PREPARING FOR HIS DEFENSE

Vic McCarty Will Make a Showing for the Benefit of the English.

LOOKING AFTER WITNESSES AT LINCOLN

Alleged Leader of the Sarpy County Gang Which Despoiled the Dawsons of Their Property Disturbed Over the Complications.

LINCOLN, July 26,-(Special.)-Vic Mc-Carty, alleged to be the leader of the Sarpy county gang which despoiled the Dawsons of their property, and for which an inquiry is now on foot at the request of the British legation at Washington, was in Lincoln today, He was shy about divulging his business, but it was learned that he was in town to see a man named Dan Laurence, who is working at Forbe's livery barn. It is said Vic desires to secure his attendance at the South Omaha hearing Monday, which, at Governor Holcomb's request, has been arranged for by the county attorney. Vic asserts that Laurence worked in a livery stable in Sarpy county at the time of the trouble between himself and the Dawsons. At present McCarty is city marshall and constable at Bellevue, Sarpy county, and does the work of deputy sheriff at that end of the county. McCarty intimates that The Bee is stirring up all this trouble, and says that when the governor requested Sheriff Drexel to investigate the matter, he never went near that official, doing nothing whatever to influence his report to the governor, but now that The Bee has in-timated that the Douglas county officials have manifested a disposition to shield him, he poses to bring in his witnesses and make a showing.

He saw Laurence and secured a promise that he would be present at the hearing. It was evident from McCarty's talk that he was depending largely on a certain political element in his vicinity to see him through. IN TROUBLE OVER HOGS.

John Vincent is under arrest at the police station. The officers say he is suspected of being a hog thief, and it is thought he stole the pork two nights ago. This morning Sam Buell, residing near Hickman, reported that he had lost some hogs, and when shown those taken from Vincent identified them as his

ESCAPED LUNATIC CAUGHT. Today Sheriff Eikenbary of Plattsmouth came to Lincoln with a man named Mike Duprello, formerly a Missouri Pacific switchman at Weeping Water. Duprello escaped from the insane asylum here July 20 and was caught at the latter place.

J. E. Cobbey of Beatrice has brought suit the latter place.

against the printing firm of Pace, Williams & North of this city for \$3,000 damages for alleged failure to comply with a contract they had made for printing 6,000 copies of Cobbey's

onsolidated Statutes. Manager Holht of Lincoln park has sold a pair of his buffalo to a Chicago man, who will ship them to Liverpool, England.

Omaha people in Lincoln: At the Lindell—
E. T. Pardee, P. L. Knappen. At the Lincoln—C. S. Carrier, W. P. McFarland, George B. Carr, George W. Poyulson, A. M. Jeffrey, H. B. Heywood, Clency St. Clair,

Charles A. Crate of the Lincoln hotel left

for Omaha tonight, to be absent a few days.

DIFFERENT FROM LAST YEAR. Crop Conditions as Compared with

the Same Period Last Year. SNYDER, Neb., July 26 .- (Special.)-A year ago today the hot wind ruined everything, especially corn, in this community. Today opened up with a beautiful shower, the finest good rain for two weeks, and more rain will surely follow from all appearance. Today's shower refreshed corn and garden truck. Harvesting is about over and farmers are overwhelmed with joy over the immense small grain crop. Threshing machines have all gone out, and reports come in of large

averages in both wheat and oats.

NEBRASKA CITY, July 26.—(Special.)—
The thermometer registered 100 degrees today. A strong south wind has been blowing since morning, but has not been hot enough

to damage corn. SYRACUSE, Neb., July 26.—(Special Telegram.)—A strip of country about twelve miles wide and extending south to the state line missed the recent rains and is suffering badly from the drouth.

WAYNE, Neb., July 26 .- (Special Telegram.)—Harvest is nearly over, and wheat and oats crops far exceed any previous year in the history of Wayne county. Some oats have been threshed already, averaging eighty bushels per acre. The corn crop is in good

ALBION, Neb., July 26.—(Special.)-Reports of the first of the season's threshing have been received. Riley Bros.' field of pineteen acres of barley yielded sixty-four and a half bushels per care. J. W. Quack-enbush's oats yielded fifty-one bushels per acre. Johnson Bros. received 453 bushels of barley from four and a half acres. With such reports as these coming in from different parts of the county it causes citizens to wonder whether the crop reporters were not dreaming of last year when they re-parted for the week ending July 22 that Boone county would have but half a crop of oats, with wheat, barley and rye a light yield. Never in the history of this county has there been such a big crop of small grain as stands on the fields from one end of the county to the other at the present

BIG SPRINGS, Neb., July 26.-(Special Telegram.)-Today has been a regular orcher. The thermometer registered 106 the shade. There was no breeze during the greater part of the day.

DECATUR, Neb., July 26.—(Special.)—In spite of the fact that the ground here is in

somewhat dry condition, no reason can yet e seen to case alarm. Corn has been suffering slightly for moisture, but there was a local shower yesterday morning, sufficient to insure an average crop. Harvesting of the small grain is about over, and the biggest crop has been realized that has been known years. Oats made about forty to fifty ured twenty to thirty bushels per acre. Other small grain is in the same wonderful prosper-FULLERTON, July 26 .- (Special.) -One of

largest crops of small grain ever grown Nance county is now being harvested re has been no rain here for three weeks

WANT THE SCREENS REMOVED.

Plattsmouth W. C. T. U. Objects to Certain Methods of Saloon Men. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., July 26.—(Spe cial.)-An interesting row has arisen in this city over the license saloon question. Three weeks ago a committee of the local Woman's Christian Temperance union addressed a communication to Mayor Newell, in which compermitted to obstruct the view into their aces of business by maintaining screens in e windows. The mayor referred the communication to the council, and that body in-structed the chief of police to remove the acreens. The council then took up the ques-tion of reform with a vengeance, and Sun-day pienics, liquor selling on Sunday, disor-derly houses and other evils were ordered abated. Mayor Newell was not present at this week's meeting, and the council year this week's meeting, and the council pro-ceeded to revoke the reform legislation passed at the previous session and by a vote of 5 to 4 ordered it expunged from the records.

The Woman's Christian Temperance unlos strongly resents the council's latest action and almost every issue of the local papers contains a communication on the subject. The council insists that the saloon should be regulated by the county authorities in so far as any violation of the statutes is concerned. and the action of the county authorities since the burden has been shifted to them is awaited with keen interest, inasmuch as the foman's Christian Temperance union women insist that the saloon screen must go.

Voted the Bonds. FULLERTON, Neb., July 26,-(Special.)-The election yesterday on bonding the school already prepared to be represented thereis district for \$3,000 for an addition to the and others intend to do so. school building and additional school grounds sulted favorable to the bends, and work will

be commenced as soon as possible. The Nance County Teachers' Normal is in periatendent Campbell. The instructors are ing for his brother. Victor Hainer, who has in official circles

NOT IN THE GOVERNOR'S CONTROL.

Attorney General Churchill's Opinion of the Institute for the Denf. LINCOLN, July 26 .- (Special.) - A few days | wrong did him while at prison ince Governor Holcomb asked Attorney General Churchill to prepare an opinion regarding the respective powers of the chief executive and the Board of Public Lands and Buildings over the various state institutions with which each had to deal. In order to facilitate the work the request of the governor was formulated in three questions, as follows:

First—Is the Institute for the Deaf, located at Omaha, of the same general class or character as that of the Nebraska Institute for the Blind, located at Nebraska City? I ask the question with reference to the general management, control and supervision of these

ond-Is the Institution for the Deaf, located at Omaha, an educational institute within the meaning of section 19, article v. of the constitution? The section reads: "The commissioner of public lands and buildings, the secretary of state, treasurer and attorney general shall form a board, which shall have general supervision and control of all the buildings, grouds and lands of the state, the state prison, asylums and other institutions thereof, except those for educational purposes, and shall perform such duties and be subject such rules and regulations as may be precribed by law."
Third—In the disbursements of public funds

by the legislature for the various state in-stitutions, has the Board of Public Lands and Buildings the approval of claims and supervisory control over the expenditures for institutions other than those over which it has control, as mentioned in section 1, article vil. chapter 83, Compiled Statutes?

In effect the opinion of the attorney general, which is a lengthy document, answers the three questions by saying that the Omaha Institute for the Deaf is an asylum and does not come within the meaning of the term educational institute.
In his various definitions quoted the at-

orney general says an asylum is "inviolate helter," "a place of amelioration and secur-"an institution for receiving, maintaining and as far as possible ameliorating the condition of persons suffering from bodily defects, mental maladies and other misfor-tuntes, as an asylum for the deaf, for the insane, etc." The last definition is from the Century cyclopedia.

The attorney general quotes a great many authorities in support of his position. He also directs attention to the fact that the legislature of 1877, which passed the law authorizing the Board of Public Lands and Buildings to have charge of state institutions, was largely composed of ex-members of the 1875 constitutional convention. He says that he has been led to put the same construction upon the definition of the term asylum which they did. He also quotes a decision of the supreme court, composed of Chief Justice Lake and Justices Maxwell and Gault, in which the two former hold that the Institute for the Deaf at Omaha is not an educational in-Justice Gault filed a dissenting opinion at the time.

Fremont Thieves Fined. FREMNOT, July 26 .- (Special.)-There have been many complaints made to the police lately about truck being stolen from the different gardens in the city. Yesterday J. Body, S. McLeughlin and E. Tranx were arrested, charged with stealing vegetables the value of \$3. They had their trial this norming in police court and were sentenced

to pay a fine of \$2 and costs. A few days ago William Goodman's road cart disappeared. He found it today in the possession of John Milledge and Jo Betts. It was in the same condition it was in when it was taken, except that one wheel had been painted red. Milledge was arrested this afternoon, charged with stealing the cart. He pleaded not guilty, and will have a trial tomorrow. He claims to have bought the cart of one Bush. It was on the farm occupied by Milledge that Deputy Sheriff Singleton of Clifton county, Missouri, discovered a lot of harness that had been stolen from that county. Bush has also been arrested, charged with the same offense, and will be tried to-

While engaged with some friends in trap shooting at the Chantauqua grounds last of town, together with the entire contents, evening, Dr. E. W. Martin sustained some painful injuries from the explosion of a figure of the explosion of the explosi His face and hands were quite badly

cut, but the injuries are not serious.

The ladies of St. James Episcopal church and north to near the Cass county line has gave an ice cream social and muscial enter tainment at Masonic hall this evening. There was a good attendance and the occasion was a very pleasant one.

> Long Pine Chautaugua Opened. LONG PINE, Neb., July 26.-(Special Telegram.)-The Chautauqua opened tounder most favorable condi-

tions. The attendance promises to be very large, the number now in camp being greater than ever before. Although the people have been gathering for several days, the program proper opened this evening with addresses of welcome and responses and music. Tomorrow morning the different classes will be formed. The lectures, after-nuon and eveing, will be by the president, George Hendly and the well known traveller and lecturer, Colonel J. P. Sanford. It is expected that there will be several thousand in attendance Sunday as some fine sermons will be delivered on that day.

Street Railroad Plant Sold. BEATRICE, July 26 .- (Special Telegram.)

The fifty-year franchise and all personal property belonging to the Beatrice Rapid Transit and Power company, was sold today at auction for \$22,050, Victor G. Lantry of Omaha being the purchaser. The sale was made by E. S. Dundy, master in chancery, under an order of the United States circuit court. It is understood that there will be no opposition to a confirmation of the sale which will occur within the next ten day after which, it is stated, a considerable amount of money will be expended in put-ting the tracks in shape and an effort will made to improve the service.

Windmill Irrigation a Success DIX, Neb., July 26 .- (Special.) -- Much atention is being attracted to windmill irrigation in this portion of the Lodge Pole valley by the remarkable discovery made in the irrigation well of Hon. John Clausen. This well is 18x20 feet, and twenty-four feet deep. In the bottom a hole was broken through a crust of hard pan, through which a stream of water rises with great velocity. A nine-inch pump running continuously in a high wind fails to lower the supply. A colony of wellto-do families is now forming in eastern Ne-braska to come to this place in the fall and

settle on forty-arce irrigated farms. Fire Damage at Crawford CRAWFORD, Neb., July 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-At 2 o'clock today Dutcher's restaurant was discovered on fire. The fire department soon had the flames under control. It was later discovered that the upper part of A. R. Kennedy & Co.'s meat market, adagainst saloon men being flames, and it was only due to the efficient water works and a fight of half an hour by

spectively. No insurance Thrown from His Wagon and Killed. WEST POINT, Neb., July 26.—(Special.)-John Decker, a farmer, of Monterey precinct, died last night. The deceased left Dodge in the evening for his home, and on the way his team ran away, pitching him out of the wagon, from the effects of which he died. He was one of the largest land owners in the precinct, and a man highly respected in the community.

R. C. Peters and family left today for their annual vacation to Michigan.

J. F. Losch and wife are spending their

vacation in Denver and Colorado Springs, Nebraska City Greets Omaha. NEBRASKA CITY, July 26,-(Special.)movement has been started having as its object the representation of Nebraska City in the parade at Omaha during state fair week. Several local manufacturers have

Failed to Locate His Brother. AURORA, Neb., July 26.-(Special.)-Congressman Hainer returned from Cripple

Mrs. Sarah Jenkins of the Brockport, N. Y., been missing two months. He did not discover his whereabouts or get any satisfactory clue as to his disappearance. He was seeking work in addition to her other work Mrs. Jenkins each afternoon delivers a lecture on "The History of Education." had only \$2.50 in his pocket. Victor Hainer was assistant warden several years at the Nebraska penitentiary, and it may be possib that some discharged convict has assassinated him in revenge for some real or fancies

Tenth District Republicans. HASTINGS, Neb., July 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-The republican central committee of the Tenth judical district met here this after on with a full attendance.

Hastings as the place of holding the next district convention on August 22. The basis of representation will be one for every 100 or fraction of votes cast for State Superintendent Corbett, and one delegate at lars for each county. There are many candidates in the field for the office of district judge. Among those mentioned are Shepard of Har-lan, McPheely of Kearney, McNeeny of Web-ster, and Ben Smith, J. L. Cappa, M. A. Hartington and Judge Buston of Adams.

Fighting Over Gates College. NELIGH. Neb., July 26 .- (Special.) -- At a neeting of the committee to protect the interests of Neligh in Gates college, held last evening, it was decided to give Norfolk twenty-four hours' notice to furnish the funds, or a good bond therefor, to pay the resent indebtedness of the college. If this is done Neligh will withdraw all opposition to the relocation of the college at Norfolk, retaining only the property. Otherwise equity proceedings will be commenced to remove the present board of trustees for

Promoting Wayne's Interests. WAYNE, Neb., July 26 .- (Special Tele gram.)-Nearly 100 business men and citizens of Wayne held a meeting at the court house last evening to organize a Board of Trade or Business Men's club for the purpose of advertising the resources of Wayne county and advancing the interest of the city. meeting was enthusiastic, and a permanent organization will be effected Monday evening. The sugar beet crop here is excellent and the matter of securing a factory nex The sugar beet crop here is excellent year was discussed.

Fairfield News-Herald Sold. FAIRFIELD, Neb., July 26 .- (Special.) -- Ed S. Randall, who has published the News-Herald here for years, has sold his paper to possession. It is understood that the paper will continue to be republican in politics, and will be devoted in part toward pushing the interests of the Fairfield college. Mr. Randall will take a vacation until October 1, at which time he takes a position in an eastern whole sale paper house

Rapid Work of Sneak Thieves. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., July 26 .- (Special.)-The house of Peter Hanrahan was entered by thieves last night while Hanrahan was in his garden. The thieves ransacked cured \$10 and several articles of clothing as booty. This is the third house which has been entered by thieves in daylight during the past week, but the police are not ablo locate the guilty parties.

Funeral of W. T. Hamilton. OXFORD, Neb., July 26.-(Special Tele gram.)-The remains of the late W. T. Hamilton were laid to rest today. The deceased was a heavy property owner and merchant He leaves a large family. He was a member of the several Masonic organizations of the city and was buried under the auspices of that order, delegations being present from Beaver City, Arapahoe, Edison and McCook.

All the Delegates Are Postmasters. BEAVER CITY, Neb., July 26 .- (Special Telegram.)—The democratic central commitexception of the chairman all delegates present were postmasters. A call was issued for a county convention August 16 to elect delegates to the rump state convention at Liscoln and for the nomination of a county ticket. The democrats have not nominated : ticket in this county for six years. Small Blaze Near Winside,

WINSIDE, Neb., July 26 .- (Special.)-The residence of Gottlieb Haller, three miles east Farmers' and Merchants' Insurance company Fiddle creek, have been completed. of Lincoln. Rev. W. H. Linn started overland for Missouri today.

Charged with Criminal Assault. M'COOL JUNCTION, Neb., July 26.-(Spa cial.)-Mrs. A. Henderson, a soldier's widow, of this place, who is highly respected, awore out a warrant and had George Wailin, livery-man, arrested at 12 o'clock last night, charging him with assaulting her. Wallin bears a good reputation, and it is the first time here that he has been in any trouble of this kind. The trial will take place today.

Caught a Big Tree. DECATUR, Neb., July 26 .- (Special.)-One of the longest trees that ever came down the Missouri was caught here recently and hauled out upon the banks. It was five feet thick, and when sawed made 6,000 feet of good lumber. That part of the tree which was only fit for use measured but thirtytwo feet in length.

HUSTLED FROM COUNTY TO COUNTY. Strong Efforts Made to Prevent the Lynching of a Negro.

HANNIBAL, Mo., July 26.—Emmett

Divers, the alleged ravisher and murderer of Mrs. J. W. Cain of Callaway county, is now in charge of Sheriff Weaver of Ralls county. The sheriff brought him to Hannibal last night and placed him in jail. At 3 o'clock this morning Sheriff Weaver took him out of jail and spirited him away, probably back to New London. The sheriff fears his prisner will be taken from him and lynched. When brought to this city last night large crowd collected at the jail and for a time it was feared that the jail would be attacked. The negro was terribly frightened. He denies all knowledge of the crime and says he never saw Mrs. Cain. The sheriff would not tell where he intended to take him this morning, but he said he would protect him to the best of his ability while under his care. The negro has now been in the hands of four sheriffs and he is likely to be in the hands of a mob before the close of another day.

ST. LOUIS SPLIT UP ON SILVER.

Democrats Refuse to Participate in the Coming Primary Elections. ST. LOUIS, July 26.-The democratic city central committee has split on the question of primaries for the selection of delegates to the state silver convention to be held at Pertle Springs on August 8. Ten of the twenty-eight committeemen refuse to participate in the primaries. A long declaraness houses were saved. The principal loss was the buildings owned by Ingersoll and Fitzgerald, estimated at \$300 and \$350 respectively. No insurance tion signed by the ten members mentioned onvention for the reason that that convention is not called as a democratic convention but for the sole and avowed purpose of pro-moting the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. Consequently there will be no delegations in the ten wards represented by these dissenters unless the free silverites place them in the

Killed Himself Through Jealousy. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., July 26.-Five minutes after an interview with his intended bride Volney Barrett, a prominent Binghamton merchant, lay dying from a bullet wound inflicted by his own hand. months ago he became engaged to Miss Georgia Earl, a school teacher of this city. ently an artist lately returned from Italy called on Miss Earl and was seen driving This is supposed to have roused Barrett's jealousy.

News from Bogota.

NEW YORK, July 26 .- A dispatch to the World from Bogota, Colombia, says: Offers have been made to finish the Panama canal with British capital, it is reported on good authority. The rumor of a proposed alli-ance between Colombia and England is denied

IMPROVING MISSOURI

Most of the Money This Yeer Has Been Ex pended Near the Mouth.

FORTY-FIVE MILES OF PERMANENT WORK

Annual Report of the Commission Showing in Detail the Results Accomplished at Omaha and Other Important Points.

WASHINGTON, July 26 .- The annual report of the Missouri River commission, showing the work performed during the past fiscal year on the Missouri and its tributaries, has been received by the chief of engineers. The report shows the expanditures on this work for the year to have been as follows: Missouri river, \$533,979; Gasconde river, \$2,661; Osage river, \$9,993; there is still available for the work on the Missouri \$745,794; on the Gasconde, \$2,950, and on the Osage, \$52,066,

The greater part of the work done was on what is designated as the first reach of the Missouri, extending from the head of Murray's head to the mouth of the river, a distance of 155 miles. Upon this section of the stream the commission is engaged in carrying out a systematic and continuou improvement, revetting the shores when necessary, constructing dykes, and building contraction works. The first forty-five miles to the mouth of the Gasconde has been the scene of most of the work the past year. Especial effort has been used to hold the current of the stream against bluffs, when they can be found,

The commissioners say that the forty-five mile stretch included much difficult navigation, but they express the opinion that it has been brought fairly under control, and although the final results cannot yet be announced, still everything indicates to them that they will be of great value and importance. The work of the coming year will be to complete the rectification of this part of the river, and after that shall be done, one or two years must elapse before Prof. A. J. Murcer, who takes immediate the new shore lines will be sufficiently built to concentrate the discharge and give increase of depth which is expected. The commission feels confident that at least tortuous nature of the stream can be vastly improved. Special surveys or examinations, on which

to base projects for the expenditure of spe-cial appropriations for work at Omaha, Atch-ison, St. Joseph and other localities, were in October and November. It was nent, which was done to mask, by a system of permeable dykes, the pocket, which had been formed in the bank line just above the the house in the space of five minutes and se- interstate bridge, "The construction of dykes g as has been delayed by the failure of the lum-has ber contractor to deliver material in the time specified.

At St. Joseph the complete repair of the urevetment in Benton and Belmont bends was lecided upon and begun. At Atchison the fort was to hold the east end of the bridge until Atchison Island can wash away. It thought that the complete erasion of this island will cause the channel to leave the east bank and follow the bluffs on the Atchison side, giving a favorable approach to the bridge and relieving the threatened interests on the east bank. Of the amount appropriated \$20,000 is being devoted to strengthening the present revetment above the bridge, while \$15,000 is reserved for use in an active defense at high water.
At Leavenworth the efforts of the com-

mission have been devoted to the construction of the dykes below the Fort Leavenworth bridge, so as to relieve the danger of the east approach of the river to the bridge.

A complete topographical survey of the Mississippi river valley between Sioux City and the mouth of the river, a distance-miles, was begun in October, 1894. survey is intended to cover thoroughly all of he valley within one and a half miles of he stream and to locate the line of all the bluffs. This work was placed in charge of Assistant Engineer C. M. Winchell, who covered fifty-four miles of it from Stanley island to the mouth of the Carrond Stanley island to the mouth of the Gasconde, before the season closed. The survey was resumed t was insured for a small amount in the in May and forty-seven miles, extending to

> STARS AND STRIPES BARRED OUT. American Shipping Stands Poor Show

WASHINGTON, July 26 .- In supplying the State department with a report of the foreign trade of his district for the last fiscal year United States Commercial Agent Waiter Barker, located at Sagua La Grande, Cuba, comments at some length on the comparatively poor showing made by American the United States, comprising the great bulk of all the exports from the district, amounted to \$4,478,786, of which only \$2,421,817 worth was carried in American bottoms, the remainder being brought to this country by British, Spanish, German and Norwegian ves About half of the exports to the sels. United States was carried in British vessels

Mr. Barker thinks this condition of affairs is because the foreign ships which ply in this trade are "tramps" and carry for less than American vessels. He also believes the onerous port charges and unreasonable fines imposed in Cuba have the effect of driving the American vessels from them.
The imports from the United States have

been insignificant as compared with those of former years, which the agent attributes to the impoverished condition of the sugar in dustry and to the revocation by Spain of the commercial treaty with this country. Western Postmusters Appointed. WASHINGTON, July 26 .- (Special Tele-

gram.)-Postmasters were appointed today as ollows: Iowa-Oleary, Plymouth county, J. S. Hoyt, vice Nettie Pinney, resigned. South S. Hoyt, vice Nettle Pinney, reagned. Some Dakota-Spink, Union county, P. O'Connor, vice Lawrence Jahmstead, resigned. A post-office was established at Owego, Woodbury county, Ia., with Matthew J. McMullen as postmaster. The office at Calvin, Cass county, Ia., has been discontinued. Mail will go to Williamsvelle. Issues W. Arrowas taday com-Williamsville, James W. Argo was today com-missioned postmaster at Woolson, Ia., and missioned postmaster at Woolson, John V. Drips at Gann Valley, S. D.

Assaying of Imported Lend Ores. WASHINGTON, July 26.—Senator Dubois and another conference today with Assistant Secretary Hamlin with reference to the department carrying into effect the law regarding the assaying or sampling of imported ead ores. Mr. Dubois for several years has taken a deep interest in the matter, and h informed Mr. Hamlin the west would insist on the department making at least an effart to put the law into operation. The secretary said he had taken steps to ascer-tain the facts concerning the bids received

for the work at El Paso, and if found to be reasonable the contracts will likely be awaried, but at the twelve or fifteen other ports of entry nothing could be done until congress has modified the laws on this sub-ject. At the rext session he would do what he could to secure a modification under which the department could make practical regu

ONLY A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE. Venezuela Merely Seeking to Protect

Herself from Filibusters. WASHINGTON, July 26 .-- While no official news has been received here touching the reported friction between the Venezuelans and the British colonists in Trinidad growing out of the seizure of British trading craft in the colonial waters, it is believed that the difficulty has resulted from the efforts of the Venezuelans to maintain the landing of the revolutionary forces. Re- awaiting information from Ambassador ports of recent date indicate that President Prespo fears the landing of such a party, and is supposed he has instructed his revenue

utters to look out for it.
The British Island of Trinidad is near to the Venezuelan coast and at two points, known as the Serpent's Mouth and the Dragon's mouth, the channels separating the the first presentation of the request, and island from the main land are so narrow as that this refusal was met by a more positive Venezuelan waters.

It is at these places, affording easy means for the transportation of fillbustering expeditions, that the seizures are reported to have been made by the Venezuelans

MORTON MAKES ANOTHER SAVING. Free Seed Department Will Be Abol-

ished in Two Months. WASHINGTON, July 26 .- The reed division of the Agricultural department will be abolished October 1. Accordingly, Matthias Fagin of Illinois, chief of the division, at \$2,000 a year, and the entire force of employes will be dropped from the rolls.

Secretary Morton's action is based on a recent decision of Mr. Olney, then attorney general, regarding the class of seed purchasable by the department. The latter held in effect that the secretary of agriculture was empowered to purchase only those seeds described in section 572 of the Revised Statutes, viz: Rare and uncommon to the country, or such as can be made more profitable by frequent changes from one part of our own country to another. Under this official construction all bids for furnishing eed were submitted. The change is officially estimated to involve a saving of about \$200,000 a year. The force now at work numbers about a dozen, though at the height of the season in

the spring and early summer it frequently reaches several hundred. WILL REDUCE THE COAL CAPACITY. Secretary Herbert Decides Important

Details for New Battle Ships. WASHINGTON, July 26 .- Secretary Herbert has settled the last point that remained to be adjusted in the designs for the two new battle ships by ordering that the extra hundred tons required for the machinery of the ships be proved by reducing the coal capacity from 1,490 to 1,200 tons. The outarranged, the different bureaus of the navy department will immediately begin the pre-paration of the full specifications on which olds are to be invited for the construction of vessels. It is probable that the advertisements will not issue before the 1st of January next, but this will not delay the construction of the ships, owing to the fact that congress as yet has not made appropria-

Decided Against Hoover WASHINGTON, July 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-Acting Secretary of the Interior Revnoids today denied the application of Charles Hoover for a survey of an island in the Loup river in sections 25 and 26, township 17, north, range 4, west, Nebraska. The island embraces about twenty acres and is within the limits of the former Pawnee Indian reservation. The application was referred to the commissioner of Indian affairs for an opinion. He approved the application may expect the second of the commissioner of Indian affairs for an opinion. He approved the application ment three letters, but had received no reads.

the auditor of the treasury for the State and of Librarian Spofford concerning the receipts of his office from copyright sources since October, 1893. Several weeks will be guired to complete the examination of his accounts to ascertain whether his figures agree with those of the Treasury department, For some years past the receipts of the gov ernment on account of copyrights have aver-

aged \$40,000 a year. Hanged for Killing His Daughter. WASHINGTON, July 26.—Joseph A. Beam was hanged at the United States jail here shipping in Cuban waters. The exports to at 11 o'clock this morning for the murder of his stepdaughter, Mrs. Annie Leaby, last December. Beam had confessed his guilt and expressed repentance. Beam and his wife had separated, and when he called to see her December 22, 1894, his stepdaughter ordered him away. He shot her dead and then surrendered himself.

Atlanta Sails for Key West. WASHINGTON, July 26.-The United States steamship Atlanta, which is engaged in looking after fillbusterers, salled yesterday evening from Havana for Key West. The Detroit has sailed from Chin Kiang for

POLICE KILL A DESPERATE MAN. Died at the End of a Battle Lasting Nearly an Hour. HOBOKEN, N. J., July 26.—After a battle

of three-quarters of an hour, during which he arrest him last night, John Spellisy of Union Hill was killed in his own house. Spellisy was 43 years old and one of the most desperate men in this section of New Jersey. Yeswife, and Roundsman O'Brien, Sergeant Kreuger and Pairolman Bail of the police found the doors of his house locked against them, and when they broke down the obstructions they were greeted with three bullets. For half an hour the officers and Spellisy exchanged shots. Then the three rushed in upon the desperate man from different direc Spellisy started toward one of the officers, firing again, but suddenly sank to the floor, bleeding from the neck, but still clutching his revolver, and died a few minutes later.

Twelve Killed in a Wreck. PARIS, July 26 .- A train crowded with pilgrims returning from the shrine of St. Dauray was wrecked near the town of St. Bru-cuou today. Twelve persons were killed and twenty-five injured.

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France Given to Understand the Waller Records Must Be Produced.

SUPPOSED REASON FOR THEIR REFUSAL

Documents Contain Letters from Waller Making Charges Against the Soldiers, Which France Does Not Desire to Make Public.

WASHINGTON, July 26 .- The officials of the State department are at present anxiously Eustis as to the manner in which the sec ond demand for the record of the Waller court martial, which was held in Tamatave had been received by France. It is now learned definitely that the French government refused to furnish the record upon make it very difficult to distinguish the and pressing demand for all the papers. The nes of jurisdiction between the British and department is informed by Mr. Eustis that this demand has been presented.

There has been quite sufficient time for a reply, but none has been received. The ourse of the French in their refusal to supply a record is considered most unusual, and es no explanation was vouchsafed, the de partment is at a loss to know upon what grounds it was based. The supposition I gaining ground that France's refusal to furnish the record is due to a desire not give publicity to revelations made in the letters from Waller which were intercepted by the French authorities concerning nisconduct of some of the French sol

In letters which have been received her from Waller during the past few days he reveals the fact that in his letters to his wife he informed her of various outrages committed upon the native women of Tamatave, and gives such a circumstantial as count of these proceedings as to reflect on the French soldiery in Madagascar in a way which the French authorities might not de sire to see published to the world.

There is good reason for believing that in case of a second refusal by France to supply the record a third demand will be made more peremptory. The State depart-ment authorities consider the case as one of importance, because liable to develop some very delicate and intricate questions it shall be finally disposed of. It is that Secretary Gresham took this view of t, and it is believed that while he has not had occasion to go into detail his successor, Mr. Olney, also feels that it is matter of gravity.

TAKING AN INTEREST IN WALLER Governor of Kansas Urges the De-

partment to Take Prompt Action. TOPEKA, July 26.-Governor Morrill has addressed a letter to President Cleveland again calling attention of the federal govern ment to the imprisonment of John L. Walle line designs for the ships having now been by the French government. He says: "The people of our state feel that a great out rage has been perpetrated upon one of its citizens. It is not a question of race or color—it is a question of American citizenship, and through me the people of our state ask you to take immediate and active measurements. ures to secure justice to our fellow citizen. It is reported through the press that France has denied a respectful request on the part of the representative of the United States government at Paris to visit Mr. Waller, and for a copy of the charges upon which he is alleged to have been convicted. Our people cannot believe that France has been guilty of this discourtesy after a courteous request on the part of our government for an inter-view with Mr. Waller so that his case be

reply.

Will Not Draw the Color Line. COLUMBUS, O., July 26 .- J. H. Milliken, director general of the Grand Army of the WASHINGTON, July 26.-Mr. Helcomb, Republic arrangements at Louisville, says in er today to Grand Army of the Republic men here that all statements regarding the proposed drawing of a color line at the national encampment against negro ex-soldiers are absolutely false.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

W. H. Gates of Deadwood, S. D., is at the Dr. T. E. Stark and wife of Arlington are guests of the Merchants. George Hocknell, banker of McCook, Neb.

s registered at the Paxton. Miss Kittle Wilkins, the "horse Bruneau Valley, Idaho, is at the Mercer. Comptroller Olsen returned yesterday from the vacation which he spent at Lake Wash-

J. F. Gibson, division superintendent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road, is at he Paxton Congressmen J. B. Strode, W. E. Anderson and George D. Meiklejohn and Hon, E. K. Valentine registered last evening at the Mil-

At the Mercer: Charles Lacey Plumb, Chicago; J. White, Chicago; O. M. Clement, Chicago; James Dee and wife, Dubuque; C. er, Dubuque; James Sobotker, Chicago; H. Fertry, Chicago; Miss Kittie Wilkins, Breneau Valley, Idaho; George A. Field, Rapid City, S. D.; A. M. Hirsch, Kansas City, Mo.; C. L. Anderson, Atkinson, Neb.; A. E. Brown, Chicago; R. N. Barber, Lincoln; H. H. Wallace, Tekamah; B. F. Day, Chicago of three-quarters of an hour, during which he stood off three officers who were trying to Portland; I. H. Allen, Philadelphia; Charles

Nebraskans at the Hotels. At the Arcade-George Hoffman, Scrib-ner; D. J. Hawley, Maurice; James Marsh, Beatrice, and W. C. McCool, Salem. At the Millard—J. B. Strode, Lincoln; W. E. Andrews, Hastings; George D. Meikle-john, Fullerton, and E. K. Valentine, West Point.

At the Merchants—A. W. Atkins, Sidney; L. W. Osborn, Blair; F. S. Rust, Chadron; George E. McDonald and C. W. Hedges, Lincoln.

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At the Paxton—G. W. Fox, Lexington; George Harkweil, McCook; J. Bratt, North Platte; J. A. Lyons, South Bend, and C. W. Cockreil, Lincoln.

At the Dellone—E. Frook, Nebraska City; J. H. Haldeman, Weeping Water; A. Crawford, Seward; A. R. Allen, Bradshaw; Ed Zaymann, York; A. Aimas, Lincoln; A. Rowan, Ord, and N. J. Phelps, Lincoln. At the Barker—Colonel Frank P. Ireland, Nebraska City; B. W. Kyle, Arlington; C. H. Armstrong, Pender; H. S. Bartruff, Lin-coln; William R. Cahill, Kearney; Ry Henney, Fremont; C. E. Crest, Arlington; John Brennan, Arlington; A. J. Bates, Wy-

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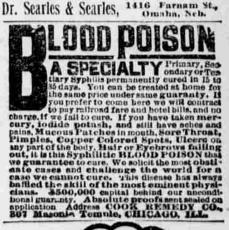
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By order of the board of directors, made this 22nd day of July, 1895.

H. P. GATES, President, P. L. METCALF, Secretary, Jy-21-m.e.S-20-t.

OFFICE CONSTRUCTING QUARTER-IRRIGATION BOND SALE.

OFFICE CONSTRUCTING QUARTER-MASTER.—OMAHA, Neb., July 2, 1825.—Scaled proposals, in triplicate, subject to the usual conditions, will be received here until 12 m., central standard time, Wednesday, July 31, 1825, at which time and place they will be opened in the presence of bidders, for constructing walks and gravel roads at Fort Crook, Neb. Government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Plans and specifications can be seen, and all information obtained on application here. Envelopes contrining proposals should be marked "Proposals for fas the case may be.") and addressed to CHARLES F. HUM-PHREY, Major and Qr. Mr.

One plat milk, two eggs, one tablespoonful

sugar, one cupful flour, one teaspoonful Royal Baking Powder, one cupful cream, pinch sait. Sift flour, sait, and powder together, add to it eggs beaten with sugar and diluted with milk and cream, mix into thin batter; have small round frying-pan, melt little butter in it, pour about half a cupful batter in it, turn pan round, that the batter may cover the pan, put on hot fire; turn it and brown other side; powdered sugar.

out clean. Geneva Griddle Cakes. 1½ pints flour, 4 tablespoonfuls sugar, ½ teaspoonful salt, 1½ teaspoonfuls Royal Bak-

1 at a time. Sift flour, salt and powder to-gether; add to butter, etc., with milk and

only a few eggs are used, beat them until | raspberry jam over them! then bake more, which lay on others already done. Repeat this until you have used jam twice, then bake another batch, which use to cover you can take a spoonful up clear from strings. To ascertain whether a cake is baked enough, this until you have pass a small knife-blade through it; if not bake another batch, done enough, some of the unbaked dough will them. Sift sugar plentifully over be found sticking to it; if done, it will come place in a moderate oven to finish cooking. Scotch Pancakes.

One plat milk, two tablespoonfuls butter, four eggs, two-thirds cupful flour, one tea-spoonful Royal Baking Powder, pinch sait. Sift flour, salt, and powder together, add milk, on hot fire; turn it and brown other side; ing powder, 2 tablespoonfuls butter, 4 eggs. Sift flour, salt, and powder together, add milk, butter each and roll it up. Sprinkle with nearly ½ pint milk. Rub to white, light eggs, and butter melted, mix into thin batter; powdered sugar. ter melted in it; pour in one-half cupful bat-ter, turn pan round to cover it with the An earthen basin is best for beating eggs or cake mixture. Cake should be beaten with a wooden speen. It is well in making cakes; as soon as brown turn, and brown tire right up; spread each with marmalade or cake to best the butter and powdered sugar to a light cresm. In common cakes, when fast as browned, lay them on it, and spread sugar. jelly, roll up, serve with silced lemon and PHREY, Major and Qr. Mr.