state: You who seek neither offices, nor franchises, nor plunder; who are content to live honestly and faithfully; who love this country and its flag; are we not entitled to honest government in Nebraska? Can't we afford it? Why should we allow ourselves to be frightened by the noise and clamor of banks and railroads turned "calamity howlers?"—who ask us to pull their chestnuts out of the fire; to elect their servants to office to destroy us—forsooth, to preserve "the credit of the state"—the good name of Nebraska!"

TIME FOR THE GIANT TO AWAKE.

To our best citizenship: Is it not time you turned round and stopped this anarchy? What anarchy is there so hateful, so destructive and ruinous, as that of the banks and railroads who corrupt our legislatures and defy our laws? It is this that makes the other kind of anarchists—those of the bomb and red flag! Let us down with anarchy by making the corporations, the bankers and railroads obey the laws! Let us not give them immunity for their crimes. They must be made by you—the great middle class, the great citizenship of the state—to take their place as servants at the master's table! We, the people, are not to be farmed out as the operatives of these corporations—as we were cattle! Their eagerness to fatten upon the substance of the people must be curbed. What is your duty in reference to the great laboring classes, the poor and the ignorant? Will you let them see that our best citizenship is coming to the relief of the situation in that you shall decree that the laws shall be obeyed by all! Think of it, in candor and seriousness. The laboring men today see their champions in their contests with capital under indictment and being sent to jail for violating laws by corporations, which daily violate the laws and defy the courts and sap the fountains of justice and of pure citizenship, and whose ministers walk the earth as they were its lords and kings! When the poor man violates the law they put him in jail with rats and vermin, while his family sleep on the sidewalk and eat the soles of their shoes for their breakfast, their dinner and supper. To the rich violater of law and despoiler of justice is given the freedom of the earth—to his family is brought rare food and rich raiment from the east and from the west—for he has his yoke upon the people.

This is what makes the red flag and bomb anarchists. Are our best citizens—our great middle class—going to follow the lead of the corporations because they appoint themselves the guardians of our good name and credit only to consummate the ruin of both? For one, I shall help to put down anarchy, wherever found—howsoever high the place wherein it seeks refuge, or whatever its masquerade!

These corporations tell us that dire calamity will visit us by reason of a name—the name of populist! Time was when the name abolitionist was held in dishonor, but greater knowledge hath made it great. I am no populist. Neither will I be a democrat, or republican, or any sort of partisan whatsoever, on the great issue—which is the only issue in our state politics—namely: Shall we have honest government in Nebraska? Neither the republican nor democratic parties offered us a ticket that honest and self-respecting citizens could vote for except insofar as an honorable, capable and straightforward man was put forward in Judge Holcomb. True, the democrats have named him, but it was by the real and true democracy of the people in revolt against the bosses that have dominated the party so long in the interests of corporations—our servants and not our masters! The kingdom is at hand; the kingdom of the people is at hand!

JOHN D. HOWE.

THURSTON AND BRYAN.

Debates at Lincoln Wednesday Afternoon and at Omaha Thursday Night.

Joint debates between Congressman Bryan, democratic candidate for United States senator, and Hon. John M. Thurston, on "The Points at Issue Between the Democratic and Republican Parties" have been definitely arranged. It was at first the intention to have the first meeting at Lincoln next Tuesday afternoon, but the opening debate has been postponed one day and will be had next Wednesday afternoon in the Lansing opera house at the state capital. Mr. Bryan will open, having one hour, and Mr. Thurston will reply in an hour and twenty minutes, Mr. Bryan having twenty minutes in which to close the debate.

The second meeting will be next Thursday night in Omaha at the Coliseum, when Mr. Thurston will open and close. Admission in both cases will be by ticket, each side to have the distribution of half the tickets.

Strode, Davies and Polk Orate.

LOUISVILLE, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge Jesse B. Strode, republican candidate for congress from the First district, Hon. John A. Davies, candidate for state representative, and C. S. Polk, candidate for county attorney on the republican ticket, spoke to the largest and most enthusiastic audience that ever assembled in this city last night, a very large number of ladies being present. The judge's remarks upon the principal issues of the campaign were practical, pithy and to the point, fairly delighting his hearers. Both Davies and Polk made brilliant speeches, interspersed with original campaign songs, sung by Prof. Howard. The interest displayed at this meeting was never greater in a presidential campaign.

Holcomb Badges Becoming Popular.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The populists captured this place yesterday, coming in from all sections to hear Senator Allen speak. Afternoon and evening meetings were held. Senator Allen spoke in the afternoon to a crowded house. In the evening ex-Senator Shrader and Judge Hampton, populist nominees for state senator and representative, spoke at Lloyd's opera house. Senator Allen, who was also present, responded to the wishes of the audience by making a brief, but earnest speech for American homes. Scores of people were wearing Holcomb badges, and every time his name was spoken the audience cheered.

Political Debate at Tecumseh.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The populists and democrats of Johnson county met jointly in a political meeting in this city yesterday. In the way of speaking the populists were represented by Hon. Charles N. Mayberry of Pawnee county and Cecil E. Matthews of Sterling. Democratic doctrine was expounded by Hon. Hugh Lamaster of this city. The attendance was good.

Wallace Republicans Get Together.

WALLACE, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—The Wallace Republican club held its first regular meeting Saturday night. The club was addressed by President Robbins, who was very enthusiastically received. Music was furnished by the Wallace Wild West band. The membership was increased to fifty-nine.

Lacey of Iowa Talks Politics at Fremont.

FREMONT, Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Lacey of the Sixth Iowa district addressed a fair sized audience at Masonic temple last night on the issues of the campaign. He made a good address, which was well received and loudly applauded.

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THE PASSING OF OLD TARS

Famous Naval Commanders Retiring from the Service.

THEY HAVE REACHED THE AGE LIMIT

Gherardi, Benham, Skerrett, Irwin, Stanton, Fyffe and Erben Going on the Retired List—Younger Officers Take Command.

There has been some great "hauling of bow lines" in the navy during the past few months, and as a result there are a number of vacancies in rear admiralships. Of course it is the ambition of every navy officer to become a rear admiral, but many of the best known officers of our navy have waited forty years or more before they were even in sight of the coveted title. Some of them were compelled to wait so long that they would be forced to retire without reaching the goal on account of the age limit, 62 years, were it not for the amicable arrangement that has been entered into with fellow officers.

Seven of the best known officers of the navy will soon be on the retired list as rear admirals as a result, in some cases, of this amicable arrangement entered into with fellow officers. It is only a few months ago, says the Washington Post, that Rear Admirals Andrew E. K. Benham and John Irwin retired, and now follows Rear Admiral Skerrett, who notified the Navy department that he wished to be relieved from duty and has returned to this country from China, after having been placed on the retired list; Rear Admiral Oscar F. Stanton, who has just retired with full rank, through the assistance of a fellow officer and to enable Commodore Erben to become a rear admiral. After obtaining the rank of rear admiral, Commodore Erben retired on the 16th inst. Commodore Fyffe, who was recently made a rear admiral through the kindness of Rear Admiral Skerrett, who retired before his age limit was reached, retired on July 26. Rear Admiral Skerrett would not have been obliged to retire on account of the age limit until January 18, 1895. Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, now in command of the Brooklyn navy yard, retires in November next, he also having reached the age limit, and Admiral J. A. Greer goes out of active service a few months later, in February, 1895.

BRAVE ADMIRALS WHO RETIRE.

So it will be seen that the navy loses this year Admirals Benham, Irwin, Gherardi, Skerrett, Stanton Fyffe and Erben, and Admiral Greer early next year. All these officers leave the service while still in full possession of their health and strength, and were it not for the age limit would, no doubt, give their valuable services to the navy for many more years. The age limit in the navy—62—is two years earlier than that of the army, and there are not a few who feel that the famous old sea dogs who are now taking a back seat should be retained and that it is not fair to relieve experienced and able officers from duty while they are still in their prime. All the officers who leave the navy this year have seen service in the civil war and made records for bravery.

Commodore Francis Munroe Ramsay has been made a rear admiral to succeed Rear Admiral Andrew E. K. Benham. Commodore Carpenter hoisted his flag as Admiral Skerrett's successor at the Asiatic station, and Acting Rear Admiral W. A. Kirkland of the South Atlantic station succeeds Rear Admiral Henry Erben at the European station. It is announced that Commodore Richard W. Meade, who is in the line of promotion, will shortly be made a rear admiral and placed in command of the home station. Other changes to be made owing to the retirement of the rear admirals are talked of, but as yet it is impossible to announce them as authentic.

THEIR ENVIABLE RECORDS.

A glance at the records of the officers of the navy who have either recently retired or will do so shortly, shows that they have all seen at least two score years of active service. Rear Admiral Benham, who is now on the retired list, distinguished himself in the closing days of his career by his diplomatic actions during the Brazilian revolution. His knowledge of international rights and obligations stood him in good stead while in command in Brazil. He could always deal with delicate situations most successfully, for he possessed sound judgment and a cool head. He entered the navy when a lad of 15, and went to sea for six years before entering the naval academy to study for his career. He was already in possession of the practical side of his calling when he commenced his studies in the academy. Before the civil war he did good service in the Paraguayan expedition, in the Pacific squadron, on the coast survey and on duty in Brazilian waters. In November, 1861, he took part in the capture of Port Royal, for he was lieutenant of the side wheel steamer Bienville. In July, 1861, he was made lieutenant commander. From 1863 to 1865 he was in command of the gunboat Penobscot, which did excellent work in the West gulf blockading squadron. At various times since the war Admiral Benham has seen service as commander of the Portsmouth, the Richmond, the Canonicus, Saugus and Susquehanna, as lighthouse inspector, and at the Portsmouth and Mare Island navy yards, concluding with his command of the South Atlantic station. Admiral Benham is a native of New York, and has a son in the navy, Ensign Henry K. Benham, who is in the tenth year of his service.

ACTING ADMIRAL STANTON.

Commodore Stanton, who was made a rear admiral just before his time for retiring from active service, has been prominently before the public within the last year. His action while acting rear admiral of Brazil, in saluting the flag and returning the visit of the rebel Brazilian Admiral Mello caused his withdrawal from his station. His explanations proved satisfactory to the naval authorities. The loss of the famous Kearsarge while Commander Stanton had his flag aboard again called the public's attention to him. Since the loss of the Kearsarge he has been in command of the north Atlantic station. He was born at Sag Harbor, L. I., July 18, 1834, and entered the navy as a "middy" December 23, 1849. After seven years of service, when he was 22, in 1856, he was made a lieutenant on the Memphis. He saw service in Paraguay in 1858-59 and was made a lieutenant commander in 1862 on the Tioga. He was made a commander in 1867, and assigned to the Yokohama of the north Atlantic squadron. He has been stationed at Philadelphia and New London at different times. He has always been recognized as a competent, painstaking and loyal officer, who had scores of friends, both in and out of the navy.

REAR ADMIRAL GHERARDI.

Rear Admiral Bancroft Geherardi has been known among the officers of the navy as a commander who preferred the sea every time in preference to a land station. He had rather tread the deck of a man-of-war, with trouble in sight, than secure the best land station within the gift of the navy, and he said as much when assigned to the Brooklyn navy yard to succeed Commodore Erben, who went to the European station from Brooklyn. Admiral Gherardi never fancied the ballroom admiral, who had never seen much of sea service. He has a blunt way peculiarly his own of expressing himself, but he is the best and jolliest of companions when among his own kind. He has had many exciting experiences during his forty-eight years of service in the navy. He was born at Jackson, La., in 1832, and entered the navy from Massachusetts as a "middy" June 29, 1846, so that if it had not been for his age limit he would have liked, he says, to finish his half century of service. He is now the senior officer of the navy. It was the custom when Admiral Gherardi entered the navy for the youth to get his first experience at sea, and after he knew what practical service was, to then enter the naval academy. Admiral Gherardi spent six years at sea before he entered the naval academy, at 20, in 1852. He was made a lieutenant commander July 16, 1862, and during the war commanded the Chocoma, Port Royal and Seecofort. In 1866 he secured the rank of commander, that of captain in 1874, and of commodore in 1884. In 1886 he was made a rear admiral, succeeding Admiral Chandler.

WILL MISS ADMIRAL ERBEN.

Admiral Erben has proved himself an able officer who has always done credit to the stars and stripes during his forty years of service, and his retirement will be regretted by all. Commodore Meade, who takes Erben's place in the list of admirals, will have been about forty-four years in the navy. He will not retire until 1898. Commodore Erben commanded the Brooklyn navy yard up to the time Admiral Gherardi was ordered there, and then he went to the European station. He is an officer after Admiral Gherardi's heart. He is a typical sea commander, who loves a sea-faring life and has no use for land stations. He is an exceedingly competent officer.

Admiral Skerrett has been forty-six years in the navy, and his record is an excellent one. He served with distinction throughout the civil war, and according to the records of the navy he has the distinction of having done longer active service on sea and shore duty than any of the other commodores. He was appointed a midshipman on October 12, 1848, and he was made a commodore August 4, 1889. He has had twenty years and ten months of sea duty and twenty-one years of shore duty.

OTHERS WHO WON HONORS.

Commodore Fyffe, who was made an admiral recently, has seen forty years of active service in the navy. He was a lieutenant commander during the war, and his record is one that any officer might well feel proud of. He had been commandant of the Boston navy yard for some time previous to his being made a rear admiral through the retirement of Admiral Skerrett.

Rear Admiral John Irwin, who, like Admiral Erben, after forty-seven years of service, hauled down his flag a week after that officer, on April 16 last, was born in 1832, and was appointed a midshipman in 1847. Having passed through all the intervening grades with honors, he was commissioned on May 9, 1851. He had seen twenty-three years of active sea service and seventeen years of shore duty. He hauled down his flag on board the Philadelphia in Honolulu, he at the time being commander-in-chief of the Pacific squadron. He was known to his associates in the navy as a rigid disciplinarian, but he was an officer of great merit and capacity, who always possessed the confidence and esteem of his superiors as well as the love and respect of the men of his command.

CAMPAIGN IN FILLMORE COUNTY.

Candidates and Their Methods Forcibly Contrasted by a Watchful Voter.

MILLIGAN, Neb., Oct. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Nothing but honor to you for your earnest and strong defense of purity and integrity in political contests, and your efforts at striking down those elements that have been passing through the process of rotting for years. Down with them. We want clean hands and honest hearts to represent us, and not such corrupt and depraved creatures as Tom Majors, now striving for the gubernatorial chair. I have listened to speeches by both nominees in this campaign, and was struck by the different methods they use. While Mr. Holcomb did not once mention the name of his antagonist, Mr. Majors devoted much of his speech to throwing mud and stones at his independent competitor. The most ridiculous of his expressions and assertions was that Mr. Holcomb is a railroad man and ringster, who, if elected, will work for his political friends and corporations, while he is a farmer and the hearty friend of all poor people. This statement might be credited if his past political record and his present campaign were not known.

When Judge Holcomb delivered his speech at our county seat, Geneva, in the presence of more than 800 people, nobody could see any undue or extraordinary efforts to induce people to come forward in support of any candidate on the independent ticket. All the proceedings of the day's celebration were quiet and orderly. But one brass band was secured to entertain those present, and, after the speeches of the candidates, everyone, being sober and thoughtful, started for his home. How different from this meeting of intelligent voters was the republican rally, held expressly for the benefit of Tom Majors. A few days before the date of the rally numerous political workers, with bags of gold, were sent out into the country and near villages to organize companies and delegations for meeting and celebrating Tattooed Tom, of course, paying all expenses of their political journey and something besides.

The result of this Majors method was satisfactory; the rally was well attended. According to impartial estimates about 1,200 people took part in the glorious procession. Almost every person you met was tattooed with Majors' name and wore a republican campaign hat, which, with long silk badges, were freely distributed among the people. All hotels except one, whose proprietor sympathizes with Holcomb, and all livery stables were paid by the agents of Tom Majors and railroad corporations to be opened for free use to all classes assembled in Geneva. Beer, whisky and cigars were served in numerous shanties and watersheds to stimulate and arouse the minds of half-caught voters (Geneva has local option), and about seven brass bands poured joy and inspiration into the ears of the Fillmorians. Various verses and inscriptions ridiculing the other parties and their nominee, Holcomb, were carried through the city, and others boasted of the purity and divine gifts of their Tom. On all sides the almighty dollar did its duty, persuading voters in these hard times of the ability of the tatooed candidate. How long will our people be led by the political tricksters and hired agents of rich corporations, and sell their honesty and true political judgment for a pleasant word or for a piece of metal? I would not have any objections against lawful means of any political party in supporting its ticket, but using such degrading ways to elect its candidate against the will of public sentiment is to be condemned.

Is there any honesty in the scheme of the Majors gang, which is flooding the state with private letters and circulars, telling the people that if Holcomb is elected the financial credit of our state will be ruined? To elect an honest and capable man as governor means ruin and destruction of the state, but to choose a dishonest and corrupt man as governor means prosperity and happiness of the people, according to the Majors gang. For whom is this logic? Is it for the people of the state of Nebraska? Do you think that the people of this prosperous state are so blind that they do not see through these low schemes?

I do not wonder that those money kings and railroad corporations use such a course in pushing their pliant tool into the governor's chair, but I cannot comprehend that our people would support their enemy, giving the arms into hands against themselves.

Voters, do not expect any aid or relief there, where capital is handed, because there the heart does not beat for you, but stand up and help yourselves by means of your ballot, placed in your hands by the constitution of this republic. Holcomb is the man that will stand for our rights and needs, and go hand in hand with his people, governing justly all sides in the state. This cannot be expected from Mr. Majors, who will serve those who served him in his campaign. Honesty and true judgment be our guide on the 6th of November. S.

Keeping Up a Show.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch from Shanghai says: It is reported that in consequence of the projected £1,000,000 10 per cent loan, to be guaranteed by the imperial customs, Chinese agents aboard have been instructed to put the best ace possible on the recent Chinese reverses and to represent the fleet as being active and efficient.

Striking Weavers Will Not Return.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Oct. 14.—The Weavers association held a special meeting yesterday morning in Music hall and voted not to accept the manufacturers position of a 10 per cent reduction, and decided not to return to work tomorrow morning. One thousand men attended the meeting, representing about 3,000 of the 8,500 weavers in this city. The meeting was open to all weavers.

Steel Works Doing a Heavy Business.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 14.—Iron and steel mills in this locality are enjoying an era of unprecedented prosperity. At the Pennsylvania steel works the production of rails and bessemer steel last week was the heaviest for years. The three furnaces in blast averaged nearly 300 tons daily. The company has contracts for 100,000 tons or more of girder rails.

Corrupt Councilman Sentenced.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 14.—Richard Armstrong, an ex-councilman of Alleghany City, was yesterday sentenced to pay a fine of $25 and serve thirty days in the county jail. He was convicted of attempting to bribe a councilman to influence the election of an engineer to supervise the construction of Alleghany City's new water works.

WRECK ON THE ELKHORN

Rear End Collision of Freight Trains at Blair.

ENGINE CREW BARELY ESCAPE DEATH

Jump from Their Locomotive in Time to Escape Being Crushed — Several Cars Piled Up Along the Right of Way.

BLAIR, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—A rear-end collision occurred here last night at 9:40 p. m. on the Elkhorn in the yards. No. 34 was late and had just pulled into town and was standing on the main line waiting for the switch to be turned to side track for No. 23 going west, which was just pulling into the east yards. A special double-header from the west followed No. 34 and was to side track for No. 23.

Where they pulled into the west yards there is a curve, and it was impossible for the special stock train to see No. 34 on the main line in time to stop. The engineer and fireman on the special stock train jumped in time and no one was hurt. About six box cars are totally demolished, and one engine is badly used up. Probably the loss to the railroad company will exceed $5,000. The railroad employes are busy clearing the wreck and all trains are running on time.

STATE UNIVERSITY NOTES.

Fourth Year's Work of the College of Law Begins.

LINCOLN, Oct. 4.—(Special.)—The College of Law opened its fourth year's work Monday. Hon. W. H. Thompson of Grand Island delivered the opening address. Various changes have been made and new courses of law have been added to the curriculum. The faculty has been enlarged by additions. The enrollment is larger than heretofore, and it is expected the 100 mark will be reached before another week.

The interest aroused in the Kansas-Nebraska joint debate shows that there will be warm contests ere the debate comes off. The registration list was closed this week with thirty-two candidates. A series of preliminary contests will be held for the purpose of sifting out of this number the three men who will represent the university in the interstate debate. The first of the series will occur November 10.

In the three examinations for the purpose of filling vacancies in the Glee club about fifty applicants presented themselves. Under the direction of Prof. Kimball and the management of Mr. Reese the club promises to more than repeat the successes of last year.

The Christian associations have entered an active campaign this year in the way of bible study. They have organized classes in connection with the Sunday schools of the largest churches, and provided them with competent teachers for the especial benefit of the students.

Wednesday evening at drill the new members of the battalion were handed a pamphlet entitled, "Rules and Regulations Governing the Cadet Battalion of the University of Nebraska." The rules are much more strict this year, and a cadet not attaining a certain per cent will receive no credit for the term's work.

The foot ball team left for Ashland yesterday, where they will play with the High school team of that place. The game with the University of Minnesota has been declared off, but the game with the Doane college team will be played as scheduled.

Frank Crawford came down from Omaha last week. He will coach the foot ball team for this season.

A Bryan-Holcomb club was organized last week by students interested in state politics.

The senior class held an interesting meeting this week and indulged in the customary "scrap" over what they should wear to distinguish themselves from the "first preps." After an animated discussion it was decided that the ladies should wear caps and gowns and the gentlemen hats and canes.

In a list of universities and colleges published by the University of Chicago, whose work is accepted on a par, Nebraska's university is placed in such company as Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Princeton, Columbia, Brown, Bowdoin and Amherst. This is taken as an indication of how that university regards the work of the University of Nebraska.

A campaign has been inaugurated by the chancellor for the purpose of setting forth to the people of Nebraska the crowded condition of the university. The object is to acquaint every one with the true state of affairs, and has in view an appropriation by the coming legislature sufficient to meet the growing demand of this institution. Over 1,300 students have registered this year. Every inch of available space is taken up for recitation rooms. Rooms are so crowded that students have been obliged to stand during recitation hours. Three years ago there were not to exceed 450 students on the grounds at any one time. But now, with 1,300 students, there is not a single foot more of recitation or lecture room than there was in 1891. Unless some appropriations are made, it is expected that the attendance will be limited to 800 students. The plan is for every student and friend of the university to write letters to friends, relatives, editors, legislators and influential business men all over the state. This will be kept up until success crowns their efforts.

Affairs at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—The grand lodge of the Good Templars met in this city Wednesday and Thursday, with an attendance of over seventy-five delegates from all over the state. Wolfenbarger of Lincoln was present and gave enthusiasm to the lodge. Dr. Mann of New York was also present and gave public lectures, as well as personal aid in all the services. He is a fascinating talker.

Charles Schroeder started on a trip to Texas Wednesday.

J. H. Galley of this city and W. H. Winterbotham of Genoa returned from Missouri much pleased with the country.

Mrs. Hud Murdock returned home Thursday from a three months' visit at Glen Falls, N. Y.

George Turner, a member of the Cody Wild West show, arrived home Wednesday to spend the winter.

No Money to Pay Court Officials.

BUTTE, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—The fall term of the district court, which was to convene in Butte October 23, has been adjourned by Judge Barlow on request of the attorneys and court officers here. The reason given is that there is no money in the treasury to pay witnesses, jurors, etc., and in spite of this it is believed that bonds will fail to carry at the election to be held Tuesday. The telephone line connecting Butte with Stuart will be completed November 1.

West Point Notes.

WEST POINT, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—George W. Boyer, jr., has returned home after a three years' absence in Washington state.

W. J. Bryan spoke to the voters here on Thursday evening.

Congressman Meiklejohn will orate here Monday.

Small Blaze at Schuyler.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Fred Vropf's office and scale house at the Union Pacific stock yards were burned this evening. The books and furniture were saved. There was no insurance. It was evidently incendiary. A man was seen running away by those first at the fire. Loss, $800.

Jail Birds Recaptured.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Two of the parties who broke jail here last night were recaptured twelve miles south of town today. The third man is still at large.

Fairbury Bicycler Fatally Hurt.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Lewis H. Davis, while riding his bicycle last evening, collided with the end of a wagon tongue, fracturing his skull. He is still alive, but small hopes are entertained of his recovery.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Cracker Jack" at the Fifteenth Street.

It is worthy of remark that the two plays now holding the boards at the Fifteenth Street theater and Boyd's have their action in Oklahoma, but are treated upon totally different lines. "A Cracker Jack," which is now at the Fifteenth Street theater, is a sensational melodrama, with farce comedy side lights, so to speak. It tells a fair story of love and hate, wherein love rises triumphant, as is essential in the melo-drama of the old English school, but incidental to the development several very clever specialties are introduced. In effect "A Cracker Jack" is very suggestive of "M'liss," with faint reminders of "A Texas Steer." The heavy work rests upon the shoulders of George Miller, Fred A. Sullivan, Earl Atkinson, and Miss Fanny Frantzell, while the comedy side is brightly pictured by Will Robyns, R. H. Wright, Miss Carrie Ezier, and Mrs. Robbins. As the representative in the territorial legislature, Will Robyns plays the bucolic Sam Derrick with decided talent, contributing not a little to the pleasure of the performance by bits of character studies that were wonderfully attractive. But the genuine hit of the play is made by Miss Ezier, who is one of the very brightest soubrettes entour. She is full of chic, works like a beaver, sings a whole lot of new songs, dances splendidly, in a word, is the real genuine type of the soubret which Webster defines as "A meddlesome, mischievous female servant." Miss Fanny Frantzell played the heroine with credit. The play was received with great favor by two large audiences yesterday.

"Rush City" at Boyd's.

"Rush City," the very newest of the farce comedies, caught the fancy of the crowd last evening at Boyd's and won a very substantial success. There is something exciting about a boom town, even if only shown on the stage, and the audience last night pounded its hands off and yelled itself hoarse over the funny situations and the humor which the players infused into the comedy. The locale of the play changes from New York to Oklahoma, which affords endless opportunity for the introduction of types of character common to the territory, and Mr. Gus Heege, who is responsible for the boom play, has improved his opportunity by making known types somewhat new to the stage. The second act takes place in Tarantula county, Oklahoma, and between the constant meandering of the court house, which is represented by a tent, the flim-flamming processes of the real estate agents, the rainmaking efforts of Prof. Leyden Jarr and the perambulating nature of the police force, the act is one of the funniest on the stage, the cyclone, however, leveling the town, necessitating the erection of another boom town in the adjoining township.

The company producing the play is one of the strongest seen in farce this season, headed by Matthews and Bulger, two quaint comedians, whose patter work and songs are original, to a marked degree. Frank O'Brien has a character part in Tarantula Tom, which fits him splendidly, his grotesque methods and his more grotesque dancing making a big hit. The women of the company are somewhat inferior to the men, but the performance goes with sparkle, its freshness and newness making a decided impression last night.

TOTAL RUIN OF CONTENTS.

Damage to Morse-Coe Shoe Factory Greater Than at First Supposed.

The cause of the fire in the Morse-Coe company's building has yet to be discovered. An examination was made yesterday by Chief Galligan, W. V. Morse, Charles A. Coe, Building Inspector Winspear and Mr. Hartman, but no clew was found. It was seen that the damage was greater than at first estimated. What was not consumed by fire was made worthless by water. This is the case with the entire contents of the building. All the patterns and lasts, leather, shoes and machinery are ruined, with no salvage except what can be obtained for the iron of the machinery. The loss will exceed $100,000, but it cannot be exactly stated yet.

The walls of the building are practically uninjured up to the top of the third floor. Today the south wall will be braced, to prevent it from falling upon the building of the Western Newspaper union adjoining. The basement was cleared of the water yesterday to save the foundation.

Two Little Fires Yesterday.

The two-story frame building, owned by Dr. Saville and occupied by Allan Coulter as a bakery, situated at 1104 North Twenty-fourth street, caught fire at 5 o'clock yesterday and burned. The loss on building and contents did not exceed $150, all of which was covered by insurance.

A one-story frame barn at Twenty-second and Locust strets caught fire yesterday afternoon from hot ashes. No damage was done. The owner and occupant was Charles Horsp.

SO THEY TRADED WIVES.

Indian Minister and a Friend Strike a Happy Bargain.

ANDERSONVILLE, Ind., Oct. 14.—Rev. Mr. Smith, well known in religious circles throughout Indiana, while preaching at Winchester, became infatuated with the wife of Fred Helm. Mr. Helm, strangely enough, fell in love with Mrs. Smith, and the result was they traded wives. This caused a sensation and necessitated Mr. Smith's retirement from the ministry. Yesterday the judge of the circuit court of Anderson district granted Mrs. Smith a divorce.

ARMY RECORD BROKEN.

Griffiths of the Eighth Cavalry Does Fine Work at Fort Sheridan.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—The firing on the Fort Sheridan range yesterday was confined to the army carbine competition. Corporal Bevins of the Tenth cavalry is in the lead with a score of 450. Of the distinguished marksmen, the highest score has been made by Corporal Boyle of the Fourth cavarly. Sergeant Griffiths of the Eighth cavalry broke the army record for a single run, scoring 175 out of a possible 175.

HAWAII'S QUEEN CRAZY.

Rumor in Circulation to that Effect in Honolulu.

VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 14.—Before the Arawa left Honolulu a rumor was in circulation that Queen Liliuokalani had gone crazy. The report is not credited, although for several days she had not left the house she is occupying.

Daring Feat of an Englishman.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Oct 14.—Captain Montague W. Martin, a young English officer, who came to New York with a body of English cavalry last winter, jumped from Poughkeepsie bridge to the water, 130 feet below. He was picked up in an unconscious condition after a few moments. He was revived with some difficulty, and it was found that he had suffered a slight wrench of the right knee, but he was apparently uninjured in any other way. The jump, it is said, was made on a wager.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Matt Daugherty is at the Merchants.

F. C. Wilson of Anselmo is visiting in the city.

The "Rush City" company are stopping at the Millard.

S. H. H. Clark arrived in the city last night and registered at the Millard.

Summer Wallace of Rochester, N. H., is a guest of A. W. Wattles and wife at the Millard.

Mrs. C. C. Buck has returned from Kansas City, where she saw the Priests' of Pallas parade.

Misses Ida and Mamie Nobles of Salt Lake arrived in the city yesterday and are stopping at the Mercer.

Nebraskans at the Hotels.

At the Murray—A. D. Sears, Grand Island.

At the Millard—C. E. Presson, T. M. Cooke, Lincoln.

At the Arcade—M. M. Morrissey, Lincoln; J. C. Osborn, Hale; H. O. Smith, H. V. Temple, Lexington.

At the Barker—Mr. and Mrs. Hayden and family, Mrs. W. Patterson, Lincoln; H. Richmond, York.

At the Paxton: A. D. Jackson, A. T. Galloway, Neligh; J. F. Crocker, Kearney; A. S. Tibbetts, Lincoln.

At the Dellone—C. W. Seymour and wife, Nebraska City; F. C. Matteson, Sutton; C. J. Turner, Fairfield; L. L. Burrell, Fremont; E. J. Taggart, Gretna; Ed Fidlar, Lincoln; William Ebright, Nebraska City.

At the Merchants—R. St. Clair, Holdrege; J. S. Hoagland, N. F. Truesdell, North Platte; D. S. Nicholson and city, Madison; J. H. Moughman, Lincoln; James B. Greene, Nebraska City; F. E. Wheeler, Beatrice; V. M. Street, Nebraska City.

"THE CREDIT OF NEBRASKA"

The Moral and the Mercenary View of the State Campaign.

MR. E. ROSEWATER TO SPEAK IN OMAHA

Will Address the Business Men of the Community at Boyd's Opera House Wednesday Evening, October 17—"Shall the People Rule?"

Mr. E. Rosewater will address the business men of this community Wednesday evening, October, 17, at 8 o'clock.

Boyd's opera house has been secured for the occasion. A certain portion of the house will be reserved for gentlemen with their ladies.

Mr. Rosewater will discuss "The Credit of Nebraska—The Moral and Mercenary View of the State Campaign."

Every business man who feels an interest in the result of the state election is invited.

STEVENSON CAMPAIGNING.

Will Tour Illinois, Missouri, Michigan and New York at Once.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Oct. 14.—Vice President Stevenson arrived in this city Saturday night and will leave in the morning for Paris, Ill., where he will speak tomorrow. He will speak in Illinois all the week and will deliver an address in St. Louis on Saturday night. He will also make ten speeches in Missouri on the 22d and 23d. Crossing the state in a private car, he will make a similar tour in New York on the 26th and 27th. On the 29th he will speak at Detroit, Mich.; on the 31st at Peoria; on the 1st of November in Joliet, Ill.; the 2d in Chicago; 3d in Springfield and Decatur.

M'KINLEY AT HOME.

Given a Grand Reception by the Citizens of His Own State.

TOLEDO, Oct. 14.—Yesterday Governor McKinley returned to his own state. He was given a welcome home that was entirely in keeping with the splendid receptions he has met abroad. He spoke at Paulding in the afternoon to a large audience, composed mainly of the farmers of Paulding and the adjoining counties, and after the meeting he was conveyed on a special train to Toledo, stoping enroute at Defiance, Napoleon and Liberty, and making a short speech at each place. This morning the governor went to Columbus.

WILSON IN WEST VIRGINIA.

Addresses Four Thousand Democrats and Receives an Ovation.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Oct. 14.—Not less than four thousand West Virginia and Pennsylvania democrats listened to the address delivered yesterday by Hon. W. L. Wilson. Before he had spoken half an hour a sudden renewal of the heavy storm of the early morning compelled him to bring his remarks to a premature close. In the evening the university students entertained Mr. Wilson at a banquet, where, in reply to a toast, he made a brief address of a non-political character.

Butler People Addressed by Thurston.

DAVID CITY, Oct. 14.—(Special.)—The largest political gathering ever held in Butler county was the opening rally of the republicans, held here yesterday. Delegations from nearly all the precincts were in the procession, which formed and marched to the depot to escort John M. Thurston, the speaker. The procession was over a quarter of a mile in length, and three cornet and one martial band added enthusiasm to the march. The opera house was filled to its utmost capacity. Hon. George Sheesley presided and introduced the David City Glee club, which rendered a couple of choice songs. The speaker presented the tariff and silver questions in a very comprehensive manner. Mr. Thurston, after speaking two hours, left for Seward.

Winters as a Hoodoo.

OMAHA, Oct. 13.—To the Editor of The Bee: There is considerable opposition developing against the republican nominee for county attorney, from the fact that it is alleged that he has pledged himself to appoint Phil Winters as his chief assistant in case he is elected. This is part of the combination effected to defeat Jacob Kaley for a renomination, and Kaley's friends resent the work of the Seventh and Ninth ward jobbers in such strong terms that Mr. Baldridge will find enemies in his own party ranks.

SENTINEL.

Holcomb and Deaver at Blair.

BLAIR, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge Holcomb and D. Clem Deaver spoke here last night to a large attendance. Judge Holcomb was not much in the mood to speak, having spoken at Arlington during the afternoon.

Everybody is anxious to hear Hon. Dave Mercer and Hon. John M. Thurston, who are billed for Blair Saturday.

Devine Draws a Crowd.

LYONS, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Hon. J. M. Devine, populist candidate for congress in the Third district, spoke twice yesterday in this county, at Decatur at 3 p. m., and at this place in the evening. There was a good turnout at each place, and all listened attentively to what he had to say on the silver question.

Devine Speaks at Pender.

PENDER, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Hon. J. M. Devine, populist candidate for congress from this (Third) district, delivered a three-hours address to a large audience at Weisen's opera house last evening. There was considerable enthusiasm manifested.

Daugherty Speaks at Litchfield.

LITCHFIELD, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Hon. M. A. Daugherty spoke to a large and enthusiastic gathering here last night. He was accompanied by Captain Joseph Black, republican candidate for state senator from this district.

Withdrew from the Race.

BUTTE, Neb., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Frank Burbank withdrew from the race for county attorney. The republican nominee, W. J. Wills, will fill the vacancy on the ticket.