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An Eastern Manufacturer has consigned us about

1,000 DOZEN STRAW HATS

With instructions to sell them. If we can't sell them for \$1.00 to take 75c. and if we can't get 75c to take 50c, and like General Grant and his first horse trade, we'll take 50c. The maker must sell, as he can't afford to keep th em. He had made up more braided straw than he had orders for straw hats and as the season advances he be-

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PAIRS FOR

35c

15c

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Summer Cornets-in extra long and me-dium-best in the market, at

\$1.00 See our high bust Ventilated Corsets at \$1 and \$1.50.

Gowns in good Muslin, full sizes, extra length, nearly trimmed, worth 75c. Saturday only 41c. Drawers in Cam-bric and muslin, fin-ished with embroi-dery and lace, at

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Worth Double,

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Drawers in good muslin at 23c.
Extra Value.
Gowns in fine cambric and muslin newest styles, round and V yokes and empire, trimmed elaborately with insertion and English embroidery; also Ombrelle skirts in fine cambric, embroidery, ruffe, for Skturday only, at 48c.

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Coraline Stays, in sets, 20c. Coriline Stays, dozen, 25c. Sateen Corset Clasps, 5c. Something new in Alcohol Stoves, 25c. MORS Curling Irons, 3c, 4c, 10c, 15c. Tracing Wheels, 5c, 8c. Pins, 4c.

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Patent Hooks any Eyes, 7c. Black Darning Cotton, 3 for 100 Twin Stays, 5c set.
Shields, 11c.
Box Hairpins, 5c.
Kid Curlers, 8c, 12c.
The Helydake Curler, 25c set.
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New Dress Goods-

Tomorrow for the first time we place on sale a lot of Dress Goods from the Jaffray stock that are of the very latest imported designs and fabrics, goods that are simbly superbly elegant.
50-inch imported clay worsteds, all colors. \$1,25
Jaffray had intended to sell them at \$2.50.

54-inch fine broadcloth, in all colors and black, goods that Jaffray would have wholesaled at \$1.50, go tomorrow at......

46-inch extra fine imported check and nov-elty dress goods, in silk and wool mix-tures, Jaffray intended them for \$1.25 goods, our price.....

Gloves-

Ladies' fine French made Qid Gloves, colors, tan, brown and black., every pair war-ranted; Jaffray jobbed to sell at \$1.25, our

Ludies' fine real Kid Gloves, French made, all colors; Jaffray jobbed to sell for \$2.00, our price.

Ladies' all silk Gloves, warranted perfect fit, in wack only; Jaffray jobbed to sell for 50c, our price..... 25c

Men's English Walking Gloves, made of a very fine kid; Jaffray jobbed to sell for \$1.50, our price....

The latest-Men's Reindeer Gloves, the \$1.50

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Another case of that fine Nubian Hose, black, guaranteed fast, that Jaffray jobbed to sell for 20c, our price (only four pairs to a customer)...... Children's fine ribbed Hose, with double knes and spliced heels and toes, Herms-dorf dye; Juffray jobbed to sell for Ec, our prices Children's and misses' tan Hose, in all shades, with spliced heel and toe; Jaffray jobbed to sell for 25c, our price.....

The latest novelties in fast russet shades in misses' Hose, all sizes; Jaffray jobbed to sell for 35c, our price..... Those extra quality fast black Hose, with 2 spliced heel and toe, that Jaffray jobbed to sell for 35c, our price.....

\$2.00

Suit and Waist Complete \$2,00

FOR SATURDAY ONLY.

A Ladies' Duck Suit, made in the latest fashion, with a laundered waist included, for only

\$2.00

We could not sell these suits for double the price had we paid what they are

\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 SHIRT WAISTS Saturday only 75c each.

No old stock, but all new goods and correct styles.

MILLINERY DEPT .- 2d Floor.

SPECIAL SALE OF NICELY . .

Trimmed Hats. Also Children's Hats in profusion at special prices for tomorrow.

Closing Out Boys' Last Summer Suits--

When we bought this stock we necessarily had to take the boys' clothing, although it has not or never has been our Intention to keep this department. We have been so busy with the Jaffray stock that we havent had time to do much to the boys' clothing, but yesterday we got out all the last summer suits that it wouldn't have been advisable to sell till now, and we have put prices upon them worse than half price,



All the Boys' 2-piece Suits, made by such houses as Stein, Block & Co., wholesale tailors, and Hamerslaugh Bros., the finest clothing makers in the World; neat and pretty patterns, that the old house used to sell for \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10 and up to \$12, are put in one lot tomorrow, choose them at.......

All the imported serge and cheviot suits, new in style, hip pockets in the pants, elegant goods in every way; used to sell for \$4, \$5, \$6, \$6.50, tomorrow all in one lot

All the Boys' Reefer and Junior Suits that used to sell for \$4 are yours tomorrow at..

A big lot of fancy 3-piece Knee Pant Suits, sailor styles, jacket, vest and pants; never sold under \$8 and \$9, tomorrow......

All the light weight Overcoats that the old concern sold for up to \$15 in one lot to-morrow at...

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JAFFRAY'S

Nos. 5 and 7.....5c

Nos. 9 and 12 70

Nos. 16 and 22....9c

MANUFACTURERS'

From 5 to 10 vd. lengths, in right and dark colorings, worth from 15c to 25c per yard, for..6c

FIGURED CREPON, In elegant styles and colorings. They are really worth

TABLE COVERS. 86x36-in., worth \$1.25..50c 54x54-in., worth \$2.00.,95c 72x72-in., with \$3.50, \$1.75
This is one of the greatest bargains ever offered in this line of goods, being actually, lower than jobbers' prices.

25-inch Black Brocaded India Silk, finest quality, worth \$1.25 a yard, for......

One lot of Tartan Plaid Surahs, all bright colors— An elegant bargain at Jaf-fray's price of 75c; our price...

Ribbons:

Jaffray's all silk satin and gros grain

75c

Gros grain and satin edge: Nos. 7 and 9 5c Nos. 12 and 16....9c

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WILD TIME WITH A "GHOST"

An Infatuated Reporter Gives the Shade a Regular Bear Equeeze,

PROVED TO BE A LUCKY HOGSIER LASS

Interesting Details of a Raid on the Cinclunati Foundry of a Spurious Medlum-A Thrilling tatch-as-Catch-Can in the Dark.

For several months past an enterprising spiritualistic medium and his wife did a thriving business in Cincinnati. By exercising a combination of shrewdness and nerve ghosts were made to appear and converse with those who paid the admission fee and showed no trace of doubts as to the genuineness of the performance. The scene of the seances was the home of L. Marks on Linn street, and with the assistance of Mrs. Marks and a buxom Hoosier lass of 22 | to Mrs. Ellison's delight. they managed to lure the festive dellar from

the pockets of the credulous. Among the enthusiastic pupils in Marks' School of Spookery was a reporter of the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette. He proved to be an uncommonly receptive pupil. The appearance of a ghost claiming to be his mother, who at the time was at home and in good health, did not shake his faith in the presence of Marks. He ingratiated him-self in the medium's favor and discovered mang things which convinced him that an elegant exclusive of spurious spooks was entirely practicable. To that end he labored and exposure followed on Thursday last.

The war party consisted of Mr. J. C. Wilms, the well known spiritualist exposer; Mr. Charles Mergard, a pupil of his, who had some experience in exposing other Kaplun, a merchant tailor,

also a pupil of Mr. Wilms; Dr. Richard Eich and the following representatives of the Commercial Gazette: Ed Grillo, Will Phister, Will Izor and Will L. Finch. Small torchlights, which had been provided by Mr. Wilms, were furnished to Messrs. Izor. Mergard and Kaplun, with instructions to light them at a given signal. The lights were ingeniously arranged so that they could be suspeded from the armhole of the vest until needed for action.

To make sure of successfully lighting them at the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous, and which tonat the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous, and which tonat the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous, and which tonat the first trial, each of the three evenings previous, and which tonately the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous, and which tonately the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous, and which tonately the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous and which tonately the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous and which tonately the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous and which tonately the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous and which the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous and which the first trial, each of the three men were the three evenings previous and the trial Biche had provided himself with a long slim phial, which he partially filled with side, that the fun was on. The pleasure of grasping the ghost, it was urged, would fall ather to Mr. Grillo, Mr. Phister or Mr. Pinch, with chances in favor of the latter,

the fraudulent mediums. The party was warmly greeted by Marks, and shortly after the seance business began. brace when he made the lunge. Mr. Marks placed the lighted candle in the dark box over the door, while Mrs. Marks signal was given those who had torches in conducted the gentlemen present into the readiness immediately lighted them. The

Mrs. Marks, the gentlemen and ladies being interspersed.

gas lights were extinguished, and it was dark as Egypt in the room. Mr. Marks requested that all join in repeating the Lord's prayer, which was done heartily, Mr. Izor, in the meantime, taking advantage of the occasion to unlock the street door, was followed by a short prayer by Marks, in an unknown language, but which was supposed to be an Hebraic appeal to his Hebrew control, Dr. Lilienthal. Mr. Marks, as will be explained subsequently, sat at the right of the cabinet, and turned the crank of an organette, and the strain of "Nearer, My God, to Thee" floated cut on the black air. Dr. Lilienthal, through Dr. Marks, stated

that the conditions seemed good, and that he would do all he could to give those present good results. The next spirit appeared very soon after, and was Mr. Marks' other control, Jeannette, his first wife, a handsome looking woman, with floating raven hair and a generally etherial appearance. She said nothing and the light disappeared and more music followed.

The first person called to the cabinet was Mrs. Assman. She appeared perfectly satis-fied with the demonstration, and claimed to recognize in the form which appeared in the cabinet her daughter, Minnie. Mrs. Assman was so delighted that she called Mrs. Ellison up, and Minnie was recognized, much

Following these persons in rapid succession, Mr. Mergard, Mr. Kaplun and the gentleman and his wife were all called to the cabinet. When Mr. Mergard went up the Commercial Gazette party was on the qui vive, for, as has been stated, it was understood that the first momber called to the cabinet was to seize the spirit, if permitted to get within seizing distance. The signal were the words: "Oh, my," uttered in a take a seat surprised tone. Mr. Mergard and Mr. Kapfigure.

Mr. Finch was more fortunate. It was person. his fourth visit to the seances and he had appeared on each occasion very deeply imto a visit from the materialized spirit of his spirits was Miss Ossie Danforth,

provided with lights immediately began to get ready, for the confidence which the e suspeded from the armhole of the vest ntil needed for action.

To make sure of successfully lighting them the first trial, each of the three men were the first trial, each of the three men were the first trial.

Mr. Finch asked her if she would place her Eiche had provided himself with a long alim phial, which he partially filled with alcohol, running a wick up through the stopper. Dr. Eiche's part was to light this alcohol lamp at the same signal and immediately light the gas jet overhead. Mr. Isor was instructed to unlock the street door after laving lighted his lamp; give two signals on a police whistle, notifying a number assignate, who were waiting on the outgals on a police whistle, notifying a number arms about the middle of the form. It was ment, I have, however, made a number a saletants, who were waiting on the out a triffe risky. Owing to the dim light and its of attempts to leave, but on each occasion side, that the fun was on. The pleasure of very uncertain character, it was absolutely I was unable to obtain my clothes and was impossible for any one who stood at the entrance to the cabinet to tell whether the form before him was man, woman or demon. or the reason that it was his fourth visit. It was equally uncertain what would follow my parents reside.

Ind he was considered a very soft mark for how many spirits there might be in the back room to assist in liberating the spirit demonstrated. I am

which Mr. Finch hoped to hold in his em-

bers of the party rushing to the cabinet to aid Mr. Finch, who was struggling desper- BOND SCHEME SHARKS TAKEN

ately with the lovely spirit. lady who sat near the door exclaimed "My God." and rushed down the steps to the street. She was closely followed by several other women, but they were all detained room. By this time the members of the exposing party had the gas jets lighted and everything their own way. The curtains were torn from their fastenings on the large double doors, which served as the sides of the cabinet, and a clear passage was afforded between the two rooms. The scene which was presented in the center of the double doors was extremely laughable, even in the

excitement. on the floor, tightly clasped in each other's embrace. Mr. Phister, who had followed Mr. Finch to the cabinet, attended to Mr. Marks made a dive for the cabinet, Mr. Phister intercepted him, and, seizing him by the lapels of his coat, forced him into the orner of the room and sat him down on the hand organ, ruining that source of agony, and preventing him doing any damage to any one.

Mrs. Marks was pushed aside for a mo-ment by Mr. Phister, but she, with the courage of a tigress, regained her equilibrium and rushed to the assistance of her accomplice. She seized the girl with one hand and Mr. Finch by the hair with the other, fighting desperately to separate them, and free the girl. Mr. Izor, Mr. Grillo and Mr. Murfrom snatching Finch literally bald-headed. Mrs. Marks was at last taken from the tan-gled mass of humanity on the floor, in an almost hysterical condition, and placed in agreed upon in case a seizure was attempted the custody of an officer, who forced her to

Then Mr. Finch and his spirit were lifted lun both disappointed the party, Mrs. Marks from the floor, presenting a most peculiar apparently not having sufficient confidence spectacle. Mr. Finch's clothing was considthem to permit their getting near the erably mussed, and what few garments had clothed the spirit were almost torn from her

Mr. and Mrs. Marks and the spurious ghost were placed under arrest and taken to jail. The lady who impersonated the several dead mother, though, as a matter of fact, he had no dead mother.

When Mrs. Marks called, "Mr. Wilson, here is your mother," Mr. Finch responded with alacrity, and the boys who had been in the business, having been in the sessing woman, a little under medium height, with an abundant growth of dark hair and sparkling eyes. She is a comparative novice the business, having been in the employ Mr. and Mrs. Marks about four months. Immediately after the exposure, and after Miss Danforth had been given an opportunity of attiring herself, the frail white robe she wore having been pulled from her person during the encounter with the exposers, she made the following statement:

"While I am chagrined and embarrassed at the notoriety I will gain, I am glad this business has been broken up and I released from the virtual imprisonment. I have been with the Marks family about four prevailed upon to continue a while longer I am now relieved and when free will a once go to my home in Indianapolis, where "The whole thing is a fraud, as has been

Oil Coming Down by Dimes

demonstrated. I am not a believer in spiritualism, nor are Mr. and Mrs. Marks."

PITTSBURG, May 3 .- At the opening this conducted the gentlemen present into the read room, to see that no spirits were in hiding there. After a satisfactory investigation, and making sure that the ball leading out of the back room had been locked, the gentlemen returned to the front room and the series seated according to the direction of turned topsy-turyy by the gentlemen memmorning oil was offered on the Exchange at

Indicted by Last Federal Grand Jury and Arrested Yesterday in Chicago.

FRAUDS PERPETRATED THROUGH MAILS

Will Be Brought at Once to Omaha for Trial-Representations on Which They Sold Sixty Bonds in and About the City.

Office Deputy Coggeshall of the United States marshal's office received word yesterday afternoon from the United States marshal for the district of Chicago that C. Arthur Crane, president; L. C. Haines, secretary, and Frank Eastwood, director, of the so-called Mutual Reserve Tentine Savings society of Omaha or less heated nature ensued. The followhad just been arrested and would be started ing resolutions were presented and finally for Omaha this evening in custody of deputy marshals.

Crane, Haines and Eastwood were indicted by the federal grand jury in this city last November for using the United States mails for illegal purposes. Getting wind of the probable action of the grand jury, the three men closed their Omaha office between two days and made for Chicago, where soon after currency and paper credits should be both they opened an office at Seventy-ninth and gold and silver, and that such metals should Dearborn streets, and continued their busi-

The men came to Omaha early in 1894 and pened an office at room 414 in the Karbach lock. On February 8 of that year they filed articles of incorporation with the sec-retary of state for the Mutual Reserve Ton-tins Savings society. The name was only a convenient cloak for one of the numerous bond investment companies which were oper-ating all over the west at about that time. he company pretended to issue a debenture and to the shareholders. Each band could be purchased for a cash payment of \$3 and an "attorney fee" of \$5. The holder was required to pay \$3 per month for 150 months and after that his payments ceased and he was entitled to draw \$1,000 for his share, as soon as all of the shares previously sold had

been redeemed by the company. I The company fleeded the mails with circulars and advertising matter and by dint of persistant effort succeeded in selling about fifty or sixty "debenture bonds" to that many gullible people in this vicinity. Accompanying the printed circulars was a tabulated statement pretending to show the value of each share in each of the 150 months which it had to run before it could be redeemed. For instance, at the beginning of the first month a share was represented to have a "redemption value" of \$16.02, although it had cost the holder but \$8. At the end of twelve months the share that had cost the holder \$41 was represented to have a 'redemption value' of \$82.94. In other words, the company gulled the unsuspecting

into the belief that in twelve months an investment of \$41 would pay a dividend at the rate of 100 per cent.

The federal authorities have been aware of the location of these very smooth people in Chicago for some months, but they were al-lowed to remain at liberty until needed for trial. Last menth Deputy United States Dis-trict Attorney Rush went to Chicago, taking with him a copy of the indictment, which he placed in the hands of the federal authorities. men were arrested yesterday and will be placed on trial as soon as the federal court

TroopsOrdered to Be Ready to More. WASHINGTON, May 3.—General Schofield the Clinton mill, adjoining, were advanced ville, Mo., this afternoon at 3:55 o'clock, does not apprehend any serious trouble with to 34, and the Sligo puddlers demanded the

the Indians at Turtle Mountain, N. D., but as a matter of precaution, he has ordered the troops at Fort Buford, the nearest military post, to be in readiness to proceed to Turtle Mountain at the first sign of danger

FOLLOWING ILLINOIS' LEAD.

Missouri Free Stiver Democrats Want a State Conventio : Called. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., May 3 .- About

eventy members of the Missouri legislature adopted resolutions last night under which result of a call for a caucus issued Tuesday the state central committee, and some others.

Members of the press were not admitted and Howard Gould and Henlen Gould, as executors the state central committee, and some others. the result of the caucus was not given out till late last night. Messrs. Stone and Cook each favored the immediate calling of a con-

opted by a vote of 66 to 2:
"Whereas, The vital question before the people of this country today is the money question and in our opinion the next presidential campaign will be contested largely on this issue, and "Whereas, The democratic party from its

organization has always been a party of bimetallism, declaring that the redemption money of the country and the basis of all coined at the ratio of 16 to 1, and "Whereas, Since its declaration of such principles at the democratic state convention May, 1894, the agitation upon this subject throughout the land has become constant and widespread, now therefore be it "Resolved, That in order that the democ

racy of Missouri may define its views upon the money question before the people of the state and nation, the democratic state con mittee is hereby requested to call a state convention to meet at some central and accessible place for the purpose of such definiion and declaration.' It was a silver conference from first to last.

Of the nincteen democratic senators six at-tended, and there were twenty-nine of the fifty-eight democrats in the house present. Governor Stone made a speech in which he asserted that if he was chairman of the state vention today.

WITNESS TRIED TO SUICIDE.

scheme was as gauzy as any ever put up. C. T. Hills Lost a situation to Testify Against Durrant and Cut an Artery. SAN FRANCISCO, May 3 .- C. T. Hills, one of the most important witnesses for the state in connecting W. H. T. Durrant with the murder of Minnie Williams, tried to end his life by suicide yesterday. Hills had been out of employment for some time and was despondent because he lost a situation by being compelled to attend the trial as He brooded over his misfortune and yesterday morning sought to end his troubles by death. While he was shaving the mood seized him and he cut a considerab number of gashes in his arm, trying to sever an artery and bleed to death. His act was noticed by his wife and she stopped him before a fatal wound had been made

> Strike for a Larger Advance . PITTSBURG, May 3 .- The puddlers at the Sligo iron mill are on a strike for the amalgamated price of \$4 per ton. Since February the men have been working for \$3.25 per ton, with the promise that on I the rate would be advanced. On that date

same price. This was refused and about 175

men are out on a strike. HOME LOSES THE APPEAL Decision in Favor of Russell Sage and

George Gould Confirmed.

ALBANY, May 5 .- The court of appeals today decided against the soldiers and sailors home of St. Louis in their suit against Russell Sage and the sons of Jay Gould. The appeal was from an order of the general term affirming an order of the special term directing the democratic state central committee will that the Union Pacific railroad and the rebe asked to call a free silver convention not ceivers thereof be made party defendants in later than August 1. The meeting was a the action brought by the soldiers home of St. Louis on behalf of the holders of and was addressed by Governor Stone, Sam Kansas Pacific consolidated bonds, against Cook, chairman of the executive committee of Russell Sage and George J. Gould, individu-

of the last will of Jay Gould, To compel the defendants to account for the proceeds of 29,986 shares of the capital stock of the Denver Pacific Railroad Telegraph company, of the alleged value with interest and profits of \$11,000,000, said to have been wrongfully withdrawn from the trust created by the mortgage executed by the Kansas Pacific Railway company to Jay Gould and Russell Sage and George J Gould from the trusteeship; to enjoin the defendants from interfering with any trust property covered by the mortgage for the appointment of a receiver of such property and for such other relief as the court may

The action was begun in October, 1894. At a special term held in January the receivers of the Union Pacific were made parties defendant to the action on motion of W. S attorney for the defendants. was affirmed by the general term and the appeal from the order was before the of appeals. The court affirms the lower court's opinion with costs.

WISH TO BUSH THE MATTER UP Relatives of Gordon's Victims Will Not

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 3 .- An intimate friend of Mrs. Gordon's family is authority for the statement that so far as they are concerned, nothing will be done toward pushing the prosecution against Fulton Gordon. They are anxious to have the whole unfortunate affair hushed up, and will allow the matter to be dropped. A special from Henderson says Governor Brown's brotherin-law stated that the governor would do nothing toward prosecuting Gordon, but would simply let matters take their course. It is thought Gordon's plea will be self-defense as to the killing of Brown, and that he will testify that Brown fired the first shot. His defense for killing his wife will in all probability be temporary insanity.

Kansas Ex-Treasurer Short.

ST. JOSEPH, May 3.-There is an alleged shortage of about \$25,000 in the office of the county treasurer in Doniphan county, Kansas, but so far no arrests have been made, When the present treasurer took charge last October he discovered something wrong. His predecessor, Michael Bauer, was told the shortage existed and was urged to settle. Bauer has been ill ever since. The county commissioners have ordered him to make good the missing sum.

Death by His Own Hand.

The coroner's jury in the case of William H. Megquier found that he came to his death | being by a pistol shot wound, inflicted by his own hand, during a temporary fit of aberration

TO INCREASE ITS TERRITORY

Effort to Enlarge the Field of the Department of the Platte.

DDITION OF COLORADO & UTAH SOUGH

General Manderson and Dr. Miller Already Interesting Themselves in the Matter -Telegram Sent Asking Senator Thurston's Assistance.

Now that the anticipated changes have been made in the several departmental commanders of the army, a concerted effort will undoubtedly ensue to secure a larger juris-

diction for the Department of the Platte. Ever since the territory of the Platte was curtailed army officers, as well as civilians, have felt that the importance of the department was somewhat abridged and there have been many conferences with army officers, as well as with the secretary of war, looking to the addition of Utah and Colorado to the department, territory which was formerly included in the department.

Ex-Senator Manderson had this matter up with Secretary of War Lamont, and in a conversation with Lamont, said Mr. Manderson to a Bee reporter, "the secretary conceded that the importance of the Department of the Platte warranted a larger territory than is now included in said department. The secretary, however, was averse to making any changes in the boundary lines until after the transfer of commanders had been made. This has now been done, and I think some concerted action should be taken to secure to the Department of the Platte the addition of Colorado and Utah. I had this matter up with Dr. Miller and we have agreed to unite in a joint telegram to Secretary Lamont, asking that Utah and Colorado be added to the Department of the Platte, which now the states of Iowa, Nebraska and Wyoming (excepting the post of Fort Yellowstone Vellowstone National park, Wyo.) so much of the state of Idaho as lies east of a line formed by the extension of the western boundary of Utah to the northeastern boundary of Idaho and all that portion of the state of South Dakota lying south of the Forty-fourth parallel of north latitude; also the post of Fort Meade, South Dakota, for payment only."

A telegram was sent to Senator Thurston yesterday asking for his kind offices in the matter of securing the addition of Colorado and Utah, should any changes be made in the boundary lines of the departments as now indicated.

Mr. Manderson remarked that the Department of the Platte was one of the most important in the country, including as it did, several of the great Indian reservations and that it should be increased by the addi-tion of the territory mentioned because the territory indicated was directly contiguous and for many years was included in the

department. 'It is a well known fact that Fort Meade should be included in the present boundary lines, as it is very much cheaper to handle goods from Omaha to Fort Meade than from Fort Douglas, also, regretted St. Paul. being removed from the department, as well as the ers in command of ment, but superior officers departof the thought change would be beneficial and accordingly it was placed in another department."