$300,000 DRY GOODS FIRE

Jaffray's Six-Story Dry Goods House on Fire in New York.

HARD WORK TO SAVE THE BUILDING

Two Floors in a Blaze Before the Firemen Could Begin—Two Lower Floors and Contents Saved by Hard Work.

The annex to E. S. Jaffray & Co.'s big dry goods establishment at 350 Broadway, New York, caught fire at 9:30 at night, and silks, dress goods, hosiery, underwear and other goods and merchandise to the value of $300,000 went up in flame or were more or less damaged by smoke and water.

The fire was in the heart of the wholesale dry goods district, and for awhile it looked as if the whole block was bound to be destroyed. Chief Bonner sent in four alarms, but after a hard fight of two solid hours, the flames were confined to the one building, gutting the third, fourth, fifth and sixth stories, but leaving the basement, first, and second floors, in pretty good condition. This latter was the work of the fire patrol, who spread heavy tarpaulins, or large waterproof sheets, over all merchandise on these floors at the first alarm of fire.

No one knows how the fire started, but an instant after the discovery the flames were leaping up the elevator shaft and had set fire to the upholstery goods on the third floor.

The shaft carried the fire up to the sixth floor very quickly, and soon that was ablaze. Flames then burst from every window in the upper stories, while the first and second stories remained dark. After considerable hard work the firemen reared ladders against the sides and deluged the whole building. Two water towers did most, however, to quell the flames, and about midnight all was over.

The loss on the upper floors was almost total. The goods in the basement, first floor and second floor were, however, but slightly damaged by smoke and water.

Total loss, through all causes, $60,000 to building, and $300,000 to merchandise.

This fire occurred on November 20, and Mr. Harry Brown, the New York buyer for Boston store, Omaha, telegraphed today that he has purchased from the

UNDERWRITERS' SALVAGE CO.
$80,000 DRESS GOODS.

Silks, Velvets, Underwear, Hosiery, Linens, Flannels, Woolens, Curtains, Tapestries, Cotton Cloths, Ribbons, Handkerchiefs, etc.

These goods are now arriving and being marked and put in order for their sale at

BOSTON STORE, OMAHA,
N. W. Corner Sixteenth and Douglas.

Which will begin on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 1895.

Don't forget this sale is at the Boston Store, Omaha.

Hallet-Davis pianos at A. Hospe's.

THE DIRECT SOUTHERN ROUTE

Via the Rock Island—Shortest Line and Fastest Time.

To all points in Kansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Texas and all points in southern California. Only one night out to all points in Texas. The "Texas Limited" leaves Omaha at 5:15 a. m. daily except Sunday, landing passengers at all points in Texas 12 hours in advance of all other lines. Through tourist cars via Ft. Worth and El Paso to Los Angeles. For full particulars, maps, folders, etc., call at or address Rock Island ticket office, 1602 Farnam St.

CHAS. KENNEDY, G. N. W. P. A.

New picture frames at A. Hospe's.

Water Rents Due January 1.

Payable at office, Bee building, 5 per cent discount if paid before January 1. Failure to receive bill will not entitle any one to discount after January 1.

Pianos to rent. A. Hospe, 1513 Douglas.

N. M. Ruddy, leading optician, removed to 16th St., next Morse's. Eyes tested free.

MAKES ITS OBJECTIONS.

Differences Respecting Charter Revision Work Which Must Be Harmonized.

The proposed new charter for the city of Omaha upon which the consolidated revision committee has been industriously at work for two months past is practically completed. The new charter contains a number of provisions of a most radical character when compared with the present charter. The most conspicuous amendment is the one which provides for the assessment of property within the limits of the city at its full and fair valuation. This amendment will increase the assessed valuation of Omaha from $20,000,000 to $100,000,000, in round numbers. The tax levy is limited to 10.8 mills instead of 60 mills, as allowed under the present charter. A provision has been added giving the city power to issue bonds with which to construct a canal, and also for the erection of a market house, city jail and hospital, and to purchase gas, water and electric light plants. No franchise can be granted or renewed without first being submitted to the vote of the people. The assessment of all property in the city is to be done by a tax commissioner to be appointed by the mayor. The Board of Health is to be composed of the mayor, chief of police and a health commissioner, and the duty of sanitary inspection placed upon the police force. The city engineer is made ex-officio the chairman of the Board of Public Works, the street commisioner and the sewer commissioner to constitute the other two members.

Three meetings have also been held at the Commercial club rooms by a number of citizens. These gentlemen have made a number of objections, which were presented last evening.

The objections to the amendments prepared by the revision committee were presented by W. S. Poppleton in the form of a written report. This report was read by Mr. Poppleton and commented upon by him at length. He presented each objection in a clear, concise statement, fully explaining the position taken by the citizens. The principal objections urged by the citizens committee were as follows:

1. Against the proposition to enlarge and extend the city limits, for the reason that such an extension would enhance the cost of city government without compensating advantages.

2. Objecting to the present system by which the city election is held on the same date with the state elections, on the ground that better men can be secured at a separate election.

3. Asks that the number of councilmen shall be cut down from eighteen to nine.

4. Asks that the city be empowered to condemn land for canal purposes for a distance of 150 miles from city limits instead of sixty miles as proposed by the revision committee.

5. Objects to the occupation tax proposed by the revision committee.

6. Asks that the tax commissioner be elected instead of being appointed. Objects to the 10.8 mills levy and asks that the maximum amount of money to be raised by taxation be limited to $1,000,000 annually.

The objections urged by the citizens' committee were taken up seriatim, and discussed by City Attorney Connell and City Engineer Rosewater. It was conceded that there were many obstacles in the way of preparing a bill that would meet the approval of all the conflicting interests. Mutual concessions would be required. Both the city engineer and the city attorney defended the main points attacked by the citizens' committee.

On motion of Mr. Tukey a conference committee was appointed to confer with a similar committee to be appointed by the citizens, the joint committee to report at a meeting to be held at the council chamber next Thursday night.

Studying Western Strikes.

Robert M. Durham, one of the experts from the United States Department of Labor at Washington, is in the city, the guest of William F. Sebring of the Central Labor union. Mr. Durham is making a canvass of the western states, gathering statistics on the strikes which have occurred since 1887, up to and including July of the present year. In speaking of Omaha, Mr. Durham stated that it was one of the few great cities in the United States where strikes had been settled without serious trouble. In the entire state of Nebraska he said that there had been but fifty strikes in seven and one-half years, and most of them since 1891, when the eight-hour law went into effect.

BOSTON STORE SPECIAL SALE

Tomorrow We Hold Three Grand Special Sales—One on Each Floor.

JEWELRY, MILLINERY AND CARPETS

We'll Sell Solid Gold and Diamond Rings for 92c—Fancy Bird and Feathers Worth $1.00 for 12 1-2c and Velvet Carpet for 50c.

JEWELRY ON OUR MAIN FLOOR.

Great bargains suitable for New Year's presents, on sale tomorrow.

1,000 solid gold band rings 43c.
1,200 set rings, with emeralds, garnets, pearls and moon stones, 98c.
400 gentleman's set rings, 39c.
300 solid gold and diamond rings, 92c.
150 gold filled watches at $7.93.
300 nickle watches at $1.57.
Mail orders promptly filled.

MILLINERY ON SECOND FLOOR.

Tomorrow we will sacrifice in our millinery department all our choice French pattern hats, novelties which sold from $8.00 to $15.00 each, at $4.87.

Also 200 trimmed hats worth $5.00 for $2.98 each.

100 dozen French dress shapes worth $1.50 at 49c.

200 dozen fancy birds and feathers worth from 50c to $1.00 at 12½c each, tomorrow only.

CARPETS SALE THIRD FLOOR.

Ingrain carpets 13c yard.
Half wool ingrains 25c yard.
All wool ingrains 39c yard.
Tapestry carpets 39c yard.
Velvet carpets 50c yard.
Body Brussels 65c yard.
Window shades 15c.
Curtain poles, complete, 15c.
Matting, in odd lengths, 10c yard.
Oil cloth 19c yard.

BOSTON STORE,
N. W. Cor. 16th and Douglas.

Emerson pianos at A. Hospe's.

The Jolly Twelve Social club will give its annual ball at Germania hall New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31. Tickets, admitting gentleman and ladies, 50c. All cordially invited to attend.

Artists' supplies, A. Hospe, 1513 Douglas.

LICENSE BOARD BUSINESS.

Protests Heard and Licenses Granted—Two Hundred Saloons Next Year.

The Board of Fire and Police commissioners met early last evening as a license board to hear protests against the granting of saloon licenses to certain applicants.

A beginning was made by listening to evidence in remonstrances against James Douglas, 1322 Douglas street; Thomas Hart, 1201 Cass street; Pat Horrigan, 1123 Douglas street; Jacob Kopald, 713 North Sixteenth street, and Emil Bloemer, 1802 South Twentieth street. The objection in all these cases was that the applicants had sold liquor on Sunday or had obstructed the view into their places of business. In the cases of the two latter the protests were immediately overruled and licenses granted. The first three cases were taken under advisement.

The case of Dick Burdish, Tenth and Davenport streets, was then taken up, Burdish being charged with keeping open on Sunday. Officer Baldwin offered testimony in support of the charge. It was shown that Burdish had been tried on this accusation in police court and had been discharged.

Before the session closed licenses were granted to Burdish, Douglas and Hart. The disposition of the case of Horrigan was further deferred, it being specified his saloon contained wine rooms.

Without protests licenses were issued to Andrew Nelson, 313 North Sixteenth street; W. McKenna, 1624 Nicholas street; Frank Frand, 1502 William street; Mina Wirth, 324 South Tenth street; Fritz Miller, 1724 Vinton street; Henry Reiser, 2657 Cuming street; M. Thomas, Third and Pine streets; G. S. Cackley, 119 North Sixteenth street; John Johnson, 2101 Cuming street; John Kowalski, Twenty-sixth and Walnut streets; D. W. O'Neill, 824 North Sixteenth street; C. Storz, 1401 North Twenty-fourth street; H. Hiller, 522 North Sixteenth street; M. Wolistein & Co., 522 South Thirteenth street; same, 222 North Sixteenth street; same, 2224 Cuming street; Henry Anderson, 724 South Sixteenth street; C. Hansen, 1002-4 North Sixteenth street; C. Metz, 801 Hickory street; F. Reimers, 1102 South Sixth street; Lizzie Didam, 2401 South Twenty-ninth street; M. J. Maur, 1312 Farnam street; Mary Bankhardt, 4904 North Thirtieth street; B. Silloway, 1208 Howard street; F. Bloemer, 1601 Leavenworth street; John Kerns, 215 South Fourteenth street; J. Czerwinsky, 3002 Walnut street; Patrick O'Hearn, 1002 South Tenth street; J. B. Bohn, 1822 North Twenty-fourth street; James McTague, 1509 Farnam street; Peter Gravert, 2814 Cuming street; John A. Jensen, 2001 Cuming street; Ed Connolly, 223 North Tenth street; Henry Burger & Co., 112 South Fourteenth street; Lentz & Williams, 1418 Farnam street.

The board will meet again at 3 p. m. tomorrow.

Up to date about eighty-five licenses have been granted out of a total of about 200 applications.

JENKINS PAYS HIS RESPECTS.

OMAHA, Dec. 29.—To Daniel Burr, ex-County Agent—Sir: While it has not been my desire to seek any cheap notoriety through the press, yet I feel that the exigency of the case demands more than a passing notice of the scurrilous attack upon my official character in an article in last evening's Bee entitled "An Open Letter to J. J. Jenkins," over the signature of Daniel Burr, nor do I intend to go into detail in my reply thereto, further than to disabuse the minds of any who may have been misled into the presumption that Mr. Burr has any evidence on his side. It is as remarkable as it it true that the employes of the county, as a rule, only discover what excellent opportunities they have had to do the public a great service after their names have been dropped from the pay roll.

If the statements made are true, Mr. Burr has done the taxpayers of this county a great injustice in not exposing an impeachable offense more promptly, thus emphasizing the fact that in dispensing with Mr. Burr's services the board made a mistake.

Knowing Mr. Burr as I do, I have no hesitancy in saying that there is not the slightest doubt but that he could have been induced to overlook these slight discrepancies in my official conduct, even now, in return for a favorable consideration of his candidacy as county agent.

But two questions are raised in Mr. Burr's letter worthy of notice. The first is in relation to my having stated that the short weight system was inaugurated during his time and in refutation thereof he directs me to the record. It is only necessary for me to say that the record fully sustains my statement, giving abundant evidence of short weights in every article handled by Mr. Burr as county agent, save one.

Second, as to the charge that I have been the means of awarding contracts for certain supplies, namely, flour, to others than the lowest bidders, in this I must call his attention to the fact that his charge lies not against me alone, but that it includes four other members of the board, and their action is also a matter of record.

In response to that charge, I have only to say that it has always been the policy of this board to give preference to goods of home manufacture, a principle to which I have always and shall rigidly adhere to, and it was to further this end that the board let the contract for this flour to Omaha manufacturers at $1.40 per hundred, instead of awarding it to an outside dealer at $1.35, instead of 95 cents, as stated by Mr. Burr.

As to any statement made relative to Mr. Burr's intended departure for Texas or any other point, I have no recollection, nor is it material to the point in question.

I recognize that this attack is made for the purpose of avenging my action as one of the five men who voted to dismiss Mr. Burr from the employ of the county, and that for very good cause.

I wish it to be understood that further notice of his open letters will not be given, as my time is too precious to be thus employed.

JOHN JENKINS.

Oregon Kidney Tea cures all kidney troubles. Trial size, 25 cents. All druggists.

Read and Read Carefully.

There are only a few days to close out this stock, and this is what will do it. Laundered Monarch shirts, with the original trade mark, 50c; take as many as you can find to fit. 4-ply linen collars, 3c; we are glad to sell you the whole lot. Boys' knee pants, worth up to 65c, choice for 19c. Men's fancy silk vests, single or double breasted, former value $4; take your pick for $1.39; we have over 100 to choose from. A lot of boys' overcoats, odds and ends, choice 50c. Take one or all. Men's suits that always sold up to $6, with privilege of selection, $2.98. Coonskin fur coats, $19.50. Your pick of waiter jackets 19c, formerly $1; cheap enough to use for dish rags. Choice of men's warm caps, worth up to 75c, for 25c; mountain goat fur coats, $6.90; boys' gloves, 9c; kid gloves, lined and trimmed with fur, 25c; fleece lined underwear, 39c; fine suits and overcoats in proportion, much cheaper than anything else, as we are completely overstocked on those.

RECEIVER'S SALE,
115 S. 16th St., near Douglas.

P. S.—Country merchants that can pay spot cash are invited to call.

WENT OVER THE GAS ROUTE.

Paul Schutt the Inventor of a New Plan for Committing Suicide.

Paul Schutt, the proprietor of a saloon at 602 South Thirteenth street, devised a new method of committing suicide Friday night. Yesterday morning the saloon was not opened at the usual hour and when Fred Wilke, the porter, went to the place at 9 o'clock he found the door locked and the blinds down. Upon gaining an entrance through a rear window he detected a strong odor of escaping gas. There was a rubber tube running from a gas jet in the center of the room to the beer cooler, and upon opening the door of this beer cooler there he discovered Schutt's lifeless body.

It was quite evident that Schutt had deliberately planned his own destruction by asphyxiation. At the time for closing up for the night he had attached one end of the rubber tube to the gas jet, while the other end was fastened to a beer faucet. By this means the gas was carried inside the cooler, where another small rubber tube was attached to the faucet. He had closed all the doors of the cooler except one, and in this one he drove a nail so he could close it tight. After he had turned on the gas from the outside he closed himself securely in the cooler, and from the position of the body it was evident that he had held the rubber tube to his nostrils, inhaling the gas until he was overcome, when he fell back insensible, the escaping gas in the course of time completing the work which he had planned.

Schutt, who is 27 years of age, had a great many friends among the Germans, but had no relatives in this country except Henry Eiche. His parents, who it is claimed are well-to-do, live in Germany.

Fred Wagner, a friend of Schutt's, was one of the last persons to see him alive, and stated that when he left him Friday night at about 11 o'clock he was somewhat despondent, and he stated to Wagner that this was his last day in the saloon business and he did not intend to open up in the morning, because it was but a short time until it would be necessary to get a new license from the city, and this he could not do.

Schutt was not in debt to any great extent, and he left $26.75 in the money drawer last night.

The body was taken to the morgue where an inquest will be held tomorrow, after which the Plattdeutsche Vereen, of which Schutt was a member, will take charge of the body and funeral.

DEATH OF COLONEL PARKE.

His Demise Caused by Injuries Received in an Accident.

Lieutenant Colonel Parke of the Second infantry died at his quarters at Fort Omaha at noon yesterday, his death resulting from injuries which he sustained last Wednesday evening. At that time Colonel Parke was driving from the city to the post. At Twenty-fourth street and Grand avenue his horse became frightened at a passing train and ran away, throwing him to the ground with such force that he was rendered unconscious. He was taken to the fort, where he suffered intense pain from the internal injuries.

The death of Lieutenant Colonel Parke promotes Major Wherry of the Sixth infantry to the position of lieutenant colonel of the Second infantry, and Captain Miner of the Twenty-second infantry to the position of major of the Sixth infantry. Colonel Parke joined the Second infantry as lieutenant colonel in 1891, and was very popular with both officers and privates.

WESTERN PENSIONS.

Veterans of the Late War Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Pensions granted, issue of December 13, were: Original—Charles Perky, Wahoo, Saunders; James O'Neill, Jackson, Dakota. Additional—Charles Christelly, Schuyler, Colfax. Increase—Samuel J. Stites, Ewing, Holt.

Iowa: Original—John Johnson, Mount Pleasant, Henry; James F. Badger, Scranton City, Greene. Restoration, reissue and increase—Allen W. Thompson, New Hampton, Chickasaw.

North Dakota: Original—William B. Stevenson, alias Thomes Crawford, Manvel, Grand Forks.

Colorado: Additional—John C. Williams, Denver, Arapahoe.

Issue of December 14 were: Nebraska: Additional—Peter W. Dale, York, York. Increase—Peter Yrthem, York, York.

Iowa: Additional—Joseph Storms, Marshalltown, Marshall. Renewal and increase—John Cover, Burlington, Des Moines. Increase—Thomas Willett, Sioux City, Woodbury; William Simons, Kingsley, Plymouth. Reissue—George Watson, Newton, Jasper. Original widows, etc.—Martha A. Hadfield, Knoxville, Marion; Fanny Buckner, Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie.

Colorado: Original—James Waters, Towner, Kiowa; Patrick McEnerney, Apishapa, Las Animas. Additional—Josiah Brown, Canon City, Fremont.

South Dakota: Original—George W. Marchant, Elkton, Brookings. Original widows, etc.—Katharine M. Voedisch, Aberdeen, Brown.

OBITUARY.

Seldom is one called upon to chronicle a sadder death than that of Edith C., wife of Alfred Thomas, which occurred at Omaha, Neb., December 9, 1894. The deceased was the youngest child of Peter L. and the late Anna M. Brown, and was a girl of charming personality and strong character, beloved by all with whom she came in contact. During a happy married life of fourteen months she fulfilled with tender solicitude the sacred duties of wife and mother, and leaves a grief-stricken husband and beautiful babe, as well as father, sisters and brothers to mourn her early death. She fell asleep in the hope of blessed immortality and was laid to rest beside her mother in that "beautiful city of the dead," Spring Grove, Cincinnati.

Hold thou Thy cross before my closing eyes,
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee—
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Ship and Cargo Burned.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 29.—The Norwegian ship Austriana, at anchor in the bay loaded with a million feet of timber, was destroyed by fire today. Vessel and cargo will prove a total loss. Insured.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and Cooler for Nebraska Today with North Winds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The forecast for Sunday is:

For Nebraska—Fair; cooler; northerly winds, becoming variable.

For Iowa—Fair; cooler; northerly winds.

For Missouri—Fair; warmer in the southern portion; variable winds.

For South Dakota—Fair; northerly winds, becoming variable.

For Kansas—Fair; warmer in the eastern portion; variable winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Dec. 29.—Omaha record of temperature and rainfall, compared with corresponding day of the past four years:

	1894.	1893.	1892.	1891.
Maximum temperature	24	28	28	40
Minimum temperature	14	19	5	22
Average temperature	19	24	16	31
Precipitation	.04	T	.02	.00

Condition of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for the day since March 1, 1894:

Normal temperature	22
Deficiency for the day	3
Normal precipitation	.68 inch
Deficiency for the day	.03 inch
Total precipitation since March 1	16.01 inches
Deficiency since March 1	15.62 inches

L. A. WELSH, Observer.

TOLD FROM CHURCH PULPITS

Rev. Leard of Knox Church Talks on Practical Thoughts.

DUTIES OF CHRISTIAN MEN AND WOMEN

The Wisdom of the Serpent and the Gentle Harmlessness of the Dove Are Things Which Are Needed—Forecasts of the Pulpits.

In a recent discourse entitled "Practical Thoughts," Rev. Asa Leard, the pastor of Knox Presbyterian church, dwelt at length upon the duties of Christians, after which he devoted some time to detailing the work which fell to the lot of the twelve apostles.

The argument was listened to by a large congregation. In handling this subject Mr. Leard said:

"Their names are recorded. Here they are for ordination. I wonder if they would have stood the test before the church for ordination today. I think somebody would say: 'Why that Judas is a thief, and Peter will disgrace the church with his denial and profanity. Look at Thomas again, don't know half the time what he does believe. John is too young and Matthew has a bad record.' Yes, that was all true then. But Jesus knew that pretty nearly every one of them had the martyr stuff in them.

"Jesus sent them forth. He sends them today. That means that we go with authority. If your preaching and teaching is guesswork you had better give it up, for the man who is sent always has instructions. Do not forget another thing, if you are sent you will have to render an account.

"Ah! what a restriction that would be today. Jesus never meant this as a final charge. A great many take it as such, and say, 'Go not to China, or Africa, or India.' Jesus' final charge was a far better one for us. 'Go ye into all the world,' Be sure that you do this.

"Preach everywhere. Do not wait for a church to call you, or for a Sabbath school class to choose you. Preach 'as you go'—about your work, on the street, in the store, at school. Don't wait for the endeavor prayer meeting as a chance to tell about Christ. Tell that young man or that young woman whom you meet every day. This will be preaching as you go.

"What are we to preach about? 'The kingdom.' All about the kingdom; its subjects, its laws, its conditions and above all its King.

"This is the true philosophy of benevolence, and it is the philosophy of Christian work as well. If you have nothing to give, it is a strong indication that you have not received anything.

"That was good advice as they had not far to go nor long to stay. It was home missions in the fullest sense of the word. They were going among a people where they were always welcome. Jesus did not forbid these things, however, when he gave them their commission to the foreign field. You may need no special 'purse' or 'script' to go over and tell your neighbor about Christ, but if you are going to Africa take both 'purse' and 'script,' and plenty of quinine. To neglect these things is to tempt God.

"If we are to do God's work ought we not go among the unworthy as well as the worthy? Yes, but that is a vastly different thing from abiding. Make your abiding place, your home and your social circle always with the best and purest people in your community. Your character as a Christian demands this. To the world we are ambassadors. We only associate with godless people for the purpose of bringing them to Christ.

"It is a very solemn thing to preach the gospel, but it is a far more solemn thing to hear it. It will be a savor of life unto life or of death unto death. The gospel that we hear will be a witness for or against us. Which it shall be depends on ourselves.

"Don't imagine the world is going to be friendly to you. I am always suspicious of the man who has the 'good will of everybody.' That is more than Jesus had. Yes, and it is more than he said we would have. 'Woe unto you when all men speak well of you.'

"The wolves will try to devour you. They tried to destroy your Master. The servant shall not be greater than his lord.

"After all this is the great home missionary lesson. Home mission work is to be done at home, in your own community, in your own country and among your own people.

"It is to be done against obstacles and disappointments. Have you no pastor? Are you not able to support one in your community? Then organize a Sabbath school and teach and preach to the people yourself on Sabbaths. This will be preaching without 'script' or 'purse.'

"Look after the poor and the sick in your own community; it will be the most practical sermon you can preach; the wolves cannot harm you if you rely on God.

"The people of your own community are wholly dependent upon you for a knowledge of the gospel. Remember that the court began at Jerusalem, but also remember that it did not end at Jerusalem.

In all our work we need very many times the wisdom of the serpent, and always must we have the gentle harmlessness of the dove. Just such a missionary is needed in your home and community. Are you filling that place?"

Christian Union Coffee House.

The coffee house at the west corner of Cass and Twelfth streets established by the Omaha Women's Christian Temperance union is doing well, in so much as it supplies a long felt need. A lunch, without the beer accompaniment, is served every day except Saturday and Sunday to about forty men employed on the Union Pacific shop grounds, the location of this lunch house being just outside the Cass street entrance to the grounds.

Here Miss Miller, superintendent of railroad work in the Women's Christian Temperance union, with a good cook and assisting white ribboners, sets out a home cooked lunch of nourishing soup in full variety, good hot coffee with real cream, fresh sandwiches, baked beans and pie, furnished at prices as low as could possibly be named. The idea is to simply make the house self-supporting.

Though this institution was planned and is operated in the interest of railroad men, all will be welcome who, living or working in the vicinity of Cass and Twelfth streets, find it convenient to lunch there. Good literature will be kept on hand for distribution, and instead of a long walk to and from an uptown restaurant a good rest may be enjoyed.

First Methodist Church Notes.

Today, at the First Methodist church, Frank Crane will preach two New Year's sermons, in the morning on "Looking Backward," and in the evening on "Looking Forward." The morning sermon will be repeated in the afternoon at the Young Men's Christian association auditorium.

At the Christmas day service at the First Methodist church the collection for the music fund amounted to $86.

Next Monday night at the Chautauqua Hon. Charles J. Greene will lecture on "The Tariff" and Dr. A. Hugh Hipple will conduct the review of "Europe in the Nineteenth Century."

Dr. Herron of Iowa college will talk before the Chautauqua college on January 7, and occupy the pulpit of the First Methodist church on the evening of January 6.

The proceeds of Bishop Newman's lecture for the First Methodist church was $360, the entire amount of which was donated by the bishop to the church.

Castellar Street church will probably become Mr. Kelly has prepared special music for the First church services next Sunday.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Lat st U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

come a mission of the First church after January 1.

Y. M. C. A. New Year's Reception.

One of the great days of the year with the Young Men's Christian association is the first day of the year. Next Tuesday the Omaha association will keep open house from 4 to 10 p. m., with a large committee of ladies as the hosts of the occasion. All the members of the board of directors and the regular reception committee, supplemented by a special committee of 100 members of the association, will assist in making this one of the most hospitable receptions of the year. The ladies will spread tables in various parts of the rooms and serve the guests with coffee and light refreshments. The orchestra will be in attendance, and athletic exhibitions and basket ball games will be in progress all the while.

In the evening a New Year's welcome and entertainment will be given. Rev. Dr. Butler of the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church will preside.

Today at the Young Men's Christian association auditorium Rev. Frank Crane will deliver an address on "Looking Backward," being a summing up of the year. A fine musical program will be rendered.

Christmas Exercises.

At St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church a full Christmas service will be rendered, postponed from last Sunday owing to the absence of Rev. Dr. Butler from his pulpit. The program will comprise, organ selections from the Master Oratorios, anthems, chants, solos and responses from the choir, with hymns and worshipful exercise by the congregation. The sermon topic by Dr. Butler will be, "Going Even Unto Bethlehem." The following compose the excellent quartet of this church: Miss Myrtle Coon, soprano; Mrs. Ely, contralto; Mr. Weir, tenor; Mr. Higgins, bass. In the absence of Mr. Allen by illness tomorrow, Miss Jennie Towne will preside at the organ.

Young People's Party.

On Tuesday evening, New Year's day, the young people of All Saints' church will give a party in Metropolitan hall, on Harney street. The music will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. Fifty cents from each gentleman will cover all the expense. The Sunday school will hold its Christmas party in the same hall on the same day, from 3 to 7:30 p. m. Supper at 6 o'clock.

Women's Christian Union.

The Women's Christian association will hold its next monthly meeting next Wednesday on the fifth floor of Morse's store. Those who wish to attend the Lincoln meeting next Thursday are requested to hand in their names at this meeting.

Local Pulpit Forecasts.

Immanuel Baptist—Pastor will have for his morning theme "Some Lessons From 1894." Evening theme, "Settling the Account."

Seward Street Methodist—Sermon topics for morning and evening, respectively: "Good Resolutions" and "An Important Question."

Rev. Peter Swan will preach in the Park Avenue United Presbyterian church this morning at 10:30 and in the evening at 7:30.

Castellar Presbyterian—Sermon topics: "Why Hast Thou Been Afflicted?" and "He Will Restore the Years the Locust Hath Eaten."

At Trinity Methodist Episcopal church Bishop John P. Newman will preach in the morning and the pastor, Rev. F. H. Sanderson, D.D., in the evening.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran—The pastor, Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, will preach at 11 a. m. on "God's Eye Upon the Year," and at 7:30 p. m. on "A Jail Delivery."

At the Calvary Baptist church, Twenty-sixth and Seward streets, the pastor, Rev. Thomas Anderson, will preach this morning on "What is Truth," and in the evening he will conduct a special evangelistic service.

Universalist—Dr. Chapin will give the last of the series entitled "With Jesus Upon the Mountains" at 10:45 a. m. Subject "Mount Calvary." Evening service at 7:45. Mrs. Ensign Reid will speak on "The Salvation Army—Its History and Work."

First Congregational Church, Nineteenth and Davenport Streets—Rev. John Powers of Kearney will preach at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at noon. Organ recital at 3 p. m. No evening service. Annual meeting of the society wil lbe held Wednesday evening at 8.

Grant Street Christian Church, Twenty-sixth and Grant Streets—Charles E. Taylor, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school with orchestra at 12 m. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, junior, at 4. p. m. Subject for morning sermon, "Comfort;" evening, "How to Begin the New Year."

Young Men's Christian association, Sixteenth and Douglas streets, address by Rev. Frank Crane, 3:30 p. m. on "Looking Backward," a summing up of the year. The musical service will be a special feature of this service, with orchestral prelude and solos. Bible classes at 9 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Parlors and reading room open from 12 m. to 7:15 p. m.

The regular morning and evening services at Plymouth Congregational church, Kountze Place, will be held at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pastor's morning subject, "How to Find God." Prof. Parsons, the celebrated baritone, will take part in the musical portion of the service. He was a very fine voice and has an excellent reputation as a vocalist of high merit.

Trinity Methodist Episcopal church will hold special services today at 10:30 a. m. Bishop J. P. Newman will preach and the music will be especially appropriate and select. The church building has been extensively repaired and beautified, so that Trinity now has one of the finest audience rooms in the city, seated with opera chairs, and in every way fitted for church services. All are cordially invited to attend to hear Bishop Newman preach and to enjoy the music.

Walnut Hill Methodist—Class meeting, 10 a. m.; preaching 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior league, 3:30 p. m.; Epworth league, 6:30 p. m. Preaching by John Dale in the morning and by pastor in evening.

Kountze Memorial Lutheran—Rev. A. J. Turkle, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject of morning sermon, "Living Up to Resolves." Evening subject, "Purpose in Life." Sunday school at noon, H. J. Penfold, superintendent. Junior Endeavor at 3:30 p. m. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

New Omaha Limited Train.

On and after Sunday, November 4, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul "electric lighted limited" will leave Omaha at 6 p. m., arriving in Chicago at 9 a. m. Remember this train carries dinner a la carte.

C. S. CARRIER, Ticket Agent,
1504 Farnam St.

New scale Kimball pianos at A. Hospe's.

To See Holcomb Inaugurated.

Several hundred Omaha people who desire to witness the ceremonies at the inauguration of Governor Holcomb on next Thursday will leave the union depot at 8 a. m. sharp on a special train, which will leave Lincoln at 9 o'clock the same evening, arriving home at 11 o'clock. The best music obtainable will accompany the excursionists and refreshments will be served free going and returning. Democrats, republicans and populists are invited to join the merry crowd and celebrate the day in a fitting manner.

Jewelry. Jos. P. Frenzer, opp. postoffice.

New Piano $165.

Terms $10 and $7 monthly. A. Hospe, jr., 1513 Douglas street.

DIED.

KUMPF—Frederick, age 58 years, 9 months, 25 days, at 7 p. m., December 28, 1894, after a lingering illness. Funeral Monday, December 31, 1894, at 2 p. m., from his late residence, 1615 California street.

BOSTON STORE SELLS SHOES 5C EACH.

Tomorrow Boston Store Will Place on Sale 500 Odd Shoes No Two Alike.

IN THE BASEMENT AT 5C EACH.

About 500 shoes of all kinds—at the funny price of 5c each. They are the accumulation of all the odds and ends of the many bankrupt stocks of shoes which we bought during the past six months, and which we have collected together until there were enough to say something about. Many of these shoes cost from $3 to $5 a pair—some $2, some less—but tomorrow you can take your choice of the lot at 5c apiece for each single shoe.

BOSTON STORE,
N. W. Corner Sixteenth and Douglas.

WITH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Plan for Paying Interest on Bonds with Depleted Fund.

The session of the Board of County Commissioners yesterday afternoon was a tedious one, but little business being transacted outside the regular routine. A long discussion was had on the manner in which the interest on the bonded indebtedness of the county, due semi-annually, should be paid. The amount due on the 1st day of January is $17,612, and the amount of money in the interest fund available is only about $12,000. The county treasurer sent in a communication a week ago stating the fact to be as mentioned. The matter that brought forth the discussion was how this difference should be met and from what funds it should be taken. The difference is in the neighborhood of $5,800, and the finance committee recommended that this amount be transferred from the bridge fund of 1893. This recommendation was opposed by Mr. Paddock, for the reason that it was illegal, and the commissioners did not have the power to make this transfer. After each of the commissioners had exhausted his vocabulary, Mr. Steinberg introduced a resolution, which was passed, and which ordered the clerk to draw warrants on the interest fund for the full amount of the interest due, and what was lacking in available cash in the fund would be furnished by the banks, holding the warrants as security.

The bonds of precinct and county officers elected at the last election were approved with one exception, that being in the case of Thomas J. Hickey, whose bondsmen had not justified in the proper amount.

Complaint was filed by E. T. Singer and others asking the commissioners to investigate the conduct of Justice George S. Smith, who, it was claimed, was drunk while sitting on cases and had rendered decisions in an unfair manner, and, if the charges were found to be true, to at once cause his removal.

A number of applications for the position of county agent were filed.

An estimate for $600 for the grading of Center street was allowed and ordered placed on the appropriation sheet of this month.

The bills for salaries and incidental accounts were acted upon and ordered placed on the appropriation sheet. This wound up the business of the old year.

Christmas and New Years Excursions.

Everywhere on the Northwestern lines within 200 miles for one and one-third fare. Go Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25, 31, Jan. 1. Come back any time up to Jan. 2.

City office 1401 Farnam st.

MAX MEYER & BRO. CO.

Wholesale Jewelers, 11th and Farnam Sts.

Announcement: Having sold our entire stock of musical merchandise to Hayden Bros. of this city we will hereafter confine our business to wholesale jewelry exclusively.

In our present stock are many handsome articles purchased for the city trade and unfit for wholesale stock, which will be sold this week at retail at less than cost.

Max Meyer & Co. will continue the wholesale cigar business at 1018 Farnam St.

Attention Hibernians.

Division No. 4, Ancient Order Hibernians, will give a dance at their hall, Thirteenth and Center streets, Monday night, December 31. Members of the other divisions and friends of the order in this city and South Omaha are cordially invited.

THOMAS BARRETT,
Secretary.

The Young Women's Christian association will give a drama, "The Lady's Fortune," at the Woman's club rooms, Thursday evening, January 3. Miss Higgins of Chicago, who did so admirably in the opera, "The Sleeping Queen," will take part, as well as Mrs. Wheeler, Miss Taylor, Mr. W. O. Gilbert, Herbert Cook and Thomas Whitbread. A small admission fee will be charged outsiders. Members free.

SPECIAL SALE

Ladies' Trimmed Hats

AT ½ PRICE

ALL NEXT WEEK.

HAIR GOODS.

Hair Dressing by the most competent artists.

DAVIES

1520 Douglas St.

With the Compliments of the Season—

We take this opportunity of extending our sincere thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed upon us during the past year.

In face of the hard times our trade has increased and expanded, and now extends throughout the immense territory tributary to the great metropolis of Omaha.

That we have done such a satisfactory business, we feel that we owe to an appreciative public who have learned that we do not sell cheap goods, but that we sell good goods cheap.

In the future, as it has been in the past, it will be our aim to procure the most reliable and trustworth