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PREACHER SANDBAGS OMAHA

former Pastor of Southwest Presbyterian Church Gets Into Print.

HIGNS AN ARTICLE FULL OF FALSEHOOD

itatoments as to Bad Moral and Material Condition of the City Refated by Facts Given by Business Men.

Rev. Thomas C. Hall, formerly of this city, but now occupying a pulpit in Chicago, is the author of an attack on Omaha realty and religious interests, which was published in a recent issue of the Outlook, a New York weekly periodical. In an article entitled "Gambling in Real Estate," he sandbags the town in a manner that causes amazement and indignation among those who are famillar with facts which differ widely with the centiments expressed by the writer.

Among other things, he says:

Houses are even now falling to pieces with-put tenants. Ministers left pulpits to go into the real estate business and are now stranded and discredited, hawking books or picking up a precarious existence that reflects no credit on their calling. Others found themselves so loaded with debt that all further religious in-fluence there was impossible. * * * Business blacked with debt impossible. * * * Business stopped. The town now lies like a poor, frembling debauchee, paralyzed and suffering after the mad exclement of the boom. It is the hardest field for religious work known to religious teachors. Statistics of "Moral Decrepitude."

With relation to Mr. Hall's alarm at the Blieged moral decrepitude of Omaha, statistics show that there are ninety-two churches and ten missions in this city at present. The former are accredited to the following denominations: Baptist 10. (atholic 11. Christian 4, Congregational 9, Restitutionist 1, Episcopal 11, Evangelical 6, Evangelical Lutheran 10, Jewish 3, Latter Day Saints 1, Free Methodist 1, Methodist Episcopal 19, Presbyterian 17, Unitarian 2, Universalist 1, Salvation Army 1, and Seventh Day Adventists 1.

Seventh Day Adventists 1. A local canvass among the clergy develops the fact that Mr. Hall's theory has no ad-vocates in this city. The only church in serious financial straits is the Southwest Presbyterian, of which Mr. Hall was the former pastor.

The veracity of figures, especially those of official record, has long been pro-verbial. The assertions of Mr. Hall are re-futed by the records of city finances and clearings. An examination of the figures in the city treasurer's office yesterday revealed the fact that the regular tax collections for 1887 were \$370,855.56, while the collections for 1893 reached the gratifying aggregate of \$775,744.85. The total assessed valuation of property in Omana for 1887 was \$16,514,744, while the assessed valuation for 1893 was \$20,472,016, an increase of \$3,897,272 during the period when Mr. Hall said that gloom and apathy reigned supreme. The assessed valuation is about one-twentieth of the ac-tual value of property. The balance on hand in the city treasurer's office on December 31,

1893, was \$587,378.69. Bank clearings have long been regarded as a basis for the ousiness activity of a com-munity. Mr. W. H. S. Hughes, manager of the Omaha Clearing House association, yesterday stated that the clearings of Omaha in 1887 were \$137,220,534, while in 1893 they reached \$316,416,873. Mr. Hughes expressed surprise at the stupendous ignorance of facts manifested by Mr. Hall in his article, especially that portion which conveyed the impression that the city was in a helpless

condition. Business Mon Talk.

The following interviews were obtained yesterday by a BEE reporter, and they come from men who know whereof they speak. W. H. Roberson, Manager of R. G. Dun & Co's. Mercantile Agency-Mr. Hall has evidently dashed off a few ideas without proper consideration either of their truth or their effect. He is traducing a city which has suffered less than any other of its size from the effects of the depression. Omaha has lost some of its popularity, but so has every other western city. There have been comparatively few shrinkages in real estate, \$1.50 for the mink's skin will not begin to pay the doctor for patching up and those instances have been in unim-proved realty located outside. Conditions the hands of Farmer Chumard and boy. reached half the number recorded for Kansas City and other cities. Omaha compares favorably in real estate activity with Min-ueapolis and other progressive localities of the west. Mr. Hall should know if he made the investigation, that Omaha's excitement ceased about one year before the limit was reached in either of the other cities, and the reaction was correspondingly less severe. Omaha has never had a bank failure except the little Omaha State bank, and occurred more than three years ago, and befere the beginning of the present "suffering after the mad excitement," as Mr. Hall puts it. The American Savings bank is in the hands of a receiver, but it will liquidate its liabilities to depositors and probably pay stockholders. Omaha's jobbing growth has been more rapid since, than before the boom, and all her finest business blocks as well as her splendid street transit system have been constructed since the so-called real estate coltapse. The Omaha and Council Bluffs bridge, East Omaha railway enterprises and Omaha's great packing industries, which have made her the third stock and packing)n. amendu center in the union, have all grown up since the epoch of which Mr. Hall complains. The maintained. boom had its drawbacks, but it brought into omaha millions of dollars and 100,000 people with all their thrift and commercial activity. Since the boom all but your of the greatest and best church buildings in the city have been constructed. Our local ministerial brethren say that every church in the city, with two exceptions, has increased in membership. In fact, Omaha kee county against the loss of its funds. has improved morally and spiritually if higher priced talent, larger edifices, more pipe organs and increased membership arany criterion upon which to base such a con-clusion. Instead of being paralyzed, as Mr. Hall seems to think, Omaha is, in fact, doing Point Terminal Railway and Warehouse company in favor of Anthony E. Thomas, Charles V. Foster and George Sherman was antered today by default better financially, morally and industrially than elsewhere. Now for some figures or failures: In 1892 there were only fifty-five intered today by default. city, with estimated liabilities at \$587,401 and assets at \$500,856. In 1803 the have been supported by two during the depression. The estimated liabilities of the failures for 1893 were \$558,time last night, but they were frightened away before getting anything. The entrance 664 and the assets \$513,900. The bank statements published on December 19 show an iscrease in deposits. Omana is all right, Hall evidently does not know what

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some people would have eastern capitalists believe. I think that such an article as Mr. TO FORFEIT THE CHARTER believe. I think that such an article as Mr. Hall's is inspired by a thirst for notoriety— a failing that some preachers have. So far as losing money in real estate is concerned, it can be lost there the same as in any other venture if not judiciously placed. Money has been lost in mining, but that is no indi-cation that none is made. The same applies to real estate. It is the basis of all wealth. to real estate. It is the basis of all wealth and Omaha realty never was in better shape than now, although capital is naturally timid all over the country during the finan-cial depression. There is always an active demand for good property and plenty of ten-ants. Especially does the demand exceed the supply for modern houses to rent. Mr. Hall's article is the veriest rot. Mr. A. P. Tukey, George H. Boggs and other prominent realty dealers echoed the contimenta expressed in these interviews.

CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.

Iwo Des Moines Little Ones Consumed

While Their Mother Was Absent. Des Moines, Jan. 13 .- [Special Telegram o THE BEE]-Two children of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hobson, Zede and Mabel, aged 2 and 4 years, were burned to death in the destruc years, were ourned to death in the destruc-tion of their home by fire this morning. They were left alone for a faw moments by Mrs. Phillip Hobson, who on returning, found the house in flames. The children's crices were heard, but all efforts to rescue them were futile. The mother is nearly crazed with grief.

Iowa Boy Shot While Hunting.

STANHOPE, IA., Jan. 18 .- [Special to THE BEE |--- Yesterday two boys, Walter Wilson and Junior Billington, started to go hunting. Both had 22 calibre rifles. Wilson placed his rifle on his leg, and was driving the car-tridge in with his knite when it exploded. The ball passed down his leg and under the knee cap where it was taken out.

Favorable to Sage.

DES MOINES, Jan. 13 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE]-The directors of the State Agricultural society today recommended to the governor the appointment of J. R. Sage as director of the lows weather and crop service bureau, a position he has held for two years past,

To Be sold at Auction.

SIOUX CITY, Jan. 13 .- (Special Telegram to THE BEE.] -Judge Ladd, in the district court, today ordered Receiver Thompson of the Sioux City Engine works to sell the plant at auction February 3. The property of the company is estimated to be worth \$120,000.

Was Fatally Injured.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Jan. 13 .- |Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-John Kozlovsky, an uged saloonkeeper, who was stabbed by William Kline, whom he was trying to put out his place, died this afternoon of his

A TOOTHSOME TALE.

injuries

A Hen, a Mink, a Small Boy and His

Father. Simpson Chumard is a farmer living n Lower Damascus township near Honesdale, Pa. He has an eight-yearold son, and minks are plentiful therea bout. The other day the eight-year-old bo ywas playing in the yard, and heard a great commotion among the chickens. He ran to see what was the matter, and found that a mink had caught a hen by the neck. The boy grabbed the mink, not because he wanted the mink, but to save he hen. The mink took his jaws off of he hen and transferred them to the boy's hand. The boy kicked and yelled, but the mink held on to his hand. Farmer Chumard, hearing the boy's cries, hurried to the spot. He grabbed the mink, not because he wanted it, but to save the boy. The mink dropped the boy and set his teeth in Farmer Chumard's hand. The farmer ran to a pool and tried to drown it. The mink wouldn't drown nor let go of the farmer's hand. Then Chumard tried to choke the animal to death, but failed; so he got a club and hammered the mink

Kansas' Attorney General to Institute Quo Warranto Proceedings Against M. K. & T. HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE LAW

General Officers of the Corporation Have Not Been Maintained in the Populist State, Hence the Proposed Action.

TOPERA, Jan. 13 -- Attorney General Little will institute proceedings in quo warranto to forfeit the charter of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad. The suit will be filed in Neosho county by Judge M. B. Nicholson of Council Grove, who is assisting Mr. Little

Mr. Little claims that for the past six months the company has failed to maintain its general offices in Kansas, as provided in its charter, and that this is good and suffiunt reason why its charter should be for-sited. He asks for a receiver to be appointed. He asks for a receiver to be ap-pointed to take charge of the property and wind up the article and wind up the affairs of the company.

MR. THURSTON EXPLAINS.

Compromise Union Depot Ordinance and

What it Means. General Solicitor Thurston, in explaining how he came to offer a new ordinance relating to the Metropolitan Union Depot company as a substitute for the ordinance now in the hands of the judiciary committee of the council, said: "When President Clark examined the ordinance introduced by Counexamined the ordinance introduced by Coun-cilman Saunders he raised some objection to it on the ground that it was not specific enough and I was called upon to redraft the ordinance. Representing the Union, Pacific company as I do I had no

other recourse than to introduce the safe-guards which are embodied in the new

ordinance. The ordinance introduced by Mr. Saunders is most general in character and relates only to the quieting of title in the present depot grounds. There have been other questions raised as to grounds now occupied by the Union Pacific, and to remove from controversy these lands in which a legal title is vested in the Union Pacific I have sought to have the whole

subject forever set at rest. I have no interest in this matter one way or the other, but as the representative of the Union Pacific railways my only object has been to wipe off the slate and start afresh." "Some objection is raised," said the re-porter, "to the new ordinance, on the ground

that if the present shop yards are included in the quieting of title it will remove one of the safeguards which the city insisted upon

in the old days, that the snops should never be removed from Omaha." "That idea about the shops remaining for-ever in Omana is purely a myth; it only ex-ists in the minds of men," said Thurston. In

the deeds of grant to the lots and lands in question there is no mention of continuing the shops in this city. The deeds provide that the grounds shall be used for railway purposes. The Union Pacific could operate a single shop on these grounds, in fact put down rails simply and yet hold an absolute right in the property. The clause of re-version is explicitly stated that whenever the grantee shall fail to occupy the lots for rail way purposes, then the lots are to revert to the grantor. So long as the Union Pacific performed its part of the contract so long can it hold against all comers. But the question aside, it is the purest folly to suppose the Union Pacific will ever abandon its present system of machine shops or head-quarters in Omaha. It would mean the out-

ay of millions of dollars and therefore is not to be considered a moment. "In the discussion of this question it must be borne in minc that the Union Pacific can get along with its present depot facilities depot at the foot of Farnam street. It will cost an immense amount of money to get cost an immense amount of a pacific bridge. The settlement of this question cannot be one-sided, for the Union Pacific is giving up in the company of the control of the settlement of the settl on the head until he had killed it. The

a good deal more than it receives, as will, I think, be granted by every fair minded man who studies the question from every side. We only aim in the ordinance framed by myself to forever set at rest all bicker-

Carry Out Agreements with Labor.

Dundy petitions from railway union em-

ployes along the line. The petitions, the

haste slowly. In view of the serious flattire of affairs it is thought General Passenger Agent Lomax of the Union Pacific, who was made chairof the Union Pacific, who was made chair-man of the last conference, will call the representatives of the 'transcontinental lines together next week for another goat the question, a much better feeling being discerrible Friday in Chicago after the rumor was in circulation, that Mr. Olds had recarded "just a little."

121.00 NEBRASKA MANIPRESIDENT.

Officers for the North & South Railroad Elected.

TOPERA, Jan. 13 .- The directors of the Gulf & Interstate Railroad company, known as the "North & South" line, last evening elected the following officers:

President, E. E. Stoadard of Wayne, Nob. vice president, H. M. Dake of Brookfield, Mo.; secretary, Fred J. Close of Topeka; treasurer, Alfred Grifflu of Manhattan, Kan.; general solicitor, Noah Allen of To-peka; auditor, E. E. Carpenter of Huron, S. D.

Hitting the U. F. Hard,

Curcago, Jan. 13 .- The question of handing emigrants, on which Peter McDonnell of New York and the advisory committee of the New York Emigrant clearing house have been conferring for two days, has been settled in favor of the Western Passenger astied in favor of the western Passenger as-sociation. McDonnell and the other heavy New York agents have agreed to deal exclusively with the associa-tion lines in routing business and the lines have agreed to deal only with such emigrant agents as are a party to this agree-ment. This contract hits the Union Pacific hard as it is not a member of the associahard, as it is not a member of the association, and its fight to secure control of the San Francisco business has gone for nothing. There is no intention, however, on the part of the association lines to crowd the Union Pacific or divert from it any business to which it is justly entitled.

To Discuss the Depot Bonds,

A meeting of the residents of the First. Second and Seventh wards has been called for Monday evening at S o'clock at Metz hail, South Thirteenth street, for the purpose of liscussing the \$350,000 depot bonds proposition. A special invitation is extended to the councilmen by the committee having the meeting in charge. The call is sigued by J. M. Metcalf, A. L. Carson, Gustaf Pomey, William Segeixe, L. F. Nelsen, L. Lee, George Hames, sr., William Dalton, James Sally, Gust Hammel, John B. Cante, D. C. Rownen, H. Bock, Dan Kennedy, William Marony, Mark Hansen, Edward Callehan, Charles Hanley, J. N. Cornish, John H. Butler, loseph Kent, E. F. Morearty.

Make a One Fare Rate.

CHICAGO, Jau. 13 .- The eastern committee of the Western Passenger association deculed to make a round trip rate of one fare for the convention of the National Educational association to be held at Duluth in July. The time is fixed at four days.

Rallway Notes.

Captain W. F. Tibbets of the Denver & tio Grande was in town yesterday.

B. C. Howard, general agent of the Occidental and Oriental Steamship company, also the Pacific Mail Steamship company, resident at Yokohama, accompanied by his nece, was a caller upon President Clark of the Union Pacific yesterday. Mr. Howard is enroute home.

WILL BOYCOTT DEADW.OD.

outh Dakota Union Miners Determined to Adopt Stringent Measures.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Jan. 13.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The miners of Lead City, Central City and surrounding mining camps held a mass meeting this evening in Central City. Resolutions were adopted denouncing the Deadwood Business Men's Protective association because that organizaion has pledged its support to the South Dakota Mining company against the organ-ized laboring men who have lately used vio lence to accomplish their ends. The miners present at the meeting pledged

hemselves to boycott all Deadwood business houses and do all in their power to injure all Deadwood enterprises, and to make every effort to have the county seat removed, cither by state authority or dynamite. The citizens of Deadwood held a mass

CHRISTMAS DAY IN ROME Celebrating the Great Festival in the Eternal City. ENCHANTING SERVICES IN THREE CHURCHES

Great Throngs of Worshipers and Surpass ing Music-St. Peter's and the Pope -Sunset from One of the Seven Hills.

ROME, Dec. 26 .- [Correspondence of THE Bun.]-Have you ever thought to visit Rome for Christmas day! Yes, eager, active, every-day, modern Rome. The city of all others in the world where the glorious sunshine thrills one with new life, where to enter its portals is to fling wide open all the parts of the mind to new and marvelous thoughts. Here life's mental current is a new stream, clear and invigorating, from which one quaffs deep draughts. Here are association, postry, suggestion, art, history -a perfect carnival of themes, either to dudent, dreamer, traveler, any one. But without a thought of any of these there is a sort of charm, a strong and utterly irresist ible feeling that seizes one on entering the Eternal City. Since September 1 northern portions of

the country have been visited, such as parts of Germany, through Belgium and much of Holland, where have been found very much of interest in the different people and their ustoms. As winter approached one thought to learn much of their outdoor sports and pleasures incident to the season, but so far there has been only a little ice and not a flake of snow. Of theaters, te deunis, flower shows, fairs and the like, one soon tires. The boulevardes have been rather gay, but eac day is a repetition of the one before. Th The reat galleries of Amsterdam, Antwerp and Brussels have been seen; the palaces and orincipal places at The Hague; the enrious ity of Bruges with its queer streets, many pridges, several notable convents, rich hurches and immense buildings visited; long with many of the chief industries of the several places. In Amsterdam there is diamond cutting.

also linen, cotton and silk works to interest one, aside from the wonderful old city. The one, aside from the wonderinf old city. The city, crosscut-shaped, is built upon about ninety islands, the caual being crossed and recrossed by more than 300 bridges. The rambarts of the city are covered with trees and little parks and converted into boule-

vards of exceeding beauty, along some of which are to be seen some of the richest, the nost elegant, and in some respects, the near-

est matchless buildings in all Europe. In Brussels and Mechlin are the lace in dustries and tapestry works rich in interest, also bleaching and linen works in The Hague, and also in several Belgian towns. The round of industries has been made, occupy ing every moment until nearly Christmas time, and only a few words heard of the joy wholly Catholic people it is decided to visit the country least like our own as to a or coremony, pleasures and all, relating to the Christmas holidays.

Scenes Enroute.

Leaving all prospect of the season's galoties among the few friends made, we left brilliant, busy Brussels for Rome. It is a long journey. Six hours to Paris-gay, sunny and bright as ever, though lacking in show of commercial activity, owing to the curtailed pecuniary resources of the people these severely hard times. The next day is spent between Paris and Lyons, the second city in France as to population, and first in industry, a journey intensely interesting by reason of the diversity of the country. The third to Marseilles, every hour nonring the great blue sea, whose warm breaths give to so much of France and lovely Italy their in-At Marseilles, the great bustling scaport,

rich commercial center and flourishing old city as it is, one gets the first view of the harbor. -The sum is shining down on countgreeted the listening, attentive thousands Bowed heads and figures everywhere, burn less vessels, their leasts presenting a perfect bawilderment, as one discovers vessels from almost every country. One look out over the dancing blue waters of the majestic sea is sufficient to dash away every thought of

chains one. The half-lighted church, the silent theusands, the mysterious something between the lights and the shadows of the church, and the belliant white light in the quiet world outside, lend an impression not easily imagined. The great organ continues its sound flood, accompanied by the soulful voices of the singers, almost uninterfustedly from 11 to 12 o'clock. Then the thousands pass out into the streets of the city. In traversing the length of the great nave (some 280 feet long) one cannot but notice the very simple and very grand interior of this church, with its long line of marble columns on each side, surmounted by a rich frieze of mosaic pictures, its rold vancied colling and remarkably rich floors of precious stones and colored marbles, all in

The Roman thousands are treading home ward for repose or to await the dawning of another morning. After the woird and interesting scene within one is almost indif ferent to light, to the chilly night air or to the beauty of night anywhere, though sensible of the need of rest. Leaving the hotel at the early hour of 4.30 a.m. for

morning mass at 5, one does not see the same number of persons moving churchward, as was the case a few hours are. The bells are overywhere softly pailing while worshipers, mostly women, hastan to the churches. The old church was well filled when, at 5, the celebrants entered and music and song commenced. Hundreds of women went forward to the chancel for th sacrament and all over the church, bril liantly lighted as it was, were kneeling hun reds. Now and then a man and sometimes young boy would go forward with down-ast, pious look and folded hauds, perhaps dreds.

one man to twenty-five women. For one hour this service of song and music, prayer rising and kneeling continued, and then on passing out all Rome second astir as the people passed homeward for early break lasts. Christmas Morning.

Even to a lonely soul there is no fog, no gloom, no sensation of fading away from exstonce because alone among strangers this forious morning. The hour of suprise and the light of new day is rapidly lending a brilliancy to all surroundings. Christmas morning dawns with a lustre that lends to life a new sensation. The world seem almost new, No other city in the wide world can so intoxicate one's mind. It is truly said by some one that one dreams of Venice as it lies smilling under soft sun ventee as it nees smilling gondonas, its poetry and song; one loves Plorence as a charming thing of life, of undying grace and beauty. Yes, this is true; one dreams of Venice, one oves Florence, but you must worship Rom

But there is positively nothing else to think of or do today but to go to church, hear th nusic and watch the people, and commenc ng at 10:30 the night before it would seen one's prospects for seeing and knowing were good. So at 0:30 a.m. we are crossing the great square in front of St. Peter's, while there looms up before us the cathedral of the world.

St. Peter's.

Just as there comes up in the life of every man, here and there along his career, i woman who wields a power) though she may not know it) I fancy this great cathe ral affects a person on first beholding it t makes one think it charms; it gives one ambition and new ideas it stirs one's being until there is left small wonder that Catholics worship it. Under the scintillating golden light the great pile, at once a palace and a mausoleum,

is irresistibly attractive. A few moments spent in watching the people enter will give one an idea of its great

size. Fully 8,000 persons must now have entered within, where the scene presented was most brilliant. Every one in the great mass of people seemed to appear in his best dress, and with the glorious sunsuine, the white and gold of the church, with its wealth of color in its pictures of mosaic, the lelicate blue and light of the dome, the humareds and hundreds of lights surround-ing the altar, rich banners hung here and there, the handsome vestments of the great officers of the church, all presented a mag-nificent spectacle. When at 10 o'clock the celebrants entered in their rich robes of while and gold and the attending boys in white and red, all bearing the golden in-signin of office, the singing commenced. One can scarcely imagine a heaven theor in melody or song charm. The scene is indo scribable, so also is the music. It seemed all the song of Italy, all the music of Rome

in blue. Here was found a gay multitude, really modern, Roman life in all its variety, brightness and charm. There are beautiful carriages, beautiful w usen, fine horses, and amongst the carriages are many bearing the insignla of foreigners from every clime. All this beauty is taken in ere the sun dippe-behind St. Peter's, the moment for which we wait at this high point to see Romo at sunset on Christmas evo. The view is of the turbid current of the

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Tiber flowing in glowing luster in the still sunset light; of the round roof of the abbia Pantheon of many columns, of the ruined Collisoum, as it towers the most magnificent of rulus; the capitol, the great palace of the Quirinal, all in soft red and golden gleams of fading day; to the west looms the great esthedral in almost awful majesty be-tween the darg pines of Monte Morio. All these look far of, though the city is at your foct: as darkness brings a strange silence, the stars come peoplag down on the scene, and the myriads of light begin to glummar out over the city so well known to all the readers of the world, "this shrine and center f human history." ALLIE C. WILLARD.

STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY.

Hon. T. Dwight Thatcher Unconscious and Not Likely to Survive.

TOPERA, Jan. 13-Hon. | T. Dwight Thatcher, ex-state printer and one of the best known of Kansars, was stricken with upoplexy and is still unconscious. The loctors say he cannot recover.

Police Briefs.

Jim Lindsoy was fined \$90 and costs in olice court, yesterday, for assaulting Sam Gardner, a conductor on the Sherman avenue ine Friday night. It was paid.

Chris Frahm's boad in the sum of \$25,000 vas approved, and he is out of jail to await trial in district court.

Ollie Forgreaves was fined \$40 and costs, She was convicted of taking D. H. Hall's diamond. The case will probably be apealed. Pat Clancy and Jarry Kernan each got

hirty days in the county fail for larceny. Thomas O'Dea, general secretary of the ricklayers organization in convention here visites to deay the published statement that Ary, arrested for drunkennoss and disrderly conduct, was a member of that organization.

Thurty-FiveYears in Court.

HAMILTON, Jan. 13 -- In 1859 William Campbell, ex-state senator, such the late Colonel Lewis D. Campbell, formerly congressman and minister to Mexico, for \$2,762 on promissory notes bearing 10 per cent. After nine hearings the plaintiff vesterday secured a favorable decision. The costs aggregated \$17,020. The defendant died years ago. Bota parties were uncles of ex-Governor Camp

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

H. J. Mantz of Chicago is in the city,

John Hines of Wahoo is spending Sunday

T. J. Malone of San Francisco is a guest at

O. N. Rosenegk of Milwaukee is in the

J. A. Ware, a railroad contractor, with a residence at El Reno, is in the city.

James Ward and A. L. Barr of Stanton

Amos Valentine of Blair was among the

Mittaed guests yesterday,
At the Mercer: H. B. Johnson, Dayenport; Charles W. Shivril, St. Louis; J. R.
Norris, Chicago; Dr. M. J. Gahan, Grand Island; G. F. Hummell, Freemont; H. R.
Burnell, Cincinnati; Burx Frieselben, St.
Louis; E. L. Moore, Kansas City; V. C.
Schickley, Geneva; A. E. Moeiler, Lincoln;
James W. Lusk, C. H. Annan, W. A. Werge,
Chicago; D. E. Morron, Hartford, Conn.; E.
T. Frank, York; G. S. Yaugor, Clarks; Joe Wheeler, Des Moines; E. J. Hazon, Chicago;
Miss M. M. Phillips, Duluth.

AMUSEMENTS.

15th ST. THEATER,

DOCTOR BILL

E. A. Temple of Lexington is at the Pax-L. B. Baker of Battle Creek is a city

visitor.

in Omaha.

the Merchants.

ity on business.

are visiting in the city.

Mittard guests yesterday.

Miss M. M. Phillips, Duluth.

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Reality Regarding Reality.

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he is talking about when he writes to the

George W. Ames-Records of real estate transfers in this city utterly refute the nonsensical and vicious statements of Preacher Hall. The growth of cities regulates really values and the city of Omaha has grown largely since Mr Hali left it. I regard his attack on Omaha as either the work of a fanatic or a vicious stab at a community that ones gave him a living. It is really beneath the dignity of notice, but to people who are not familiar with the true condition of a fairs his attack might do some harm i allowed to go uncorrected. In the first place some harm if there never was any mad excitement in estate deals. It was an active and profitable speculation, but every man kept his head with the exception of a few, pos-sibly like Mr. Hall, who lost outh their heads and their money a some deal, and yow seek revenge by sand-bagging the town. The values of real estate in Cmaha for good property are on the ascendancy instead of declining. For in-stance, just a few weeks ago A J. Hanscom bought three lots at Twenty-fifth avenue and Farnam street for \$50,000, which Fred Davis originally purchased in 1884 for \$2,400. Doe that look as it Omaha was lying helpless? The assessed valuation of Omaha in 1899 was \$20,472,016-about one-twentieth of its actual value. Of this assessed valuation \$16,015,239 was on really and \$3,556,777 on personal property, which was a large in-crease over preceding years. George N. Hicks-Values have not dropped Geod promery is always in de-

ge N. Hicks-Values always in de-d. Good property is always in de-During the depression which swept country Omaha reality sufdropped. over the entire country Omaha realty suf-fered less than realty elsewhere. Not only does Omaha property hold its own, but South Omaha property is also strictly in it. Values are regulated by location everywhere. I think that Mr. Hall's statement is false and not based on the vestige of a fact. We have no trouble in renting houses. Good iouses are always in demand.

Chris Hartman-Omahagreal estate has not degenerated or taken any tumble, as

Western Pensions.

WASHINGTON Jan. 13 .- [Special to THE means to remove from the field of contro-BEE.]-The following pensions granted are versy all questions affecting our right to the lands and lots occupied by the Union Paannounced: Issue of December 30-Nebraska: Original

ific company. vidows, etc. - Catherine Beard, Omaha, WANT SCHEDULES RECOGNIZED. Douglas; Bertha Meyer, Omaha, Douglas; Elizabeth T. Cure, Omaha, Douglas. Effort to Have Union Pacific Receivers

Iowa: Reissue — George A. Andrews, Dreston, Union. Survivors of Indian wars — William T. Newcom, Detoit, Crawford, William T. Newcom, Deiolt, Crawford, Widows of Indian wars-Lodoiska P. Cod-An effort will be made by the American dington, Magnolia, Harrison. South Dakota: Additional-Martin T. Cross, Montrose, McCook.

Their Plan of Battle. WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 .- At the close of the

Judgment for seventeen Millions.

Burglars Frightened Away,

Endorsed Pardoner Altgeld.

Refused a Charter.

BEATHER FOREDASTS.

For Iowa-Fair; except showers in south-

east portion ; south winds. For South Dakota - Generally fair ; colder ;

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA,

Statement showing the condition of tom

1894.1893. 1892. 1891.

association of Hutchinson.

by fire. The loss will be \$300,000.

day night; south to west winds.

south shifting to west winds,

past four years:

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 .- Judgment for \$17,

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first of which will probably be filed in a few ession of the house today a number of redays, are in this form: "To liow Etmen S. DUNDY, District Judge Eighth Circuit, United States Court, Omaha, Nob.: DEAR STR-We, the undersigned, em-ployes of the Union Pacific Railway company and members of the American Railway union, an organization composed of all classes of railway employees and having for one of its prime objects the cultivation of harmonious relations between employer and employe, with a view to the adjustment and regulation of all differences that may arise, without re-course to strikes, which we deprecate as costly to both sides and injurious to the public at large, respectfully petition your honorable court as follows: "We apprehend that the object of appoint-ing a receiver is to manage the property for days, are in this form: publican leaders held an informal caucus. the plan of procedure next week, when the tariff bill is to be taken up for amendment, was talked over. No exact plan was agreed The republican members will offer whenever opportunity offers, and may insist at all times that a quorum be Made an Assianment.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 13 .- E. R. Paine, presi lent of the defunct Commercial National bank, made an assignment to John Camp bell at noon today. The assignce gave a bond for \$50,000. Mr. Paine is one of the bondsmen of the bank to indemnify Milwau-

"We apprehend that the object of appoint-ing a receiver is to manage the property for the best interests of all concerned. It is scarcely required to say that strikes are in the nature of calamities, and should be avoided in all cases where it is possible to do so. We cite the case of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, which cost organized labor \$1,600,000, besides hundreds of thousands of dollars in loss of wages. The cost of the company has been estimated at \$10,00,000, its stock, when the strike was inaugurated was worth 130, now it is quoted at \$2, and it never has, since the strike, been at par. "The Lebigh Valley strike, recently closed 13,845.55 against the Richmond & West

strike, been at par. "The Lehigh Valley strike, recently closed, cost the employed at least \$100,000, besides wages lost, and the company at least \$500,000, oesides loss of business

S. Mortensen's tailor shop, 404 North Sixrefore, that all parties may fully undercenth street, was entered by burglars some stand their rights and dutles, and to prevent the possibility of a misunderstanding, we re-spectfully petition your bonorable court to order the receivers of the Union Pacific railwas effected by cutting the panel of the rear way to recognize during the term of their re-ceivership the agreements and schedules here tofore entered into by the officers of said com-pany, copies of the same being herewith sub-mitted for the inspection of the court."

ALBANY, Jan. 13 .- The State Federation of Labor has passed resolutions endorsing NEW UNION DEPOT ORDINANCE. Governor Altgela of Illinois for his action in liberating Oscar Neebe, Samuel Fielden and Michael Schwab, the Chicago anarchista.

Parties Representing Company and City Council Will Meet President Clark. Yesterday afternoon a committee of the

TOPEKA, Jan. 13 .- Secretary of State incorporators of the Metropolitan Union Osborn today refused to issue a charter_ to Depot company, consisting of Herman Kountze, B. F. Smith and C. W. Hamilton; the Wage Workers International Military the city council committee on judiciary consisting of Messrs. Hascall, Cahn and Holmes ; Woolen Mills Destroyed by Fire. City Attorney Council and Councilmen WOONSOCKET, R. L. Jan. 13 .- The Harri-Bechel, Howell and Parker held a meeting onville wooten mills have been destroyed at the First National bank to consider the

metropolitan depot ordinance. The ordinance was read in full, and after discussion it was found that some of the propositions in the measure were not sur-Fair and Colder 1s What Nebraska May Expect Today, WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Forecasts for Sunounded by the proper safeguards. It was decided that a committee consisting of the members of the company and the members day: For Nebraska-Fair; colder by Sun-

of the city council judiciary committee wait on President Clark with a view to reaching an agreement as to the conditions of settlement between the Union Pacific and the city. The committee expects to meet with President Clark at 10 o'clock Monday

morning. Transcontinental Troubles.

Jau. 13.-Omaha record of temperature and rainfall compared with corresponding day of From a private telegram received by a well known railroad man yesterday from Chicago it is learned that the conference of $\begin{array}{cccccc} Maximum temperature & 532 & 132 & 142 & 502 \\ Minimum temperature & 302 & $52 & $102 & 110 \\ Average temperature & 422 & 42 & 25 & 502 \\ Precipitation & ... & ... & 00 & 00 & .00 & 00 \\ \end{array}$ transcontinental lines which was adjourned sine die this week, is very likely to be reopened in the near future. General Traffic Manager George Olds of the Canadian Paperature and procipitation at Omnha for the day and since March 1, 1893; olde not being altogether satisfied with the unproductiveness of the meeting. Mr. Olds, it is asserted, is not altogether sure that the Canadian Pacific and its ally, the "Soo" line, can presedute a rate war against the combined opposition of the transcontinental lines are wall as it may in the Warsen D Normal temperature 1, 1998. Normal temperature 16 0 Deficiency since March 1, 1998. Normal precipitation 02 inch Deficiency for the day 02 inch Deficiency size March 1 0 50 inches "Below zero. GEO E, fluxt, Local Forecast Official.

lines as well as lines in the Western Passen-ger association, and to a friend he in alleged to have said yesterday that his mutto in the

ings and petty dissensions. We only seek to come into our own and have taken this meeting tonight relative to the matter. The abor question here is becoming very threatening, and serious results are feared.

South Dakota Firemen Meet. YANKTON, S. D., Jan. 13 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The annual meeting of the board of control of the South Dakota Fremen's association will be held in this city January 30. At this meeting the time and place for holding the next annual tourna-

nent will be decided upon. Railway union to have schedules formerly agreed to by the Union Pacific recognized by Mait Pouch Rifled. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 13 .- [Special Telethe receivers. The plan is to file with Judge

gram to THE BEE. |-The man in charge of a mail pouch waiting for the express this morning at Wessington went to sleep and ome one cut open the pouch, stole the reg stered letters, strewed other mail around the platform and skipped out. The amount secured is unknown.

LYNCHER SHOOTS HIMSELF.

suicids Due to Remorse at Having Helped Hang Roscos Parker.

WINCHESTER, O., Jan. 13,-A remarkable suicide was committed here last night by Jesse Powell, a well-to-do bachelor farmer, who blew his head off with a shotgun after writing a letter in which he stated that his leed was the result of remorse at having assisted in the lynching of young Roser Parker near West Union night before last. Roscoc

Wyoming Postmaster Adjudged Insane, RAWLINS, Wyo., Jan. 13 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-George M. Mead, postmaster at Ferris, forty-five miles north and the junction of the Sweet Water route, has been tampering with the mail for some two months, besides acting queer: Only a few days ago he saturated his little stock of goods with kerosene, as well as his own clothes. The arrival of a neighbor pre-yented him from setting fire to himsel". Yesterday he was persuaded to come to Rawlius. He was given a hearing today before a commission of lunacy, adjudged insane and went this afternoon to the state asylum at Evanston.

Telegraph Patent Expires This Month.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 .- The patent on the electric telegraph in the Bell telephone patents will expire January 33. This is one of the most important patents which will expire during the year. It was filed Janu-ary 15, 1887, and was the 186,787th patent issued. The patent was involved in one of the cases decided in the famous teleph suits before the Octobersterm of United States supreme court in 1887 at which it was held to be a valid patent.

Will Not Adjourn.

DENVER, Jan. 12 -After debating the question of adjournment of the extra session of the legislature all day, the house of representatives refused tonight, by a vote of 28 to 28, to adjourn sine die. The senate is over-whelmingly against the extra session being continued and, while it cannot adjourn with out the concurrence of the house, can defeat any legislation.

Will Bace on the Delaware,

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13 .- It is practically settled that the annual eight-oar race be tween the crews of the University of Penn sylvania and Cornell will be rowed on the Delaware river near here in June. The

of employment. The management clai lack of orders necessitated such a course.

Chicago Hussars Sulk.

Chicage, Jan. 13 .- Thirty members of the Chicago Hussays, the well known military organization, have reaigned because of the defusion one of the candidates for the captaincy, Lioutenant Funhouse.

the beauties of Nice, that sun-kissed queen city of the Mediterranean's shores, beautiful Genoa, Spezzia and the glorious beauties of the Gulf of Genoa, as they would be seen enroute from Marseilles by rail, around and lown to Rome, and passage is taken by steamer to Civita Vecchia, only a short dis-tance by rail from Rome. That voyage!

The Mediterranean Sea.

like any other great feature of this wonder-ful world, has its time of fury and calm of wind and wave, but these two days have been all of calm, warm, sunny weather. The great sea in whose waters all the states of Europe continually strug-gle to keep war vessels, is never prettier than under a winter sun. We skirted the outer rim of Genoa's gulf on down between the famous islands Elba and Corsica and neared Italian shores at the old port above mentioned. Shortly we are in Rome again. Roma ! Cara, Ron.a !

The Eternal City.

While you in America are planning for home joys, pleasures of loved ones, seeking istening to the great teachers as they tell And we know that the Son of God is cor "Though He were a Son yet learned He occurence by the things which He suffered." or "The day spring from on high hath vis-ited us," the greater number of people on this side of the water are engaged far differently. While it was in the east the com-ing of the Messiah was looked for as the one who would bring peace and justice into a suffering would then remarkable for op-pression there are at this moment lands for which the prayer for these blessings might vell be offered. Certain it is that Christianity has done

much for mankind, though it seems almost mockery in this time of political and social ontroversy to speak of the spirit of peace hough yesterday the pope gave expression o these words: "If peace and charity have disappeared because the sight of heaven has been lost we must not despair = = for Christ does not abandon the humanity He redeemed." Of course this all refers to Europe, where it can scarcely be said that would be fighting vainly again t Almighty's decree. Today we had not the mental feast, but a soui feast of music and : the new year will find her different peoples. though happily still at peace, displaying very much good will or kindness toward sight of the intriente and varied rites of th church, performed admidst fitting splendor . This ended the church affairs of today ne another. Each state is armed teeth, yet further engaged in adding to their military and naval powers, and were it not from fear that a neighbor were becoming though it would be delightful to hear the singing of the nuns in the sistine chapel at stronger several states would fall to pieces the vaticum at 5 o'clock.

ecause of their domestic disturbance. From all these facts it is very easy to discover that the christmas holidays promise not too much of festival and merriment. Under such influences, with this knowledge of the state of things, one goes forth in Rome, a city of churches, to see and learn.

Services in the Churches.

found, unless it were wine, that would re-A very long time ago one of the popes designated three churches in Rome for the mass, namely, Santa Maria Maggiore, for ning one of an American Christmas dinner. There was ro turkey, no cranberry sauce nor even a plum pudding. Yesterday the markets were visited to the night service or midnight mass; Santa Ashanase for the morning or early mass and earn what tempting things were displayed St. Peter's for the day service or high mass, though now nearly all the Catholic churches celebrate the three masses. It is soon found before the Roman epicure. For a time the poetry and mental life of Rome were forgot ten and markets were searched for catables We found turkey in very small numbers though there was a time when these spien hat all of Christmas, or nearly all, in Rome is celebrated in sonnection with the churches. It is of sorvices, therefore, I write. For the midnight mass, of course, one goes to Santa Maggiore, and anticipating did birds, with their rich truffles, each one so cooked being worth many lire, were given to the poor. Then came a time when goose, stuffed with marrows were so served the unfortunate, while now the crowds, goes early, that is at 10:30. All the churches were crowded, but none to they are lucky to receive patisseere, or little sweet cakes, as gifts of Christman. O qual this immense pile-the second church n size in Rome, as it is in age. Hundreds and hundreds came and went, being unable course much meat, such as beef and mutton, were found, all vegetables, some very unfa-miliar, nearly all fruits, and in many places to find even standing room. One is told there is not much religion in Rome now, and then wonders why all these people are so anxious to enter here. It is found that this church, along with its other marked feawere tiny flower markets. The shops were found to be brilliant, but there were not many purchasers. Passia through some aide streers we found cuildre at play much the same as in America. Littl tures, such as size, richness, etc., lanoted for its superior instrumental and vocal music. It was in this church last August where we heard 200 of the finest male singers of Rome at the fetes of the are play more than a sine as in America. Inter-grirs with doils, some lumping rule, and a few small boys playing at marbles. There were found beggars overywhere, on all the otheren stops and at nearly every corner, as a reminder that the poor are every where, or always with us. In the late afternoon the Corso was brilliant with gave life but not shower of white flowers. Then it was a britliant day and glorious music welled through the great edifice, while from the the great charges in the second of sound is joined by the glorious harmony of the great organ that en-

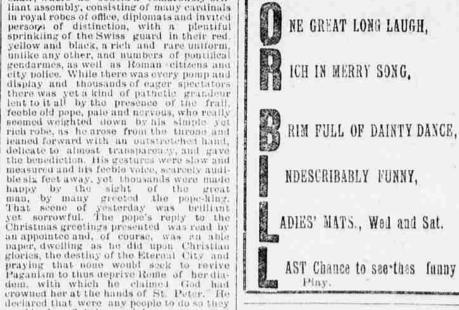
ing incense curling in soft vapors in myriads of cloud-forms from within the enancel, floating out, above and through the music-filled space as if to bear above and the music heavenward. It is all so sweet, so solemn, so rich that one forgets details When the hast note is heard wavering or one turns to find the great throng movin. quietly down through galleries and tribunes through chapels and nave, out into the bril hart day. The spell of it all is broken. 1 must have been the time of a dream. Christ mas in Rome and Christmas mosic in St Peter's. There may be for all more glorious scenes, more insviring sounds, but as for our ambition, it has been satisfied. A Papal Reception. Yesterday, in St. Peter's, the pope said mass in the presence of representatives of the chief Roman Catholic societies, as the telegraph has already told you. The fooble old man was carried to the throne in a sedan chair, where he beheld a remarkably bril-liant assembly, consisting of many cardinals

The Christmas Dinner.

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prisingly near one of literes one ening Christmas dinner is impelling us toward the

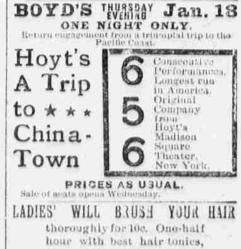
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BOYD'S FOUR MINDERS JAN. 14 The Lyrie Event of the Season. KIMBALL OPERA COMIQUE CO.



Mando In Secondas, The Glittering March of the "Paraton Cuirga-sions," performed by 20 benuitful starty woman, costinuat in the rice standard matrix and second march starts, 60 clarery constitues, Singers, Farsanes, Dameers and Barlesquers in the erg. Have shown onen Starting at usual prices, 554 weats at 500 cach.



15c. Call and try it.

The Miller Hair Dressing Divides St

Ithaca carsmen have signalized a willing-ness to row here. An excellent straight-away course of four miles has been selected. Closed for Lack of Orders. BARTIMORE, Jan. 13 .- The last furnace of the Maryland Steel company at Sparrows Point has closed, throwing 159 more men out claims