PREPARING FOR THE FUNERAL

Remains of Ex-President Hayes Lying in State at His Old Home.

Prominent Americans of All Shades of Politics Do Honor to His Noble and Patriotic Career - Thousands Flocking to Fremont.

TOUCHING TRIBUTES TO HIS MEMORY

FREMONT, O., Jan. 19.-Two members of Rawson post, Grand Army of the Republic, of which General Haves was a member. kept vigil beside the remains of the late expresident last night. The remains have been embalmed and lie in the southwest bed-They present a most lifelike appear-

Wisconsin commandery. Loyal Legion, has months longer to serve. The penitentiary, telegraphed its sympathies. By order however, should be made the object of a of Governor McKinley both regiments of the state militia, battery D, and the Toledo cadets will take part in the funeral services.

Among the arrivals this morning was Hon. William Henry Smith, general manager of the Associated Press, formerly secretary of state of Ohio. Rev. Dr. Bashford, who will conduct the services, will arrive tomorrow morning.

Governor McKinley and the members of the state legislature will arrive tomorrow time for the funeral, besides Foster, Rusk, Noble and Wanamaker of President Harrison's cabinet. Fully 10,000 strangers are expected to be present from all parts of the country. Many business houses are closed today, and all vill be closed tomorrow. A special committee of citizens are arranging to take care of the unusual throngs for this quiet town. Meals will be served in the parlors of the churches.

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Halls and other public places and private residences have been placed at the disposal of the committees for the accommodation of visitors. It has been decided, at the urgent request of the citizens, to forego the funeral at the house and conduct the services at the Methodist church. The ceremonies will take place at 2 p. m., Friday.

#### Fremont in Mourning.

The citizens of this little city feel that the funeral tomorrow represents their personal efforts, as well as those of the nation, and have been busy today preparing to do honor to the dead patriot and statesman whose remains are lying in state tonight in his own chamber in his beloved homestead at Spieger Grove. There is no ostentation anywhere, but tokens of mourning are seen on every hand, simple and touching, as befits the memory of the illustrious departed. Tenight a detachment from the Sons of Veterans stand in military order in the hall and by the pier while some of the friends of Course. bier, while some of the friends of General Hayes pass slowly by, viewing the familiar face. He lies in repose peacefully as asleep

in the trust of a Christian faith.

Many friends have arrived from out of town. Mrs. Austin and Miss Avery coming in from Cleveland this evening. General. Mitchell, Rutherford Platt and General Ful

lerton, from Columbus will arrive tonight.

The services temorrow will be as simple as
the life lived by the dead statesman. No words will be spoken above the bier save those of scripture and of prayer, and the singing of simple hymns will complete the service. General Hayes wished that no culogy be pronounced at either the house or cometery, and his wish will be observed.

The finest display tomorrow will be by the cavalry. The First cavalry of Cleveland, of which General Hayes' son, Webb, is a member, will be the guard of honor. It is considered the finest cavalry organization in the west and will make an impressive showing. The Toledo cadets, the crack infentry company of the Ohio National guard, and the Sixteeuth regiment, with Battery D of Toledo, will add to the quiet majesty of the

the funeral procession.

The finest decorations in the city are those upon the Burchard library, the gift of General Hayes' uncle, Sardis Burchard, to the city. It is a beautiful brick and stone structure and the crape and bunting with which the cityers' compilers the decorated. which the citizens' committee has decorated it make a fine effect.

Mr. Haves' old regiment the Twenty-third Ohio volunteer infantry, will not only be represented by Governor McKinley, who enlisted as a private in it, but Mr. Ben Killam of Cleveland, the secretary of the regimental association and a delegate from the grizzled old veterans who loved General Hayes, will be here to pay the tribute of their presence to his worth

Flowers in elaborate pieces are coming in in great numbers, but they have not been arranged tonight and a description cannot

### Lying in State

The remains were viewed this evening after 7 o'clock by such citizens of Fremont as could conveniently do so. They lay in General Hayes' own room. The school children, civic bodies of Fremont and general public will be permitted to view the remains tomorrow forenoon beginning at 9 o'clock.

The funeral services will be simple and impressive. At 2 o'clock the family, personal friends and dignitaries from abroad will assemble in the parlors. The xxiii psalm will be read by the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. Immediately afterward a favorite hymn will be sung by Prof. Alfred Arthur of Cleveland, leader of the regi-Arthur of Cieveland, leader of the regi-mental band, and David H. Kimberly of the Twenty-third Ohio, assisted by a quartet. Prayer will then be offered by Dr. James W. Bashford, president of Ohio Wesleyan uni-versity. There will be no sermon. The services will close with shiging and the Lord's prayer. The Grand Army ritual, which is very simple, will be used at the cemetery. The Ohio National Guard and other military bodies will be in the procession. Colonel Henry C. Corbin, assistant adjutant genera the United States army, who will have arge of the ceremonies, arrived from Washington this evening.

Many Messages of Condolence. Several of the trains bringing people to Fremont are delayed. The Washington train is reported several hours late. Presi-dent-elect Cleveland will arrive tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, and will the arrangements for tomorrow. The com ing of Mr. Cleveland has occasioned and pleasant comment, and is a great gratification to the family and friends of the illu trious citizen. It is regarded as a most deli-cate and dignified tribute, worthy of the man once president, and chosen time to fill the highest office in the gift of

Messages of condolence were this evening from Whitelaw Reid, C. G. Put-nam, commander, and V. T. Twombley, renam, commander, and V. T. Twombley, recorder, of the lowa department. Grand Army
of the Republic; William A. Manning, acting
president of the Catholic Total Abstinence
union of Ohio, and W. P. Huxford, recorder
of the Military Order, of Loyal Legion; John
W. Jacobus of New York, C. S. Grosvener of
Athens City, O.; W. P. Rutherford, for the
Military Order of Loyal Legion; E. A. Merritt of Pottsdam, N. Y.; Theodore Sterling,
president of Kenyon college; L. M. Lange,
department commander of the Minnesota
Grand Army of the Republic; Francis Murphy and Levoy N. Thoman of the Ohio Society of Chicago.

#### ciety of Chicago. To Honor the Dead.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE PLATTE, 1 Омана. Neb. Jan. 19.—In compliance with instructions of the president as an expression of the public sorrow on the death of Rutherford B. Hayes, ex-president of the United States, the secretary of war directs that on the day of the funeral. Friday the 20th inst., at each military post the troops and cadets will be paraded and this order read to them, after which all labors of the day will cease. The national flag will be displayed at half staff. At dawn of day thirteen guns will be fired and after at intervals of thirty minutes between the rising

and setting of the sum a single gun, and at close of the day a national salute of forty-four guns. The officers of the army will wear crape on the left arm and on their swords and the colors of the battalion of engineers of the several regiments and of the United States corps of cadets will be put in mourning for the period of six months. The date of the funeral will be communicated by department commanders to their subordinate to Manslaughter.

FOUR YEARS FOR MRS. MASON

began talking. I begged of him to go away, but he wouldn't do it. He wanted me to move up town. He said he would fix up rooms for me and would fixed in his face."

This closed her statement to the court and amid bysterical sobs she was obliged to retire to the attorneys' consultation room. department commanders to their subordinate

#### commanders. IN GOVERNMENT CIRCLES.

Both the Army and Navy Will Go Into Mourning for the Ex-President. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19 .- In general rders issued today, announcing the death of ex-President Hayes, Major General Schofield directs that "on the day of the funeral

at each military post, the troops and cadets be paraded and this order rend to them. after which all labors of the day will cease. "The national flag will be displayed at half mast. "At dawn of day thirteen guns will be fired, and afterward at intervals of thirty

minutes between the rising and setting of the sun a single gun, and at the close of day a national salute of forty-four guns. The officers will wear crape on the left arm and their swords, and the colors of the battallion engineers of the several regiments and the United States corps of cadets will be put in mourning for a period of six months." By direction of the secretary of war the following officers are detailed to repair to Fremont, O., and attend the funeral: Brigadie General Joseph C. Breckinridge in-spector general: Colonel George D. Ruggles assistant adjutant general; Lieutenant Colonel Marshall I. Ludington, deputy quar-termaster general; Lieutenant Colonel H. C. Corbin, assistant adjutant general; Cap-tain Tasker H. Bliss, aid-de-cump to the major general commanding the army.

## Orders to the Navy. Acting Secretary Soley of the Navy department issued an order to the navy directing that on the day of the functal the flag at each naval station and of each of the vessels of the United States navy in commission be hoisted at half mast from sunrise to sunset, and at each naval station and on board of the ships and vessels acting singly a gun be fired at intervals of every half hour from sunrise to sunset. The of-

half hour from sunrise to sunset. The of-ficers of the navy and marine corps will wear the usual badge of mourning for a period of thirty days.

It is in accord with the wishes of the fam-ily that the usual military honors be omitted at the funeral. The military escort for an ex-president includes nearly the entire strength of the army, so its omission on this occasion means a great deal.

occasion means a great deal.

An order has been issued by General S. S.
Yoder, commander-in-chief of the Union Veteranz union, directing that each depart-ment headquarters and precinct command place a becoming evidence of mourning in their respective halls for sixty days, and that each command hold at an early date memorial services expressive of esteem and

#### As Representatives of the President. Secretary Charles Foster, Postmaster General Wanamaker and Secretaries Noble and Rusk left here at 11:30 o'clock this morn-

and Rusk left here at 11:20 o'clock this morning on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad for Fremont, O., to attend the funeral of ex-President Hayes, as the special representatives of President Harrison. They were accompanied by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Rathburn, representing the Ohio Republican association of this city. With the exception of Representative Haynes, the Ohio delegation will ust attend the funeral. Senator Sherman found that his presence was needed in Washington, and others will probably be kept away.

probably be kept away.

The white house and all the executive departments were draped in mourning today and will wear their sable emblems of sorrow and will wear their sable emblems of sorrow. for a period of thirty days. All the departments will be closed tomor by.
Secretary Foster of the Treasury depart-

ment issued an order closing all the subtreasday of the funeral of ex-President Haves.

### Patriotic and an American.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19 .- Among the persons who served through the war with ex-President Hayes is Representative Enochs of Ohio, who for four years was in the same brigade and division with General Hayes and was associated with him intimately. Today he said:

General Hayes was a soldier because he felt that he was right. He was fighting in defense of his country. Without malice, without estentation, without anything else in view except his duty as a soldier of our country, he served in that great war from

the beginning to its close.

"No man has ever come in contact with ex-President Hayes in the army or in civil life who did not love him. No soldier in that war was more popular than he. He never sought promotion or advancement through political influences. He won his promotion as a soldier on the field, and when he got that promotion it belonged to him of right.
"In all respects he was a splendid type of the patriotic American citizen."

#### Mr. Cleveland Enroute to Fremont. Lakewood, N. J., Jan. 19.-Presidentelect Cleveland left here early this morning for Fremont, O., to attend the funeral of the late ex-President Hayes. He will return

Sunday night or Monday morning. Washington, D. C., Jan. 19.—Secretaries Foster, Noble, Rusk and Wanamaker, left for Fremont this morning to attend Hayes'

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—President-elect Grover Cleveland and Private Secretary Robert L. O'Brien arrived here on the Hudson River limited train at 2:35 this afternoon on their way to Fremont, O., to attend the funeral of ex-President Hayes. The train stopped here for twenty-five minutes and Mr. Cleveland was greeted by Lieutenant Governor Sheehan and others.

### McKinley's Proclamation

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 19.—Governor McKin ley issued a proclamation today, giving official notice of the death of ex-President Hayes, reciting the facts of his life and public services, and recommending that flags over all public buildings and school houses be put at half-staff till after the funeral; that at the first opportunity thereafter the people assemble in their places of divine worship and hold memorial services, and ordering that, on the day of the funeral, the executive offices of the state be closed.

### Will Attend in a Body.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 19 .- A special train will convey a large party from Cleveland to Fremont tomorrow morning. The city council will go in a body, accompanied by many of the city officials. The Cleveland members of General Hayes' regiment, the Twenty second, will be in the funeral procession, and the National guard will accompany them as a military escort. The Cleveland companies of the Loyal Legion met today and decided to attend the funeral in a body.

In Eulogy of Ex-President Hayes. Columbus, O., Jan. 19.—The joint legislalive committee, appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of ex-President Hayes, this afternoon completed its work, and at the evening session of the house and senate the resolutions were approved and immediately adopted, and adjournment was taken to 3 p. m. Monday. The resolution eloquent eulogy on the ex-president. The resolutions are an

New Your, Jan. 19 .- The New York commandery of the Loyal Legion at a meeting in this city this afternoon passed resolutions of condolence on the death of ex-President Hayes and selected Colonel J. J. Slocum and General W. J. Swayne a committee to represent the commandery at the funeral.

The Death Roll. London, Jan. 19 .- Lord Elphinstone died yesterday in Musselburgh, Scotland.

Every Detail of Her Wretched Experience Told in Open Court-Her Lawyer's Plen for Mercy Heeded A Most Re-

markable Story.

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 19.- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. ] - The most dramatic incident ever witnessed in the court room of the olg brick and stone building belonging to Adams county transpired this afternoon, when Mrs. Anna B. Mason was arraigned on the charge of murdering Delayan S. Cole and, pleading guilty to manslaughter, was sencenced to four years in the penitentiary.

Just about half-past 4 or a quarter to 5 Mrs. Mason was brought into the court room, dressed in black, with a tearful face. Her former erect carriage and the defiant abandon of her blue eyes were entirely changed. She was no longer witheringly haughty in her looks, but cowed and subdued in spirit. It was not expected that the case would be called up before the March term of the district court, but it seemed that other arrangements had been made, This was an adjourned session of the November, 1892, term, and the jury for that term had been long since discharged. The court room was about described, a few attorneys and court officials being about the only spectators present. Some minor case had just been settled, when Judge F. B. Beall turned inquiringly toward County Attorney W. P. McCreary and asked if anything else was to come before the court.

### Pleaded Guilty to Manslaughter.

An unusual hush came over the room as the prosecutor, in the semi-twilight, read the complaint which charged Mrs. Mason with killing Delavan S. Cole on the night of August I last.

As he finished he asked the defendant in the usual formula: "Which do you plead, guilty or not guilty!"

Her attorney, E. E. Ferris, arose and said: "To this charge the defendant pleads not guilty. However, the defendant offers to enter a plea of guilty to manslaughter."

Through the county attorney the state acepted the plea. Mr. Ferris asked that before the court pronounced sentence he listen to a statement of facts which the defendant would make. She first tried to rise, but at the suggestion of Mr. McCreary was allowed to make her statements while seated. There was a general noise of moving chairs as she paused a moment before starting. Insubstance she said:

#### Marriage and Poverty.

"I was married about six years ago. For a long time my husband and I were very happy. At times, however, he felt badly Then we went to Denver and staid there for about four years. He felt badly all the time. We came back here finally. My husband at one time went away for six months and I didn't know where he was. Then he came back and we moved on a farm about two miles west of the asylum. Then we took up a claim out west

"We were very poor, and he had to borrow money. For a time he was contented, but they [his people] kept writing for him to come home. I didn't want him to come back to Hastings and he said he would not, but before I knew it he had made arrangements to come back. Then he said, 'You go to your folks and I'll go to mine.' It was planned to begin housekeeping again as soon as we could afford it, but gradually all talk of that kind dropped. I to get up a class to take lessons from me on the piano, but I couldn't do it. Then I came up town and tried to learn bookkeeping; then I go very sick, and after I recovered Ed |her hus band) came to take me out riding. He said he would get a divorce, and of course that didn't please me. I begged of him not to do it, and the next 1 heard from him he said he'd go to housekeeping again, but he didn't seem to want to do it."

#### Here her emotions proved too strong for her and she broke for a moment. After taking a sip of water she continued:

Sickness, Temptation and Fall. "Father was taken very sick and I went down to take care of him. He died and I stayed with mother awhile, and then I went to live with my sister again. I continued to give lessons and used to practice or a plano belonging to Mrs. Michael [Cole's daughter]. I used to go twice a day, and as she was often not at home I had to go over to Mr. Cole's to get the key. He used to come over and talk to me. He wanted to know why my nusband and I did not live together. I said we were too poor. Mr. Cole said he was well off and had a number of farms and he could help us. Then he asked me not to tell Ed about it. He asked me if I wouldn't like to do something to pay for the lessons I was taking, and then he wanted me to do writing for the design.

for him at his office, but I wouldn't do it. "He kept urging me and making promises as to what he'd do for Ed and me, and I told him to go away, but he kept coming back. Finally I went to his office."

This was the occasion of another out-burst of emotion on her part, and it was with difficulty that she recovered herself. "He locked the door on me and said I'd have to do as he told me to, and I soon found out what that meant. It made angry and I determined to make him do I kept going to his office, but he

#### didn't keep his promises to me. Cole's Fate Settled

"My husband found it out some way and I confessed it all to him. It made him angry and he said, 'That man has got to die, and it you won't kill him I will.' I discouraged it but he kept urging me, and finally I said that if he thought it was my duty I would do it. About three weeks before Mr. Cole was shot he [Ed] gave me a revolver and showed me how to use it. He urged me on and said that if I didn't use it said that if I didn't use it before long he would do it himself. I told him I was afraid to do it. I had a meeting with Mr. Cole and I tried to get spirit enough up to kili him, but my courage failed me. It was over by Mr. Burton's house, and so I made several attempts, but always

"On Sunday afternoon [July 31] Ed came over and said that I mustn't delay a moment longer, and for me not to fail again. It was plauned for that night, but Mr. Cole did not appear. Monday afternoon I was out at Ed's farm west of the asylum. Ed and I went out for a walk and wouldn't let the little girl go with us. Mrs. Mason [Ed's mother] asked me to come again the next day. Ed told me again not to delay.

#### Arranged for His Death. "On Monday evening about 8 o'clock Mr.

Cole and Mr. Fergus came down to our house to fix a pig pen. I thought that if I had this to do I might as well do it. I was nearly wild. I thought I knew about what time they would go home and I met Mr. Cole up the road and made arrangements for a meeting on the road south of his place and he went home.
"I told him I couldn't leave home until

about 10 o'clock. At that time I left and went to the place. He didn't come and I thought, 'Will I have to wait another night?' Then I started home, and when I got to the old house I saw a man sitting in the doorway. I didn't know who it was an iso I asked, who are you? Then I knew who it was I went over and we went into the house and

amid hysterical sobs the was obliged to re-tire to the attorneys' consultation room. Her physician, Dr. VanSickle, followed her

#### with a medicine case. SHE MAKES A SENSATIONAL CONFESSION Statement by Her Counsel.

As the door closed upon her Mr. Ferris, her attorney, addressed the court, giving the reasons which impelled him to enter a plea of guilty of manslaughter for his client. It was his firm conviction that she was crazy that might and that the strain since had been terrible. In order to make this con-fession to the court she had been kept all day under the influence of stimukept all day under the influence of stimu-lants. When he was sammoned to act as her attorney she related her story to him, much as she told it to the court, some details as to her poverty being given more fully. He told her that, with his experience in Adams county juries, he did not believe that one could be empanelled which would find her guilty of more than mansiaughter at the most; probably she would be acquitted. She could escape the penicatiary, but she would go to an insane asylum. He would not per-mit her to go through the ordeal in order to prevent her becoming such a wreck, "Your honor," he said, "although there is

# "Your honor," he said, "although there is no manslaughter here, she pleads guilty. The maximum theory of the law is ten years in the penitentiary, but I do not think the court will give her such a sentence."

By the Prosecution. As he closed, Judge Beall turned to Mr. McCreary, asking if he wished to say anything. He answered that of course it was his duty as a public prosecutor and in the interest of right that the state give its reasons for accepting such a plea. There was no doubt but the defendant committed the crime, and the majesty of the law demanded a just benuity. On Monday last Sheriff Cranse summoned him from his office, saying that Mrs. Mason wished to speak to him. He went to the jail as requested, and Mrs Mason then made substantially the same confession to him that she had made to the court. It was the most the state could do to secure a conviction of manslaughter. It was his honest conviction that there were a num-ber of other things which led up to this plea of manslaughter, yet the law proof manslaughter, yet the law pro-vided that a penalty commensurate vided that a penalty commensurate with the crime be inflicted. Mr. McCreary in his statement did not ask the court to give her the maximum penalty, but simply asked that a just penalty be granted.

Mr. Ferris again spoke, and said that however light might be the penalty, he would use all the influence he could bring to bear to reduce the penalty still further by asking executive elemency. While it might not be proper for a court room, he would say that she had in a few months past had a complete change take place in her life.

Sentenced to Four Years. Judge Beall asked if the defendant could stand her sentence at that time. Mr. Ferris stated that any further suspense would sim-ply prey on the mind of the defendant and ggravate latent insanity. Judge Beall stated that the statements of

the prisoner had moved him profoundly, and said that if he impose too heavy a sentence he would hope that some higher power would lessen the punishment. He therefore sen-tenced the prisoner to four years in the peni-

Mrs. Mason gave a scream, put her hands to her head and would have fallen to her chair had she not been caught. A few moments after she was led from the room down stairs to the jail. J. C. Hartigan, one of Ed Mason's attorneys, was seen by The Bee reporter. He declined to state what he thought of the sentence, but he would say as one of Cole's attorneys in his life time that he would not have taken the task of defending Ed Mason

#### had he not been convinced that his client was innocent. CRASHED INTO A STALLED TRAIN.

Carelessness of a Signal Agent Causes Serious Railroad Accident. JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 19 .- The 6 o'clock local train for Newark on the Pennsylvania road broke down this evening on the meadows just beyond the Hackensack river. The signal agent supposing the train had gone beyond his block, signaled to the Chesapeake & Ohio express immediately following that the road was clear. The express crashed into the stalled train, completely telescoping it. One passenger was killed outright and fourteen wounded.

Although the Newark local was crowded, only one passenger was killed. He was John Blewett of Newark, There were fourteen persons injured, two of them fatally.

HENRY MARTINDALE, engineer of the New-

ark local, had crawled under his engine to find out what part of the machinery had broken, and when the collision occurred the was broken and he was internally injured.

Mrs. A. Decker, Newark, collar bone and

two ribs broken; will probably die.

Among the other injured passengers are: MRS. WASHINGTON STANSBURY, compound

fracture of leg. George B. Estey, leg broken PATRICK J. McLEAN, ankle broken. Moses Ginninger, head cut.

W. Ashley, head cut.

The others injured sustained slight cuts and bruises. The injured were brought to this city, where physicians had been summoned by the railroad officials. Their wounds were dressed at the depot, and, with the exception of Mrs. Stansbury and Engineer Martindale, all

MISS HENRIETTA BERGER, arm broken

#### were sent to their homes. Signal Agent June could not be found to night. The Jersey City police have sent out a general alarm for his arrest.

Bad Wreck in Texas. EL Paso, Tex., Jan. 19. An extra eastbound stock special on the Galveston, Houston & San Antonio road ran into a herd of cattle on a public crossing seven mues west of Alpine at 4:30 this afternoon. The engine and nine empty box cars were wrecked. Ear gineer I. N. Roland stuck to his engine and was instantly killed, being badly mangled from the hips down. Brakeman McNulty re-ceived slight injuries. Eight cars of sheep Eight cars of sheep omposing the rear half of the train escaped

### DR. BRIGGS' CASE.

minjured.

Grounds on Which it Will Be Appealed to the General Assembly. New York, Jan. 19.—The Briggs case will be appealed to the general assembly. In furtherance of this action the prosecuting committee filed tonight with Rev. Dr. Saul D. Alexander, the clerk of the presbytery, its

otice of appeal. 'Under ordinary conditions," says the committee, "the prosecution committee would have taken the appeal to the synod of New York, but it does not appear best to do. so in this exceptional case for the fonowing

reasons:
"To secure the peace and quiet of the church a final determination of the funda-mental and important questions involved should be reached by the court of last re-sort at the earliest practicable date. As this case involves doctrine, it must be firmly determined by the general assembly. The delay in reaching an ultimate decision through an appeal by way of the synod, could not be less than a year, during which the character of the instruction given our candidates for the gospel ministry might be mfavorably affected. By securing the peedy decision of the court of last resort in his case, neither the rights nor the interests

of any individual would suffer."
The grounds of appeal are: First.—Irregularity in the proceedings.
(Twelve specifications.)
Sec...d.—Receiving improper testimony.
(Three specifications.)
Three.—Declining to receive important tes-

timony. (Two specifications.)
Fourth.—Manifestation of prejudice in the conduct of the case.t (Six specifications.) Fifth. Mistake and injustice in the de-

### TROUBLE OVER WATER RATES

Des Moines People Determined to Have a Reduction Made.

ANXIOUS TO PURCHASE THE PLANT

City Councilmen Charged with Boodling and Working in the Interests of the Corporation-Will Be Settled Next Week.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 19 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE |-This city has for a month past been agitated on the water works question. The plant is at present owned and operated by a private corporation, of which F. M. Hubbell is president and under the present agreement the city is compelled to pay \$80,000 a year for fire protection and private consumers are charged a burdensome rate. An ordinance has been pending before the city council for lowering the water rates and the question of city purchase of the water works has been warmly agitated. Several mass meetings have been held on the subject, and newspapers have teemed with water works articles. The climax came last night when the city council took up the proposed ordinance for third

reading and passage. The council chamber was packed with the committee of 100 citizens and representatives on both sides of the question. Heated on both sides of the question. Heated speeches were indulged in and charges of bribery and corruption recklessly bandied about. Soveral serious altercations between aldermen and private parties were narrowly averted and the lie was given on several occasions. A vote was finally reached on the passage of the ordinance, and it was lost on a tie, four voting for and four against. The vote was reconsidered, and will come up again Monday evening next. On motion of Alderman Goodrell a resolution was adopted Alderman Goodrell a resolution was adopted providing for an investigation of the charges of bribery and corruption against himself and others who voted against the passage of the ordinance. Some sensational developments are expected to follow.

#### To Improve the Industry.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Jan. 19 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.-The sixteenth annual meeting of the American Poland China Record association has just closed. There was an unusually large number of the members of the association in attendance. The proceedings were of no general interest. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Vice presidents, A. C. Moore, Illinois; C. F. Jones, Michigan; James Trelear, Wisconsm; Elias Gallup, Celorado; J. H. Bebecut, Indiana; C. H. Potter, Kansas; L. S. Wright, Illinois; F. M. Vail, Missouri; G. W. Plank, Minnesota; H. C. Dawson, Nebraska; W. A. James, Kentucky; W. Z. Swallow, Iowa; secretary, W. M. McFadden, West Liberty, Ia.; treasurer, D. L. Howard, Greene, Ia.; directors, G. M. Cantrall, Illinois; H. M. Sisson, Illinois; G. Murdock, Iowa; J. C. Shaw, Illinois; G. Murdock, Iowa; J. C. Shaw, Illinois; J. W. Blockford, Iowa; J. V. Wolfe, Nebraska; C. S. Barclay, Iowa. The next meeting will be held in this city in February, 1894. bers of the association in attendance. The

Alleged Blackmailers in Trouble. Stoux Cirv, Ia., Jan. 19 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-The grand jury has been at work now for ten days examining witnesses and collecting evidence in the cases against Atlee Hart, the Nebraska politician, and J. T. Lewis and George Crosby, his assistants, who are accused of blackmailing prominent citizens out of over \$5,000 by threatening to publish scurrilous stories about them. Over 100 witnesses have been examined and fifty more have been sub-pænaed. It will be a week before the inves-tigation is concluded. The evidence so far is a repetition of what has been published

### and is damaging to the defendants

FORT DODGE, Ia., Jan. 19.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Noah Parish, a tramp arrested a week ago for jumping a board bill. has proven to be a professional crook. He was turned over to Sheriff Unger of Cherokee, la., where he is wanted for forging his brother's name to a note. He is also wanted in Clark county for larceny. He picked the pocket of a fellow prisoner while in jail here.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 19 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-A portion of the damage suit of the Ovide Musin Concert company against the Chicago & Northwestern was settled today, namely the one for personal injuries to Mr. Musin. The company paid

# him \$3,000 for the injuries received in the wreck of the 12th inst. The other claims will be contested.

Attached the Funds. Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 19.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The deposit of the Scougal & Co. bank that failed at Yanktor vesterday carried with the Sioux National in this city, was attached by creditors today. The Sloux National filed a first lien for \$2,000 The deposit is said to amount to about

#### DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 19.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Governor Boies has appointed Dr. Couniff of Sioux City to succeed Dr. Clark of McGregor on the State Board of Health.

Conniff Succeeds Clark.

WON BY THE DURIS SIDE. First Round in the Evangelical Church Fight in Nebraska.

Hastinas, Neb., Jan. 19.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE | One of the most important cases which has ever been decided in. Adams county was covered today by a decission made by Judge F. B. Beall. It bears the title of Powers and others against Budy and others, and is a temporary injunction, restraining the defendants from using certain church property, located near Kenesaw, Really, it is a fight between the Bowman-Escher and the Dubbs factions of the German Evangelical church for the possession of this property. By common consent the two factions agreed to hinge all similar cases in Nebraska and Iowa on the result of this suit. The battle was fought at the November term of the district court, a host of attorneys from all over the state being represented. Today Judge Beall stated that he had prepared an claborate opinion on the case, but he had left it at his home in Alma. He therefore simply decided for the defendants, the Dubbs faction, and dissolved the temporary injunction. An appeal to the supreme court of the state will be taken to make a precedent for No-

gram to Tuz Bzz. ]-J. M. Kemper, a farmer residing a few miles from this city was thrown from his wagon today and seriously injured about the head. Last night the rear of Kemp, Putt & Co.'s dry goods store caught fire from a pan of hot ashes. The flames were extinguished before any damage was done. O. E. Miller and Miss Kittle Honn both of this city were married this evening at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents.

FARMONT, Neb., Jan. 19.—[Special Tele-

They immediately went to housekeeping in the east part of town. Will Investigate the Charges SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 19 .- The assem-

bly today appointed a committee of seven to investigate the charges made by Representative Breth yesterday that corrupt means had been used to induce Assemblyman Kearns to vote for White for United States senator.