READY FOR BUSINESS

Twenty-Fourth General Assemby of the State of Nebraska Formally Organized.

GREAT CROWDS WATCH THE START MADE

Hundreds of Citizens Throng the Caritol Corridors and Jam the Chambers.

CAUCUS NOMINATIONS ALL ELECTED

Not a Hitch in the Program Laid Down by Monday Night's Meeting.

ANY OPPOSITION IS EASILY SUBDUED

Democrats and Populists Quickly Convinced of Their Insignificance in the Opening Proceedings-Routine Work of the Opening of the Branches.

LINCOLN, Jan. 1 .- (Special.)-A bright, sunny morning ushered in the advent of the twenty-fourth regular session of the Nebraska legislature. As early as 9 in the morning streams of people of both sexes and all colors and classes began to pour through the capitol grounds into the state house. Two hours before the sessions of house and senate opened the corridors and to cat their New Year's dinner. halls of the second floor were packed with a mass of bumanity.

Those in the advance guard passed up into the galleries, those in the rear ranks remained outside and vainly murmured. It was the same old scene enacted for years in the past at each biennial gathering of Nebraska solons, from the days when Buffalo Bill and Ed Parker, in buckskin suits, attracted attention by their picturesque attire, till the present era of staid business suits and a railway tag. Still, to many, it was a nove; experience, this massing of the political forces of a state, and on the whole it seemed to meet with approbation.

At the door of the house an amusing in eldent occurred during the preliminary crush. Representatives of the state and press were being energetically pushed through the crowd at the expense of coat buttons and

"I would like to get in, gentlemen, as the house can do nothing until I do. I am the speaker," and C. L. Richards of Thayer and Jefferson, caucus nominee for speaker, was immediately granted the right of way.

At high noon the session was opened with prayer, Dr. M. O. Ricketts of Douglas elected temporary speaker and the house rules of 1889 porary speaker and the house rules of 1889 adopted, with an excellent chance of being switched when the house passes into the hands of its permanent officers. For the first time in the history of the state a colored man was recognized as "Mr. Speaker," and it is but just and devoid of flattery to say that Dr. Ricketts ruled with skill, ablity and the promptness of a veteran parliaity and the promptness of a veteran parlia-

The same crush was found outside the doors of the senate chamber, and a larger number than usual of lady onlookers were among the throng. Owing to the fact that them, despite the three past days of caucus ing and lobbying, log rolling and wire work ate, as a large proportion of them are gradu ates of what is erroneously termed the lowe As usual, Tom Majors was high and inscrutable, but eternally vigilant withal.

John C. Watson, president pro tem,
ubiquitous, keenly alert and gracious. The
veteran Orlando Tefft of Cass had about him an air of dignified reserve that radiated from his place to the extent of a dozen seats

The first session of the house was short, recess being taken at 1 o'clock until 3 p.m. The senate lingered along until nearly 2 o'clock, when it adjourned until 10 tomor

SENATE EASILY ORGANIZED.

Caucus Nominations All Sent Through by

the Strength of the Dominant Party. LINCOLN, Jan. 1 .- (Special.) - The scen in the senate chamber was an animated one were on the floor congratulating each other upon their formal induction. Graham of Gage and Pope of Saline were among the first to take their seats. About this time too, the galleries were thrown open to the the corridors all the morning. Every seat the onlookers aloft, while not a few of the more favored ones occupied seats on the cuter circles of the floor. With a nervous

Chaplain MacAyeal will lead in prayer. In an earnest supplication the new chaplair besought the blessing of the Almighty upon the great state of Nebraska and the labor

of the gavel and amid applause

The presiding officer then announced that nominations for a temporary secretary would be in order and T. E. Sedgewick of York, the caucus nominee, was named by Graham of Gage, the motion receiving a second from Pope of Saline and carrying unanimously. McKesson of Lancaster immediately moved that the chair appoint a committee of five on credentials, and upon the motion carrying. Messrs. Akers of Dawson, Bressler of Wayne, McKesson of Lancaster, Smith of Douglas and Campbell of Polk were appointed. On motion of Polk were appointed. committee retired to canvass the creden

FORMAL ORGANIZATION PROCEEDS Upon reconvening Chairman McKesson re-ported no contests, and the entire senate roll was declared duly elected. A committee, consisting of Caldwell of Hall, Dale of Kearney and Pope of Safae, was appointed to wat upon the chief justice and secure his presence in the senate chamber to ad-minister the eath of office to members of body. Absolute silence prevailed Justice Norval prenounced the to the members, who were ranged in a semicircle around the secretary's desk. The

of Adams the senate next proceeded to effect a permanent organization.

According to the caucus slate John C.

Watson of Otoe was nomitated for president of the senate pro tempore by Teft of Cass, seconded by Crane of Douglas, and elected by a vote of 24 to 9.

he independents nomicated against John Watson for president pro tem W. M Gray of Valley county. In the voting Gray received the exact number of independent and democratic votes in the senate, which is S, but he did not vote for himself. John C.
Watson cast his vote for Gray.
T. E. Sedgewick was nominated as secretary of the senate by Graham of Gage, and C. H. Challie of Butler was put in nomina-

of the caucus nomince. W. Barker of Grand Island was elected W. H. Halton of Nance as assistant dary by a party vote.

A. R. Akin of Falls City was the lone nominee for second assistant secretary and was duly elected to that position. The balance of the caucus slate went through as a unit. R. Q. Stewart of Campbell will act as sergeant-at-arms, while his rivel.

'Major" Williams of Geneva, was pacified by being elected his first assistant.

John Weatherwax of Beatrice was the only

Rev. Mr. MacYael will look after its spirit-ual interests for the coming three months.

FIRST FLUTTER OF THE SESSION. Senator McKesson moved the adoption of the senate rules of 1889, pending the ap-pointment of a committee to select these or other rules permanently. Senator Dale of Kearney instantly jumped to his feet with the amendment that the rules adopted should by those of '93. After a more or less acrid e those of '93. After a more or less acrid debate, in which McKesson reflected on the "pops," the smendment was put and lost by a vote of 25 to 8, while the original motion carried by the same vote.

At this juncture Smith of Douglas looked hungrily toward the president and feebly made a motion to adjourn, but he was anticipated by his conferee, Crane, who, with an engaging smile, arose and declared that he had an announcement to make. In an instant the president pro tem, John C. Wation, was at his ear, and after a whispered son, was at his ear, and after a whispered conference Mr. Crane looked nonplussed, said he would defer his announcement until another time, and resumed his seat.

It is scarcely necessary to state that the nysterious announcement related to the con-

templated banquet to be tendered Tom Majors.

The senate then adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. temerrow, and the members floated out

HOUSE READY FOR BUSINESS.

Richards Elected Speaker and Geddes Chief LINCOLN, Jan. 1 .- (Special.)-Promp ly at ascended to the speaker's desk and rapped to order the house of representatives of the Twenty-fourth session of the Nebraska legislature. Rev. M. S. Maze invoked divine blessing on the members, and asked that they be endowed with wisdom to guide them in their duties. Mr. Allen asked W. M. Geddes, caucus nominee for chief clerk of the house, to call the roll, which, proceeded with, showed no absentees. It was then stated that the house would proceed to the election of a temporary speaker. Burns of Lancas-ter nominated Dr. M. O. Ricketts of Douglas, the nominee of last night's caucus. were other nominations, but the vote showed

temper, when a pleasant faced gentleman Ricketts' election by a clear majority of 47. elbowed his way along with the remark: This prompt ratification of the caucus nomination was received with the first applause of the session. Dr. Ricketts was escorted to the chair and introduced by the secretary of state. In his remarks the temporary speaker disclaimed the idea that the hour for speechmaking had arrived. He asked the pleasure of the house. Chapman of Saline nominated W.

Geddes of Hall for the temporary clerk of the house. Howard of Sarpy named M. T. Grossman of Schuyler as an opposition democratic candidate. The farce was played out to the end, Geddes receiving 71 votes to

Brady of Buffalo moved that the temporary speaker appoint a committee of five on credentials. Rhodes of Valley raised the point of order that it was mandatory upon the temporary speaker to appoint such committee. He was ruled out of order, and Brauy of Buffalo, Suiton of Douglas, Cooley of Cass, Caspar of Butler and Munger of Lancaster

Munger of Lancaster moved that the house adopt the rules of 1889. A sharp skirmish nsued over the motion, the claim being

made that the house was under temporary or ganization and could adopt no rules. Par-ties to this contest were all ruled out of order, and the committee proceeded to receive cre-dentials as called from the roll of the house Chapman of Saline created a breeze by the announcement that his credentials were at home, locked up in his safe, and plaintively inquired how he was to be relieved from his embarrassment. The temporary speaker entrusted to the committee on credentials. the rules of 1889 be furnished each member. Chapman of Saline moved an amendment that it be done without expense to the state. The motion prevailed. Cramb of Jefferson moved a recess until 3 p. m., which was

carried without visible opposition. At 3 o'clock the house reconvened and the report of the committee on credentials was received and adopted without dissension. No

contests were announced. On motion of Harrison of Hall a commit-tee of three was appointed, Harrison of Hall Daives of Cass and Burch of Gage, to wait on Chief Justice Norval and escort him to oath of office to the members-elect of the house. Upon his appearance in the house the temporary speaker ordered a roll call The cath of office was impressively admin istered and the members swore to refuse al bribes offered by corporations or individuals. It was then declared in order to proceed with the election of a permanent speaker.

W. O. Chapman of Saline rose to perform have been performed for himself by another party. But, as his own. like other speaker booms, had been punctured, he now had pleasure in placing in nomination for speaker of the house Mr. C. L. Richards of Thayer and Jefferson countles. Nominations were also made of Scott of Buffalo and Howard of Sarpy. Richards received 74, Scott 22 Howard 2, Johnson 1 and Ricketts 1 votes On motion of the youngest member of the ouse, W. D. Robinson, a committee was appointed to escort Speaker Richards to the

ard of Sarpy and Scott of Buffalo.
On assuming the speaker's chair, Mr. Richards paid a graceful compliment to Dr. Ricketts, saying that it afforded him more pleasure to receive the gavel from him than would from almost any other member of the house. The temporary speaker was novengaged in solving the problem of his race (Applause.) The speaker thanked the house for the honor conferred upon him. He ap-preciated it more highly because it came with hearty good will from all with whom be had been associated. It came from party of which he was justly proud, a part which he loved. He came before the house new man, and a man new to legislative halls. His success depended upon the mem-bers. He asked that charity be extended to him, the same charity that others might ask for themselves. The people had sent them here as public servants, and as public servants they must answer to their constitu encies. Again he thanked the house for its consideration, and asked its further pleasure The perfunctory motion of electing Mr Geddes chief clerk of the house was ther gone through with against the opposing cand! Grossman of Collax, and Suter of ope. Result: Geddes, 72 votes; Gross-

man 3 and Suter 17. ELECTED IN A BUNCH. Horst of Polk moved that the nominees of the republican caucus be elected by ac-clamation Carriel. Upon this basis Frank A. Harrison was elected first assistant clerk and J. F. Zediker second assistant. Tais was the case with H. Giasgow for third as-

was the case with H. Glasgow for third as-sistant. The remainder of the caucus nominees, in the following order, were elected: Sergeant-at-arms, W. W. Schoen-berger, Aurora; assistant sergeant-at-arms, A. G. Tyler of Ogalalla; enrolling cle k. W. G. Pemberton, Fairbury; chaplain, M. T. Maze, Custer county; postmaster, James Barden, Webvier county.

congratulations of his friends all afternoon and evening over his election as the presiding officer of the house. Mr. Richards is accandidate for postmaster, as was also his cepting the well wishes of his friends with assistant, John F. Reynolds of Fremont. modest good grace. To each and all he Both were elected without opposition. The frankly states that he realizes the nature modest good grace. To each and all he frankly states that he realizes the nature caucus candidate for doorkeeper was John of the responsibilities that have been placed Gannon of West Point. He was opposed by upon his shoulders and his apparent sin-John Barley of Cofax, the vote standing 24 to 8 in favor of Gannon, McKesson of Lancaster refusing to vote. Charles P. Brundage of Tecumseh was elected first assistant doorkeeper with no opponent. cerity in asking for the encouragement of all his friends is adding to the already favorit may be frankly stated that Mr. Richards When it came to electing a chaplain Rev.

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Mr. MacAyael found himself running against a woman. Mrs. E. M. J. Cooley of Lancaster was the lady honored with the nomination, but the senate was true to its first love, and owes his election largely to the influence of for personal integrity that has not yet been assailed, and a man who will, if permitted to perform his duties without the officious interference of pretended friends, make a good speaker. He is a new man in the legismaker. He brings to his position a well equipped legal mind, he having been one of the leading attorneys of the city of Hebron for the past ten years. He has served his county as county attorney for several years. He is comparatively a young man, too, and this fact has much to do with increasing his popularity. He is a native of the state entatives, but he is well equipped in parliamentary law and may be expected to acquit himself fairly well.

WILL HAVE A BANQUET.

Leaders at Lincoln Determine on a Love Feast with Tom Majors. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 1 .- (Special Telegram.)-The absence of the almost intolerable pressure at the Lindell house tonight gave unmistakable evidence that the legisative session had commenced in real earnest. There was a notable decrease in crowds that have for several nights past swarmed the corridors. Tonight the active work of 12 o'clock, noon, Secretary of State Allen slating the standing committees of the two houses comenced in actual earnest. Speaker Richards has been closeted the greater part of the night with his special advisers and

the work of arranging the house committees satisfactorily to the controlling influences has Early this evening the report circulated through the corridors of the Lindell that Governor Holcomb had, through his private secretary, given out to the representative of the press the authoritative statement that he had decided upon the appointment of John C. Dahlman of Chadron as warden of the penitentiary. The half score of appli-cants for the place quickly placed themselves on record by denouncing the governor in unmeasured terms. The report proved to be a fake of the clearest water. Governor Holcomb has appointed Frank L. Mary of Lincoln to a clerkship in the executive office and he did this merely to expedite matters in the transfer of the office Thursday afternoon. Elon W. Belson of Schuyler has also been given an appointment in the executive office. Governor Holcomb said tonight that he would certainly not announce a single ap pointment prior to his inauguration.

ing resolutions were adopted;

Whereas, The republicans of Nebraska have cause for rejoicing with their brethren all over the country upon the result of the recent election, for the purpose of honoring the advocates of republican principles in Nebraska in the recent campaign in the state, and to cement more closely the republicans of the state; therefore be it.

Resolved, That a banquet be held at the Lincoln hotel, Lincoln, Neb., Thursday evening, January 3, 1895, to which republicans desiring can attend until the limit of accommodation is reached.

The following speakers have prom'sed to be in attendance: John M. Thurston, John L. Webster, John C. Cowin, C. L. Richards, T. J. Majors, John C. Watson, L. L. Hayward, W. L. Gurley, H. D. Esterbrook and

was appointed, to assume full charge of the affairs: Judge E. L. Coffin, Ross L. Hamanairs: Judge E. L. Comn, Ross L. Ham-mond, Matt Daugherty, C. E. Adams, J. D. Gage, T. L. Benton, H. L. Bushnell, T. C. Clarkson, H. B. Cortell, R. O'Neill, A. S. Hamilton, E. J. Murfin, John L. Carsen, W. L. Lowly and R. Q. Stewart,
The committee appointed to arrange plans
for the inaugural and reception held its

final meeting at the L'ndell this evening The committee desires the fact to be memor ially understood that the reception is to be entirely nonpartisan in its character. The reception itself is to be entirely informal. The reception committee is made up of four republicans and four independents, as follows: Republicans, Senator Graham, Representative McNerny, Representative Allen and John P. Maul; independents, Elias Baker, Wolf, Patrick Barry and John C.

DRIFTING TOWARD MILITARISM.

Burns Thinks America is Drifting Toward that End. M. P., the English labor leader, arrived here from Washington last night and addressed an audience that filled every available spot in Association hall. He said he had come to this country to study, as well as a brief stay would permit, our social and industrial condition. The subject upon which he dwelt particularly was trade

unionism, which, he said, holds the fort in Philadelphia. In part of his address he unionism, which, he said, house the lost in Philadelphia. In part of his address he said:

"It was the people who deprecated what they called my premature criticisms of American institutions who, the very moment I stepped off the railway car on my first visit to Chicago, wanted to know my lopinion of the social and industrial condition of that city. When I had the courage to tell them, they wanted to know what right I had to criticize the city, but I went back ten days afterward and said it again, only ten times stronger."

"In Europe," he proceeded, "all social and industrial problems are accentuated by the burden of militarism, and you are rapidly getting it here. We have \$0.00,000 armed men in Europe, legalized murderers, gilded popinjays only, not producing anything, but destroying everything. They are kept less for resisting foreign foes than as a recruiting ground where England can put her children who have not enough brains to earn a living." children who earn a living."

FATAL FREIGHT COLLISION.

One Traiuman Killed and Several More Dangerously Injured. ision at Yorktown at 4:30 this morning between the westbound freight train No. 29, in charge of Conductor Morgan and Engineer W. A. Shull and Henry Hurst, fireman,

neer W. A. Shull and Henry Hurst, fireman, and eastbound freight train No. 72, on the Hig Four road, in charge of Conductor Tingle, with Charles Sutton, engineer, and Joshua Walsh, fireman. The killed are: W. A. Shull.

The fatally injured are: Jushua Walsh, Badly injured, Henry Hurst, Charles Sutton. The engines came together with terrific force, raising high in the air and falling a mass of dehris. Several cars were broken, making a pile of mungled wood and from twenty feet high. All trains are now unning over the Fort Wayne, Chicago & Louisville road and to Anderson over the Panhaudle. The track will be blockaded all day.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 1.-P. G. Phillips, hers in quest of ex-Congressman Walt But-ler and found him at the police station,

Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon at Which the Nomination Was Made Without a Word of Dissent-What Mr. Thurston Says,

LINCOLN, Jan. 1 .- (Special.) -- John M. Thurston has been presented with the United lican Joint caucus of the legislature, held this afternoon in the supreme court room, Mr. Thurston received the vote of seventy-one representatives and twenty-five senators, a unanimous vote of all members of the cau-Tefft of Cass presided and McNit of Illinois, born at Woodstock, May 1, 1856, of Webster acted as secretary. The nomination was made by Senator Crane of Douglas, tion, having graduated at the University of and seconded by a rising vote of the caucus, Illinois and at the Chicago law college. As a parliamentarian his abilities are yet to be a parliamentarian his abilities are yet to be tested in so prominent a position as the stage of the proceedings violent applause indi-chief presiding officer of the house of repre-cated the nature of affairs to those on the outside, and warm friends of Mr. Thurston shook hands all around, saying: "It's all right with John in there." They were right, and

> lican vote would have stood unanimous but for the absence of Representative Rouse of Grand Island. The caucus grew out of the conference last night at a joint committee meeting, composed f three senators and three members of the The rank and file are as wildly enhusiastic as members of the caucus at the

The following telegram was happy result. at once sent to Mr. Thurston: I have been commissioned by the republican joint caucus of the legislature of the state of Nebraska, now in session, to communicate to you their New Year's greeting in the shape of their choice of you for United States senator from Nebraska by the following vote: Representatives, 71; senators, 25, ORLANDO TEFFT, Chairman Joint Caucus.

The following telegram was received from

The following telegram was received from Mr. Thurston tonight in response to the telegram sent him announcing the action of

he caucus this afternoon:

Mr. Thurston also sent individual messages to republican members of the legislature thanking them personally. The Douglas county delegation also united in a congratulatory telegram to the pros-pective senator-elect, to which Mr. Thurston telegraphed individual replies.

MR. THURSTON INTERVIEWED.

He Voices His Gratification and Gives Some of His Political Sestiments. The Thurston mansion last night was

ablaze with light. Hon. Jehn M. Thurston was at home receiving numberless congratulations by wire from all over the country upon his preferment for United States senator by the joint caucus of the members of the Nebraska legislature.

Nebraska legislature.
On the mantel piece in the reading room stood the resolution of the joint caucus calling Mr. Thurston to broader fields of labor. signed by seventy-one representatives and wenty-five senators, the resolution framed rettily in oak.

connection with the signing of this resotion, which is worthy of note. At the close of '94 but ninety-four members of the legis lature had signed the joint resolution pressing the choice of the republican party of Nebraska for John Mellen Thurston for sen-ator. With the birth of '95 one more man added his name, Henry Mohrman of Macon misking the ninety-fifth name in '95.

Mr. Thurston was in an exceedingly pleasent humor last evening, and so was Mrs Phuraton, who did not hesitate to express her her husband, an honor which, in the man cal history of the United States.

Asked to outline his course and the principles which would govern him in the adnicistration of the trust presented to him on New Year's day, Mr. Thurston, in reply, said:

APPRECIATES THE HIGH HONOR. "I have been honored in a way that very few men eyer have been. And aside from the great personal gratification that I feel my chief rejoicing is over the fact that the republican party of Nebraska is united and armonious as never before in its history will be my highest ambition in life to re tain for the six years of my official career the same confidence and esteem which the republicans of this state have so signally exactly the same manner as I have always ecepted professional service, devoting what ver measure of ability I may possess loyally and solely to the interests of the people. My fellow citizens understand full well that this preferment comes to me not by reason relations to railway interests, but in spite of attorney has been the only objection which I have had to overcome. It has taken years of effort to live down those prejudices, which encourage. I hope by my course in the United States senate to satisfy the people of this country that the conscientious performance of my whole duty to the great interests which I have for so many years represented has not disqualified me from fighting the bat-tles of the common people, from the ranks of whom I came, and for whose struggles and hardships I have the greatest sym

well known. I am in accord with the principles of the republican party, as enunciated in its platforms, and my opinions on current political issues were fully set forth in the address I delivered at the last state conven tion, the substantial part of which is as fellows. Were I to frame a platform for the republican party, it would mean this:

HIS PERSONAL PLATFORM.

The supremacy of the constitution of the United States; the maintenance of law anorder; the suppression of anarchy and crime; the protection of every American citizen in his right to flye, labor and to vote order; the suppression of anarchy and crime; the protection of every American citizen in his right to live, labor and to vote; a vigorous foreign policy; the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine; safety under the stars and stripes on every sea and in every port; the restoration of our merchant marrine; the tariff of William Mckinley and the reciprocity of James G. Blaine; American markets for American products; the protection of the American farm, the American factory and the American farm, the American factory and the American farm, the American as will guarantee steedy employment and good wages to the workingmen of this country; a free ticket to China for any man who insists upon his right to buy the product of human labar without paying a fair price to the brain and brawn which produces it; the enactment of federal legislation adequate to secure a free ballot and a fair count in every voting precinct of the union; a one term presidency; the election of United States sensions by direct vote of the people; the establishment of a postal integraph system; the governmental supervision and control of transportation lines and ratus; the protection of the people from all unlawful combination and unjust exaction of aggregated capital and corporate power; war on the three great democratic trusts—oil, whisky and susar; the abolition of all sectionalism—one people, one country, one flag; a political crop failure for the calamity howlers and fusion lungsfers; a paniston policy just and genorous to ofr living heroes and the widews and orphans of their dead comrades; the utmest expansion of our currency consistent with the maintenance of the equal parchasing and debipaying power of every dollar; American mints for American minus; the free colinag of the American product of silver and gold

SENATOR JOHN M. THURSTON

Into honest money; an American welcome to every God-fearing, liberty-loving, constitution-respecting, law-abiding, labor-seeking, decent man; the deportation and exclusion of all whose birth, whose blood whose condition, whose leachings, whose practices would menace the permanency of free institutions, endanger the safety of American society, or lessen the opportunities of American labor; an American flas for every American labor; an American flas patriotism eternal as the stars.

WILL TELL THE LEGISLATURE.

WILL TELL THE LEGISLATURE. "When the joint convention shall have ratified the action of the republican caucus I propose to advise the legislature of the views which I hold on these questions which are liable to demand the first attention of the next congress, for the purpose of asking the legislature, in case its members are not in entire accord with my own views, to direct me by appropriate resolution on any matter of congressional action which they regard S are senatorship on a platter. At a repubto be right, but as a representative of the people will hold myself in readiness to of-ficially execute their commands whenever

directed so to do. "Since October 13, 1893, I have not represented professionally or otherwise any rail way corporation, bondholder or stockholder, but have been the solicitor for five receivers appointed by the court to administer the great railway properties placed in their charge as officers of the court. In view, however, of the criticism which has been made concerning the candidacy of a railroad attorney for United States senator, I have repeatedly advised my friends that should I be elected to the senate I would retire from the service of the receivers of the Union Pacific system and devote myself to those public affairs devolving upon me as senator. This course of action I have determined upon when the caucus adjourned a few moments later it was with the news that the repubmainly for the reason that I wish to relieve the republican party of Nebraska from even the apparent responsibility of electing a man holding professional relations to important interests which might become the subject of congressional legislation. I expect to organize a law firm in Omaha for the general practice of law and more especially because I desire to retain a local business at Omaha to spend all the time not required of me at Washingwith the people among whom I have passed

the best twenty-five years of my life." LAID OUT A BIG WORK.

World's Congress Auxiliary Holds Its First Meeting at Chicago. CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—The initial mion of the World's Congress auxiliary was held at the Auditorium tonight. The auxiliary was formed for the purpose of renewing the friendships and commemoratcondand. Jan. 1.—Hon. Orlando Tefft. Chairman Joint Caucus: Please convey to the republican joint caucus my heartfelt gratitude for the great honor conferred upon me. I hope to always merit the connidence and esteem of the republicans of Nebraska. Wishing you all a happy New Year, I remain your friend.

J. M. THURSTON.

cago, who was president of the congresses held during the fair. In his opening address Mr. Honney dwelt at considerable length on the work accomplished by the congresses held during the fair, and spoke in confident terms of the good that they will do in the future if they only are carried on in the same manner as were the meetings of two years ago. Addresses of welcome were made by Mrs. Charles Henrotin, Mrs. Elizabeth Boynton Herbert and Mrs. Caroline K. Sherman. Dr. F. W. Gunsaulus of Chleago followed with an address on the "Ministry of Culture, Literary and Art." Dr. Henry W. Rodgers of Northwestern university dwelt on "Higher Education and Good Government." Mrs. J. M. Flower discussed "The Public Schools and Good Government," and Prof. Harper, president of Chleago university, spoke on "Higher Education and International Peace." A greeting from the orient was read by Prof. S. chicago university, spoke on "Higher Edu-cation and International Peace." A greet-ing from the orient was read by Prof. S. Choyo, late of the University of Toklo. "The Religious Congresses of 1893, Crowned by the World's Pavliament of Religion." was discussed by Rev. Frank M. Bristol, Rabbi E. G. Hirsch, Rev. L. P. Mercer, Rev. J. L. Jones and others. "The Brother-hood of Science and Faith" was the subject of Dr. Andrew J. McPherson of Notre Dame university. Dr. J. M. Coulter of Lake For-est university and others spoke at some

length.

A number of addresses were made by speakers not on the regular program, and letters of regret were read from Cardinal Gibbons, Prince Wolkinsky and a number of clergymen who took part in the congresses two years ago.

The platform of the auxiliary was set forth by President Bonney in his opening address as follows:

"We would make the social purity and

"We would make the social purity and the moral power of which woman is the divinely appointed representative as potent in public as it is in private life.

"We would exalt and establish all the useful industries of the world and crown them with blessings and honor for the service they render mankind."

Other objects of the auxiliary are to establish just and equal relations between labor and capital and provide for a system of co-operation between them. Similar meetings to that held tonight are to be held for the same objects in other cities in countries which participated in the World's Fair congresses, and partial arrangements have been made for the helding in Chicago, in the near future, world's congress extension meetings in the departments of science, literature and religion.

Incoupled the Baggage Car and Left the Express Behind. CAMDEN, Ark., Jan. 1.—Six masked men made an effort to rob the northbound Cot-ton Belt train, due here at 1 o'clock, at a tank ten miles south of Camden. Their ob ject was to secure the express money. The

train stopped as usual to take water and the negro porter got off to go around to the tank to let the water on. He was stopped, however, by a Winchester in his face and ordered to uncouple the cars. This order was obeyed and the engineer, who was under guard, was made to run the car up from the train, a distance of half a mile. The bandits discovered too late that they had made a water haul, taking the baggage car instead of the express car. They had to grin, take their medicine and go to the woods. The leader told the engineer that he had the laugh on them, but would see him again. The work was so quickly done that the passengers did not know what was going on until the would-be robbers had found refuge in the dense forcest. The scene of the robbery is more than a mile from any residence, the small station of Buena Vista being about a mile south. There is no better place than this for bandits to ply their calling. A posse has left here in search of the would-be robbers. The men were masked with reil bandanna handkerchiefs. It is supposed that they went out from Camden and it is even intimated that they live in Camden. A dispatch today from the Cotton Belt officers states that a reward of \$200 will be pailed for the arrest and conviction of each of the parties, and the governor is expected to offer a reward.

PRISONERS SABED OUT OF JAIL. the negro porter got off to go around to

Patrick Crowe, Formerly of Omaha, Was

ners sawed their way out of the Buchanan fact was not known till 8 o'clock this morn ing. By that time the men, who it was later learned are all armed, had made good their escape. The escaped prisoners are: Patrick Crowe, Ira Courtner, Joe Dusty, William Fulmer and James Owens. Crowe is one of the men who headed the train robbers who operated so boildly and successfully in this city last winter. He is a desperate man, wanted in half a dozen states for serious crimes. Dusty was under sentence of death, a stay of execution having been granted to allow the supreme court to pass upon the case. Owens was an Alchison county prisoner, also sentenced to hang, and his case is also before the supreme court. The other men were in jail for larceny. The prisoners escaped by sawing the iron bars of the corridor window and lowering themselves to the ground with ropes. Four saws were found in the jail this moraing. Thomas Hickman, a trusty, was found lying bound and gagged in the corridor, but the authorities assert he furnished the tools and that he released the prisoners from the cells into the corridor. ng. By that time the men, who it was

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 1.—(Special.)— John Charles Thompson has received his commission as surveyor-general of Wyo-ming, vice Perry Bickford, resigned Thompson will take charge of the office at once. He was appointed in September, but experienced some difficulty in furnishing the \$36,000 bond required. His dilatory action in the matter caused the report to be sen out from Washington to the effect that lickford would be retained in office, and, in fact, the commissioner of the general land office did order a rehearing in his case.

BARRETT SCOTT BRUTALLY LYNCHED

Torn from His Wife's Side by Unknown Ruffians and Dragged Away to Be Put to Death in Secret.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY ENACTED IN HOLT COUNTY

Stopped While Returning to O'Neill from the Country, His Family Fired on, and Himself Wounded and Taken Away Into the Brakes of the Niobrara-Sheriff's Posse in Fruitless Pursuit.

ago sentenced him to five years in the peni- known of Barrett Scott and his fate. tentiary. Mob vengeance was swifter than SHERIFF COULD LEARN NOTHING. the law, and his misdeeds have been explated in a crime still darker that his own.

of victims of lynch law in Nebraska. Ever since it was announced that Scott the crime of yesterday occurred. Besides himself the carriage contained his wife and daughter, his niece, Fannie McWhorter, and John Schmidt, the driver.

HALTED BY BULLETS.

Just this side of Parker a sod house stands close to the road. As the carriage passed it the driver was roughly ordered to halt. Scott told him to drive on, and bent forward to whip up the team. At that moment a dozen masked men appeared.

They were all armed with Winchesters, and without another word opened fire on the carriage. One horse fell stone dead and the other was writhing in its death agony. themselves with the closed carriage with A bullet struck Scott in the right cheek, which to remove Mrs. Scott and the children making a painful but not dangerous wound Another hit Miss McWhorter in the spine on her cloak.

The shooting closed as suddenly as it began. Some of the assailants seized Scott Parker was fermerly a postoffice, but was and his driver and bound and gagged them long ago abandoned. The few people who tion to the women who were frightened into

mile away. Bartell at once hitched up and just before midnight last night.

arrived here, the news of the supposed tragedy brought the sleeping city to life in a rapidly in hope that they could overhaul as she recalled the fearful trial. perse. The sheriff and his posse had scarcely even the man who brought her home seemed disappeared when John Schmidt, the driver, anxious to delay her as long as possible in

WHAT THE DRIVER TOLD. vals it stopped while their captors whistled moved by her tearful entreaties and got one as if signalling to some of their confederates, of his neighbors to stay with his wife while He was unable to distinguish what this meant, as he was completely blindfolded. He managed to rub the bandage against the side On the train that carried a Bee reporter and consultations, until about 8 o'clock, when could be no doubt but that Scott had been they, reached an old stable, where they all murdered. He had heard the threat made alighted. Then the ruffians turned Schmidt before he was released, and when he was make himself scarce. He required no second return to O'Neill. "They will kill you if bidding and hurried off in the direction in- you go back there," he had told him, but dicated, until he came to the house of Pat Scott said that he was not afraid, and the Gaghan, where he had supper, and then advice was wasted. he arrived. He took a short rest, and then the judge. "When I was district attorney,

O'NEILL, Neb., Jan. 1 .- (Special Tele- | started back with another posse, with the gram.)-Barrett Scott, the defaulting ex- intention of leading them to the stable where treasurer of Holt county, has gone before a he had left Scott in the cintches of the band. higher tribunal than that which a few weeks At a late hour tonight this was all that was

Deputy Sheriff O'Neill and several of the others returned from the hunt at 8 o'clock Early Monday afternoon the carriage in tonight. None of them could add to what which he was driving with his family was was already known. They had followed the met by a band of masked men at Parker, a wagon tracks for several miles, but it lonely spot ten miles northeast of this city. seemed that the whole country was in league After firing a volley from their Winchesters, with the lynchers. At the scattered dwell-Scott was taken away, bound and gagged, ings along the trail all information was and no one here doubts that before the New withheld. The inmates were studiously ig-Year dawned his name was added to the list norant of the passage of the party and expended all their energies in trying to throw the pursuers off the scent. At last accounts was to be released on ball threats of violence the sheriff and his band of determined men have been heard. When he was released were still following the wagon tracks and two weeks ago he was warned that his life hoped to overtake their men. It is possible would not be safe if he returned to O'Neill, that the greater tragedy is yet to occur. but he disregarded the warning and returned The lynchers are armed to the teeth and to his former home. A week ago he went to are known to be a desperate band. The Mineola with his family to visit relatives. sheriff's men are armed with Springfield It was on his return from that place that rifles, taken from the armory, and most of them know how to use them. If they should overtake the lynchers, while they are unaided, it is feared a bloody fight will follow. Meanwhile all Holt county is astir and news from the posse is being looked for with the greatest anxiety.

WAS A WELL STUDIED MOVE. That the deed of yesterday was deliberately planned there can be no doubt. That it has been successfully completed is universally believed. The preparations made by the lynchers show that they were well aware that Scott would return to O'Neill at a certain was executed indicated that every move had been carefully prearranged. No place could be better fitted for a deed of violence than of cellar, roofed with a heavy covering of Not a sign remained to indicate the tragedy of the crime would afford concealment for an

from capture and punishment.

home in this city. The terrible experience of and husband reigns supreme. It was only

"I am sure that Barrett is dead," she They have taken him away and killed him and I shall never, never see my husband again. It all came so suddenly. Some one shoot and I saw the blood streaming from Barrett's face. Oh it was terrible, terrible,"

away was driven very slowly, and at inter- wish to leave his wife alone. Finally he was

started on to this city. He found it a six- "This is not the first deed of blood that teen-mile walk and was almost dead when has been done in the Niebrara valley," added