PROSPECTIVE BIDDER ASKS FOR TIME

Desired to Familiarize Himself with Conditions at Penitent by Before Submitting His Formal Proposition for Consideration.

LINCOLN, Aug. 26 .- (Special.)-The Board of Public Lands and Buildings held two meetmeeting held this morning three blds were before the board, presented by Al Beemer, Allen Buckstaff and W. D. Williman. There was also a letter from L. H. Lawton, in which he set out that sufficient time had not been given by the board for proper investigation of existing conditions at the penitentiary, and also that the subcontracts with the parties now carrying on business in the prison made with W. H. Dorgan should be made known to all bidders. As Mr. Dorgan did not have copies of these documents in his pocket an adjournment was taken until 2 p. At that time the subcontractors sent in duplicates of these contracts and Mr. Lawton held a long interview in the private office of Land Commissioner Russell. He asked for thirty days' time in which to make an investigation of the prison. The board granted him until next Saturday and adjourned. None of the bids were opened today. It is evident that no compliance with any of the requests of Governor Holcomb made in an open letter published Sunday will be entertained by the board. The prinson contract will be relet until the meeting of the next legislature.

Land Commissioner Russell said that no contract would be let which permitted the contractor to charge the state for any idle labor which it might wish to employ. That must be furnished the state gratuitously If a contractor had, say 100 convicts, for which he received a specified amount per capits per day from the state, and fifty of these men should have an idle day, the state under the new contract which will be made will have the right to set these convicts to work cleaning up the prison grounds without being obliged to pay anything extra. Under the contract with Durgan as high as \$1 a day has been paid for the use of prisoners by the state in addition to the 40 cents per day

CONSULTED ON THE POLICE CASE. The supreme court met today in the con-sultation room and took up the Omaha fire and police commission case. The full beach, Chief Justice Norvai and Justices Post and Harrison, were present. The court ordered all the briefs and papers in the case to be filed and the case docketed. Chief Just ce Norval said that there would be no oral argument, as the case was submitted on briefs. Nothing definitely can be learned as to when an opinion will be handed down, but it is

not expected until some time in October. Frank H. Collier, the eccentric Chicago lawyer, was a visitor today at the state house. He was accompanied by his young son. Last night Mr. Collier visited the Lincoln Hospital for the Insane and was enter tained over night by Superintendent Abbott The Chicago attorney says he visits all asylums available, and when he should comacross a case similar to his own he propose to get the patient out in short order and at no cost to the patient. Mr. Collier visited the governor's office and seated himself at desk. A party of seven men walked in and Collier addressed them as follows:

"Well, gentlemen, I am the governor's pri vate secretary. What can I do for you?" 'We would like passes to the penitentiary, replied the spokesman of the party.
"Give me you names," said Collier, and he proceeded to write them down on a scratch

"By the way," he continued, "what's your polities, populists?"
"No, sir," declared the spokesman,

Coilier, tearing up the list of names. After removing all the various bouquets from the desks of the lady clerks and pinning them on his coat. Mr. Collier left on the 2:15 train for Omaha, accompanied by the little boy, a number of boxes and baskets and two young pups, which he had pur-chased at Lincoln park.

Governor Holcomb has been requested by Secretary Tom Richardson of the western states conference to send twenty-five delegates to Topeka October 1 to participate in the meeting of that body at that city. The object of the gathering is to arrange for the reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic. The J. K. Street Sewer company of South Omaha filed articles of incorporation today.

The capital stock is \$3,300.

The attention of Governor Holcomb was today directed to the first paper in the United States to nominate him for president of the United States. It is the Investigator, pub lished at Kalama, Cowlitz county, Wash. The paper names Hon. Thomas E. Watson of Georgia for a running mate as vice

Omaha people in Lincoln: At the Lindell-H. T. Leavitt. At the Lincoln-Frank Irvine, John T. Burke, E. O. Mayfield.

Think the Thief Was Frightened. FREMONT, Aug. 26 .- (Special.) -- Friday night Peter Miller, a farmer living about six miles north of town, lost thirty-two hogs from his pasture under circumstances which led him to believe they had been stolen. Not being able to get any trace of them, he came to town and secured the services of an officer. While here he met a man who has a very tough reputation and whom he suspected of being the thief. The suspect inquired of Miller about his lost hogs. Miller told him he had nothing to do with the hogs and that the case was in the hands of the law. The suspect didn't think that the right way to hunt hogs, and went home as soon as he conveniently could. About 1 o'clock Sunday morning the hogs came back. They were tracked back to near the farm occupied by the suspected character.

Burt County Sunday Schools. LYONS, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special.)-The county Sunday school convention held at Craig last week shows that Burt county is taking an active part in this work. The number of children in the county between 5 100 yards ahead. and 21 is 4,403; Of this number 2,445 are in the different Sunday schools of the county. Number of families represented, 532, and number of parents attending, 299. The Swedish Baptist school of Oakland is the largest having 230 enrolled, and Lyons Methodist school next, having 160. There have been eight or ten new Sunday schools organized this year in the county. The amount contributed during the hard times last year was only \$29 less than the previous year.

Wedding Anniversary Celebrated. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special Telegram.) George Metsinger, sr., and wife celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary at their farm, several miles weat of here, yesterday, and the festivities were participated in by over 200 relatives and friends. All of the children, seven sons and one daughter, were ent, together with sixty grand children fifteen great grand children. Mr. figer is 83 years of age and is one of Ap fifteen great

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the county's earliest settlers and most re-

Suicide of a Nebraska Farmer. SCRIBNER, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special.) Yesterday Scribner and vicinity were shocked to a great extent when the news that Johann Shults, living about four miles west of town had committed sufcide by hanging. Mr. Shultz was a hard working farmer and for a number of years has lived in this vicinity.

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No cause for suicide has been given, but it is generally admitted that he became discouraged in that he was unable to pay his rent. He leaves a large family and a wife.

At the inquest Mrs. John Schultz was sworn and testified that her husband had threatened his life for over a month, and he avoided self-destruction only for the sake of his large family of small children.

The jury returned a verifier of suicide.

The jury returned a verdict of suicide. POPULIST JUDICIAL CONVENTION. Fifteenth District Delegates Meet a

O'NEILIs, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-The populist judicial convention for the Fifteenth district was held in this city today. E. L. Heath of Sheridan county was made chairman and W. R. Butler of Holt secretary. The convention then adjourned until 2 o'clock, and the delegates went to a ings today, but did not let the prison con- grove in the southern part of the city, where tract. On the contrary, the board adjourned a free dinner was served to all who until next Saturday at 2 p. m. At the first attended. Senator Allen promised to attend and speak, and the meeting was duly advertised, but only a small crowd was present The several candidates for judge made speeches, and it was 4 o'clock before the con-

ention was again called to order. Resolutions were then adopted censuring the present judges for their dilatory prac-tices. An informal ballot was taken for two candidates for district judge and resulted as follows: Westover of Sheridan, 44; Murphy of Holt, 48; Ricker of Dawes, 19; Golden of Holt, 13; Leer of Keya Paha, 3. A formal ballot was then taken and resulted: Westover, 45; Murphy, 39; Golden, 34; Ricker, 19, Westover and Golden were declared the nominees of the convention. The nomination of Golden was a great surprise even to that gentleman himself. When the populist county convention was held here a week ago Murphy and Golden appeared before the convention as candidates for district judge, both wanting the delegation. The delegation was given to Murphy, and in the convention today Golden was nominated without receiving a vote from his own county. He was a democrat and a candidate for the registership of the land office in this city until a year ago, when an

other man received the appointment. Golden then joined the populist party.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—The populist county convention for Clay county met Saturday. It was a very quiet and orderly gathering, but lacking in the enthusiasm which formerly characterized these gatherings. Resolutions were adopted, in which they pinned their faith and hope to the free and unlimited 16 to 1 theory, and unanimously favored the nomination of Hon. Samuel Maxwell for judge of the supreme court. Delegates were elected to the state and judicial conventions and the convention

ST. PAUL, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Special.)-The dependent county convention conventd Saturday afternoon and was called to order by Peter Ebbesen, chairman of the county cen tral committee. After organizing and ap-pointing committees the convention pro-ceeded to select ten delegates to each of the state and judicial conventions, as follows: State: L. B. Klingensmith, J. W. Frseman, N. O. Nelson, Ole Nelson, R. M. Saihny, Chris Mortensen, R. Frandsen, Olof Nelson, Charles Grammar and F. H. Bennett

Judicial; N. Nielsen, William Alexander, Thomas Smith, Peter Ebbesen, Frank G. Clark, C. M. Petersen, W. E. Freeman, J. F. Dodd, E. H. Sorensen and J. S. Hood. The committee on resolutions reported resolutions in favor of the Omsha platform, con-demning Cleveland and his administration, whacking it to the majority of the last legslature for favoring corporate monopoly and legislation against the interests of the people, declaring in favor of free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, and declared against fusion. Every precinct was represented, and nearly all the delegates present were harmonious in every The convention adjourned to Sep ember 28 for nomination of county officers, OSCEOLA, Neb., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—The independents of this county held their con-vention on Saturday to elect delegates to the state and judicial conventions. Every pre-cinct in the county had full delegations and the convention was harmonious. They re affirmed the Omaha platform. They failed to nominate county officers and agreed to have primary election to bring cut the candidates and will have another convention in the near future. The following named gentlemen will represent them in the state convention: R. W. Inness, H. H. Hewett, J. C. Rahe, I. J. Merrick, Matt O'Brien, C. H. Dake, Peter Hanson, D. C. Burns, J. H. Coleman, Victor B. Gilbert; judicial, J. K. Williams, O. Palmer, H. C. Miller, R. A. Scitt, J. W. Crozler, C. R. Clark, William Welch, L. K. McGaw, H. R. Hardy, John Tongue, Erickson, W. H. Hessman and J. W. These latter delegates go uninstructed but the state delegates were instructed to vote for Samuel Maxwell for supreme judge.

FREMONT, Aug. 25.—(Special.)—The populist county convention was called to order by Chairman Martin at 2 p. m. C. S. Fowler was chosen temporary chairman and Hugh Robertson temporary secretary. There were thiry-seven delegates present. object of the gathering is to arrange for the Inter-American exposition at Galveston in Maple. Cumming and Webster townships were honor of the completion of the jettles at Galveston and the securing of deep water at that point. The delegates will be named at an early day. Governor Holcomb went to the state convention of the National Guard and the encampment of the National Guard and the renease of the Grand Away of the Republic, and Fred Howe. Judical convention. G. G. and Fred Howe. Judicial convention: G. G. Martin, C. S. Fowler, F. D. Bell, Eph Johnson, F. D. Hunter, Alex Plom, C. M. Black and Henry Bay. The delegation is thought to be in favor of G. G. Martin for district judge. Martin, however, says he is not a cardidate. There was considerable discussion of the control of the sion on the question of nominating a county ticket now or leaving the question with the county committee. The middle of the road men were in the majority and decided to nominate a ticket

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., Aug. 26,-(Special Telegram.)—At a citizens' mass meeting held here this afternoon an independent county, ticket was nominated for the coming cam-paign. Several bitter speeches were made denouncing the alleged corruption in state politics and advocating the nomination of a third ticket as the only means of improving the situation.

TRAIN ROBBERS' TRIAL POSTPONED. State Will Make an Effort to Convict

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Aug. 26.-(S:e cial Telegram.)-The trial of the two alleged train robbers was postponed today on the request of the state. It has been decided by Marshal White to allow the state to try them first, and the preliminary hearing will occur in Judge Ray's court tomorrow morning.
The man Ostrander was turned loose yeaterday, as the authorities failed to collect sufficient evidence to hold him. Some of the officers are inclined to think now the but two men did the job and that the Knudsens had no help. The only thing that breeks down this theory is the fact that t e heid ight was shot out from in front, and the man doing the shooting must have been at least

Insurance Agent Decamps.

of a third man has been found.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Spic'al.)-W. H. Hamlin, an in urance agent of this city, has very unceremoniously left the place and also his bride of but a few weeks. An investigation reveals the fact that he tock along with him \$150 of one of the insurance company's money for which he was agent and now his bon'ismen will have to make good the shortage. Hamilin also left several small bills about town unpaid. No reisin can be aurmised for his atrange actions, unless it be that he, being of a shiftless disposition and addicted to drink, tired of his surrounding

Two Suits Analust the Rock Island. LINCOLN, Aug. 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-Two damage suits in the district court were begun today against the Rock Island Railroad company for \$5,000 spiece. Bertha road company for \$3,900 apiece. Bertha Zarnecke says her husband was killed in the wreck on the Rock Island a year ago through no fault of his own. He was earning \$2,900 a year, and she is left without means of support, with three small children to care for. Webster Eaton, administrator of the entate of J. R. Mathews, killed in the same wreck brings suit against the road for

same wreck, brings suit against the road for Worked by Smooth Artists. TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Special.)-

but map given, but the prizes have failed to ma- ALL WHO FOUGHT INVITED

FATAL FEUD AMONG FARMERS Man Stabbed to Death While Attending Church.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-The town of Bobtown, in the northern part of this county, was thrown into exitement last night just after the services at the church were concluded. A brutal murder was committed at that hour. Two young son of well-to-do farmers had let a slight feud lead them into mortal combat. The par-ticipants in the affair were William Tate, the 29-year-old son of L. Tate, and Archibald Cathcart, the IS-year-old son of Joseph Cath-cart, all the parties residing in the com-

Young Tate was desirons of putting an end to the quarreling that had been going on between his young neighbors and himself for ome time, and he, with his associates, fol-owed Catheart to the church with that end in view. After the services were concluded and as Catheart came out of the church Tate advanced upon him and slapped him in the face. Catheart threw off his coat and started for his antagonist, when Tate produced a large pocket knife from his pocket and struck Cathcart with such force in the left side that a rib was cut squarely in two. The lung was also penetrated. Withdrawing the knife from Cathcart's breast he struck him with it again, this time in the stomach, cut-ting a fearful gash in his bowels. Catheart

lived but a short time. The murderer mounted a horse and escaped and at a late hour tonight is still at large, although the sheriff and a posse of indignant citizens have been scouring the vicinity allay. Coroner Rob held an inquest over the victim tonight and charged Tate with the deed. Archibald Cathcart was generally well thought of by his neighbors, and was an upright, industrious young man, while William Tate is spoken of as being of a quarrelsome

North Loup Brevitles.

NORTH LOUP, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special.)-Early, Ia., a graduate of the Iowa State university, as principal of the city schools. The subordinate teachers employed are Miss Sena Dodds, intermediate, and Miss Myra Babcock, primary. The public initiation of a candidate into the

horrors of Masonry, as seen by Mrs. Lease, was performed under the auspices of the women of the Eastern Star at the town hall on Saturday evening before a crowded house. Fun and hilarity were the leading features of the occasion, which was pronounced a grand

Elder B. Clement delivered the closing lecture of a series on the "Fulfillment of Prophecy" at the Baptist church on Saturday evening, his last lecture treating chiefly of the book of Revelations and its relation to he events of present times. Rev. James Hurley has just received a

pressing invitation to return to the missionary field, which he recently visited in South Dakota, and the matter has been laid before the members of the Baptist church here, of which he is pastor, for considera-

ASHLAND, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Spec'al.)-L.

W. Martin, an under sheriff of Saunders county, died at Wahoo last night with disease of the spine. He was an old and faith-Mrs. Jessie Moon of this city has gone to Valparaiso to visit her daughter, Mrs. Mor-

The state fish authorities seized three large seines that have been in the possession of Jake Simmons for a few weeks past. For some time the authorities have been awars that seining fish and shipping them by the wagen load had been going on and watches have been placed along Salt creek but the fisherman seemed to watch all strangers and it has been hard to catch the seiners in the act. Fish are seined here and caught by the wagon loads and shipped to the inland towns and sold for a good price

Captured a Horse Thief. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Special Telegram.)-Constable Newkirk of Alvo arrived in the city this morning in charge of a young farm hand named John Knox, arrested at Alvo yesterday on the charge of horse stealing. Knox appropriated two horses from a pasture, but was arrested soon after the commission of the theft. The man shows symptoms of insanity, and is either acting part or is crazy. He will have a preliminary

Max Nonek Known at Shelton. SHELTON, Neb., Aug. 26 .- (Special Telegram.)-Max Neack, who figured as the principal in the murder and suicide at Sioux City yesterday morning, was the son of a German farmer living north of this place, and was well known here. He had not been at home much the past few years on ac count of not being able to get along with his father. Nothing is known here of the woman, or of Noack having a wife.

Demise of W. F. Martin of Wahoo. WAHOO, Neb., Aug. 26.—(Special.)-Deput; Sheriff W. F. Martin died of consumption a his home in this city this morning. The deceased was 42 years old, and leaves a wife and three children. He has been a sufferer for several years from a complication of all ments, but was able to do his regular work until about five months ago. Funeral serv-ices will be held at the Methodist church to-

morrow afternoon. Elmwood Votes Water Works. ELMWOOD, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Special Telegram.)-Today's special election resulted in a large majority for an issue of water bonds to the amount of \$3,000. The village board will immediately advertise for bids on the construction of the works and disposal of the

Death of a Gothenburg Pioneer. GOTHENBURG, Neb., Aug. 26.-(Special.) -William Fisher died Friday, aged 73 years. of heart trouble. The funeral services were held at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday. William Pisher was born at Lecadale England. He settled with his father in Al-William Pisher was birn at Lechdale, legheny county, New York, when 7 years old

LOCAL BREVITIES.

State fair managers will be in conference at the Millard today, Pive carloads of tea from Shanghai, China, were received at the Omaha custom house

H. D. Allen has a permit for the erection of a two-story frame residence at 1334 South Thirteenth street, at a cost of \$2,500. Superintendent of Schools Pearse has called his first principals' meeting, which will be held in the city hall Friday afternoon. The city schools will open Tuesday, September 3. Monday is Labor day and the opening is consequently postponed for one

At any rate no other trice day, A marriage license has been issued to George T. Paterbough and Miss Maggie J. Millray of Omaha and South Omaha, respectively.

Members of the Thurston Rifles and the

Omaha Gaards left for Camp Logan yesterday afternoon, where they will take part in the state encampment. Judge Ambrose, after hearing arguments the McGrew-Golding Injunction suit, took

it under advisement. This is the case of the dispute between two physicians. The women of the Walnut Mathodist Episcopal church will hold an ice cream social this evening on the lawn of Mr. Ryan, at Fortieth and Hamilton streets. A majority of the members of the Board of Education preferred to sit on their front plazzas and keep cool last night. Conse-

the adjourned meeting which was

scheduled was again adjourned for lack of Contractor Raymond expected to complet the last span of the Sixteenth street viaduct yesterday. It will take another day to give the finishing touches to the job and clean up the The structure will be open for traffic

Wednesday. The Women's Christian Temperance unlos convention of Douglas county will be held at Hanscom park next Thursday, August 29. It will be in the nature of a picnic, conven-ing at 10 o'clock a. m., sharp. Local unions are urged to send delegates.

A goodly portion of this county has been worked by a brace of smooth soap agents during the past few days. These agents would sell their unsuspecting victim about 25 cents worth of soap for \$1, agreeing to deliver a prize to the purchaser a few days later in the shape of some choice bits of chinaware. The dollar would invariably be paid, the

Program for the Dedication of the Chickamanga National Military Park.

PLANS TO ACCOMMODATE A LARGE CROWD

Exercises Begin at Snodgrass Hill at Noon, September 19, and Last for Two Days-Names of the Orntors.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 26 .- Secretary Lamont today issued an order outlining the official program for the dedicatory services of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military park. It is as follows:

"WAR DEPARTMENT, Aug. 26, 1895,-Pursuant to the act of congress approved December 15, 1894, the national dedication of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military park will take place on the 19th and 29th of September, proxime. The veterans, those who have been invited, and the public will assemble at Snodgrass Hill, on the battlefield of Chickamauga. At noon, September 19, orations will be delivered by General John M. Palmer of Illinois and General John B. Gordon of Georgia. The exercises on the 20th will begin at noon in the city of Chattanooga. Orations will be delivered by General William Bates of Tennessee and General Charles H. Grosvenor of Ohio. The evenings of both days will be devoted to meetings of the veterans of the armies participating in the two battles. The complete program in detail will be hereafter announced. A water proof tent, covering seals for 10,000 people, will be erected in Chattanooga for the meet-The school board of this place has engaged Participation in these exercises has been rethe services of Prof. Walter Hirons, of quested of the president, of congress, of the supreme court and of the heads of executive departments, and invitations to be present have been sent to the governors of the and their staffs. Like invitations are hereby extended to the surviviors of the several armies that were engaged in the battles of Chickamanga and Chattanooga. It is obviously practically impossible for the secretary of war to issue individual invita-tions. The act does not make provisions for transportation, quarters or entertainment. In view of the large attendance which now seems assured it is suggested that all who expect to be present make immediate ar-rangements for quarters. These can be secured through the Chattanooga citizens committee. General J. S. Fuller, chairman of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National park committee, is designated as grand marshal of ceremonies, and will appoint such marshals and assistants as may be required. General Fullerton is also charged with the preparation for the dedication and the procurement and distribution of such supplies and services as may All proper accounts for the expenditures will be paid by the disbursing clerk of the War department, but before pay out all must be examined and approved

by General Fuller.
"The band and one battalion of the Sixth infantry, the band and one battalion of the Third artillery, all under command of the lieutenant colonel of the Third artillery, will encamp on the field at Chickamauga about September 1, preximo, and remain until after the ceremonies. The troops will be used in pre-serving order in the park and in the protection of public property.
"DANIEL S. LAMONT.

Secretary of War." WILL WAS LOST TWENTY YEARS of a Document Witnessed by Grant and Sherman.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 .- The will of the late Joseph Holt, who was judge advocate general of the United States army during the war, was filed today. The instrument was witnessed twenty years ago by Generals Grant and Sherman and Mrs. Sherman. The estate, valued at about \$150,000, is left to Lizzie Hynes, a niece, and Josephine Throck-morton, a grandchild. Mr. Holt was a Ken-tuckian, but for twenty-five years lived in this city. He died here several months ago. but left no will so far as the most diligent search could discover. Arrangements were made accordingly for its division among his nearest relatives. This morning the register of wills received in the mails a letter containing an old, faded and partially burned sheet f paper, which on examination purported to be an old will of Judge Holt's.

There was no communication accompanying the paper to show the sender or the motive for transmitting it to the register. Judge Hol left between \$200,000 and \$300,000. One will was found, but it bore on its back a written revocation.

The property went into the hands of two rust companies as administrator for distribu tion to the legal liens. These were W. D. Holt, J. W. Helt and W. G. Sterrett, the we'll known Texas newspaper correspondent. Josephine Holt Throckmonton is a daughter of Major Throckmorton, U. S. A. ried and lives in New York. Miss Hynes is also living.

The executor of the will thus strangely found is Mr. Devlin, a clerk in the War de partment, who was the confidential secretary of Judge Holt when the will was written He has identified the writing. About \$9,000 of the estate has been distributed to the heirs at law.

LIBRARIAN SPOFFORD EXPLAINS Had Not Been Withholding Govern-

ment Moneys for His Private Use. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.-Librarian Spof ford, in view of the various conflicting state ments regarding the sum of \$22,400 paid by alm into the treasury last week, was asked today what the amount really represented He replied that it was approximately the amount due the treasury on balance of copy right and salary accounts, as he found is An unfavorable and wholly wrong construct tion, he said, had been placed upon it as representing a large deficit, whereas it was actually a balance between two accounts, the salary account due the librarian for several months' disbursements and an account due the government for several copyright fees These accounts had remained unsettled, although constant payments had been made by 1894 and 1895 of copyright reclipts amounting to over \$55,000, besides the \$22,400 now deposited. He emphatically denied the alle-gations that the recent payment was to make good any wrongful withholding of money due the government. On the contrary, the whole matter involved a balancing of delayed accounts which his accumulated labors, con-stantly growing, had too long po tp ned. All copyright receipts had been entered daily with dates, sources and amounts, whether small or large, duly noted and he (Spifford) hell himself responsible for the same.

Signed a Peace Agreement. WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 - Minister Thomp son has telegraphed the State department from Rio that a perile settlement has been signed between the federal government of Brazil and the Rio Grende do Sul revolutionists. These revolutionists were the rem-nant of the band which followed the dead Admiral de Gama in his fight to overthrow the present government of Brazil. rebellion was practically at an end De Gama and some of his followers fied to the province of Rio Grande do Sut and gave renewed strength to a revolution which had been started there some time before.

Burned Some Official Waste Paper. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 .- A fire in the waste paper room in the Treasury building this afternoon brought out the fire depart ment of the city and caused some excitement, but no further damage was caused than the destruction of a little waste paper.

Premature by Two Months. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.-Regarding the statement that the Nicaragua canal report had been made and received in Nicaragua, it was said at the State department today that there would be no report made before No-

Denby Making No Reports. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 .- Minister Denby has not yet advised the State department concerning the present situation in China Acting Secretary Adee said today that the minister was not the kind of man to report

what he intended to do, or to report progress at certain stages of business he has in hand, but he would be more likely to report an accepted fact. He has no doubt that the was doing all that it was possible

for him to do.

Officially Supposed to He Drowned. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.-Minister Strobel, in a dispatch to the Department of State from Santiago, July 26, transmits a communication from the ministry of marine of Chili-reporting particulars of the disappearance and supposed drowning of Captain Ernest St. Leger of the American vessel Edward Kid-der and three of the crew of the American vessel W. W. Crapo, viz: Otto Devriea, Dutch, aged 25 years; Larkensen, Norwegian, aged 25 years, and Edward Onopu, aged 19 years. The men were fishing in the rough shoals of the Punta de Pichaio and the governor of Tarapaca made an official report Chili expressing the opinion that they ha been shipwrecked and drowned, all trace of hem having been lost. The report also me lous a current report that the seamen nam may have been murdered by the captain, an

says telegrams were sent notifyla along the coast to be on the watch. Status of Contested Election Cases. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.-Clerk Kerr has pened and sent to the printer the testimony in the contested election case of Coleman against Buck for one of the seats from Louistana in the next house of represe. This is the last of the contests in w testimony will be printed before the conver ng of congress. There are four cases, Thoma D. Belknap against McGann, Illinois; Beatt against Price, Louisiana; Mitchell agains Walsh, New York, and Campbell agains New York, and Campbell against Miner, New York, in which all the testimor has not yet been received. In all of these cases a part or all of the testimony was taken after the time prescribed. This make it obligatory upon the clerk to refuse to order the printing of the testimony and to refer the whole matter in each case to the house elec-tions committee. There are twenty-sevecases in which the testimony will be printed besides the four in which it will not be

New Railroad for Nicoragua. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 .- Mr. Thomas O'Hara, United States consul at San Juan del ment of the current report there that money

Norte, Nicaragua, informs the State departhas been subscribed for the building of Rama. The road will be 102 miles long and will open up a fertile section. Mr. O'Hara also says there is much talk of the establishment of telegraphic and telephone lines be tween Bluefields and Rama.

Waller's Version of Story on the Way WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.-Ambassade Eustis has wired the State department that Newton B. Eustis, second secretary, and Mr. Alexander, counsel of the embassy, have reurned from Clairvaux, where they took lown a full statement from ex-Consul Waller of his trial and conviction by the French mil-itary court at Tamatave. The statement will be forwarded to Washington as soon as pos-

News for the Army. WASHINGTON, Aug. 26,-(Special Tele gram.)-Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Mc

Kenzie, engineer corps, is detailed as membe of light house board, vice Major Henry M. Adams, engineer's corps, hereby relieved Lieutenant Colonel John S. Billings, deput surgeon general, is granted leave to includ September 30; First Lieutenant Arthur Johnson, Seventeenth infantry, two months. Olympia Will Become a Flagship.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 .- When the Olympia reaches the Asiatic station she will ecome the flagship. Admiral Carpenter has expressed a desire to have the Baltimore remain, but as the sea time of the officers and men has about expired she has been ordered to return to San Francisco.

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