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MINOR MENTIONS.

Grand, Council Bluffs. E. F. Clark, prop.

Mayne Real Estate agency, 539 Broadway.

Joe Davis was arrested yesterday afternoon for jumping on and off motor trains.

Etchetah council No. 3, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet this evening in Grand Army of the Republic hall.

A. J. Moody of Omaha and Lucy M. Springer of Cedar Rapids, Ia., were married by Justice Cook yesterday.

Lost, in Beno's store, black silk umbrella, with monogram "Lois;" gold tip, "1894." Liberal reward if returned to Bee office.

The Adams Express company and the Western Union telegraph office have been moved into their new quarters in the Inman hotel building.

W. A. Spera and Miss Tessa Williams were married yesterday. Both parties are residents of Council Bluffs and the bride has been employed for several months in the county recorder's office.

J. J. Stewart filed a petition in the superior court yesterday demanding a judgment of $500 for attorneys fees for his services in defending Samuel L. Smith when he was under indictment in the district court.

M. F. Bloss is under arrest charged with assault and battery. His wife complains that he has been in the habit of beating her whenever he felt like it, and last Tuesday threw her against a sewing machine, inflicting a big cut over her left temple.

G. W. Cooper died yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, aged 61 years. He was a brother-in-law of Joseph Matlock. He was an old resident of Council Bluffs and in 1868 drove a stage between the Mississippi river and Denver. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The Veteran Firemen's association gave a May pole dance last evening in the Woodman hall. All the members of the association were present in full uniform and many guests spent the evening dancing. The badges worn by the members of the association were works of art, consisting of the national colors richly trimmed in gilt.

The union revival meetings at the First Presbyterian church are increasing in interest. Rev. F. T. Pierson preached last evening to a large audience, taking the conversion of Zacchaeus, the publican, as his subject, and drawing from it some lessons of a practical nature for people of today. F. T. Johnson and P. M. Metcalfe sang.

N. W. Harris & Co. of Chicago, who were the highest bidders for the $70,000 bond issue of Pottawattamie county, have announced their refusal to take them, having been notified by their attorney that there is some doubt as to the legality of the issue. Further action will have to be taken by the Board of Supervisors at its June meeting, although it is possible a special meeting may be decided upon between now and the first Monday in June.

Two desirable cottages for rent. Plenty of money for farm loans. Fire insurance. Money loaned for local investors on best of security. Special bargains in real estate. Lougee & Towle, 235 Pearl street.

S. M. Williamson

Carries the largest stock of high grade bicycles of any dealer in the west. Also has the best equipped repair shop in the west. 106 South Main street; telephone, 202.

Ladies desiring employment will find just what they want in selling the health goods manufactured by the Iowa Mfg. Co. Real live agents can clear from $5 to $10 a day. Write for terms and territory. Address 810 Ave. B, Council Bluffs.

The St. Francis Xavier's Catholic church fair will open in the Eiseman building Saturday evening. An ice cream festival will be the opening event.

At the Congregational church yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock Mr. W. E. Brown was married to Miss Louise E. Campbell, Dr. John Askin officiating.

Get prices on wall paper at the Boston Store.

For rent, suite of rooms after May 1, at 710 1st avenue.

The Hardman, the piano par excellence.

Davis, drug, paint, glass nan. 200 B'way.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

G. W. Cullison of Harlan is in the city.

C. W. Taylor and family have gone to Mondamin to live.

Mrs. Dr. Beatty of Dunlap is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Purcell.

Paul Shepard is now in Galveston, Tex., engaged in the jewelry and engraving business.

Mrs. J. M. Innes expects to sail Saturday from New York for Liverpool by the steamer Campagnia.

Secretary Harry Curtis of the Young Men's Christian association leaves next Monday for an eastern trip.

N. W. Wells of Schuyler, Neb., president of the motor company, is in the city, registered at the Grand hotel.

Mrs. A. D. McIntyre, a sister of Mrs. W. J. Leverett, with her two little boys, arrived in the city yesterday from Hillsdale, Mich.

Thomas Bowman and E. A. Wickham returned yesterday from St. Louis, where they went to secure the permission of the American turf congress to hold a running meeting here next month, beginning May 22.

G. S. Damon has returned from a trip through Ohio. While at Toledo he ran across Mr. Lee, who formerly occupied the position of reporter on one of the local papers. He is now sporting editor of the Blade of that city.

More of Bilger's Financeering.

The suit of Henry Russell of Avoca against Day & Hess is on trial in the district court, and in it more of the financial ability of the late lamented W. W. Bilger, now of parts unknown, is brought to light. Russell signed a note for $400 several years ago, making it payable to Adele F. Cosgrove, Bilger's mother-in-law. One day Bilger called on Day & Hess and sold them a note and mortgage bearing Russell's signature. When the note became due Russell paid it. Later on Mrs. Cosgrove sprang a note on him, and to his surprise the new note and the one he had paid were copies of one another. Mrs. Cosgrove claimed that Bilger had forged the note and her signature, assigning it to Day & Hess, and that the note she held was the only true note. Now Russell is suing Day & Hess for the $400 he paid them, and Judge Smith will have the pleasure of deciding which of the two notes is genuine and which a forgery.

Auction of household goods at 2 p. m. Thursday. 620 First ave. Mrs. R. M. Osborne.

All kinds of plants and flowers. J. R. McPherson, green houses 1250 E. Pierce st. Telephone 244, night or day.

Largest stock of wall paper in the state. Boston Store.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Name and address.	Age.
W. E. Brown, Council Bluffs	21
Louisa E. Campbell, Council Bluffs	22
W. A. Spera, Council Bluffs	21
Tessa M. Williams, Council Bluffs	22
Francis E. Marsh, Council Bluffs	28
Minnie E. Campbell, Council Bluffs	22
George Mortenson, Council Bluffs	44
Helen Trimble, Council Bluffs	38
A. J. Moody, Omaha, Neb	42
Lucy M. Springer, Cedar Rapids, Ia	32
H. J. Smith, Council Bluffs	24
G. E. Esancy, Council Bluffs	19

S. M. Williamson

Sells the Standard and Domestic sewing machines; also agent for Standard in Omaha. 106 South Main street.

Yes, the Eagle laundry is "that good laundry," and is located at 724 Broadway. If in doubt about this try it and be convinced. Don't forget name and number. Tel. 157.

Garden hose, big stock, good and cheap. New York Plumbing Co.

Miss M. E. Keen, stenographer, 106 S. Main.

NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Richmond Case the Center of Attraction in the Federal Court.

COURT RULES AGAINST THE DEFENDANT

Witnesses Testify to Some Irregular Work on Richmond's Part—Certificates of Stock Issued and Cancelled Without Authority.

W. S. Richmond of the Union Building and Savings association entered the federal court yesterday morning without the large diamonds which were so important a part of his makeup on the opening day of the trial. The entire day was taken up with the introduction of evidence, the most interesting being that of J. T. Illick, one of the three stockholders who brought Richmond's term of office to an abrupt close and had the business of the association put into the hands of the receiver.

District Attorney Fullen asked him to produce a certificate of stock belonging to Mrs. Mary E. Rhodes of Burlington and to testify to an examination made by him regarding the stock. An objection to this testimony brought on a sharp discussion between the attorneys and the court. Mr. Fullen said he expected to show that Richmond, without Mrs. Rhodes' authority, had entered upon the books of the association her withdrawal and represented to the association that he had sent a Chicago draft to Mrs. Rhodes for the amount coming to her, but in fact turned the draft over to his mother, Frs. L. M. Richmond, who endorsed the draft.

Attorney Prouty for the defense contended that this sort of evidence would not be admissable, because even if it should be proved that Richmond had done all he was charged with doing, it would not constitute a "scheme to defraud" within the meaning of the statute. A "scheme to defraud" implied something broad, not merely the making of false pretenses to deceive an individual. Where a bank had been organized a good while and for some reason or other its credit had become impaired the cashier would be amenable to the state law, not to the government, if he should write a letter to some one to work up further business.

Judge Shiras, however, held that a scheme might be devised to defraud an individual as well as the public generally. The United States had passed the law regulating the use of the mails for the purpose of preventing people from using the mails to violate the state laws, and the court must know whether these state laws had been violated before it could be determined whether the United States laws had been violated. So Illick's testimony went in.

Illick further related that in looking over the books he learned that Mrs. Rhodes had never surrendered her stock, and that the draft had never been paid at any bank in Des Moines, and about five or six weeks ago he called Richmond's attention to the fact and asked him for an explanation. Richmond was unable to explain at the time, but said he would look it up and let him know. This he had never done.

He also learned that J. K. Smith of Burlington had sold eighty acres of land in Guthrie county to Richmond and had received in payment an $800 certificate of stock. Illick was unable to find from the books that this certificate had ever been paid for. He called on Richmond for an explanation, but failed, as in the first instance, to learn anything satisfactory.

In the afternoon Mrs. Rhodes was put upon the stand and corroborated Illick's statements, saying that she had given no notice of withdrawal and received no money from the association. She did not authorize the signature of the name of L. M. Richmond to the draft, and never had it in her possession.

G. B. Owens, formerly president of the association, and Joseph A. Barnhill, formerly secretary, told substantially the same story. The condition of the company demanded a statement to the stockholders, and the latter were clamoring for it. D. A. Poorman was therefore called in and instructed to go through the books. Richmond objected to so much care being taken as Owens and Barnhill thought were necessary, and when they insisted he demanded their resignations, which were soon forthcoming. Richmond seemed to have some sort of hypnotic influence over them; why it was they could not say, but they only knew that they sought to avoid trouble and handed in their resignations, as they were asked to do. Richmond then got himself appointed secretary and instructed Poorman to merely make out a balance sheet, instead of going through the books and make a thorough checking up, and Poorman obeyed his instructions. Poorman was also put upon the stand and corroborated these statements.

The evidence introduced by the government today is likely to be interesting, from the fact that William W. Wilcoxen, the receiver, and R. H. Lyman, his book-keeper, are to be put upon the stand. They have made a thorough examination of the association's books and are well posted in its affairs.

Here's a Chance.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, May 1, 1895.—Dr. J. H. Cleaver, Mayor; F. T. True, esq.; George M. Gould, Auditor; J. A. Gorham, Treasurer; Dr. N. D. Lawrence, I. M. Treynor, esq., and A. W. Reikman, esq.: Gentlemen—Through the public press, you are accredited with some very harsh criticisms of the Good Government club and of the statements in form of reports submitted to that organization at its last meeting. This club is organized to secure in this city a wise and economical administration of public affairs. It makes no statement and will endorse no statement that it suspects to be incorrect. Its next meeting will be held in the superior court room at the court house, Friday evening next, May 3, at 8 p. m., and you will confer a favor upon the club and every member thereof by appearing at that time and place and then and there correcting any statements made heretofore by the club or by any of its committees or in any reports or statements that will be made upon that occasion. We deem it due to yourselves, as well as to us, if the club or its committees have fallen into error that these errors be pointed out and the correction made in that public manner.

F. C. LOUGEE, Secretary.

Grand ball given by Albin Huster's orchestra, Chambers' academy, Council Bluffs, Friday evening, May 3. An extra treat for all lovers of music and dancing. Everybody invited. Tickets, admitting gentleman and lady, $1. Extra ladies, 25 cents. Ladies without escort not admitted.

The Art Folios.

The latest and probably the best of the art folios is the "Bancroft Book of the Fair." Moorehouse & Co. are prepared to bind these numbers in six different styles and prices to suit the times.

Telegraph Poles.

100 carloads of telephone, telegraph and electric light poles for sale at special short prices. A. Overton, Council Bluffs.

Mrs. Cole Entertains.

Mrs. H. A. Cole entertained a number of lady friends Wednesday afternoon at an elegantly appointed luncheon, given in honor of her sister, Miss Penn, and Mrs. Cole, mother of H. A. Cole of Mount Pleasant. Those present were: Mesdames Cole, J. R. Reed, L. W. Tulleys, George P. Sanford, T. J. Evans, Smith Saunders, E. C. Cole, J. J. Steadman, Misses Ella Penn, May Tulleys and Clara Evans.

A Warm Weather Sign.

Refrigerators that refrigerate. The celebrated North Star, $6.00 and up. Ice chests very low. And don't forget our very low prices on gasoline stoves. P. C. Devol, 504 Broadway.

Buy the World's Best Bicycle.

Cole & Cole will show it and sell it to you on reasonable terms. Its name is Waverly, selected by experts at the national cycle show as the best thing shown. Full line of repairing done. 41 Main.

A splendid line of men's suits at Metcalf Bros.' for $6.50.

Dr. Laugel, office 410 5th ave.; tel. 180.

Cut Off a Toll House.

One of the toll houses on the Omaha & Council Bluffs bridge has been cut off, and hereafter foot passengers and teams crossing the bridge will drop their nickles at the middle instead of at each end. The west end house has been done away with entirely, and the east one has been moved toward the center of the bridge. Mr. Mumma will have charge of it nights and Mr. Porterfield days. This change was decided upon principally to cut off unnecessary expenses.

WON'T STAND A LIBEL.

Manufacturers of Copp's Cheer Will Prosecute Its Jealous Traducers.

We have this day instructed our attorney to give notice of filing legal proceedings against parties for malicious circulation of the report that Copps Cheer and Herb Tonic, as manufactured by Wheeler & Hereld, Council Bluffs, Ia., require a government or any other license, unless they cease such action at once.

We refer the public to Deputy Revenue Collector J. C. Lange and Commissioner J. J. Steadman, Council Bluffs, for official information that no such license is required.

We are protected by the official analysis and report of the internal revenue commissioner at Washington, and give a bond to all our customers guaranteeing them against all trouble in selling and dispensing these goods unless it be the annoyance occasioned by the small would-be rivals.

WHEELER & HERELD,
Council Bluffs.

Sole brewers and originators of the great non-alcoholic beverages, Copps Cheer and Herb Tonic.

Evans' Laundry Co., 520 Pearl; tel. 290; shirts, collars, cuffs, fine work a specialty.

Those gentlemen's suits at $6.50 come in all the different colors. Metcalf Bros.

Garden hose, big stock, good and cheap. New York Plumbing Co.

Change in the Sharpless Office.

I. R. Comfort resigned his office as manager, secretary and treasurer of the Sharpless company in this city yesterday and is succeeded by M. B. Miller. Mr. Comfort goes back to Pennsylvania and resumes his duties as auditor of the company. A two years' lease of the canning factory plant was perfected yesterday and the building will be used for warehouse purposes.

Read the following list of bargains. Everything guaranteed as advertised.

BOSTON STORE.

A heavy serge umbrella, "warranted not to fade," natural wood handles, and worth $1.00, on sale at 75c each. Extra heavy twilled silk umbrella, Acacia handles, on sale at $1.25, worth $1.75. An all silk umbrella, worth $3.00, offered at $1.95.

An extra quality of gents' hose in black and tans, worth 19c, on sale at 12½c a pair.

Gents' genuine British hose, worth 25c, at 17c, or 3 for 50c.

Gents' heavy cotton socks 5c a pair.

Gents laundered percale shirts, collars attached, worth $1.00, on sale at 69c and 75c.

Gents' fancy Random underwear, worth 40c, on sale at 25c each.

Gents' fine Egyptian lisle underwear, worth 75c, at 50c each.

Ladies' all silk mitts, worth 19c, at 12½c a pair. A regular 40c mitt for 25c.

SEE SHOW WINDOW DISPLAY FOR PRICES ON SILKS AND DRESS GOODS.

A new line of embroidered Swiss handkerchiefs, would be considered cheap at 19c; our price 12½c each. See them.

Extra value in ladies' and gents' handkerchiefs at 5c each.

In ladies' shirt waists we handle the Standard, which guarantees a perfect fitting garment.

An extra good shirt waist, perfect fitting, for 75c; big line of styles and colorings.

See our line of shirt waists at $1.50, which includes plain black, reds and tans.

FOWLER, DICK & WALKER,
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

C. R. Mitchell and family desire to extend their heartfelt thanks to the many friends who so kindly gave them aid and sympathy in the hour of their recent loss of wife and mother.

Gas cooking stoves for rent and for sale. C. B. Gas company.

Hay for sale, by the ton or carload. W. A. Wood, 520 Main street.

Ice—Nice, clean reservoir ice, cheap. Mulholland, 5 Baldwin block. Telephone 186.

A splendid line of men's suits at Metcalf Bros.' for $6.50.

Death of August Frank.

KEARNEY, Neb., May 1.—(Special.)—Word was received here last night that Augustus Frank of Warsaw, N. Y., a brother of George W. Frank, sr., of this city, had died suddenly of heart disease in New York City. Frank had extensive interests in Kearney and was financially interested in the canal company, the electric company, the cotton mill and other industries.

Rev. Mr. Martin, who for a number of years has been chaplain at the Industrial school, has tendered his resignation, to take effect June 1, and is now on a visit in Houston, Tex.

By reason of the law recently passed taxing insurance companies $5 for the benefit of the fire department in cities of this class the Kearney fire department will receive the sum of $250.

At a session of the city council held last evening the saloon license was reduced for this year from $1,000 to $350. An ordinance was also passed prohibiting boys under 18 years of age from loitering around the railroad tracks or jumping on or off moving trains, cars or street cars.

On April 1 the city council vacated the office of chief of police and removed Mr. Anderson, who was then holding the office. At the last meeting George Overmier, who had been chief before Anderson was appointed, was reinstated as chief.

Changes in the Crete Vidette.

CRETE, Neb., May 1.—(Special.)—Representative Chapman, who for the past three years has been editor and partial owner of the Crete Vidette, has disposed of his interest to his partner, H. M. Wells, who will continue to conduct it in the interests of the republican party.

Chairman I. W. Kenagy and Delegate Andress left today for Galesburg, Ill., to attend the intrestate oratorial contest to be held there tomorrow.

Colonel Doane of Boston, honorary colonel of the Doane cadets, has presented the organization with two very fine flags, one a post flag, 10x24, to be hoisted on a seventy-five-foot staff; the other, battalion colors, which is a fine silk national flag, silk bullion fringe, cord and tassels, eagle, staff and cover. The name of the organization in orange letters shown on either side.

Relief Work Closed.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 1.—(Special.)—Mayor McElhinney, chairman of the Adams county relief committee, has wound up the affairs of the committee and declared its mission ended. They purchased supplies for several townships that failed to call for them.

A meeting of the reunion committee was held here last evening with Commander Adams and General Gage present. Nothing of importance was done at the meeting.

Mrs. Blanche Hoagland, president of the state order of the Degree of Rebekah, arrived in this city today, and was given a reception at the home of Mrs. J. N. Ferguson.

Congressmen Andrews delivered a fine lecture at the Presbyterian church this evening upon the subject of "Christian Civilization."

Aurora City Officials Appointed.

AURORA, Neb., May 1.—(Special.)—The new city council met last night and Mayor Forbes was installed in office. The following officers were appointed: Marshal, J. K. Hupp; street commissioner, William Thomas; city attorney, Howard M. Kellogg; superintendent of water works, H. G. Cass. Henry Klimper and J. C. Osborn applied for saloon licenses, but remonstrances were filed against both.

Fourth Class Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Iowa postmasters have been appointed as follows: Astor, Crawford county, O. A. Olson, vice George Theobald, resigned; Murray, Clark county, John Taylor, vice W. J. Bruffey, resigned; Palmyra, Warren county, J. M. Goldizen, vice C. W. Farley, resigned. South Dakota—Burdett, Hand county, Mrs. E. J. Dean, vice G. B. Kinner, resigned. Iowa—Hale, Jones county, Joseph Bluthe, vice W. J. Mills, resigned; Latty, Des Moines county, A. M. Gardner, vice William Gardner, dead.

The postoffice at Wagner, Clayton county, Ia., has been discontinued. Mail will go to Postville.

Dividends Still Coming.

PHILADELPHIA, May 1.—The directors of the Pennsylvania road today declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent.

LORIMOR ALMOST WIPED OUT

Seventeen Business Houses in an Iowa Town Burned.

SAID TO BE THE WORK OF TRAMPS

Sixty Thousand Dollars the Damage, With Only Fifteen Thousand Insurance—Many People Have Very Narrow Escapes.

CRESTON, Ia., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The business portion of the town of Lorimor, on the Chicago Great Western railway, was entirely swept away at 2 o'clock this morning. The fire originated in the dry goods store of Leak & Braham and spread rapidly to other buildings. Fire fighting facilities were inadequate to arrest the flames and seventeen business houses and four large barns were in ashes in a short time. The fire was so fierce that but little merchandise was saved. Many people residing over business houses had narrow escapes. The loss will reach $60,000, with $15,000 insurance. It is claimed the fire was of incendiary origin, tramps being charged with the crime. The flames could be seen as far as Creston, a distnce of twenty miles. The Anchor Mutual of Creston has a loss of $1,900.

DUBUQUE, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Hetter Oeth was horribly burned by a gasoline stove explosion. A child 18 months old was badly burned, but will recover.

CORA SMITH'S LIFE SENTENCE

Des Moines Girl Begins Her Term at the Anamosa Prison.

ANAMOSA, Ia., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff McGarraugh brought Cora Smith to the penitentiary to serve a life sentence for the murder of her father today. The meeting between Cora and her mother, who is now doing a life sentence in the same institution, was affecting in the extreme. They clasped each other in a tender embrace, and sobbed and cried, the daughter exclaiming that she had stood the strain of her guilt as long as she could and that she had to confess. The mother was prostrated with grief. Cora seems greatly relieved with the burden off her mind. She has an uncle in the Anamosa prison serving a two-years' sentence for criminal assault, a brother of Betsy Smith. His name is Jeff Wiley, and he was sent from Polk county to the Fort Madison prison November 22, 1893, and was transferred to Anamosa November 19, 1894. He was an engineer and lost one arm in a wreck. Cora also has a nephew now doing time in the Fort Madison prison for highway robbery.

Mulct Tax Easily Avoided.

CLINTON, Ia., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge House in the district court has rendered a decision on the mulct law which will attract widespread interest because of attacking the validity of the law. The cases were those of the National Building association against Clinton county, and George C. Smith against Clinton city, previously outlined in these dispatches, in which the plaintiffs sued to foreclose mortgages on the property occupied as saloons, on which the board of supervisors of Clinton county had levied the mulct tax. Judge House decided that the mortgage takes priority over the mulct claim. This will make it comparatively easy to evade the tax by slapping on a mortgage. The case will be carried up.

Northwestern Land Company Incorporated.

SIOUX CITY, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The Northwestern Land company filed articles of incorporation here today. The company is capitalized for $250,000, and will at once engage in the real estate business.

An order was made today for the sale by the receiver of the Hotel Booge property, one of the largest and most expensive blocks in the city. The sale is made to pay receivers' certificates and a mortgage of the Equitable Life Insurance company of Des Moines for $25,000. The Mondamin Block company has been formed to bid it in. The company will run it as a first-class hotel.

Pietzmeier's Plea of Insanity.

OTTUMWA, Ia., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The state wove about Fred Pietzmeier, on trial for the murder of Officer Graves, a strong case. The defense began to introduce evidence to prove the murderer was subject to fits of insanity.

Moravia Lady Fatally Hurt.

MORAVIA, Ia., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Harden, wife of a prominent stock raiser, was thrown out of her buggy today and fatally injured. It is thought her neck is broken.

Funeral of W. N. Smith.

HAMBURG, Ia., May 1.—(Special.)—W. N. Smith was buried today under the auspices of the Masons. Mr. Smith had been a resident of Fremont county for forty years.

School House Bonds Defeated.

MOUNT AYR, Ia., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Only 161 votes were cast for school house bonds at the special election. A $20,000 school house will be built.

THREE YEARS IMMIGRATION FIGURES

Ireland Leads in Numbers and Germany in the Amount of Money Brought Over.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—A statement has been prepared at the Bureau of Immigration which shows the number of immigrants which arrived in the United States for the nine months ending March 31, in each of the last three years to have been as follows: 1893, 259,560; 1894, 218,648; 1895, 140,980. The amount of money brought in by immigrants during the past nine months was $2,395,846. Although this amount was known to have been brought, it is believed that the money secreted and undiscovered by the officials may have been several times that amount. Of the arrivals during the last nine months, 21,564 came from Ireland; 21,100 from Germany; 19,160 from Russia proper; 16,125 from Italy and 16,116 from England. Of those debarred from landing 1,071 were paupers, or likely to become so; eleven were shown to have been convicts, and 853 contract laborers. Of those landed, 19,602 could neither read nor write. Of those who brought money, Germany heads the list with $551,884; Irish immigrants brought $317,501; England comes next with $294,818; Italians, $790,612; Swedes, $138,412; Russians, $144,341 and Hungarians, $103,064.

Army News.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The following named officers will report to Lieutenant Colonel John Andrews, Twenty-fifth infantry, president examining board at Fort Leavenworth, for examination for promotion; Captain Philip H. Ellis, Thirteenth infantry; Captain Charles Porter, Eighth infantry; First Lieutenant Horatio G. Sickel, adjutant, Seventh cavalry; First Lieutenant Alfred B. Johnson, Seventh infantry; First Lieutenant George R. Cecil, Thirteenth infantry; First Lieutenant Nat P. Phister, First infantry; First Lieutenant Henry B. Moon, Twentieth infantry; First Lieutenant Charles B. Hardib, Eighteenth infantry; Second Lieutenant William R. Dashiell, Eighth infantry.

First Lieutenant Oscar J. Brown, First cavalry, will relieve First Lieutenant Charles B. Saterlee, Third artillery, on duty with militia of Georgia at Atlanta. Captain C. Bowen, United States army, at his own request, is relieved at St. Paul's school, Garden City, N. Y. First Lieutenant Stephen M. Foot, Fourth artillery, is detailed as professor of military science and tactics at Vermont academy, Saxtons River, relieving First Lieutenant George W. Gatchell, Fifth artillery. Associate Prof. Wright P. Edgerton, United States Military academy, will proceed to Annapolis on duty pertaining to department mathematics. First Lieutenant Frederick D. Evans, Twenty-fourth infantry, is relieved at Fort Bliss, Tex., and will join his station, Fort Bayard. Captain Charles J. Crane, Twenty-fourth infantry, is granted two months' extended leave; Captain Frank A. Edwardes, First cavalry, four months; First Lieutenant David L. Brainard, Second cavalry, one month extended.

Upon his arrival in Washington, Major General Ruger will be engaged upon the revision of the infantry drill regulations, of which he had charge while in Chicago.

Purchased Gen. Sherman's Battle Grounds.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—The Chickamauga Park commission has completed the purchase of General Sherman's battle ground at the north end of Missionary Ridge, Chattanooga, and it now becomes a part of the National Military park. The tract contains fifty acres and embraces the ground of assault of the Army of the Tennessee and the positions about Tunnel hill defended by General Bragg's army.

DRAWS THE LINE ON INDIVIDUALS

European Governments Will Not Be Allowed to Collect Private Debts by Force.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Although the State department has sanctioned the principle of the right of an European nation to collect an indemnity for a national insult offered to it by an American nation, or to secure redress for the abuse or ill treatment of its citizens and infringement of their property rights, it can safely be predicted it will not under any circumstances permit any European government to attempt by the display of force to collect moneys owing by the South or Central American states to individuals on account of moneys loaned. In 1881 Secretary Blaine wrote to United States Minister Noyes at Paris, at a time when the French government was about to undertake a demonstration against Venezuela to force that country to meet payments to French bondholders on account of the national debt, that the United States would regard with grave anxiety any attempt on the part of France to force by hostile pressure the payment by Venezuela of her debt to French citizens, and even before this the doctrine had been well established, notwithstanding the pressure that was brought to bear by the great financial centers of Europe to have their governments undertake the collection of debts owing to them. Therefore there is no ground for apprehension of a forcible attempt by the British to collect debts owing by Honduras to British bondholders on account of a government loan, and this same doctrine may be at this time of great comfort to many of the small republics of this hemisphere that have been obliged by the stress of hard times and revolutions to default in the payment of the interest and principal of their national debts.

The position taken by the State department is that there is no rule of international law authorizing the use of force to collect individual debts, and that persons who take bonds issued on account of the national debts of an American republic must take the chances of their collection in the ordinary way, putting themselves on a footing of the inhabitants of the country borrowing the money.

CANNOT AGREE ON NAVAL PLANS

Bureau Chiefs Submit Two Reports on the New Gunboats.

WASHINGTON, May, 1.—For the first time in its history the Board of Naval Bureau Chiefs have come to an absolute disagreement and have been obliged so to report to Secretary Herbert, leaving him to determine which side is right. The disagreement grows out of the designs for the six new gunboats for which plans were prepared by the construction bureau. There are two reports on the subject, one signed by four members of the board, totally disapproving of the plans, and one signed by two members, vigorously upholding them. The four members objected that the boats proposed will draw fourteen feet of water, and so would not meet the requirements of the act of congress, which describes them as light draught gunboats. It is held that the fitting of the vessels with a complete full sail power is a mistake, as the experience of the department with such vessels as the Adams shows that no steamer fitted with sails can beat against the wind, and therefore the sails will be almost useless in average conditions. On the other hand, the supporters of the plans undertake to demonstrate that the vessels will be efficient and very much more economical than boats without sails, arguing that criticism is founded on vessels not given full sail power, and giving figures to support their assertions.

SURGEON KERSNER WILL BE TRIED

First Time a Naval Officer Has Been Charged with False Swearing.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Secretary Herbert has issued an order for the trial by court martial of Medical Inspector Edward Kersner of the navy, the fleet surgeon of the North Atlantic squadron. The charges, while indirectly the outgrowth of his refusal while in Admiral Meade's flagship, the New York, at Barbadoes, to visit a sick sailor on a Norwegian bark, on the ground that his visit might endanger the health of the personnel of the flagship, are really based on two charges. The first is that he violated the regulations in writing a report to the surgeon general at Brooklyn, instead of confining himself to the authorized channels. The second charge is that which takes the case out of the ordinary run of court martials, for it accuses the officer of scandalous conduct, tending to the destruction of good morals, in falsely testifying that he did not make these reports as charged in the inquiry conducted on the flagship. It is said at the Navy department that this is the first time in the memory of the office when a naval officer has been charged with false swearing. The court martial will be held in New York on Monday, and the court will be composed of officers of high rank, headed by Admiral Walker.

MRS. STANFORD DISLIKES THE DELAY

Anxious to Have the Suit Against Her Husband's Estate Pushed.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Mrs. Leland Stanford has arrived in Washington from San Francisco and last night had an interview with the attorney general regarding the government suit against her husband's estate. She was particularly anxious to have the suit expedited as rapidly as possible and was assured by Mr. Olney that he had been from the first anxious to have the case heard at the first opportunity, and would give the necessary instructions to the United States attorney at San Francisco. On account of bonds issued by the government to the Central Pacific Railroad company and the accrued interest there will soon become due to the government about $60,000,000. Under the laws of the state of California each stockholder of a corporation is individually liable for his proportion of its debts. The Stanford estate owns about one-quarter, or $15,000,000, of the Central Pacific stock, and hence its alleged liability to that amount. Suit was brought in anticipation of the failure of the stockholders to meet this obligation. It is thought that the suit may be brought up in the United States supreme court for a hearing at the next October term.

Returned the Deposit.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The acting chief clerk of the treasury has recommended to Secretary Carlisle that the $42 deposited with the Merchants National bank of Omaha as forfeit be returned to Fred D. Iamatis, who was the contractor for furnishing fuel for the postoffice building at Fremont, since he has entirely complied with the terms of the contract.

Given Their Commissions.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Nebraska postmasters were commissioned today as follows: Charlie E. Clark, Concord; Leon P. Vaughan, Hyannis; James F. Kirkpatrick, Phillips.

A postoffice has been established at Alix, Montgomery county, Ia., with Harriet E. Focht as postmistress.

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WISE MAY SUCCEED DURYEA

Indiana Man May Be Called to the First Congregational Pulpit.

IMMEDIATE SELECTION NOT EXPECTED

Dr. Duryea's Resignation Accepted at a Church Meeting Last Evening and the Sentiment of the Members Expressed in Resolutions.

At the First Congregational church a special meeting was held last night to consider the resignation of Dr. Duryea, which was read from the pulpit last Sunday. The resignation was read before the meeting last night and was immediately accepted in accordance with the doctor's desires.

A committee was appointed to invite the several Congregational churches in this city and vicinity to take part in a meeting called for next Thursday at 2 o'clock for the purpose of concurring in the action taken by the members of the church and society last night. The committee on pulpit supply was authorized to fill the pulpit until the 1st of July unless a permanent pastor was secured in the meantime. The name of Rev. W. H. Wise of Lafayette, Ind., was suggested to the committee and met with the approval of a number of those present, and it is not improbable that Rev. Wise will be secured to fill the vacancy caused by Dr. Duryea's resignation.

A committee was appointed to draft a set of resolutions which were passed unanimously and are as follows:

Whereas, The Rev. Dr. Joseph T. Duryea, for the last six years the honored and beloved pastor of this church and society, has long been restrained by illness and consequent absence from performing his pastoral duties and from giving to his people here the spiritual aid and encouragement which are essential to the people of a church; and

Whereas, It having become clear to Dr. Duryea that he would not be able for some time to come to resume the arduous duties of his Omaha pastorate, he has felt impelled to ask, in justice to himself and to the church he has long and earnestly served for permanent relief from the pastoral relations; and

Whereas, In reluctantly permitting this bond between pastor and people to be broken, in which we have found so much to inspire and ennoble, we realize how much will be lost, not alone to this church and its members, but to thousands of others about us for whom he has graciously labored; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we give this public and definite expression of our lasting affection, the best of our fellowship and continual good wishes for himself and household; that we have found in his willingness to do and to be; in his cordial indorsement of every good work; in his genial nature, his splendid intellect, earnest, intelligent teaching concerning the church and its purposes, those functions which make up a man whose mission must not be confined to the limits of a church, nor a city, nor a state, if indeed to a nation; and be it further

Resolved, That we as a church not only desire but earnestly pray that his health and his strength may return; that the vigor of action, the grandeur of thought and the power of expression which have made him the peer of the honored and the gifted of the earth may still be exerted in the Master's behalf; that wherever he may be, in whatsoever he may do, he shall have as a lasting inheritance the prayer and the blessings of his Omaha church.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the church; that a copy be forwarded to Dr. Duryea and another be given to the daily press for publication.

The bargain toilet set sale at Burns', 1318 Farnam, continues three days more.

Information Slow.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—The State department as yet has received no information or complaint about the incarceration of Francisco. Valores, said in dispatches from Nogales, Ariz., to be detained in prison in the state of Sonora, Mexico.

SOME FACTS

Relating to a Valuable Discovery

Which it is Claimed Will Cure Every Form of Piles.

Interesting Statement of a Well Known Druggist of Ypsilanti, Mich.

Mr. Frank Smith, the well known and popular druggist of Ypsilanti, Mich., in speaking of the Pyramid Pile Cure, says: "A year ago I sold C. C. Potter, 119 Hamilton street, Ypsilanti, Mich., a box of the Pyramid Pile Cure. He made the following statement to me today: 'I have been troubled for twenty years with itching piles. Have tried nearly everything that promised relief, but got very little help until one year ago I called upon my druggist, Frank Smith, and got a box of the Pyramid Pile Cure. The one box, used according to directions, was, in my case, a perfect cure, as a year spent without any symptoms of the trouble has convinced me.'"

The Pyramid Pile Cure not only gives instant relief in every form of piles, but the relief is permanent. The piles are cured and stay cured, and whether itching, protruding or bleeding piles, the results are equally satisfactory. It is rapidly taking the place of ordinary