B. FALCONER CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FREE.

We will continue our Free Souvenirs Monday. With every pair of Gloves purchased at \$1.50 up, we will give free a handsome Glove Box, worth 50c with every Fan purchased from 65c up we will give free a beautiful Japanese Fan Box, worth 50c. Japanese Toys given free to customers at our Toy Department all day tomorrow.

We are making great reductions in Dress Goods this week. Visit our Book Department for Xmas Presents.

Our store will be open evenings until after Christmas.

We are selling more toys than all the other stores put together, and why? Because we are selling them at less than other stores are buying them for. We are going out of the toy business and every article must be sold before Christmas. Come now and secure some of our toys before the assortment is broken. You never had such an opportunity as this to buy toys at almost

Millinery Dept. SECOND FLOOR.

Fine MILLINERY for HOLIDAY PRESENTS

Great inducements all this week. Every trimmed hat will be placed on sale Monday at 1/2 off the regular price. These are all very desirable goods and will make a very acceptable Christmas present.

Comforts. Comforts.

Only a few of those ruffled silkaline comforts left. Monday we will close them all out at \$2.75 each, worth \$4.00.

Eiderdown

Comforts.

Nothing makes a more appropriate Christmas gift than anice elderdown comfort. We are selling our \$5.00 ones at \$3.75; \$6.50 quality, \$4.75; \$10.00 quality, \$7.00, \$7.50.

Black Silks.

FOR MONDAY AND TUESDAY. 24-inch black satin duchesse, \$1.75 quality, at \$1.35 a yard.
24-inch black royal duchesse, \$2.25 quality, at \$1.75 a yard.

Bargains in silks of all kinds and qualities.

BARGAINS AT OUR LADIES' AND GENTS' Furnishings Dept.

FOR MONDAY. Gents' Ties.

Our 50c line of gents' teck and four-inhand ties are unexcelled; they come in all shades and are made from the very latest designs in imported silks.

Gents' Silk and Satin Suspenders. We are showing a beautiful line of gents' silk and satin suspenders, in black and white, also colors, at \$1.00 to \$3.00 per pair. Gents' Sateen Night Robes.

Gents' sateen night robes, in pink, blue and ecru shades, at \$1.50 each. These robes are beautiful and nicely finished with a silk cord trimming.

Gents' Smoking Jackets.

Any one wishing to make a nice and useful Christmas present will profit by inspecting our line of smoking jackets and dressing gowns. Our prices will be found to be the lowest in the city,

Ladies' Silk Hose.

Monday we will place on special sale ladies' \$2.00 pure black silk hose, made with double soles and high spliced heeis, at

Fine Black Goods

FOR XMAS PRESENTS.

38-inch all wool henrietta, \$2.60 a dress pattern of 7 yards.

50-inch all wool black cloth suiting, \$3.50 a dress pattern of five yards. 40-inch all wool imported novelty suitings,

\$5.25 a dress pattern of seven yards. 40-inch fine all wool nuns' veiling (Priestley's), \$5.25 adress pattern of seven yards. 46-inch all wooi henrietta cloth, finest quality made, reduced to \$7.50 for a dress

pattern of six yards. Priestley's fine black novelties at \$6.75, \$8.75 and \$10.50 a dress pattern of seven

Colored Dress Goods.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SALE.

BIG REDUCTIONS FOR MONDAY AND ALL WEEK,

mixtures, in small, neat effects, also 46inch French serges, in plain colorings (no blacks), were \$5.00 and \$6.00, now \$3.50 a

50-inch fine all wool imported covert suitings, 50-inch new wool novelties, 50-in wool and mohair fabrics, in beautiful new color combinations, worth \$6.50, now \$4.50 a dress

dress pattern.

54-inch all wool imported broadcloths and storm serges, no blacks, were \$6.25 and \$7.50, now \$3.95 a dress pattern.

NOWHERE ELSE IN OMAHA CAN EQUALLY DESIRABLE CHRISTMAS PRES-ENTS BE BOUGHT FOR SO LITTLE MONEY.

BOOKS.

At 23c.

Lowell's Early Poems.

Handy Volume Edition in Fancy Cloth Bindings, such as:

Whittier's Early Poems. Lalla Rockh. Sketch Book. Evangeline. Lays of Ancient Rome. Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow. Past and Present. Sartor Resartus, etc., etc. Same in finer bindings only 58c, regular price 75c.

At 50c.

The Bow of Orange Ribbon. Natural Law in Spiritual World. Jan Vedders' Wife. Barriers Burned Away. Opening of a Chestnut Burr. Bird's Christmas Carol. Friendly Talks to Boys. Friendly Letters to Girls. Bits of Precious Ore, white binding, Bits of Precious Gold, white binding. Men's Thoughts for Men. Women's Thoughts for Women.

The finest line of Christmas cards, calendars, booklets, dainty gift books, standard works; also a full line of juveniles in all grades and qualities. Paper dolls. Latest publications of standard books by the most popular writers.

Xmas Linens.

A big assortment of dinner sets, fine hemstitched frayed towels up to \$2.00 a pair.

Stamped and plain center pieces in all

All silk and silk embroidered doylies. Just arrived, an elegant line of pillow shams at 65c, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.75, \$2.00 up to \$7.50 a pair. If you are looking for novelties in pillow shams at such low prices we invite an inspection of these goods.

We have a few very fine and entirely new line in lunch cloths for \$1.00 and \$1.80. In this line we are able to suit all tastes. They come in plain and figured satin damask, hemstitched, and in some real hand embroidered.

Never before have we been able to show such an enormous lot of 25c towels, a good many of them are worth up as high as 40c each. You should inspect these before buying elsewhere.

Closing out our toys for almost nothing. Here are some great bargains for tomorrow: Boys' typewriter, was \$1.00, now 50c. Music carts, was 30c, now 19c. \$2.50 printing presses, now \$1.29 \$2.50 drums, now \$1.15. \$1.50 tenpins, now 65c. Fancy baskets, worth up to 25c, for 5c. Fancy baskets, worth up to 35c, for 10c. Fancy baskets, worth up to 50c, for 15c. Children's parlor sets, worth 50c, for 25c.

N. B. FALCONER

C. Stockton, Sidney, Neb.

LANCASTER TEACHERS MEET

Midwinter Session of the Association Held at Lincoln.

ONE HUNDRED MEMBERS PRESENT

Afternoon Meeting Consumed in a Discu sion of Oliver Wendell Holmes by Prof. Sherman of the State University.

LINCOLN, Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-The midwinter session of the Lancaster County Teachers' association was held today in the rooms of the county superintendent. There were over 100 teachers present when the president, Mr. Hawes of College View, called the association to order. In concluding the morning program Superintendent Baer said that he was well pleased with the result of the district meeting. He said that there should be no aimless teaching, but that the teaching of language was the most aimless done. The program for the afternoon was on Oliver Wendell Holmes, and the subject was discussed by Prof. Sherman of the State university, Prof. Clark of the Western Normal and State Superintendent-elect Corbett. Chancellor Caufield addressed the association on behalf of the state association.

DEAD IN A PLUM THICKET. Fleming Harrison, a colored man, was found dead in a plum thicket on the farm of L. D. Shaw, near Hawthorne, yesterday afternoon. He had been dead but a short time as the body was still warm. He was discovered by an employe of A. M. Trimble, lying face downward on the ground. Deputy Sheriff Dillon took charge of the remains, but no inquest was thought necessary. AS TO THE SALT CREEK DITCH.

The Sait creek ditch embroglio is still at the acme of excitement. Charges and counter charges are fully bandied about, and the matter bids fair to involve the citizens of Lincoln in a wordy warfare, accompanied by much bitterness of feeling. The main point of contest lies in the fact that there is the sum of \$10,000 in the hands of the sanitary commission, and there are at least 100 men who need work and want to get at the straightening of the creek immediately. Councilman Lawler enters a vigorous denial of the intimations of Sanitary Commissioner O'Neill that he is anxious to have the contemplated Salt creek ditch on First street. Lawler says he doesn't care where it is located so long as it is begun at once and the needy men put to work. The Lincoln Labor club has taken up the subject and last night appointed a committee of five to circulate a petition among members of the club and present it to the sanitary commission at their next meeting. LINCOLN'S DIVORCE MILL.

Ora M. Adams secured a divorce from Burton L. Adams this morning on the grounds of abandonment and non-support. They were married in Lincoln. May 5, 1892, and she says he has never lived with her nor spoken to her since their marriage The woman is young and pretty and her testimony is corroborated by her mother. In her petition for a divorce filed today Mary S. Acken says that her ausband, Joseph H., is in the habit of feeding their little 5-year-old hoy with whisky. Sas also avers that he gets frunk almost daily, comes thome at unseasonable hours, wakes up the Yamily and creates a regular Walpurgis night

Ex-County Treasurer on Trial. GRAND ISLAND, Dec. 15 .- (Special.) - The trial of E. C. Hackenberger, ex-county treasurer, is proceeding very slowly and it may be a full week before the case goes to the jury. The testimony thus far obtained has been en-tirely of a technical character and is for the

than the evidence produced, that draws the spectators. The general opinion seems to be that the jury will either disagree or acquit. The information places the amount embezzled at \$6,400. The trial was adjourned this morning until Monday, to allow the defense to look up certain reports of the expert countant and records of the county board.

ARGABRIGHT'S TRIAL.

Will Be Commeaced Tomorrow at Auburn

for Murder. AUBURN, Neb., Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-The trial of J. W. Argabright on the charge of murder in the first degree for the killing of his father-in-law, William Smeltzer, is set for Monday. The accused is a young man of about 30, and was raised in this county. About five or six years ago he married a daughter of William Smeltzer, two children being born to them.

About three years ago Argabright moved to South Omaha, where he was employed as governmen meat tagger in Hammond's packing establishment and held that position until removed by Secretary Morton. went on the police force of South Omaha, and at the time of the killing was still on the force. His family relations were not the most pleasant, and about a year ago his wife left him and returned to her father in this county, bringing the two children with

see the children, as he claimed, stopping Smeltzer's. On the night of February 10 there was a school exhibition in the school house in the neighborhood, and both Argabright and Smeltzer were there. After the exhibition was over the parties came together, had some words, which resulted in Argabright pulling his revolver and shooting Smeltzer twice with fatal effect. Both sides have means, and a hard fought battle will be

FREMONT, Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-William

Wells, a young man who has something of a cowboy appearance, is in the county jail by the awaiting trial for breaking into the house of Dave Wesson, a bachelor, living west of the city, and stealing a violin, a clock and a lot

County Judge Plambeck has rendered judgment in the case of John Nau against J. Mc-Donald, giving the plaintiff judgment for case grew out of another case wherein a judgment was rendered against Nau, who was compelled to pay a note which he had signed for the accommodation of Mc-Donald, but from which Nau received no part

The Board of County Supervisors adjourned yesterday, after doing a large amount of routine business. The next meeting will be in January, when the new members elected will take their seats. Mrs. John Gird, wife of the florist, died

Thursday, and yesterday was taken to In-dianapolis for interment, accompanied by Mr. Gird and children. The family formerly lived in Indianapolis, but came west two years ago for the benefit of the health of Mrs. Gird, who was afflicted with consumption. Had a Right to Shoot.

RED CLOUD, Neb., Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-The case of the state of Nebaska against Ogilbee, charged with assault with intent to hill, was tried in district court here yester-day, and resulted in a verdict of not guilty. The jury was out but a few minutes. This is the case in which Ogilbee shot at a party of young men on Hallowe'en with a shotgun, wounding one of the boys.

Three Deaths at Beatrice. BEATRICE, Dec. 15 .- (Special Telegram.) -Three deaths have occurred in this city during the past twenty-four hours. Eli Miller passed away last evening, after a long ill-ness, resulting from cancer of the stomach. The deceased was 53 year of age and leaves a wife and five children. He took a home-stead near this city in 1871 and in 1871 came

which to proceed. County Attorney Ryan and to Beatrice and has since been actively en-County Attorney-elect Prince are prosecuting, while the little giant, W. H. Thompson, and R. R. Herth are defending. Every inch of ground is being earnestly fought by the attorneys, whose sparring matches it is, more the city during the past thirteen years.
The third death is that of John Shultz, German resident, 60 years of age. His de nise was attributed to lung trouble

FAILED TO AGREE.

Ashland Trouble Over Swift and Company' ASHLAND, Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-The diff. that arose between culties Company and the Ashland Mill Electric Light company some time in October has at last reached its climax. No. 5 Friday morning brought to the city A. C. Foster and H. C. Gardner, representing the Swift Packing company, for the purpose of making a settlement of the troubles. At 10 a. m. they presented ten proposition to a committee of business men, to be submitted to the mill company. The proposition is as follows: "Swift and Company will furnish to the mill company a

boiler and engine, fuel and men to operate the same sufficient to afford power for the electric light plant, while the water is taken from the pond, as hereinafter set out, said engine to be furnished and operated only during the taking of such water by Swift and Company. When the use for the engine and boller is through for the season Swift and Company will remove the same and leave the property of the Ashland company in as good condition as before. Swift and Company will also to the Ashland per ton of fo cents per ton of forty-five cubi feet for the ice taken during December 1894, and January, February and March, 1895 from the aforesaid pond, the ice to be meas in the house at n of the cutting secondary will also season. mill dam not exceeding three feet to fill the pond, but they shall have the right to pump water into the pond if it shall be nec-

"In consideration of these premises the Ashland company shall close down the mill when it shall be necessary to obtain water for the pond, being supplied during that time engine aforesaid, Company to water conveyed into pump or means of construction of said dam three feet higher or less, so that of clothing. The articles were recovered and wells has confessed. either by means of said dam or the pumps said pond shall be replenished during the months of December, 1894, and January. ruary and March, 1895, as often as may be necessary to afford ice for Swift and Company. This offer to be accepted on or before 10 o'clock a. m., Saturday, December 15, the right to withdraw this offer being reser At 3 p. m. the committee met and presented the proposition to A. B. Fuller of the mill company and withdrew, awaiting de-

At 1 o'clock a Bee representative called upon Foster and Gardner. They spoke of the trouble in a straightforward, businesslike manner, stating that as the mill company had ignored their proposition they pre-sumed it was rejected. He said, however, they had at present a force of 120 men and twenty-five teams at work improving the pond by constructing a dike around 100 acres of the pond, which now covers 170 acres, from which they will put up 100,000 tons of ice this season, which is more than was ever put up at this plant before. The men employed are all from Ashland except about twenty-five, who are their old employes from South Omaha that are laying off on account of business depression. They intend putting down enough eight-inch wells to obtain a supply of 500 tons of water per hour, by means of two large double stroke pumps with a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons every twenty-four hours. The pumps will arrive

menta were concerned neither of the officials could say, as it was their only show, owing to the time of the year, adding that Ashland eed not fear Swift and Company appreciat ng their loyality to the company's interests. Four Years for Assaulting a Child.

HILDRETH, Neb., Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-The brute, Rader, who assaulted his little

daughter at this place last spring, was sentenced to four years at hard labor. College Exercises at Orleans.

closing of the term of Orleans college is at hand. Congressman-elect Andrews spoke to a large audience last night on "Our Public Schools: Their Debt to the People." Harlan county teachers were in session her oday. A splendid program was prepared ent. A public reception was tendered him by the citizens and teachers. His remarks "Manners and Morals in Our Public schools" was highly appreciated by all.

Burglars at Fall City. FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 15 .- (Special Telegram.)-Thursday some unknown persons entered the residence of A. F. Lewis, but did not take anything but a cold lunch. Last night they entered the Home hotel and Hea-cock's elevator office, and from the hotel stole all the clothes William Woods possessed They blew up Heacock's safe, but got nothing

Guilty of Forgery.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Dec. 15 .- (Special.)-The time of twelve jurors, four lawyers and Judge Bates has been taken up all this week with the trial of William A. Merrell for the crime forgery. The jury found him ty. Time was given until Thursday by the judge to look up authorities for a new trial, and the case continued until Saturday.

ITALIAN LOVER'S REVENGE.

Rejected Suitor Threw Dynamite in

Stove of His Inamorata. SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Dec. 15 .- The Swiss hotel, a cheap boarding house in the east end of town, was wrecked by giant powder this morning. The explosion was the result of a deliberate attempt to assassinate hotel. Antonio Victorias, an Italian laborer riage to her and had been refused, is under arrest, charged with the crime. Victorias went into the kitchen, where a brisk fire was burning in the range, and called to Mrs. Braro to come to him. As she stepped into the kitchen Victorias threw a big stick of giant powder into the fire and ran out of the room through a rear door. The explosion occurred before Mrs. Braro was well into the kitchen. Though she was thrown violently to the floor and painfully cut and bruised, she escaped serious injury.

The stove was demoished, the kitchen and the whole rear of the two-story building wrecked and many windows in neighboring houses were broken. Victorias refuses to talk. Mrs. Braro's husband committed suice some time since by shooting. riage to her and had been refused, is under

RENEGADE MOQUIS CAPTURED.

Trained Crn ion on the Villages and the Hostiles Were Given Up. DENVER, Dec. 14.—Gaperal McCook today eceived an interesting report from Captain F. U. Lawton of the Second cavalry, who was detailed from Fort Wingste to effect the capture of the Moqui Indians, who created a disturbance a short time ago and took refuge in an isolated village among the Oraiba cliffs. With troops G and H he took Oralia cliffs. With troops G and H he took a position in the mesa above the village, training Hotchkiss guns on the village. A large number of Maquis had gathered to witness the expected-sight, and among them were Indians familias with Moqui language, who were sent out utterleg calls for all in the village to come out into the open space between their adobes and the troops. Captain Williams made a speech, which was interpreted, giving the names of those Indians whom he wanted. One by one they were given up and placed under guard, until were given up and placed under guard, unti-nineteen were obtained. Only one escaped One of the prisoners is Koetch Wentewa who escaped from Colonel Corbin thre-years ago by jumping over the cliffs o Oraba.

Fatal Explosion of Coal Gas NEWCASTLE, Colo., Dec. 15.-Ten men were injured by an explosion of firedamp or gas in the Vulcan mine today. There had gas in the vulcan mine today. There had been a small fire in the mine, but it was supposed to have been extinguished, and the men were ordered by the superintendent to return to work. The men had commenced to remove a stopping, when suddenly the gas, which had accumulated, became ignited and exploded. All the men were hadiy burned. Some may die. Mine Inspector Fletcher was in the mine at the time, and was one of the most badly injured.

RAIN AND IRRIGATION.

Great Combination Nebraska Will Play for COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 15,-(Special Telegram.)-A glorious rain began falling here at noon, the first good soaking rain since the Fourth of July.

gram.)-The long drouth in this section is at last broken by a steady rain, commencing last night and continuing all day. It is still raining, with prospects of continuing. SIOUX CITY, Dec. 15.—Specials to the Journal from South Dakota points rep rt a warm rain throughout that state, SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 15 - (Special Telegram.)—Rain has been falling heavily fince 5 o'clock this evening, and prespects are good for several inches of precipita'i. KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—
The subject of irrigation is also attracting considerable attention just now, especially among the farmers and land owners. A

committee on reception and entertainm for delegates attending the state convention next week has been appointed, consisting of Messra. Mayor Brady, G. H. Cutting, P. T. Lambert, T. J. O'Brien and Ira Johnson, and are busy at work. The program for the convention as prepared by President Fort is Calling meeting to order by L. S. Deets,

presidest Buffalo county association; open-ing prayer, Rev. C. A. Mastin; reading of call, Secretary W. L. Hand; address of welcome, Mayor Phil Brady; report of president of Buffalo county association, L. S. Deets; report of president state association, I. A. Fort, North Platte; remarks by Hon. Lorenzo Crounse, governor of Nebraska; reading of letters from prominent citizens; opening address, Hon. J. S. Emery, national lecturer; appointment of committee on credentials; report of committee on resolutions; report of executive committee; report of secretary of state organization; report of treasurer

state organization.
"Success of Irrigation on the State Lands in Buffalo County," Mr. Smith of State In-"Irrigation in Utah," Clesson S. Kinney,

"Irrigation in Deuel County," W. Marsh, Lewellen, Neb. "The Nebraska State Report on Irrigation," Hon. J. B. Erion, Nebraska labor commis-sioner, Lincoln, Neb. "Irrigation and the Work Now Being Done to Promote It," Hon. Charles W. Irish, sec-retary United States office of irrigation inquiry, Washington, D. C. "Irrigation in Colorado," Rev. A. Wright, David City, Neb.

"The Future of Nebraska by Irrigation," E. R. Moses, president of the Interstate Irrigation association, Great Bend, Kan. Reservoirs." William Stafford, Big Springe,

gine," Rev. H. O. Guthe, Buffalo county,

"Irrigation for Arid and Semi-Arid America," J. L. Bristow, editor Irrigation Farmer, "Canal Construction and Elevating Water "Irrigation as a Business Proposition."

Donald W. Campbell, formerly irrigation engineer in India, now consulting irrigation en-

gineer, Denver, Colo.
"Constructions of Canals and Farmers" Silas Clark, Cottonwood Springs, Neb. 'Irrigation in Biblical Lands," Rev. C. A. Mastin, Kearney, Neb. "Irrigation in Nebraska," R. B. Howell, irrigation engineer and editor Western American Irrigator, Omaha, Neb.

"Farmers' Irrigation Canals in Buffalo County," J. N. Decker, Kearney, Neb. "Irrigation Engineering in Nebraska," A.

P. Kittel, irrigation engineer, North Platte, "Irrigation Pumps," Howard Miles, Paxton, Neb. "Irrigation for Buffalo County," David Nichols, Odessa, Neb. "Irrigation in Scotts Bluff County," Hon. W. R. Akers, Scotts Bluff county.
"A New Irrigation Law," Hon. J. S. Hoag-land, North Platte, Neb.

"Success of Irrigation in Lincoln County,"

SUPERIOR, Neb., Dec. 15, -(Special Tele-

"Subirrigation in Lodge Pole Valley," L.

McMullen, Sidney, Neb.
"Climate and Rainfaff of Nebraska," paper by J. O. Picicy, United States weather ob-server of North Platte, Neb. "Irrigation in Northwest Nebraska," C. J. Grable, irrigation engineer, Crawford, Neb.
There will be other speakers from other parts of the state who are well versed in this question of irrigation, and they will also discuss this question. There will be also general talks on irrigation by persons thoughout the state who are representatives of their sections. Music will be furnished by Boys' band of Kearney, Neb.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Contract for City Printing Not Approved -Coal Given to Charity Organizations. At a special city council meeting last night the contract and bond of Klopp, Bartlett & Co. for the city printing for 1895 came up, but was not approved. Elsasser wanted to present his majority report recommending that the contract be let on a Bechel gave notice that he should ask a reconsideration at the next meeting. Later

consideration at the next meeting. Later in the session the majority report was admitted, but was defeated on the motion to adopt. Parliamentary rules were suspended while the members harangued on the matter which had just been voted on, and an hour was occupied in a debate which ended much as it began.

A resolution contemplating the establishment of a stone yard at Sixth and Douglas streets for working city prisoners was introduced by Saunders and adopted. The city attorney was directed to clear the title to the property, the building inspector to prepare an estimate of the cost of erecting a suitable building, and the chairman of the Board of Public Works to ascertain the cost of stone by the carload.

On recommendation of the committee on judiciary the coal left in all election booths north of Dodge street was given to the Associated Charities, that between Dodge and Leavenworth to the Nebraska Home for Aged People and that south of Leavenworth street to the Rescue Home.

WILL REACH OMAHA Plans for the Illinois Central for the Next

Season. SIOUX CITY, Dec. 15.-(Special Tele gram.)-The Illinois Central is apparently getting ready for an extension to Omaha next season. There has been much activity this season suggestive of this, and now omes from Onawa, the southern terminus of the Central, and only about sixty-five miles from Omaha, the information that a local company has been formed there to build a road from that place to River Sioux, half way to Omaha. The line would parallel the Stoux City & Pacific and could be of no use by itself. Railroad men believe it is a Central scheme. The Onawa company is composed of Chicago men. The aggressive policy of the Central, which is now negotiating to acquire a line that will give it with an extension of about 100 miles a St. Paul and Minneapolis connection, has given the distinct impression here that the road will go to Omaha soon. It has a charter and plans for a bridge across the Missouri at Onawa, the old plan having been to go to Omaha on the Nebraska side. This seems to have been dropped. miles from Omaha, the information that s

New Building and Loan Association. Articles of incorporation of the Mechanic Savings, Loan and Building association were filed with the county clerk yesterday afternoon. The capital stock is \$5,000,000, divided into shares of \$200 each. The prin vided into shares of \$200 each. The prin-cipal place of business will be in Omaha, Until the first annual election in January, 1896, the following officers and directors will have charge of the affairs of the associa-tion: A. W. Clark, president; C. B. Hor-ton, vice president; Cadet Taylor, secretary; W. B. Taylor, treasurer. W. H. Eibaurn, N. B. Rairden, T. E. Cramblet, J. M. Ward, William Duvis, H. A. Hansen, V. O. Strick-ler and H. O. Devries are among the incor-porators.

Has No Authority to Speak for Harrison INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 15.—The statement of D. S. Alexander of Buffalo to the effect that General Harrison would not accept the "Success of Irrigation in Lincoln County."

J. H. Hershey, Hershey, Neb.
"Success Attained by Irrigation from the
North Platte Canal," W. L. Park, Union
Mr. Harrison on the subject.

Pacific division superintendent, North Platte, VANLEUVEN'S HEAVY BURDEN

Will Serve Eight Years in the Penitentiary for His Crime.

PLEADED HIS ZEAL FOR THE SOLDIERS

Court Asked for Mercy on the Theory that the Prisoner's Downfall Was Brought About by His Honest Interest in the Veterans.

DUBUQUE, Dec. 15 .- (Special Telegram.)-Pension Agent George M. Van Leuven of Lime Springs, Ia., convicted in one case yesterday, today pleaded guilty to four indictments for forging affidavits and conspiracy to bribe examining surgeons. His attorney appealed for mercy, pleading that Van Leuven's temptation was great, that his zeal for sliding scale, but this was objected to, and his clients has worked his downfall, and that he succeeded in defeating the approval of he had an honorable war record. When the contract by a margin of one vote. District Attorney Sells was asked what he had to say, he replied: "Nothing, may it please the court, except that it is an uncon-

ditional surrender." Judge Shiras, a noble-hearted man, who served two years in the war without asking or receiving pay, was much affected when called upon for the first time to pronounce sentence on a soldier, and said, with trembling voice: "God knows I would rather return

you to the bosom of your family." He then pronounced sentence of two years in Anamora penitentlary and \$1,000 fine in each case, all sentences to be served as one, and Van Leuven's suspense was over. He seemed relieved, but his wife was in despair. seemed relieved, but his wife was in despair. The remaining twenty-five cases will not be Dd. Kissell, mayor of Cresco, against whom eleven indictments stand, will be placed or

lowa Supreme Court Decisions.

trial next Tuesday.

DES MOINES, Dec. 15.-(Special Telegram.)-The following decisions were filed in the supreme court today: Cottage Hospital against Samuel Merrill, appellant, Polk district, affirmed. William Kramer against N. A. Chambers, executor, et al.

against N. A. Chambers, executor, et al, appellants, Wapello district, reversed. A. R. Smith, appellant, against Crawford County State bank, Crawford district, affirmed. Rollin Calkins, appellant, against the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company, Linn district, affirmed. State Bank Building company against John Pierce, appellant, Woodbury district, affirmed. William Hegel, appellant, against Polk county, Polk district, affirmed. Independent District of Rock Rapids, et al, appellants, against Miller & Thompson et al, and same plaintiff appellant, against the Bank of Rock Rapide, et al, Lyon district, affirmed. Silas J. Kern, appellant, against Sarah J. May, Linn district, affirmed. Charles C. Jones against the United States Mutual Accident association of the City of New York, apagainst the United States Mutual Accident association of the City of New York, appellant, Pottawattamie district, reversed, William Culton against James O. Gilchrist, appellant, Carroll district, reversed. B. *P. Holden against C. Merritt, appellant, Linn district, affirmed. John Swanson, by his next friend, August Lanstrum, against W. H. French, appellant, Linn district, reversed. F. L. Dimmick, appellant, against C. W. Babcock, Carroll district, affirmed.

Receiver for a Dubuque Concern. CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—A receiver was ap-pointed today for the Debenture Investment empany, with headquarters at Dubuque, Ia., and branches here. The receiver was rested on a criminal charge, that the accre-tary has fied the country and that the con-cern is insolvent. The company's assets are placed at \$69,000 and liabilities at \$50,000. Thomas Parker, ir., was appointed receiver.

Anxious to Secure Notoriety.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—J. L. Lewis, of Sunday Sun blackmailing notoriety, made an unsuccessful attempt at suicide here today by shooting. The bullet could not be located and Lewia was only slightly wounded. It is suspected he fired a blank cartridge, his object being notoriety.