given us as to their arrangements with the

"DAVIS" TELLS A TALE.

That the above report might be corrobo-rated in every particular, the telegraph op-

erator who was introduced as "H. L. Davis of Chicago" submitted to The Bee the follow-

ing report: "I went to a saloon at Twenty-fourth and N" streets, met a Mr. Deaver, owner of the piace." I was introduced to him

as 'Mr. Davis of Chicago,' desirous of pur-chasing a gambling house, We were seated

in a wine room in the rear of the place and

questions were being asked as to police pro-tection, when Mr. Deaver remarked that we

would find a more secluded spot to talk the

Condon remarked that he would have the talk repeated, so that I

matter over, and proposed going to a livery stable, one block north. We went there, and

might know what to expect, but he appeared

than a gambler. We then agreed to visit his gambling house and meet him later on and close the deal. While ascending the stairs

leading to Deaver's gambling house we me

and passed a man who eyed us very closely,

whom I afterward found to be Lawyer Doud

He came down and joined Deaver and Con-don, and I proceeded with them to one of

Deaver's wine rooms. Condon introduced this

party as 'the lawyer who was to close the

deal and put us in the way of gaining polic

protection, and spoke of him as the middle-man. There was no denial or affirmation

made to this charge. But a very significant look passed between Deaver and Doud and

peculiar expression passed over the lawver's

face. For a moment he did not say a word. Finally he very deliberately declared that he

was in the habit of doing business in a busi

iess way, and proposed going to his office

We repaired there in pairs. Condon opened up the talk at once by asking Lawyar Doud in regard to police protection and interference

ace. Doud became somewhat excited and clared that he would not talk over such a

matter with strangers; that he was not satis-fied we were what we pretended to be, and

told Condon that he, Condon, had agreed to

bring to his office 'Brick' Murdock, Jack

Morrison, or some other gambler whom he

knew to vouch for his being all he pre-tended to be. If Condon would do so, why then he would discuss the whole matter with

him, otherwise he could merely perform Deaver's business in a business manner.

condon asked Deaver that if he was to re-

ceive money, say \$200, as a guarantee of good faith toward closing the deal if his

him and he could not satisfy us, the money would be refunded and the deal declared off.

This conversation was in Doud's presen

The lawyer here presented a contract drawn

up by him, Dord, in which it said that

Deaver guaranteed that there should at no time be more than four gambling houses in

operation in the town while we were his

our, that would let us out of all agreements

Following close upon the heels of all this.

reporter for The Bee yesterday interviewed thief Brennan, who said: "The gambling

law is not enforced in South Omaha. There are four houses running at the present time. The proprietors of these resorts denate \$50

a month to the city. If a gambler fails to make a donation I close up his place."

noney, for which I give them a receipt."

and city council, Fund, emergency.

A copy of the receipts is as follows: "Dec. 26, 1894.-Received of Thomas White

Omaha; subject to the disposal of the mayor

ing for fire hydrants and settling claims

against the city, for instance, where a man

Police Judge Christmann sald: "The police

ourt has nothing to do with the gamblers. understand that they donate \$50 a month

to the city, and if they fail to come to the front at the time specified their places are closed by order of the mayor."

The secretary of the Board of Education, apon being interviewed, said: "Since the present administration went into office the

chool board has not received any of the

noney paid by the gamblers."

In order to give Mayor Johnston an oppor

tunity of stating his side of the case he was invited to call upon the editor of this paper,

and yesterday afternoon at about 3 o'clock he

MAYOR JOHNSTON EXPLAINS.

Mr. Rosewater explained to him that he

and had some trouble with regard to one of his reporters who had been detailed to look

uspicions being aroused that everything was not all right, he had had an investigation

nade. The result of this investigation showed

pretty conclusively that the reporter in ques-tion had been receiving a monthly stipend

on the side from the gambling fraternity of South Omaha, and that this money was paid to him for the purpose of sliencing him and

Mayor Johnston replied that the gamblers

under the administration of two years ago commenced to pay a fine of \$50 per month,

and that they had continued to do so eve

It was pointed out to the mayor that these

parties claim that they are paying more; that they had asserted that they paid \$100 a month, and that the other \$50 went to the

nayor, one councilman and two reporters. The mayor emphatically denied that

had ever paid The Bee representative any money, or had been asked for any money by

him, except upon one occasion, when he had

loaned him \$5, which had never been paid

The mayor stated that he did not know

what the reporters had done. If they had done snything of this sort they would natu-

rally keep it quiet. He said that when he took hold of the office he found that the houses were paying \$50 a month, and that they had continued to do that right along.

They had never paid him anything, and h

had never demanded anything of them. He thought that \$59 wes quite a fair denation,

onsidering the population of South Omaha.

His attention was called to the fact that

hese four gambling flouses that are now run-ning seem to have a monopoly of the entire pusiness, and that the police suppress every-

body else who attempts to set up in the

FOUR PLACES ENOUGH.

there had been any attempt to set up any other place, and he did not consider that

South Omaha could support more than four gambling houses. He also said that there

had been quite a number of poker and other games running. They had closed up fifteen of them, and they were now running a good, "oquare" game.

He was then tasked whether he was acquainted with a man in South Omaha named Doud, and he replied that he was very well acquainted with him, having made his acquaintance when he was in the city council the council of the council of

five years ago.

The mayor was then told that Doud had

represented that he (Doud) had an agreement with the mayor in regard to the running of gambling houses, and that he had stated that there was an arrangement between

that they agreed upon should be allowed to

The mayor replied that if Doud got the

almself and the mayor that only those

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maha.

after the news in South Omaha and that his

gambling houses are now making

is injured by tenson of a defective sidewalk

Treasurer."

would or could convince us of perfect tection from police interference. Deaver re-marked very cheerfully that if \$200 were paid

provided we bought Deaver's

herefrom.

and contracts,"

o suspect that all was not right, and re-tarked that I looked more like a reporter

evident that it was never the intention of the The samblers were not arrested at rate, they having received the customary and when the sheriff's representative called at their place of business in South Omaha Berlin, Hailey and Heffner were in Council Bluffs and had left no notice of the time of their probable return. The return on the warrant has not been filed yet, but the men have not been arrested, though they are very much in evidence in South Omaha, doing business at the old stand, and this is how it

Berlin et al decided to spend a few days in Council Bluffs they left a friend on this side of the river in the person of a justice of the peace in South Omaha. This justice, on Wednesday, December 5, came to Omaha, and at the soon hour called upon Judge Scott "At Chambers" and had a conference on the gambling case. Nothing definite was arrived at, and the justice was told to call again at 5 o'clock in the evening and the criminal judge would talk over the gambling business with him. The justice called promptly at the appointed hour and was closeted with Scott for some time. Details of that conference are also lacking, but immediately after its conclusion Berlin and

his partners returned from Iowa.

At that time there were two other gambling houses doing business in South Omaha, and is understood that they were running with the sanction of the trio of reformers and their Judicial conferee. Berlin is a practical anti-monopolist, and he at once declared that he would raise a little shoel if he had to be closed up while the favored houses were allowed to do business without interruption from Scott and his fellow reformers CLOSED FOR ONE WEEK.

He did not want any favors, but he wanted an equal show with his rivals in the business and was probably willing to stand the assessment with the rest of the fraternity. warrant for his arrest was hanging over his head and he did not desire to take the risk of resuming business until that had been 'satisfactorily fixed." So the services of the friendly justice were again called into requisition, and on Saturday, December 8, he called upon Judge Scott and invited him to go down to South Omeha on Sunday and take dinner with himself and family. Scott accepted the invitation, and on Sunday, December 9, honworthy justice by dining at his Of course Scott would not allow his thoughts on that day to be diverted from the contemplation of holy things to the contemp plation of so worldly a subject as professional gambling, and the final discussion of that subject was made the special order of business for another "At Chambers" session. which was to be held in Scott's room on Mon-On Monday at noon the justice was again at Scott's room, but could not get his Omaha, and was introduced to George D. answer, and was told to call again at 5 Deaver as John Condon of Chicago. I was o'clock in the evening. The justice went represented as a probable purchaser for away, and, during the afternoon, Scott held a conference with his fellow reformers, Lewis northeast corner of Twenty-fifth and N and Shoop, and at 5 o'clock the justice called streets, South Omaha. I met Deaver in a for his final answer. Scott the informed wine room in the rear of his saloon, in the the justice that he was unutterably opposed to gamblers and gambling, and would like anxious to seel. He claimed that he controlled the houses closed up, yet he trolled the entire gambling business of South thought it would be safe for Berlin and his Omaha.

Berlin had been in the gambling business too long to be caught by a bluff, and what- house paid \$100 per month to the ever was the character of the deal, he was which this year was to be reduced to \$50. satisfied that the case against him had been The money was usually paid to Lawyer Doud, 'satisfactorily fixed," and at 6 o'clock on Monday evening, December 10, Berlin opened A part of the money was paid to the reporthis gambling place again, and is yet showing his patrons all the various breeds of the papers for their silence. He, Deaver, had great American tiger in its jungle. Attorney Cochran and his clients, the detectives, cilmen. He did not know what proportion are resting on their laurels, having succeeded of this money the council received, but did in South Omaha for one week. The case of immunity from arrest each month on p the state of Nebraska against Berlin, et. al., ment of said \$100. As an evidence formers, and what came of it.

BEGINNING AN INVESTIGATION. This conduct upon the part of Scott in connection with the gamblers of South Omaha caused many complaints to come indirectly to The Bee. One case which was reported was where a man had lost his all while toying with the beast. His wife first went to the proprietors of the gambling house and de-manded the return of the money. She was given the laugh, and went to the chief of structed to arrest the proprietors of the but for some reason an account of the pro-ceedings were never reported by the representatives of the daily papers. When the reports reached The Bee office two trusty reporters were detailed to make an investigation. They were sent to South Omaha upon this mission, while the regular South Omaha representative was transferred to a point 400

miles away.
Within a couple of days after taking up their abode in the Magic City one of the men submitted a complete report of what he found in connection with the gambling evil and how it was handled.

INTRODUCED TO GAMBLERS.

The report is as follows: pursuance to instructions I have worked in South Omaha during the past two days and find this situation concerning gambling in that city. I was introduced to Deaver, the reputed boss of the gambling fraternity, as a man recently from Chicago, and who had a friend who wanted to pur chase a gambling house. He gave me an in-jected for the sake of appearances. Deaver voice of his fixtures and told me how he was said that all the South Omaha city officials permitted to run. He said that one day last week the big gambling houses, four in num-ber, demanded of Mayor Johnston that he close the poker rooms, which had been run-ning without a license. Their demands were granted, and on Thursday night Chief of Police Brennan closed sixteen of these places, much to the benefit of the regular gambling

"I asked Deaver, in the presence of an Omaha man, who introduced me to Deaver, what protection I would have in case I bought him out.
"He said: 'You will be fully protected, just the same as I have been. Of course we have to pay for it, but then we are sure to be let alone by the city authorities.'

"I asked him how he managed it, and he said that he paid \$50 to the city. He sent one of his employes with the money to police headquarters and it was entered on the city's book as a donation, but no names were used. This fine was paid on or about the 15th of every month, and if not promptly paid they were given a hunch to be more prompt. dition \$50 per month was to be given to the Then in a day or two a certain lawyer would city treasurer, as previously stated, in the come around and get \$50 more. This money Deaver claims, went to Mayor Johnston, and with it a leading member of the council and the two reporters on the city dailies were fixed. He said that until about a month ago he had been paying \$100, instead of \$50 to

"I asked Deaver if the newspapers and not jump onto the gambiers occasionally, and he had not had personal control of the pump onto the gambiers occasionally, and he had not had personal control of the gambing room, as some Omaha parties had rented it for the month of December. He rented it for the month of December. of the extra money that the gamblers paid to the go-between lawyer. He figured it out that until recently the mayor got about \$400 per month from the gamblers. He kept \$200 of this and gave the other \$200 to a member of the council and the reporters, the reporters getting about \$50 per month each, and the councilman \$100. Some days ago the gambling houses were closed for three or four days and some of the gamblers became restless and said that they had been paying too much during such hard times, so that now the price had been reduced to \$50 extra. or \$100 per month from each of the four houses for full protection from the mayor, councilman and reporters. He said that the mayor prevented newspaper criticism and kept down public opinion. I tried to find out who the go-between lawyer was, but he appeared to regard the question with considerabel suspicion and I was afraid to press int for fear of arousing his suspicions as to my identity.

SKINNED A COMMISSION MAN. "Deaver told me that if I bought out his place he would still run the saloon and wine rooms on the first floor, and would help me out if I got into trouble, as it was he who enabled the other bounds. rooms on the first floor, and would help me out if I got into trouble, as it was he who desired to purchase a gambling house in South Omaha and pay the police departing the said that he would steer people up into the gambling rooms, and showed me a set of crooked dice, which he had made and loaded himself, making it almost impossible for any one to get ahead of the crap game. He said that if they wanted to, or if any of the Omaha gamblers who were not wanted came down, they simply put the police on to them and had them run out of town. They didn't propose to have any one 'knocking' against their game. He explained, that he had to pay 575 per month rent and \$25 for light,

which, with the 'donations' to the mayor and city, made the actual expenses amount to \$200 per month. I had some further conver-sation with him, and told him I would have to see my partner, 'Jack Condon' of Chicago, who would be out here on Sunday afternoon. Accordingly, on last Sunday I got another Bee reporter to go with me and represent reporter to go with me and represent Condon. Deaver repeated the same story to him. We were seated in a wine room, ad-joining which was one filled with women who seemed to be having a good time. Deaver said that he was preity busy, and remarked that he had just skinned a commission man out of \$50, and thought that he might get same more money from the party. He reassirmed the story about having mayor, the council and the reporters fixed, and we asked him about his source of revenue. He said that with all the insti-tutions in South Omaha there was an average of three pay days per week, and that while times were awfully close just now, indications were that things would soon pick up. He said that sometimes they caught a stockman for a few hundred dollars when he would be drinking, and that frequently on Sundays a crowd of traveling men would come down from Omaha to play fare bank, and would lose a good many dollars. He said that he could not deal fare bank, and that the dealer that he formerly employed robbed him of so much that he dropped the game. He was much pleased that the poker rooms had been closed, and said that it would bring a good many of the players back to the regular

gambling houses.
"I had a talk with Pat Rowley, a saloon keeper, and told him the same story about befriend who was coming here and wanted to buy a gambling house. Pat was very anxious that I should bring my friend to see him first, and said that he would sell us his saloon and get Dick Berlin to sell out his gambling house, which is over Pat's salbon. Pat wanted me to do business with no one but himself, and offered to give me \$200 if I brought about the sale. I asked him what protection we would have, and he said that the gambling houses were protected all right, and that it would cost only about \$50 per month to guarantee the aforesaid protection, I started to talk to Berlin, but was interrupted by his partner, Jim Heffner, and was told to bring my friend around and that he would talk business to him alone. Both of these men were suspicious of me, knowing that I am a reporter.'

FELT DEAVER'S INFLUENCE. Soon after the above report had been submitted to The Bes, the second of the two reporters turned in his findings, which are here detailed, and are as follows:

"On Sunday, December 30, I went to South He controlled matters through the partners to open up their gambling house mayor, Johnston. He volunteered detailed again that night at 6 o'clock. protection was secured. Each gambling who acted as middleman for all the gamblers. ere employed at South Omaha on the Omaha

closing one of the gambling houses know the mayor guaranteed the gamblers immunity from arrest each month on payhas been indefinitely postponed, and this is Deaver's influence in municipal affairs he said the true history of a crusade by moral reston's being made mayor. In return, several of his friends were made patrolmen under Brennan. As additional evidence of his influence he said he threw the captain of police out of his saloon recently, because he had given offense. Chief Brennan was on the deal, and saw to it that Deaver's gambling friends received protection. As an inducement for me to purchase his gambling business he said business was good, the house could be kept open night and day, and any police, who turned his back upon her, telling ber that he was powerless to compel the return of the money. Finally a warrant was occurred about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, he issued by a justice of the peace and placed remarked that he had just beat a commis-in the hands of a constable, who was in-

structed to arrest the proprietors of the could clear up \$200 a week. He explained gambling house. This official started in to that he paid his wheel men and dealers \$20 perform his duty, but was thrown out of the tiger's lair by a policeman. This episode in the wine rooms, where women were con was the alk of South Omaha for many days, stantly in attendance and helped steer fellows upstairs to the gambling den. conversation ended with an appointment for Monday afternoon at Deaver's gambling house.

If a warrant was in any even

when several warrants were issued by the

county for Deaver's friends he was repeat-edly telephoned the fact from the sheriff's office, and they thus avoided arrest. He

agreed that in the event I purchased his gam-bling outfit he would guarantee me protec-tion from police interference, provided I paid

the mayor the stipulated sum which other gamblers operating there had to pay, which

should not exceed \$100 per month, and pos-

newspaper reporters and six councilmen. The

way of a donation. This conversation oc-curred in a wine room in the rear of the sa-

SAW THE GAMES GOING ON.

stairs into the gambling room. All the games were in full operation at the time.

declared that every employe was in a posi-tion to protect the game, and as induce-

clared that it was impossible for the house to lose a cent unless it so desired in order to

encourage the players. We then took an in-

ventory of the furn ture of the room. Deaver sail he wanted \$750 for the furnishings, in-

cluding the ordinary paraphernalia of a

gambling house and his good will, declaring that that meant absolute protection from

police interference so long as I paid the money he had said was necessary. He then said that he would take me to a middleman,

a lawyer, whom he declared had attended to

his business with the mayor since the last election. We went down N street to the bank

building on the north side of the street, to the law offices of Montgomery & Doud. Deaver introduced E. H. Doud to me and we

went into a small room together. Deaver said Doud was the man he had referred to, who would act in the capacity of middleman

between me and the mayor. Doud said that was right, but that he was hardly prepared

to me to purchase the place he de

"At Deaver's invitation we then went up

sibly this could be reduced to \$50 per me

LAWYER DOUD'S ITALIAN HAND. "On Monday afternoon, December 31, 1894, I met Deaver at his saloon and had a lengthy conversation in his wine rooms. He then gave additional details as to the manner in

he matter, as far as he was concerned. which police protection was secured. Mayor Johnston was very careful to avoid the ap-pearance of dealing with the gamblers direct hen agreed to meet them in the evening and complete the transfer. He ingisted on business in connection with the payment of bribe money being carried on with Lawyer Doud. A donation of \$50 per month was made by each gambling house to the city. This money was handed to the city treasurer by the proprietors of the gambling houses, for which he gave a receipt in the nature of a donation to the city, not specify-ing the purpose for which it was paid. The other money was usually paid to Doud. He had paid money to Johnston, but Johnston objected for the sake of appearances. Deaver were fixed except the police judge, and the mayor reduced him to the position of a figurehead by remitting penalties he imposed on the gamblers. He said there was no danger from the county authorities. The county attorney South Omaha, who were Deaver's friends. Deaver was immediately telephoned the in-formation from the sheriff's office. Recently

e could do nothing until Bitterson had made n the place were pulled a few nights since in order to give the gamblers a better show several councilmen patronized hi protector, because he had had charge of the dection in which Johnston was made mayor. and Brennan owed his head to him (Deaver "About 4 in the afternoon I returned to

Deaver's place with an operator of a telegraph company and introduced him as H. L. Davis, Chicago gambler, who would go in with m the purchase. We met Deaver in the rear his place. The wine rooms were crowded of his place. with men and women, and Deaver said we could go to the livery barn a block north, where we would not be disturbed. He exhibited great hesitancy in talking in the pres-ence of my companion, and continually said: 'You know what I told you yesterday on this subject; that ought to satisfy you.' He then said Doud was a little anxious and insisted on closing the deal at once. 'You see,' he said, 'Doud has got more at stake in this matter than any of us, and of course, he must be careful or he will be ruined.'

DOUD WAS SUSPICIOUS. "Deaver then suggested that we go to the gambling house again and look over the place. As we were going up the rear steps we met Doud descending. After glancing around the room we returned to a wine roor below and found Deaver and Doud in clos conversation. Doud appeared confused and little inclined to talk. I introduced Davis, as the Chicago gambler who was in with me, to Doud, and referred to Doud as 'the middle-Doud appeared confused and man who will act as the go-between and give our money to the mayor.' Doud looked a little uneasy and glanced significantly at Deaver when I referred to him as the 'm'dileman, but made no remark. Desver said that perhaps Mr. Doud would prefer to transact he business in hand at his office. Doud re-plied that it would please him to attend to business in a business way, and that would be at his office. We then followed Doud and Deaver to the office. Then Doud said: 'You promised to bring Jack Morrison or 'Brick Murdock down here to youch for you, but you have not done it. I can't afford to discuss confidential business of this character with strangers. If you will make a deposit of a couple of hundred this thing can go on. I need something to assure me that you two are

money you have, and then I will throw down and that they were ready to keep their part of the contract, "On the plea that we were not yet satisfied POLICE PROTECTION FURNISHED.

mayor.

"I replied, what do you mean by throwing "He answered, 'I mean I will satisfy you "I replied, in what manner will you satisfy

'He said, 'I will satisfy you. Isn't that sufficient? If it is not sufficient your money will be returned to you. I will give you a receipt for the same, and if you are not satisfied with the showing I make then the oney will be returned to you intact'
"I said that was satisfactory, and asked him to draw up the contract with Deaver, by which he was to turn over to me his gambling establishment, paraphernalia and house, his influence to control the pelice de-partment in my interest for a specified time. He drew up the contract, the leading clause of which was that there were not more than four gambling houses to be run in South Omaha at any given time, and the moment more were opened the contract I had with Deaver for the rental of his that more gambling houses than the number cago gambler, asked Deaver minutely what more gambling houses than the number which were then running, four, would be a guarantee and pallee protection we could exderiment to my business. Doud said that detriment to my business. Doud said that whatever he know what I told you yesterday about this condon remarked that he would as he controlled the situation and was the man through whom the deal could be made. I then said can't you take me to the mayor, and he replied, 'No, the mayor would not like to see you, because such a course would be open to criticism. That is not the way we do business here. I will arrange all the details in connection with Deaver here

"I then agreed to come down that Monday evening and close the contract by the pay-ment of \$200 and Doud said that that would be sufficient for him to carry out his part of the contract. He further assured me that Pat I had no cause to fear any trouble. That if what Deaver told me was necessary to be gambling establishment. I asked him assurance I had that the mayor would not come down and close me up as soon as I had paid Deaver his \$759 and force me to leave town. He said, 'You would have the same assurance that the other gamblers have You know, Mr. Condon, we cannot afford to compromise ourselves. You cannot expect the mayor to give you any positive assurance in this case. Isn't this sufficient? Are you not satisfied?'

replied that I was not satisfied. That desired to see the mayor and have his state ment as to what protection I would receive. He said that could not be granted at present. then suggested that he telepho mayor and have him tell me what would be

"Doud became excited and said he rather suspected that I did not mean business and that I was trying to get him into trouble. I said, 'How trouble?' He replied that a newspaper man had once got him in trouble in reference to a financial deal on a Colorado sandstone paving deal, and it behooved him be careful in future. Then, too, he had recently read that a Chleago newspaper man had gone to a Chicago alderman representing himself to be a gambler and had secured from him admissions of a compromising nature. He said, 'I cannot afford to have a thing of that sort occur to me. I am too well known here as a business man.

"I then asked him for a copy of the draft of the contract with Deaver. He refused to give me the draft in his handwriting, but did give me a copy of the invoice of the in the Deaver gambling house in his own handwriting.

INVOICE OF THE GOODS.

R. B. MONTGOMERY. ELI H. DOUD,
Assistant County Attorney.
Law Office of
MONTGOMERY & DOUD,
SOUTH OMAHA. Neb.,
Two fare tables and layouts, including checks (2 boxes), two casekeepers.
Two crap tables.
One wheel.
One study icely.

One stud table. One tub and hazard table. Four fan attachments and electric motor All chairs.

"At this point Deaver said; 'Doud, I as atisfied that Condon is what he represents nimself to be, and we ought to give him "Doud then called Deaver off to one side

and talked with him earnestly for several seconds. Deaver then came back to me and said: 'Doud doesn't think you look like a said: Doud doesn't think you look like a gambler. He said you don't dress like a show a copy of the receipt. "This money," gambler, and don't wear diamonds and other ewelry. He is a little afraid of you, but hink I can assure him.'

"Doud came forward and said: 'Deaver where did you meet Condon?"
"Deaver replied: 'Cook introduced him to me. Cook is an Omaha gambler, but I d not know very much about him.'

"Doud said: 'Can't you get some well known Omaha gambler to come down here with you, and this matter will then be more "I said, will 'Brick' Murdock or Jack Mor rison do? Doud said: 'If either of them will youch for you I will be satisfied that you are all right.' Deaver said that would settle

I failed to call on Deaver and Doud in the vening, as per agreement, but this morning January 1) I returned to South Omaha and net Deaver. I exhibited to him a borns elegram from an alleged confederate of nine, who would be in this afternoon, when the deal would be closed. Deaver declared that Doud was quite suspicious, and had told him to be careful of what he said to me in the presence of a third party. Deaver said, however, that if I brought Morrision or Murdock with me, Doud would be all right, and then he (Deaver) would show me just how much influence he possessed. He said no one ould do business in the gambling line there without making terms with him. As evidence of this, he said that when Bitterson of Omaha wanted to open up some time ago (Deaver) a bid, and then everything went along nicely. He said that it was through his influence that several card rooms place, and the chief of police was his especial

that we would get 'protection,' we separated for a consultation, with no definite time for a meeting, bull with the assurance that we (myself and 'Davis') would return when we were satisfied that, we could afford to risk our money on the pledges Doud and Deaver had

had another house started. The mayor expressed anxiety to have an investigation. He also said when he was elected to the council in '89 that Doud was elected by the interest of Sheriff Boyd. Doud was then quite a young man, and had made some grievous mistakes. His reputation was not one of the best. The mayor also pointed out that while he had never had anything to do with this purchase any more editor of this paper, it seemed to probable that if a stranger should come t town and want to purchase a gambling house he would very naturally inquire how the authorities stood on the cambling question to make out that there would be no trouble on that score in order to effect the sale. He said that he had never heard of any swindling or brace games being run. He was also of the opinion that the population of South Omaha, especially the cattlemen and stockmen, desired to have the gambling houses run, and that with the present sys-tem of open gambling houses these people were satisfied, as they were all fairly run.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA.

Democratic Club Holds Its Annual Election -Notes and Gossip.

The South Omaha Democratic club elected officers for the ensuing year last night. The list was as follows: President, James Donahoe; first vice president, E. H. Doud; sec ond vice president, E. B. Towl; treasurer, J. H. Bulla; secretary, F. A. Broadwell; sergeant-at-arms. R. Merrom: executive committee, C. Morgan, Miles Welsh, J. S. Walton, W. Martin, Joe Eggers, George Fox, Sam Gosney, N. H. Brockett, P. C. Caldwell, A. M. Galligher, C. M. Hunt, J. A. Fleming, M. J. Nugent and P. Connors, After the election of officers the club adjourned to meet January 16. Young Men's Institute.

A crowded house witnessed the installation of the officers of council No. 192, Young Men's Institute, Tuesday night. Preceding and following the beautiful ceremony addresses were delivered by Rev. D. W. Moriarty, Mr. T. J. Fitzmorris, installing officers, and Rev. H. J. McDevitt. The Philharmonic club, the Philharmonic Male quartet, Mrs. F. J. Moriarity and Mr. J. C. Swift sang several pieces, and Mr. William Conroy declaimed one of Bret Harte's mining camp sketches. The entertainment concluded with a dance program of sixteen numbers. The South Omaha council enters upon

year of great promise. The progressive purchased a commodious frame members building, placed it upon a leased lot in a convenient location, and it is now being overhauled for the society's uses. Three or four weeks will be required to complete the alterations, when the council will occupy quarters of its own, equipped in a first class manner.

The installated officers are: R. B. Larkin president; H. P. Whalen, first vice president; J. P. Salmon, second vice president; R. Parks, recording secretary; T. S. Ryan, financial (secretary; W. M. Ryan, corresponding secretary; W. J. Mangan, treasurer enants, and if at any time he could not control it and there should be more than Thomas Whalen, inside sentinel; M. Donahue outside sentinel; Dr. W. J. McCrann, medica examiner; executive committee, T. J. O'Neill, Rev. D. W. Moriarty, William Brennan, Rev. H. J. McDevitt, D. J. Sullivan. Landed in Jail.

Yesterday afternoon the police arrested Charles Compton and James Coggins on a petit larceny warrant. It is claimed that the prisoners stole clothing valued at \$19 Upon the same subject the city treasurer remarked: "Gamblers in the town donate \$50 per month to the city. They come in voluntarily to my office and lay down the from Ed Gleason, who lives at Twenty-sixth and P streets. Only a few days ago these same men were up before Judge Christmann for vagrancy and each received a five days fail sentence. Last evening the prisoners were identified by J. J. Hopkins as the men who tried to hold him up one night not long ago. A charge of highway robbery may be filed before Monday. fifty dollars, donation to the city of South

Entertained at High Five. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brainard, Twenty-third and H streets, gave a high five party last evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Caughey, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McCulloch, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kelly,

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sloane, Colonel A. L. Lott and wife, O. P. Taylor and wife, and Dr. Schindel and wife. After the game of cards refreshments were served. Increasing the Force. Three additional microscopists were apcointed yesterday and attached to Dr. White's staff. They are: Maggie Fahey, Nellie M. Dennis and Cora Sayre. The young ladies

ommence work at once. The salary is \$600 year.

THEIR PATRON SAINT. Local Democrats Will Remember the Hero At a meeting of the Jacksonian club, hel ast evening, arrangements were completed for the proper observance of Jackson's day

on Tuesday next. The first number on the card is a reception at the Mercer hotel parlors, between 4 and 5:30 p. m., tendered to the guests of the club from abroad, the chief of whom will be ex-Governor Horace Boies of Iowa. The ex-governor is booked for the principal speech of the evening and has ac cepted the invitation and indicated his sub-ject. In the evening at 7:30 the band wil iscourse music while the admirers of th iero of New Orleans are preparing for anquet. The menu arranged by the Mercer chef is an elaborate one, and he who par-takes will be in prime condition for the ex-tensive array of toasts and responses that follow. From reports already in it is es mated that 150 will sit down to the feast.

The toasts and responses already arranged are as follows: Issues of 1896," Hon. Horace Boies; "The Day We Celebrate," Prof. Homer P. Lewis; "The Samosets," Edson Rich; "The Greater Democracy," Albert Watkins; Thomas Jefferson," Hou. "Democracy Endures; Her Principles Remain Unchanged," Charles G. Ryan; "The Jacksonians," L. T. Crofoot. Hon, T. J. Mahoney, president of the club,

will preside. A committee, composed of Messrs, T. J. Mahoney, L. W. Spratlin and J. B. Sheean, was appointed to meet the distinguished vis itors at the depots and escort them to their

The reception committee for the afternoon and evening is as follows: R. V. Montague, chairman; J. E. Blackwell, Harry Blum. chairman: J. E. Blackwell, Harry Blum, Edmund Burke, Peter Cockrell, P. E. El-sasser, T. J. Fitzmorris, Lee Herdman, Dr. Hipple, George Holmes, R. S. Horton, John Zeiler, T. J. Mahoney, Euclid Martin, W. D. McHugh, James D. Murphy, L. J. Peatti, O. J. Picard, J. B. Shecan, C. J. Smyth, L. W. Spratlin, J. S. Waters, Curtis Turner, W. F. Wappich and Fred W. Vaughn of Fremont.

Attendance Was Good.

Reports have come in from all of schools regarding the attendance on the opening day of the present term, and they show that it was 12,225. At all, except the High school, it came up to the average of last term, which is somewhat unusual for the first week of the term. The High school has fallen off about forty. All the teachers except two were on duty, and the two absent ones will be detained only a short time on account of illness.

The state superintendent of schools requested the Board of Education to send to him a few good cuts of the Omaha schools to incorporate in his annual report. Secre-tary Gillan has sent cuts of the Kellom, Lak*, High and Central schools.

Opened the bkating Park.

Yesterday afternoon the ice skating rink at the Young Men's Christian association at the Young Men's Christian association park was formally opened to the public. The entire central portion of the field has been banked about during the past week and the water turned on. The field was a crystal pond, covering several acres, which made glad the hearts of lovers of skating. The ice yesterday was not all that could be desired, but the pond has been flooded recently and the ice had not been given time enough to harden sufficiently.

ciently.

It had been proposed to open the rink with a series of races, but on account of the slushy condition of the ice at one corner of the park these were dispensed with. A large number of people, however, enjoyed the pastime during the afternoon, and last night a still larger crowd glided over

The mayor expressed a curiosity to know whose place it was, and was told that it was the Deaver place, and that Doud had told the supposed purchaser that if the purchaser would pay \$200 down that he would consider the deal closed, and he would guarantee that the mayor and police would protect him in his "businesa," and that there should not be another house started.

The mayor expressed a curiosity to know the pond under the gleam of a number of electric lights. As soon as the ice has time to freeze to the bottom, which at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface and at the south end is a foot under surface will be of the finest, as the surface will be sheltered from the winds by the surrounding fences.

All the arrangements for the comfort of skaters have not been completed yet.

skaters have not been completed yet. Or the margin of the pond stands a shed which is to be heated and which will con-tain a restaurant. It is proposed also to arrange for races as soon as the weather becomes cold enough to harden the ice.

BAY DISTRICT TRACK IS DANGEROUS

So Bad it Will Have to Be Abandoned for

a Short Time at Least, SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.-The Milroy stakes, one mile, worth \$1,300, was the at traction. Lovalle, ridden cleverly by Harry Griffin, won from Jim Flood easily He was the only favorite to win. track is in such a dangerous condition t will be abandoned temporarily, and the races will be run on the steepicchase course, with the jumps taken out. Results:
First race, five furlongs: Lawyer (2 to 1) won, Condee (even) second, Normandie (4½ to 1) third. Time: 1.09.
Second race, five furlongs: Abte P (4 to 1) won, Red Light (3 to 5) second; Klitty L (15 to 1) third. Time: 1.11%.
Third race, Milroy stakes, one mile, 3-year-olds and upward; Lavalle (6 to 1) won, Jim Flood (7 to 5) second, Marmion (8 to 1) third. Time: 1.53.
Fourth race, mile and a half, steeplechase: St. Brendon (4 to 1) won, April (3 to 1) second, Eli Kendig (Il to 5) third. Time: 3.41%.
Fifth race, five furlongs: 1 Don't Know (5½ to 1) won, Chemuck (4 to 1) second, Ricardo (8 to 1) third. Time: 1.10. aces will be run on the ste

Gallagher Wins the Handicap.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Thomas Gallagher of Chicago won the handicap billiard tournament at Daly's theater, defeating Edward Fournil, the French champion. Fournil had onceded his opposent 1,800 points in a match conceded his opposent 1,800 points in a match of 3,000 points. At one time this evening it looked as if Gallagher would finish with flying colors, but Fournil at this juncture gave one of the finest exhibitions of balk line billiards he has yet shown in this city. In the sixteenth inning he reached and passed 200 points, the highest run of the week, and then tripped on the second shot thereafter, making a run of 201. Gallagher, who had 189 to his credit, then ran eleven points, winning the match. The score for the evening was: Fournil, 2,239; Gallagher, 200. Total score: Fournil, 2,239; Gallagher, 1,290. The highest runs for the evening were: Fournil, 201; Gallagher, 34. Average: Gal-Fournii, 201; Gallagher, 34. Averagë: Gal-lagher, 11 13-137; Fournil, 32½.

Results at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 5 .- Twenty-fifth day Crescent City club's winter meeting Clear and warm; track heavy; attendance, good. Results:

First race, one mile: Le Grande (8 to 1) won. Grey Duke (9 to 5) second, Ixion (7 to 2) third. Time: 1:514.

Second race, five and a half furlongs: Geewhiz (7 to 2) Second race, live and a half luriongs; Gee-whiz (7 to 2) won, Readino (19 to 1) second, Wanda T (6 to 1) third. Time: 1:14. Third race, five and a half furlongs; Im-ported Trevylan (4 to 1) won, Black Hawk (6 to 1) second, Guard (11 to 19) third. Time: Fourth race, seven furlongs: Nellie B (12 to 1) won, Wahatchie (5 to 1) second, Miss Mullen (6 to 1) third. Time: 1:35%.

Fifth race, five furlongs: Martha Griffin (4 to 1) won, Trixy (4 to 1) second, Black Satin (6 to 1) third. Time: 1:08½.

More Foreign Fighters Coming. BOSTON, Jan. 5.-In a private letter re eived here today Mick Dooley, champion eavyweight of Australia, has announced his intention of coming to this country. Dooley has an excellent record and will take only big fellows here. It is announced that Bill Brierley, the English featherweight, is expected to arrive in America about January 25. He will challenge George Dixon. He is a brother of Frank Brierley, now in this city.

Joe Donaghue Skating Again. NEWBURGH, N. Y., Jan. 5.-Joseph F. Donaghue of this city, the ex-amateur champion, won a 200-yard handicap skating champion, won a 200-yard handicap skating race on Grange lake this afternoon. His time was twenty seconds. He defeated his brother, James A. Donaghue, Rudolph Clark and Herman Williams of this city. Teddy Thomas of Newburgh won from six other competitors in a 220-yard race. His time was twenty-two and three-fifths seconds. The events were both for medals.

BIG HORN COUNTY MAY STAND. Wyoming Supreme Court Decides Its Or-

ganization Was Perfectly Legal. CHEYENNE, Jan. 5 .- (Special Telegram.) B. Cheek, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Meyers, down by the Wyoming supreme court today. It was held that the creation of Big Horn county from territory taken from Fremont, Johnson and Sheridan counties by the legislature of 1890, prior to the adoption of the state constitution, was legal and that the county government could be duly orthe county government could be duly organized as soon as the county had the required 1,500 population. Governor Richards, who is a resident of that county, states that it already has the required population, there being over 1,900 legal electors within its boundaries. Upon the petition of 300 of the electors of the county the governor will appoint a beard of county commissioners, who will proceed with the organization of the county.

In the cases of the treasurer of the state of Wyoming and the treasurer of the Kentbank, the court held that the state and county should be treated as other creditors of the insolvent institution. When the bank assigned there was \$55,000 of state money and \$16,000 county money on deposit and the respective treasurers contended that the money was a special trust fund, given into the keeping of the bank, and should therefore be paid out of the first money collected from the estate. Such a decision would have left the other depositors with practically nothing. ganized as soon as the county had the

Union Pacific Brakeman Killed. CHEYENNE, Jan. 4 .- (Special Telegram.) -Edward L. Lambert, a Unnon Pacific trakeman, met with a fatal accident at Allan Junction yesterday. Lambert was mployed on the branch from the main line o Hanna. Some loaded coal cars were be-Hanna. Some loaded coal cars were be-ig set out and Lambert was attempting to take a coupling between the cabcose and a oal car, when the drawheads slipped past coal car, when the drawheads shipped past each other and the cars came together, crushing his body between them. The de-ceased was about 25 years of age and was a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges in Laramie and the Brakemen's His parents reside at Penns-

Regulars Will Help the Militia. CHEYENNE, Jan. 5 .- (Special Telegram.) General Brooke has issued an order pernitting the Eighth regiment of the United mitting the Eighth regiment of the United States infantry, stationed at Fort Russell, to participate in the ceremonies on Monday on the occasion of the inauguration of Governor-elect Richards and the other state officers. Several companies of the Wyoming National guard will also participate in the parade, it is expected that there will be a large attendance of people from all sections of the state.

His Farewell Concert. last night at Boyd's in his farewell con cert. The opening number of the program was a sonata in G major, by Rubinstein, for plano and violin, by Messrs Gahm and Albert. The stwo musicians played in perfect union with each other and the piece received much applause. Mrs. Margaret Eaton sang as her initial number before an Omaha audience an Italian song by Ardit, "L'Incantatrice," winning a spontaneous encore. The violin solo, the fantasie, from "Faust." by Weiniaowski, played by Mr. Charles Higgins, received enthusiastic applause. Mr. Gahm's "Barcarolle," by Benett, was splendidly played with infinite delicacy and perfect technique. Mr. Albert played as an encore to his next selections. Traumertel, that old and beautiful selection. In the second part of the program Mr. Albert Mr. Gahm and Mrs. Eaton received more recognition, the brilliant and was a sonata in G major, by Rubinstein ceived more recognition, the brilliant and difficult "Zapateado," by Sarasate, being particularly worthy of mention.

Identified as a Fad Man. Harry Kelly, who a few days ago was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$1.500 for being implicated in a robbery of \$1.500 for being implicated in a robbery which occurred the night before Christmas, was identified last night by James Harrison, a B. & M. detective. Detective Harrison claims that Kelly is one of a gang of three which robbed the railroad depot at Batavia. Ia. on December \$\mathbf{k}\$. At that time Harrison had a hard light in trying to capture the gang, killing one member outright and wounding Kelly, who succeeded in getting away, but not until after Harrison had been shot through the foot and through the leg. Before Harrison went to the jail to identify Kelly he claimed if Kelly was the man he was after his face would show powder marks from the shot which was fired at close range on the night of the fight. Kelly's face showed the powder marks and he was otherwise identified.

Two More Arrested for the Matson Murder. TOPEKA, Jan. 5.—The police have arrest-d Sam Milton and wife, colored, on a A. D. Matson, the police decline to make public the evidence against the parties. E.s. persons have thus far been arrested for th

WORKED HOTELS TO A TURN

Bold Thieves Steal Diamonds and Jewelry from the Guests.

THEY ESCAPE WITH ALL OF THE PLUNDER

Sandow, the Strong Man, Loses His Valuables, While Many Others Are Condoling with Him Over Their Losses of the Night.

A gang of bold hotel workers succeeded in getting away with valuables to the amount of \$3,000, belonging to the guests of the Paxon and Millard hotels. The robbery occurred on Friday night, but the valuables were not missed until yesterday morning. The goods stolen from the Paxton amounted to \$400 or \$500, and the loss was divided be-

tween a half dozen different guests. At the Millard Eugene Sandow was the only victim reported to have lost anything, but his loss was heavier than the others combined. Mr. Sandow's heaviest loss was a gold watch, set with diamonds, which was a present to him before he came to this country, and which he valued at \$2,500. He also

lost \$100 in cash. The only clew obtained of the robbers was at the Miliard, where two strangers had come in late and registered, paying for their room in advance. These men made their disap-pearance early in the morning.

Mr. Sandow, who left for St. Paul last vening, claimed that he had locked his door efore going to bed, but he had found it unlocked when he got up yesterday morning The police, as yet, have failed to find any trace of the criminals.

To Protect Birds and Fish. A number of sportsmen met in Parmelee's

gun store last night to discuss laws for the better protection of game in this state, the better protection of game in this state. The draft of a bill was read by Attorney Meikle and a committee consisting of Messrs. Meikle, Parmelee and Montgomery was appointed to get these proposed laws before the state legislature. A number of suggestions were made and the committee will give them due consideration. Another meeting will be called in the near future and the Omaha sportsmen seem determined and the Omaha sportsmen seem determined and the Omaha sportsmen seem determined to protect the finny and feathery denizens of the fields and streams.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

T. D. Stickney has returned from Chicago. Colonel W. F. Cody is at the Paxton, talk-D. B. Hines is registered at the Barker

from Columbus, Neb.

R. W. George is registered at the Barker from Rochester, N. Y. William Lyon and wife are registered at the Barker from Burlington, Ia. John Dowder and W. W. Cole are regisered at the Barker from Lincoln.

Miss Florence Silloway returned today to Smaha from a several months' visit in the east. S. A. Hutchinson of Ogden, Utab, general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, is at the Millard.

D. W. Aldrich, general passenger agent of the Northwestern, returned yesterday from an extended trip. C. H. Linn of Arlington, on his way to

Red Oak, Ia., to identify some stolen prop-erty, stopped over at the Arcade. C. M. Rathburn of Atchison, Kan., superintendent of the western division of the Missouri Pacific, is at the Delione. C. H. Reynolds, division superintendent of

Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad, is registered at the Millard. Dwight Swobe, who has been spending his acation at home in this city, returned to school yesterday at Faribault, Minn. M. M. Hamlin, general adjuster of the

Phoenix Insurance company, with headquarters in this city, leaves tonight for Coffeyville, Kan. D. M. Thorp and H. B. Woodb City, Kan., who have been here on some important business, left last night over the

Missouri Pacific for their homes. F. M. Crow of Lincoln and J. M. Hughes of Decatur, Ill., are in the city, for the purpose of attending the convention of imment dealers, to be held on January 8 and 9. Miss C. Tennant Clary contemplates a trip to the south, accompanying her mother, who is in poor health. Should Miss Clary make the trip she will remain only a few weeks. J. S. Shaub, Louisville; H. D. Curtis, Grand Island; Con Harrington, Nebraska City; John H. Martin, Lincoln; R. W. George, New York, are knights of the grip registered at

the Barker. Robert E. McDonnell, a prominent live stock grower in western Missourl, and a brother of Attorney T. L. McDonnell of this city, after spending several days in Omaha oft yesterday for his home.

At the Mercer: G. Gallaher, Kansas City; J. B. Gaussen, C. E. Danforth, Avondale, O.; T. F. Hummell, Fremont; J. A. Stokley, Kansas City; C. E. Baker, Beatrlee; C. H. Beach, C. L. Graham, Cheyenne; Charles H. Carpenter, P. C. Garneau, Chicago.

Nebraskans at the Hotels. At the Arcade: F. M. Crow, Lincoln. At the Mercer: T. F. Heimmel, Fremont; E. Baker, Fremont. At the Dellone: W. S. Garber, Red Cloud; G. B. Speice, Columbus. the Millard: C. H. Reynolds, Norfolk; s Johnson, Lodge Pole; J. H. Ayer, Lin-J. L. Tate, Lincoln. At the Paxton: W. F. Cody, North Platte; Charles A. Ellis, Lincoln; Frank Lehning, Lincoln; George O. Brophy, Strausburg; R. A. Moore, Kearney; William E. Abymer,

At the Merchants: James Hassett, Papil-lion; C. W. Conner, North Platte; James C. Dahiman, Chadron; S. C. Samples, Butte; G. M. Cotton, Syracuse; E. R. Saller, Lin-coln; D. W. Forbes, Butte.



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