SCAPEGOATS OF GAMBLERS

Story that Convicted Prisoners Invariably Tell to Judge Scott These Days.

POOR BOY HAD TURNED HIGHWAYMAN

Lost His Money in a Tiger's Den and This Gave Him the Sympathy of the Court-The Hospital Case-Court Notes.

Although none of them were present, gamblers and city officials were thrown into the same class and roasted to the queen's taste in the criminal section of the district court vesterday morning.

Some weeks ago Loonard Holden, a rather hard looking young man, struck the city and was shadowed by the police. He had not been here forty-eight hours before he held a man up out on St. Mary's avenue one dark night, robbing him of a pocket knife and 50 cents in money, all of the coin that the party happened to have about his clothes. The next day Holden was arrested, tried and held to the district court to answer to the charge of highway robbery. When the man was arraigned he at first denied the charge and then changed his plea, admitting that he was guilty of the crime.

Yesterday Holden was before Judge Scott for sentence, and in answer to the usual questions he said that this was his first crime. Prior to the commission of the robbery he had been a bricklayer in summer and a corn husker in winter. Last fall and during the early winter he worked in the corn fields of northern Iowa, and about the holidays, with \$80 in his pockets, came to Omaha. He had not been in the city many days ere he strolled into a gambling house, where he bucked fare until his last dime was gone. After that he went out upon the busy streets determined to raise enough money to buy something to eat. In prowi-ing around he happened to meet a victim, and with a pistol compelled that individual to turn his nackets inside out.

During the recital of this tale of woe Judge Scott was a patient listener, and as the man closed he asked, "Is gambling your only vice, and is it the only crime you have ever

Holden saw that he had made a ten-strike, and promptly responded, "Yes, sir." Then the court cut loose and delivered the lecture, saying that here was a man charged with robbing another of 50 cents. The man who had forced the other to give up the paltry sum of money was a candidate for the penitentiary, but the men who had robbed him of his \$80, earned by toil, were allowed to go unpunished simply be-cause they had some political influence Such laws were an outrage upon the community and a foul blet upon the statute books of the state.

The lawyer who had been looking after the interests of Holden saw an opportunity to get in his graft, and at once flew to the aid of the court. He said that it looked as though the gamblers stood in with the police, for in this instance the gamblers had robbed Holden of his money, but were al-lowed to go unpunished, while Holden, who had robbed a man of 50 cents was before court, with the penitentiary ready to se its doors upon him.

Judge Scott remarked that this was true, but opined that he could do nothing, as he was handleapped on every hand. Matters had arrived at a point where the courts could not run even handed with the gamblers. The facts were that the courts were tied hand and foot, and as one of the judges, about all that he could do was to pass sentence and send boys to the penitentiary. Last Saturday, the judge said that a boy was before him, charged with the heinous crimes of distributing hills about the streets, calling attention to the virtues of some headcalling attention to the virtues of some head-ache cure, of which he was the inventor. The boy had violated a city ordinance, and was promptly arrested, but the gamblers, who were violating the state laws every day in the week, and every hour in the day, were given immunity, simply for the reason that they paid \$150 per month into the treasury to help compound a felony. This, the court denounced as an outrage, and one which he ild discuss and handle without gloves

intil it was wiped out. "Think of it," he continued, "Here is a man who robbed another of 50 cents in order to buy food to keep him from starving. The law is such that I am compelled to sentence him to a term of three years in prison, while the men who robbed him of \$80 are allowed to walk the streets of the city and look into the faces of respectable men.

never will keep still so long as the officials of this city continue to countenance and allow the commission of these high-handed They call this America and the land of

the free, but it makes a difference. If you have got money and influence, then this is the land of the free, but if you are without either, then the case is different, as can be sentence of the court was withheld,

and Holden was remanded to the county At the afternoon session of the court the prisoner was again taken before Judge Scott, who imposed a sentence of three years in the penitentiary, there to be con-fined at hard labor, no part to be spent in solitary confinement. In passing sentence the court took occasion to remark to Holden,

"I can't do any better than this for you." The Hospital Muddle.

In Judge Ambrose's court the case of the county of Douglas against Jerry Ryan, Dennis Cunningham and Ed Walsh, the contractors of the county hospital, and their bondsmen was called for trial, the plaintiff asking for a verdict of \$30,000 and the costs of the

The plaintiff alleges that during the year 1887 the defendants contracted with the county to erect a building in accordance with the plans and specifications furnished by E. E. Meyers, which plans were submitted to the county commissioners and by them adopted. To secure the performance of the work the plaintiff alleges that the defend-ants gave bond in the sum of \$30,000; that soon after the completion of the building, of its own weight, the north wing collapsed and fefi to the ground. They further allege fraud in the construction, charging that there were many defects, all of which were carefully covered up in such a manner that they were not discovered until the building fell.

The defendants enter a general denial and claim that the working plans of the building were changed without their knowledge or consent, and, moreover, that the statutes of limitation have run and that the bonds-men are not liable, even if the principals could be held for the defective work, if any there was at the time of the construction o The case was dismissed by Judge Ambrose,

who held that the county had no cause of

Other Criminal Cases.

George Ryan and Charles Christiansan. the two young men who robbed a comrade of \$7 while stealing a ride on a freight train from Waterloo and who were convicted last week, were brought in sentence. The court had learned that Ryan had graduated from the Minnesota penitentlary, where he had done seven years for the commission of a similar crime, and with this knowledge in his possession he sent the man down to Lincoln for fourteen years. In the case against Christiansan's sentence was suspended in order that the man's past record could be investigated.

The sentence of George Wooldredge, convicted of having forged a \$5 check to raise money to pay a board bill, was suspended until the opening of the September term, the young man promising to reform and turn over a clean leaf in his life's history

William Price, convicted of house breaktiary, while his partner, Mike Finnerty, was returned to fail for investigation, Price having taken all of the blame upon himself. Having investigated the former record of Finnerty, that individual was before Judge Scott in the afterneon and was sentenced to a term of one year, the court informing him, "This is the best that I can do for you."

Cases Dismissed. Five of the cases against the saloon keepers of the city, and most of them cases which have been on the criminal docket

yesterday. The ground for dismissal was that the informations which charged the men with having violated the Sunday law did not specify that they had violated any ordinance of the city. These informations charged a violation in a general way, but there was no reference to the particular ordinance which had been violated.

Probate Matters.

The administrator of the estate of Samuel R. Brown, who died February 28, 1893, has filed his final report with the judge of the probate court. This report shows the estate o consist of property of the value of \$418, 154; the principal part of which is cash and real estate in the city.

A petition for the final settlement of the estate of Richard Kitchen, deceased, has been filed. The administrator reports \$250,-250 of property, which is ready to be turned over to the heirs.

Lindsay Fined Forty Dollars. James C. Lindsay, a local pugilist, who

unced upon a street car conductor some weeks ago and gave him a frightful beating pushed his (Lindsay's) buildog off the car, pleaded guilty in criminal court today, where he was fined \$40 and costs.

Minor Court Matters. Henry A. Arnold has been appointed re-eiver for E. T. Duke. His bond in the sum of \$5,000 has been presented and approved

Judge Keysor has gone to Washington ounty, where he will remain for two weeks, holding the regular February term of court

n and for that county. Judge Walton, who returned to his home at Blair last Friday, has written that he is sick and will not return to his bench in the equity court before the middle of the present

In the case of the Midland State bank against the Omaha school district all of the material men who furnished supplies to A. H. Donecker, the contractor, have inter-The bank has asked that the cour adjudge that they are not interested partles and that they have no interest in the property which the bank has in its possesion, as belonging to the original contractor.

In the case of W. H. Burnett against Joseph Cavanagh, on trial in Judge Key sor's court during several days of last week, the jury yesterday returned a ver-dict for the plaintiff, placing his damages at \$3,125, the amount for which suit was brought. Burnett was a nonresident and was the man who furnished the defendant with money with which to make short time loans. He claimed that he did not get mortgages to represent the money which he

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Commercial Club Gossip.

The jobbers bureau held a brief session yesterday and transacted business with relation to excursions of country merchants to Omaha. Many responses have been received from business men throughout the state who are availing themselves of the opportunities to visit Omaha.

There is some talk of celebrating the first anniversary of the club on March 17. President Gibbon heartily favors the idea of a reunion and sideboard reception. Others sug-gest a banquet and some of the younger mbers enthusiastically advocate a grand

Committeemen Babcock and Knox have returned from the south, where they advo cated a revision of rates favorable to Omaha. Representatives from Omaha and Kansas City will be given a joint hearing on March before the Southwestern Traffic associa-

The executive committee will meet in regular session tomorrow. Miss Smith, secretary of the Board of Trade, has recovered from an attack of la

The directors of the Apollo club met at the committee rooms today. Advices were received by Commissioner Utt today to the effect that the business men of Sioux City contemplated the organization of a new commercial club.

The finance committee meets tomorrow morning at 11:30 to consider the report of collections and to adopt measures to bring the delinguent into the fold Count Lubienski has written to the citi-

zens committee stating that if the beet sugar bounty is not repealed he will return to Omaha in the spring and resume his plans for a beet sugar factory.

The real estate bureau is rapidly per-

feeting a uniform system of property valu-ation for the benefit of eastern investors, who make inquiries from time to time.

Among the visitors registered at the clu today were: A. W. Ervin of Sloux City, J. M. Hardy of Chicago, J. P. Carson of Lincoln, J. E. Jenkins of Schuyler, R. R. Frey and P. C. De Vol of Council Bluffs and Byron

M. Fellows of Chicago. Secretary Drexel has received ten new applications for membership.

ON THEIR EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

How Deposed Officials Worked the State of

Michigan. LANSING, Mich., Feb. 26.-In reference to the charges published in Detroit that the deposed state officers had been guilty of collecting money from the state illegally for personal expenses, the only member of the Board of State Auditors in the city states that the practice of allowing these expenses had always been followed, and that before allowing these particular bills, the board looked up the precedents in the matter. It is believed, however, that the recently deposed officials have been considerably enterprising in charging up expenses than any of their predecessors, and that at all events the charges were illegal and unauthorized. Detailed comparisons of the expenses charged by the present and former officials have not as yet been obtained, those who have attempted to examine the records claiming that they have been hindered and detained from making a com-prehensive examination. Secretary of State Joachim, Treasurer Hambitzer and Land Commissioner Berry, the three officers de-posed for alleged negligence in the salaries

frauds, comprise the board of auditors.

Caught by a Smooth Swindler. KANSAS CITY, Feb. 26 .- J. D. Richland who came to Kansas City a few weeks ago and opened a grain commission broker's office in the New York Life building, has fled, and, it is said, he swindled brokers in Chicago and other cities out of between \$8,000 and \$10,000 by means of bills of lading. which he had raised. He would ship grain to Chicago, getting a bill of lading from the railroad. This bill, it is alleged, he would raise and then attach it to a draft and send it through the bank to the consignee. grain would not arrive until several days after the draft and bill had been received and paid. It was rumored this afternoon that Mummford & Co. and Norton & Worthington of Chicago had been caught by the

THE REALTY MARKET.

INSTRUMENTS placed on record Febru-

WARRANTY DEEDS. WARRANTY DEFIDS.

J Tarpley and wife to Marguret Fedewa, let 45. Kaspar's and.

S J Boden and wife to A C Hayward, let 19, block 10, Hanseom Place.

H H Linguist and husband to E J Palin, let 7 and a 10 feet of let 6, subsity of block Q. Shinn's 21 and Jacob Stuchilk and wife to Neis Larson, et al. let 28, block 1, Orehard Hill.

M R Davidson and husband to Mary Margrave, lets 10 and 11, block 1, Lowe's add dd H. Levy and wife to W. H. Murray, lot block 3, Summit add.

rris Morrison, trustes, to F. W. Corifse, M. L. block 3, 156, 6, 9 and 16, block 1, Mount Douglas.

Directs.

DIFIDS.

W. J. Clair (special master) to Parlin, Orandorff & Martin company, but 21, block 1, Hammond Place.
G. B. C. Rend (special master) to Jane Pickard, a ½ se of Reserve in West Albright; lots 13 pt 19, block 12, West Albright; Sibis Robbins (special master) to S. G. Cady (trustee), 1018–13, H. and 15, block 7, clovenide. U. H. Frey (country trensurers to h. W. Nash, litts I to 8, block 1; lots 4 to 11, block 2, M. Denovan's subdiv.

Total amount of transfers.

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POSTPONED ANOTHER WEEK

Fire and Police Commissioners Defer Final Action on Gambling Resolution.

COURTESY TO COBURN, WHO WAS ABSENT

But the Members of the Board Have Some Further Talk on the Matter - Hartman's Significant Remarks -Routine Business Transacted.

At last night's meeting of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners the resolution instructing the chief of police to close up the gambling houses was called up and Mr Hartman sald he thought that as Mr. Coburn was absent the matter had better be put over until that gentleman was present.

Mr. Smith said that depended on how Mr. Hartman intended to vote on the resolution as it was desired that a majority of the full board should vote for so important a reso-Mr. Hartman wanted it understood that he

was opposed to gambling and wanted the houses closed up, but he had consulted lawyers, and in view of their opinion he doubted the authority of the board to issue specific instructions to the chief. Strickler thought were it not for the pe

culiar situation the previous resolution would be sufficient. He maintained the board had ample authority to instruct the chief in the Hartman said he thought the board should not assume the responsibility, but it should remain with the mayor, where he

thought it belonged Mayor Bemis said he had not attempted to shirk that or any other responsibility that was incumbent upon him; that he had con-sulted with the city attorney and other attorneys and performed his duty as he saw it. In reply to a question, Mr. Strickler said Mr. Hartman stated he was not talking against the resolution, but simply out of courtesy to Mr. Coburn, requested it to go

Mr. Strickler demanded a roll call and Mr. Hartman said he did not believe in any member of the board being so overzealous as to try to force a vote under the existing circumstances. Mr. Hartman said he was willing to say to the chief, both as a com-missioner and as a citizen, that he was heartily in favor of the sentiments of the Strickler finally consented to let the mat

A resolution was passed requesting the ouncil to amend the ordinance fixing the salary of the city jailer so that it should be

\$50 per month. The request of F. Hansen for the removal of his saloon from 1124 Capitol avenue to 1120, same street, was granted. Liquor licenses were granted as follows Otto Johnson, 1002 Douglas; Bergren & Kar-

peler, 112 South Fourtcenth; Lentz & Wil-1418 Farnam, and Mrs. Josephine Kaufmann, 611 North Sixteenth street. Chief Galligan reported the bursting of two section of Keystone hose at the fire at 2018 Farnam on which the guarantee had not expired. The secretary of the board was instructed to write to the company manu-facturing the same and request them to supply new hose.

The request of Chief Dectective Haze that Officers Dunn and Donahue, who are now detailed to serve on the detective force, be confirmed to serve permanently, was referred to the committee on men and discipline, The petition of J. C. Farrish for a further

leave of absence of thirty days without pay was granted. A communication was read from Thomas Swobe objecting to the location of backs op-posite the parlors of the Millard hotel, as the drivers often used offensive language. The chief of police stated that under the rules of the board the police could not regulate the place on the block where backs should stand; that all they could do was to see that not more than the number allowed should occupy

the hackmen and try to induce them to stand at some other place on the block. The committee on finance reported adversely on the petition of Chief Seavey for a typewriter for his office, as the city had not provided typewriters for other city provided typewriters offices. The report was adopted.

one block. The chief was requested to se

We could not improve the quality if we paid double the price. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best salve that experience can produce, or that money can buy, Triangle lodge No. 54, K. of P., will hold

public memorial services at Castle hall. corner 22d and Cuming streets, Thursday evening, March 1, in memory of late Brothers H. J. Wells and R. H. Lucas. Relatives and friends invited. J. R. Stine

HAYDEN BROS.

Selling the Walker Bankrupt Stock Crowds increasing, it was impossible to wait on all today, but tomorrow we wil have extra help to help us during the rush.

Those outing flannels will be on sale again tomorrow at 3½c yard, either light or dark. Our buyer, Mr. Jamieson, who is now in eastern markets, writes us that he is meeting with great success in gathering up bar-gains, we received today direct from the mills 65 cases of remnants and odd lots at about one-third their value, on sale tomorrow Mill remnants of best prints, dark or light,

234c yard. 32-inch satine in remnants 5c yard. 33-inch remnants of shirting, 5c yard. Remnants of table linen, some of which

re slightly soiled. Remnants of wash goods of every deeription and price. Mill remnants of best shirting calico, 21/20

Mill remnants of white dress goods of very description, 5c, 8c and 10c yard. Mill remnants of indigo blue calico, 214c

Mill remnants of best lining cambric, 1350 Mill remnants of best 10c unbleached muslin on sale at 5c yard tomorrow. Blankets from the Walker bankrupt stock at less than 50c on the \$1. HAYDEN BROS.,

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A "Pocket Edition of the World's Fair Is the way the Midwinter exposition is now referred to. And the description is a pretty The fair is well worth seeing-especially

as the low rates and excellent facilities offered by the Burlington route bring it within easy reach. The present round trip rate to San Francisco is \$65.50, and the Burlington's 4:50 p. m. train for the west is—but you had p. m. train for the west is—but you had better see the city ticket agent at 1324 Far-nam street. He will be glad to tell you all

Beg Pardon.

For interrupting you, but you may possibly be going east. If so, there are a couple of trains you should really bear in mind. These are "Northwestern Line" Nos. 6 and 2. leaving Union depot daily at 4:05 and 6:50 p respectively, arriving in Chicago at 8:15 and 9:30 next morning. City ticket office, No. 1401 Farnam street.

They Had Smallpox. ST. PAUL, Feb. 26.-Two railroad men. Albert J. Newton and J. C. Clark, who came here a week ago from Chicago and stopped at the Union Park hotel, went to the city physician Saturday for attention and their

cases were pronounced to be clear cases of smallpox, and the men were at once removed to the pest house. It is not known how many persons may have been exposed. The facts came out today, the matter having been kept quiet.

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MAY VOTE THE DEPOT BONDS.

Opinion of City Attorney Connell on Ques tions that Have Been Raised. City Attorney Connell, in response to a request for his opinion as to the right of the city to vote union depot bonds under the general law of the state, stated that after carefully examining the law he had reached the conclusion that the 10 per cent limit referred o in the general law of the state gave to the city the clear right to vote bonds for works of internal improvement, regardless of the

"By the express terms of the general law relating to works of internal improvement," said Mr. Connell, "the 10 per cent limit as determined by the decisions of the supreme court of Nebraska applies only to the class of indebtedness which relates to works of inernal improvement.

10 per cent limitation contained in the char-

ternal improvement.

"Under the general law to which reference is made, the same being section 1 of chapter xlv of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska, the city has the right to vote bonds for works of internal improvement until the full works of internal improvement until the full limit of 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of the city is reached. This is clear from a reading of the section of the general law re-ferred to. The question, however, still re-mains as to whether under the charter the limitation is placed on the right of the city to vote bonds in excess of the total amount of its indebtedness, including bonds other than those heretofore voted for works of internal improvement. The city charter contains no direct reference to the city's power to vote bonds for works of internal improvement. The only provision that can in any manner have a bearing on the question is that which is found in section 68 of the charter, giving to the city the right to vote bonds for certain purposes, and is as follows:

Provided the bonded indebtedness of the city, exclusive, etc. • • shall not at my time exceed in the aggregate 10 per cent of the assessed valuation. "We have already practically reached the 10 per cent limit in voting bonds for internal improvements under this section. The language contained in the provise referred to, 'the bonded indebtedness of the city,' must be conceded to be broad enough to include bonds issued by the city for works of inter-nal improvement, and such bonds would nec-

essarily have to be included for the purpose of determining the bonded indebtedness of the city, were it proposed to vote bonds under section 66 of the charter.
"The question, however, remains whether this limitation has any application to the general law relating to the voting of bonds for works of internal improvement to which reference has been made. I am clearly of the opinion that it does not. The proviso to which reference has been made, applies only to bonds of the character named in

"I therefore reach the conclusion that under the general law, the city has the right to vote bonds for works of internal improve-ment up to the full limit of 10 per cent of the assessed valuation, regardless of the proviso contained in section 66 of the chap-

"If I am correct in my conclusion, ight then does exist, not only to vote bond to the Union Depot company, the same being as proposed a work of internal improvement, but the city would also have the right to vote bonds to aid in the construction of the proposed Platte river canal. There can be no sort of controversy but that the canal is a work of internal improvement. If it were desired that an independent company should construct the canal, with aid to be voted by the city, I believe this could be done under the law. Although I believe it can so be done, I question the advisability of doing so. I am firmly of the opinion that when the canal is constructed, it should be constructed by the city, and forever owned and operated by the city. But before this could be done, additional legislation would be required."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A genuine novelty and most fetching social device will be provided for theater parties by the management of Miss Marlowe during this charming artist's coming engagement at the Boyd for large theater parties-special programs, ribbbon-bound in wedding bristol covers, handsomely embossed by Dempsey, Carroll & Co., the famous New York stationers. One of the four leaves of the program proper will be re-served for the names, hosts and guests constituting a given party. It is requested that lists should be left at the box office of the Boyd at least two or three days in advance of the performance for which the programs are to be provided. While the regular sale of seats for Miss Marlowe's engage ment does not open till Wednesday morning, orders for boxes or blocks of seats of twenty or over will be entertained now

"Under the City Lamps" opens an en gagement of three nights and a Saturday natinee at the Fifteenth Street Thursday night. The story unfolded is the abduction of a blind daughter of an opu-lent father and the persistent efforts made by the parent to recover his child. The abductors demand a large sum of money as a ransom for the child. Calling the police to his aid, the father tracks the mercenary abductors through the dangerous nooks of the shady side of the metropolis, nooks of the shady side Scenes worthy of special mention are the Casino roof garden, fully illuminated, interior of a room in a Five Points tenement rookery. two representations of the Fulton Ferry house, change from the first to the second being made without lowering the curtain or interposing a screen; that famous Little Church Around the Corner, exterior and interior of the unfortunate Marine bank. Well known players are entrusted with the important parts, of which there are half a dozen Mr. Mark Lynch enacts Arthur Benton, Frank W. Holland appears as Chief of Polic Buckley, Charles E. Bunnell as Hungry Jos Katharine Crego takes the part of the blind girl, Mary Jasper. Miss Marion P. Clifton is cast for Mother Bergman, and the other thirty characters are in the hands of competent players.

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Taxpayers League Makes Formal Recommendations to the City Council.

RETRENCHMENT IS WHAT IS WANTED

Controversy Over a Big Bill for Grading-Laborer Found Dead in His Room-Other News from the Magie City.

At the council meeting last night the Taxpayers league offered a communication which was referred to the finance commit tee. The communication recommends that the police force be reduced to ten, the firemen be requested to remove the garbage from fire houses, that the office of street commissioner be dispensed with, that the compensation for office rent and typewriter hire for the city attorney be dispensed with, that the office of deputy city clerk be abolished, that the city engineer be required to enter actively into his duties and that the services of his assistants be dispensed with, and that the services of an assistant city treasurer be knocked off.

The city attorney was instructed to appeal the case of Frank Swock against the city wherein the latter secured a indement for \$41 in Justice Montgomery's court.

Street Commissioner Tobias made the startling statement that in his rounds he had discovered that one of the main piers on the Q street viaduct was broken and in a threatening condition. The matter was referred to City Engineer King. That gentleman said the iron piers being broken did not cut any figure, that the whole weight came on the concrete and that was perfectly substantial.

Attorney Montgomery spoke in behalf of the Packers National bank. He said the bank had warrants now overdue in the sum of \$4.826.02, which he hoped the council would instruct its attorney to confess judgment on. Treasurer Hoctor explained that these warrants were drawn in favor of the Nebraska Savings bank for grading on Missouri avenue. The change of grade was made without the property owners circulating the customary formal pe-tition, and when the treasurer came to collect the tax the property owners refused to pay and secured a permanent order from the court restraining the city from collecting.

Mr. Wood explained that this work was illegally ordered by the council of 1890. He was followed by City Attorney Van Dusen who said this money would have to be paid by the property owners at large. He recommended that the bill go into the general judgment fund. Upon motion of Mr. Bulla the matter was referred to the city attorney and action was postponed for one week. City Engineer King reported bad washout at Twenty-sixth and I streets and on J street

between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth. The engineer was instructed to repair the same. A bill was received from the county for the amounts due Douglas county from South Omaha as follows: For committals, \$8; for boarding prisoners, \$128.15; for odgings, \$46.13; total, \$182.28.
This covers the indebtedness for October,

lovember and December, 1893, Both viaducts were ordered painted. The ordinance providing for special as-essment against property owners to pay for the removal of garbage was passed. Mark Beetham asked permission to make a two story building of his saloon on N street and to cover the same with corru-gated iron. Referred.

Mr. Bulla stated that he had been given to understand that in case the city bore a portion of the expense the county would stand the balance, and in that manner th services of a physician could be had for casonable amount. He therefore me that the mayor appoint a committee of three to wait upon the county commissioners and ascertain what arrangements could be made. The motion prevailed and the mayor appointed Messrs. Bulla, Conley and Wyman.

Henry Klas, a laborer, was found dead in

his room at noon yesterday. Klas is a single man, about 30 years of age. He boarded on Q street, between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets with Mrs. Kaufhold. A week ago he left South Omaha to go into the country in of work. On Sunday he returned, saving that he could not find anything to do. The man was quiet in his manner and never had a great deal to say. When he went to his room Sunday night there was nothing in his conduct that would indicate

that Klas contemplated taking his life. When Klas did not show up for his breakfast Mrs. Kaufhold concluded that he was tired from his tramp and did not call him until 10 o'clock. After rapping repeatedly on the door the woman finally pushed it open and saw the fellow lying dead on his bed, with his arms stretched out as though he had died in great agony. The fists were clenched and the features of his face in

dicated great suffering.
Chief Mitchell called at the house long mough to verify the above and sent for Coroner Maul without making any further investigation. is believed that Klas became spondent because he could not find employ-ment and took his life by swallowing some

inquest at 10 o'clock this morning. Magic City Gossip. Mrs. A. L. Stryker is still a very sick

Mrs. Dan Condon was reported to be in a dying condition last night. Mrs. A. C. Sloan of Albright is lying very low and her recovery is considered doubtful. Bill Johnson, the colored man who assaulted Officer Anderson, was fined \$2.50

Gracie, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Coe, died yesterday of spinal meningetis. It was Father Moriarty and not Father

McDevitt who delivered the strong sermon on temperance Sunday night. Colonel Sharp, treasurer at the stock yards, arrived home Sunday from an en-joyable trip to the Pacific coast.

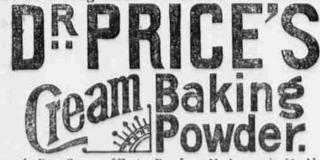
W. N. Babcock of the stock yards i home from a trip to New Orleans, where he attended a meeting of railroad managers. Miss Ida Clemens drew out a good sized audience at the Baptist church last night, and gave a very entertaining program of

recitations. W. S. Whitten is again able to attend to ousiness, after a brief spell of sickness Mrs. Whitten leaves in a few days for Colorado for her health. Adam Mocht was caught in the act of

itealing meat at Cudahy's yesterday and was placed under arrest. Judge Fowler fined him \$3 and costs. Frank Sterney was given shelter at the police station and a warm breakfast. As soon as he was discharged he walked over to Goldstein's clothing store and stole pair of pantaloons and was immediate He was sentenced to fifteen

locked up. He was days in the county jail. The combination horse sale takes place at the stock yards beginning March 20. This sale promises to eclipse anything of the sort that has been given in the past. Horses are being listed from all parts of

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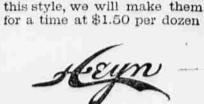
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