cember 14, 1895, nearly six weeks after the NEW RATES ON LIVE STOCK work was required to be finished and work was required to be finished and wrinted. When inquiry was made of Deputy Auditor Roe as to what services they could have performed after the report had been printed, he said he "supposed they had proof reading to do," though just what "proof" would remain to be read after the report had been printed and sent out to the members elect to the Twenty aight general members elect to the Twenty-sixth general

The commission got together occasionally to compare their work, seldom or never failing to put in a bill for traveling expenses, though some, if not all of them, had free transportation.

The commission undertook to change the hour on the basis of six hours for a work, but the executive council could not see it that way and refused to allow more than \$10 per day for each calendar day, though it afterwards compromised on what It called a 'daily average,' by which about one-half of the additional claims were

audited and paid. When the week was finished it was found each of the commissioners had about \$3,650 for his services, with the full allowance for clerk hire. It is also understood that all of the commissioners except Mr. Stone have certificates for "back pay." based on the extra hours, aggregating \$2,000 or more, which will be presented to the legislature in due time. If these claims are allowed, it will bring the entire cost of the commission up to \$21,000, fully three times as much as was paid for the same work

When the printing bill is addedd and the additional expense yet necessary before the work is fully completed, is counted in, the aggregate cost to the people will hardly fall under \$100,000, and if a special session finally becomes necessary, will nearly double that

TOUCHING UNEARNED LAND GRANTS.

Litigation in the Federal Court to Protect Government Interests. In accordance with an order from Judge Caldwell of the federal court, yesterday, two

two peptitions in equity were filed by Assistant United States Attorney Rush, wherein the Union Pacific and others and the Sioux City & Pacific and others are defendants. The petitions, under instructions from the attorney general, were prepared almost a year ago and are filed after his approval of

The suits in volve several hundred persons who have purchased lands of the two railroad companies mentioned. The subpoenas will be given to the marshal today and service secured as rapidly as possible. Similar action is contemplated against the Burlington Similar

and holders of land titles eminating from that

company. The litigation is of little significance and there is only a remote possibility of the cases being brought to trial in their present form. The actions are merely precautionary measures to protect the interests of the government in the general movement begun to declare all unearned land grants or those fraudulently patented to various railroads forfeited. The limit in which the government was privileged to prosecute such actions was about to expire in the cases mentioned and a special measure applicable to the subject has been rushed through both houses of con-gress and only awaits the president's signa-ture to become law. It extends the period of action five years. In the meantime those

bona fide titles have nothing to ear if they can estiblish that fact.
DENVER, Colo., Feb. 24.—United States District Attorney H. V. Johnson today filed a suit in the United States court against the Union Pacific Railroad company and about 2,000 persons holding lands under titles obtained from that company, asking for the cancellation of patents to about 1,960 000 acres. or the payment to the United States of \$2,000,000. The land comprises portions of the business section of Denver, Greeley, Fort Collins and Loveland and ranches in Weld, Boulder, Larimer, Jefferson and Arapahoe counties. It is alleged that the lands in question should have been exempted from the original patents, as they were already subject claims under the homestead and pre-

THEY EXPECT TO REORGANIZE. Real Estate Owners and Dealers Have

A Meeting.
A second meeting of real estate agents and owners, who have in view the reorganization of the Real Estate exchange, was held at the Commercial club rooms yester-

A committee on reorganization, comprising W. G. Shriver, W. H. Crary and G. H. Payne, was appointed and another meeting will be held at the call of this committee.

The discussion of yesterday followed a lunch. Speeches were made by ex-Governor Saunders, Christian Hartman, A. P. Tukey and others. They declared that there was no cause for Omaha people to act as if were muffled drums marching to a omaha real estate and home property he increased of late, and there was every in-dication that the bottom was reached some time ago and that an ascent was well be-

THEY SOFTENED IT FOR CORY. Police Commission Allows the Ser-

geant to Resign. The fire and police commissioners last night placed a cushion between Sergeant Cory and the hard spot on which they made him fall a week ago. Then they dismissed him from the police force. Last night they allowed him to resign, which he did, and the resignation, to take effect March 2, was

Officers Meals and Wilber were on th carpet for having loitered in a saloon while on duty, but the charges were dismissed. ctive Dunn was granted a ten days' Driver Michael Cavanaugh, twentyone days, and Pipeman Ira Loomis, twenty

A license was granted John Maitry for Fourteenth and Webster, and Wollstein & Co. were granted permission 402 North Sixteenth street. granted permission to remove to



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many phys ical ills which vanish before proper ef-forts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts— rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual dis-ease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrop of Figs, prompt ly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness, without debilitating the rgans on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its bene effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co, only, and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, then laxa-tives or other remedies are not needed. If afflioted with any actua! disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, hen one should have the best, and with the well-informed overywhere. Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely

dand gives most general satisfaction.

Governor Holcomb Writes the Board of Transportation Concerning the Matter.

COMPLAINTS OF SHIPPERS NUMEROUS

Comparison of Freight Bills Show that Charges Have Increased Heavily Since the First of the Year.

LINCOLN Feb 24 - (Special.) - Governor Holcomb does not seem disposed to let the matter of the alleged advance in freight rates on cattle drop, as was recently suggested by the Roard of Transportation in a communication relative to the complaint of Mr. Dick Woodruff. Other complaints have come to the governor, and today he sent the following letter to the board:

following letter to the board:

A short time since I received a communication from Mr. Dick Woodruff, a farmer and stock raiser and shipper of Custer county, complaining of an alleged advance of freight rates on live stock shipped to South Omaha of nearly 25 per cent over the rates as charged prior to January 1, 1896. This communication was referred to your board and an answer made by one of the secretaries giving the methods or basis of making charges for the kind of shipments referred to as existing prior to January 1, and since that date, and arriving at the conclusion "from the above basis of figuring no advance in rates have been made between said points by the change unless it might be on heavy cattle." This letter was given to the press as a matter of news of public interest and called forth a number of comto the press as a matter of news of pinterest and called forth a number of interest and called forth a number of com-plaints of a similar nature, each one claim-ing that there had been a considerable in-crease in the rates charged for the kind of shipments referred to. Mr. Woodruff, in a second communication to me, says in sub-stance that the number of pounds given as the capacity of the car upon which the charge per pound per carload is made is not more than three-fourths of the weight of a carload of fat cattle, or, in other words, the capacity of a car is underesti-mated.

not more than three-fourths of the weight of a carload of fat cattle, or, in other words, the capacity of a car is underestimated.

I am also in receipt of a similar communication from a stockman and shipper residing at Ogalalla, making complaint of a similar nature and illustrating by actual shipments from that place and by comparison of the rates existing prior to January 1 with those now applying, that an advance of \$13.40 per car had been made. My attention has also been called to a communication in The Omaha Bee from another shipper at Ogalalla, and also to resolutions passed by the Burt County Farmers' institute, each, in substance, making similar complaints. This subject is of much importance to the farmers and stock raisers of this state, and, from the nature of the information which I have received, it would appear, prima facia at least, that a material advance in the rates of shipments of live stock between different points in this state has been made by the adoption of the rates now in force.

As I understand it, there is no contention upon the part of the railroad company that the rates existing prior to January I were unreasonably low, or that a fair and just compensation was not received for services performed. In fact, I am informed that it is contended by those representing the companies that there has been no advance in the rates, and for that reason there exist no just grounds of complaint. I assume, therefore, that if there is any serious dispute, it relates only to the question of fact as to whether the new rates for shipments of the character mentioned are in advance in the rates, and for that makes for shipments of the character mentioned are in advance of the character mentioned are in advance of the character for your board, under the statutes, to make a complete investigation as to the merits of the complaints within the state comprises a very considerable part of the volume of freight transportation carried on within the state. An increase, therefore, even if slight, affects very serio

These complaints may be summarized as follows:
That the rates existing prior to January I, 1896, were based on carload lots at a specified rate per car.
That such rates so charged were as high or higher than required to yield a compensation for the services performed that would be just and reasonable to the carriers of such freight.
That, by the adoption of the schedule of rates now in force for the shipment of carload lots, made upon a basis of a certain price per pound for the number of peunds actually and ordinarily shipped, an advance

load lots, made upon a basis of a certain price per pound for the number of pounds actually and ordinarily shipped, an advance over the old rate of from 15 to 25 per cent is made; and.

That such rates so established are unjust and unreasonable.

A short time ago I called the attention of the freight department of the Union Pacific Railway company to these complaints, requesting information as to the alleged increase in the rates now applying. To this request I have received no reply, which perhaps might be construed as an admission of the justness of the complaints referred to. This subject being of such general interest, and affecting the business of all Nebraska farmers, stock raisers and shippers, I am under the impression that it is a proper subject of inquiry without the necessity of a formal complaint being filed by any individual in one particular case. If, however, it is desired by the board that a formal complaint be filed as a basis for an inquiry, I doubt not that either of the gentlemen making these informal complaints would readily file charges.

I enclose herewith copies of all communications received at this department relating to this matter.

to this matter.

Trusting that your honorable board may be able to make an early and thorough investigation of these complaints in order that equal and exact justice may be done to all interested, I am, very truly yours, SILAS A. HOLCOMB, Governor.

NEBRASKA CLUB INCORPORATED. Articles of incorporation of the Nebraska were today filed with the secretary of state. The principal office of the enterpris is located at Omaha. The object of this association, as developed by the context of the articles, is the crystallization of the ex isting sentiment in favor of keeping the state of Nebraska to the front and to in crease the present population by 1,000,000 citizens by the year 1900. The capital stock is placed at \$200,000, in shares of \$1 each, with the privilege of doing business when 5,000 shares shall have been paid up club can incur no greater amount of indebted-ness than the amount in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. The board of di-rectors consists of not less than fifteen mem bers, one to each county having an organized incorporators are J. E. Smith, Ross L. Hammond, O. C. Holmes, Cliuton N. Powell, Charles E. Williamson, Eli A. Barnes Until the first annual election the following comprises the board of directors: Samue Rees, C. N. Powell, C. S. Hayward, A. Hospe jr., O. C. Holmes, Omaha; G. H. Clark, C. H. Morrill, C. J. Ernet, Lincoln; Ress L. Hammond, Fremont; B. W. Wolverton Pierce; J. E. Smith, Bestrice; George Schwesser, David City; W. T. Pruitt, Arapahee; W. H. Lanning, Hastings; S. B. Thompson, Broken Bow; S. C. Bassett, Gibbon; J. A. Fort, North Platte; E. A. Barnes, Grand Island; Joseph Oberfelder, Sidney, C. E. Burnham, Tilden; J. A. Price, Albion; Clar-ence Selah, O'Neill; W. F. Lucas, Creighton;

Charles S. Coney, Stanton; Joseph A. Hays Central City. No one county is entitled to elect more than five members of the board of directors.
Articles of incorporation of the Anthony

Hope Loan and Trust company, Omaha, were also filed. The corporation is allowed by the terms of the articles to transact business in Chicago, Peoria, Denver and other cities. The capital stock is \$265,000 and the incorporators are C. E. Anthony, Clifford M. Anthony and George W. Curtiss.

At the governor's office requisition papers were issued for George Smith, charged with grave robbing in Douglas county. On night of February 20 he is said to On the broken into the grave of and removed to body of Jacob Helin, Smith is now unde arrest in Polk county, Iowa, and Detective Cox has been appointed agent to return bir to Omeha. Requisition papers were als issued for Frank Smickle. He is accused of the erime of hurgiary in Brown county, this state, and is now under arrest in Gregory county, South Dakota. William R. Day was

MART HOWE AND HIS CHARGES. Mart Howe, ex-adjutant of the Grand Is Soldiers' home, has had an interviwith Land Commissioner Russell, one of the members of the Board of Public Lands and uildings. So far he has not filed any harges with the board. Commissioner Rus-ell seid today tent be had advised Howe to Bulldings. file them with Governor Holcomb. Mr. Russell intimated that the greater portion of

both Wilson and Howe being appointers of the executive. Secretary of State Piper, another member of this board, seems to share the same views. From all that could be learned it would seem that the board will leave the whole business to be settled by Governor Holcomb on the 10th of March at Grand Island.

At the governor's office this afternoon Colonel J. C. Baird, Judge advacate general of Wyoming, was a caller. He appears for the state of Wyoming in the extradition case. against W. A. Merchant of this city the Wyoming authorities Merchant is charged with cattle stealing. Of this charge he claims to be innocent. His sole offense, he avers, was the placing of a herd of Wyoming cattle, which had wandered over the Ne-braska line, in the pauad. Tomorrow morning the hearing will take place at the gov-

Omaha people in Lincoln: At the Lindell
—M. Meyer, W. A. Sheldon, Leo M. Franklin, Miss Jones, At the Lincoln—A. J. Lunt,
Miss M. Brown, A. M. Jeffrey, F. Despecher.

GOLD MINES ON MANY FARMS, Crude Methods Produce Startling Re-

sults Near Pleasant Dale. PLEASANT DALE, Neb., Feb. 24.-(Special.)-The gold excitement at this place still continues. Experiments are being made every week with excellent results. A farmer south of here arranged a sluice and washed out about fifteen loads of dirt and sand. The waste was run into Middle creek. The sluice and it was not well made, and it is hard to fifteen loads of sand. However, about \$22 worth of gold was obtained as the result of the experiment, and about one-half a bushel of black sand was secured, which has not been tested yet. It is thought that quite a large amount of the gold was washed over. Wednesday ten farmers from here and several from Milford hauled twenty-five loads of dirt and sand to Milford and arranged a sluice to wash cut the gold. The city water was used. The waste was to run into the river about a quarter of a mile above the mill. Two or three loads of dirt were washed and everything went along very smoothly until the proprietor of the mill saw that the dirt that was being washed down was working havoc with his mill wheel. The mill man ordered them to stop washing and told them that he could not run his mill if they kept on running their dirt down into the river. The gold men did not like to stop, as several of the men had hauled their sand water to make the test, but the trate miller, who is a man who will measure more than six feet in his stockings, told them in such emphatic tones to stop that they stopped. Saturday the work was finished and the Saturday the work was finished and the waste was run off in another place. Engineer Bartlett said that there was at least \$50 worth of pure gold in the black sand that was obtained when the work was finished Saturday. He says that they did not save more than one-half of the gold in the dirt. All of the black sand has not been retorted and the formal the same than one-half of the gold in the dirt. and therefore it cannot be learned positively just how much gold there is in the soil. The people are jubilant over the result.

NEW PHASE OF AN OLD CASE Alien Land Law Will Figure in North

Platte Litigation.
NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special Telegram.)-Today W. M. Hinman filed information with the county attorney and suit was begun in the district court here against the North Platte Land and Water company under the alien land ownership law. This con pany has general offices at Topeka, Kan., and a branch office at Denver, Colo., and owns what is known as the old North Platte canal. This is the oldest irrigation ditch in Nebraska. The company also owns several irrigation canals in Colorado, one being located at IHR and another at Lamar. The Denver office of the company is run by the recreary, H. J. P g , who s in this cit to ay, The old North Platte canal, with land owned is probably worth \$250,000, and a mortgage of \$156,000 is known to exist on the property. Should this valuable property escheat to the state, it would probably be worth \$100,000 above incumbrances. This suit grows ou of the irrigation litigation over the organization of the Suburban irrigation district. The North Platte Canal Water company opposed the organization of this district.

Plattsmouth Women Entertained. PLATTSMOUTH, Feb. 24 .- (Special.) - Saturday evening occurred one of the most successful social events of the season, in th guise of a surprise banquet given to the Woman's club by the husbands and friends of the members. The program of the evening was "Art," under the leadership of Mrs. O. H. Snyder. It was in full session when o. H. Shyder. It was in full session when there filed into the room thirty-six phantomlike figures, whose resemblance to the su-pernatural ceased where their comical recitations of "Mother Goose Melodies" began. After proving beyond a doubt that their education in the care of children on club nights had not been neglected, these Knights of the Nursery defied their sheets and pilow cases and escorted the women to the Hotel Riley, where a splendid banquet was spread. Covers were laid for eighty-one guests, who marched to their respective to the delightful strains of the Man lolin club. Mrs. C. F. Stoughtenborough president of the club, presided at the ban

Mrs. S. H. Atwood and Mrs. C. F. Stoughtenborough gave a joint reception between the hours of 2 and 5 yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Atwood, in honor of Mrs Towne, president of the Omaha Woman's club, and Mrs. Keysor, leader of the art department of that club. Over 100 invita-tions were issued to the affair. The house was elaborately decorated with flowers representing the colors of the cup. Miss Lil-lian Kauble rendered several selections on the violin, while Miss Kitty Cummins presided at the piano. Mrs. Towne addresse the party on "The Woman's Club," whi Mrs. Keysor entertained them at length on "Art in Homes." Refreshments

were served Friday night the young men of this city entertained their female friends in a re-turn leap year dance at Waterman's hall. At 12 o'clock the entire party repaired to Hotel Riley, where a sumptuous banquet

was partaken of. Deaths of a Day in Nebraska. ELGIN, Neb., Feb. 24.-(Special.)-J. B locper, an old settler, aged 72 years, died Saturday, leaving two daughters. The remains were interred at Neligh cemetery. DAVID CITY, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special.)—
Mrs. W. B. Thorpe died this morning from
the result of a surgical operation. The patient was doing well until yesterday, when
she was taken worse. The family have resided in Butler county for the past fifteen
years, and has an extensive acquaintance in
this and Seward counties where they this and Seward counties, where they formerly resided, Mr. Thorpe being county easurer for eight years. BRADSHAW, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special.)

John Meeker died here yesterday. He had lived in York county for eleven years, com-ing here from DeKalb, Ill. He leaves an aged wife and five children. The funeral services will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church at 10 o'clock Tuesday. Jack Rabbit Chase in Nebraska.

DAVENPORT, Neb., Feb. 24.-(Special.)good eized crowd of sports engaged in rabbit chase here Friday. The bunt was east of town and was participated in by Mezars. Ed C. Smith, John Donivan, Ir., R. D. Berry, Charles Donivan, L. M. Smith, Judge Woodson and Gene McAllister of St. Joseph and Frans.
Shumaker of Maryville, Mo., who came out on a special car from St. Joseph. The Davenport and Shickley boys were out in Davenport and Shickley boys were out in lodge and showed his appreciation by an eloquent address just before the feast. jacks' ears were taken back to Missouri as trophies of the hunt.

Keeping Gas Rates Down. HASTINGS, Feb. 24,-(Special Telegram.) The city council this evening decided against the gas ordinance with the flat rate of \$2.25 per thousand, four members voting aye and three nay. He gas consumers and citizens generally will be in suspense for the next few days to learn whether the company will decids to shut down the plant or accept such a franchise as the council is disposed to

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts ruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores etter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, file them with Governor Holcomb. Mr. Russell intimated that the greater portion of the subject matter of the charges was no such as would worrant an investigation by Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Kuhn the Board of Public Lands and Bundungs.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Feb. 24.-(Spewonderfully developed during the next twelve months. Along the two valleys west of this city the acreage irrigated will be nearly 1897 will the the present irr gated acreage quadrupled. The South Side Ditch company has its ditch, ferty-two miles in length. ficiently completed to furnish water from the South river this spring, and the county commissioners have already arranged for water right with which to irrigate the poor farm. Many other farmers on this long line of ditch will avail themselves of water right and will try irrigation for the first time this spring.

The residents along the line of the Farm ers' and Merchants' ditch are moving in the matter of organizing an irrigation trict, and the matter is now before Board of County Commissioners. If the dis-trict is organized it will probably purchase the Farmers' and Merchants' canal. Amicable arrangements have recently been made by the company owning the ditch, whereby it is enabled to get water from the Palton & Hershey canal, and many farmers along this ditch will irrigate this spring for the

first time.

Ditch matters on the south side in the east end of the county are now at a stand-still, waiting on the decision of the courts was made by men unaccustomed to such work in regard to validity of irrigation bonds. The Goslin Ditch company has recently voted tell just how much gold there was in the \$85,000 in bonds, which will be issued and sold as soon as the United States supreme court passes on the California case, should the decision be favorable. This is also the case of the Maxwell-Brady Island district, which recently voted bonds to complete the irrigation works, but will not attempt to issue them until a decision is reached. Many farmers in these two districts had hoped to irrigate this spring, but the delay of the courts in rendering this decision has made bond selling conditional on a favorable decision.

The old ditch companies report a fair sale of new water rights this spring, and many farmers living along either side of the two rivers have built their own irrigating ditches

Lincoln county will have a large surplus of farm products next fall, regardless of rain-

BOOMING ALLISON IN NEBRASKA Letters and Circulars in Favor of the

Iowan Sent to This State. NORTH LOUP, Neb., Feb. 24.-(Special.)-Parties here are in receipt of circulars, accompanied by personal letters, setting forth the many qualifications of Senator Willlam B. Allison of Iowa as an available presidential candidate, and asking their co-operation to bring about this end. His high standing in the estimation of all parties and his almost unprecedentedly long term of public service—eight years in the house and twenty-four in the senate—are presented. while the accompanying letter respectfully asks the recipient for support and influence provided it does not interfere with the candiscey of Senator Manderson. Similar com-munications have doubtless been sent to all representatives of the rural press throughou the state. The letter closes by asking for Mr. Allison the help of Nebraska as its choice after Mr. Manderson

Young Wolf Hunter Killed. WAHOO, 1 Neb., Feb. 24.- (Spec'al.)-Thomas Biggerstaff, a young man about 17 years of age, residing in the southern part of the county, was out wolf hunting Tuesday, and in attempting to pull a shotgun out of a wagon the weapon was accidentally dis-charged and its contents tore through the muscles of one of the young man's arms above the elbow. The loss of blood which followed was too great for him, and he died this morning

Many Signs of Spring. NORTH LOUP, Neb., Feb. 24.-(Speial.)-During the remarkably fine weather of the past week, which has been more like the weather of April or May than that of winter as generally understood and expe-rienced outside of Nebraska, large numbers of bees have been observed—far away from any hive—gathering honey from the sap of the box elder trees. For this elevation

latitude, this appears to be worthy of especial note. VALLEY, Neb., Feb. 24 .- (Special Telegram.)-While atempting to board a train here this evening J. H. Loy fell under the wheels. His left foot was so badly crushed will have to be amputated. Loy was sent to Omaha for treatment. He is a painter by trade and has lived about a year. His family lives in Ohio.

Stop Smoking at Lincoln. LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 24.-The Lincoln ity council today passed William Lawler's cigarette ordinance. This ordinance prohib its the use of cigarette, cigars or tobacco by persons under 18 years of age within the ity limits.

Nebraska News Notes. Business at Elgin for the new year shows reat improvement. Schuyler has a lady barber, Miss Rath. one of South Omaha.

District court is in session at Pierce, wit large criminal docket to be disposed of. Saturday a barn owned by I. E. Doty at Divid City was burned, entailing a los Brainard schools gave an interesting re-

eption in commemoration of Washington's birthday. The ladies of the Rebekah degree lodge of Schuyler have purchased a \$400 plans for use in Odd Fellows hall.

Charles Falk of Hastings was arrested Monday and given thirty days in the city jail for stealing a watch and chain belonging to M. R. Wade. Mrs. John Hindman of Ashland while ill was given a targe dose of carbolic acid by

her husband through a mistake. Prompt at Mount Monah chapter, Order of the Eas ern Star of Fairmont, celebrated its fifth anniversary in the Masonic hall Saturday

ight. Supper was served.

The members of J. F. Reynolds post Grand Army of the Republic, of Osceola held jubilee campfire Saturday night. Several undred citizens were present. Eli Jones, a worthless character at Platti

mouth, struck little Bessie Carnes of that city a terrible blow with a club. The child was seriously injured. Jones was failed. Upon two occasions of late pouches throw from the fast mail at Schuyler have passed under the wheels of the train and been cu

destroyed. Rev. H. C. Myers and wife were in Stanton last week, visiting their son, where on Wednesday they celebrated the birthday an-niversary of Dr. Myers and the wedding unniversary of their

Sheridan post, Grand Army of the Repub lic, gave an entertainment at Schuyler Fri day evening that was of merit and was wel byterian church was the principal orator, his

subject being "Washington."

The Pythians ave a grand banquet at Petersburg Filday night. Neligh and Eigin turned out of masse and were royally entertained by the neighbors. Paster Griffin was initiated to the highest rank in that Played If Pfue on the People.

ARANSAS PASS, Texas, February 18, 1896. -(Special Correspondence.)-As predicted by your correspondent in a dispatch from Victoria some days since, the Aransas Harbor City & Improvement Co., after advertising a town lot sale to take place at Aransas Pak yesterday and today, and gathering many hundreds of people from all parts of the United States, entertained them in grand style with brass bands, barbecues, speeches and an inspection of the terminal railroad and harbor works. The company, finding themselves unable to consume the entire time in this way, allowed the auctioneer to proceed to sale, but stopped him almost abruptly, advising the bidders to purchase lets of private owners, with the explanation that they could not stand the prices which the lots were bringing, although the prices were

CORBETT ANXIOUS TO FIGHT

cial.)-Irrigation in Lincoin county will be Ready at Any Time and Willing to Go to Any Place,

doubled the coming spring and the spring of OPPORTUNITY OFFERED IN LONDON

Bolingbroke Club Offers a Parse and Expense Money, the Fight to Be Pulled Off on English Soil.

LONDON, Feb. 24.-If Robert Fitzaimfistic champion, can be prevailed upon to ranged for them here before a good club. When Fitzsimmons defeated Maher on

Mexican soil, near Langtry, Tex., on Friday last a representative of the Associated press the Montgomery and Dallas clubs, was re-was instructed to ask Manager Fleming of ferred to President Young for settlement. the National Sporting club here if that body could be induced to put up a purse for Fitzsimmons and Corbett. The reply was that Sporting club subscribe a cent for a contest in which Corbett was one of the principals, but, it was added, any other American pugilists might apply with fair prospects of ar-

fused. The fairest treatment possible will be given both men and it will be a case of 'may the best man win.'

Should Fitzsimmons refuse this offer or fail to accept it with the promptness which his well wishers desire Frank Slavin stands ready to meet Corbett before the Bolingbroke club. Slavin already has an offer in Sporting Life to meet Fitzsimmons for \$5,000 a side, the fight to come off in England, or he will bet \$5,000 that he can stop Corbett in six rounds. Under these circumstances there seems to be no obstacle in the way of bringing Fitzsimmons and Corbett together in a ring here for a fair purse. The purse a ring here for a fair purse. The purse offered is not so large as the purses offered in America, but the expenses of the pugilists will be small comparatively, so as to compensate for difference in the size of the

The replies of Fitzsimmons and Corbett are now awaited by Secretary Stevens of he Bolingbroke club.

Manager Fleming of the National Sport-ing club was urprised when informed this evening that the Bolingbroke club had offered a purse of \$8,000 for a contest between Fitz-simmons and Corbett. He said that since he had announced his determination of his club not to put up a cent for a contest in which Corbett was one of the principals, the matter had ben reconsidered and the decision reached that if Corbett will apologize to the National Sporting club for the utterances which gave so much offense to its members after the pugilist returned to the United States the club will offer a purse for a match between him and Fitzsimmons. CORBETT IS WILLING.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 24.-James J. Corbett vas shown the Associated press dispatch from London this morning, stating that the Bolingbroke club of that city vould give a purse of \$8,000, and \$500 each for expenses. for a match between himself and Fitzsim

Corbett read the dispatch carefully, and then said: "I will accept the proposition. The Associated press may state that if the ingbroke club will forward the articles of agreement to me I will sign them without

"As to the bluff made by that 'secondrater, Slavin, who has been defeated about fifty times, more or less, I shall pay no at-tention to him, as I do not deem his idle talk worthy of my notice. In fact, I will listen to no proposition from now on except one that will result in a fight between Fitzsimmons and myself. He is the man the people want me to meet, and he is the only

man I am after. "I will deposit as much money as the Bolingbroke club desires to guarantee my sincerity in this matter, and shall anxiously await some further word from the officers of that organization."

Corbett added: "Mark what I say, that man Fitzsimmons will never meet me. He is simply bluffing for the sake of the little

advertising he expects to get out of it." In reference to the London cablegram in which it was stated that the London Sporting club would offer a purse for a match between Corbett and Fitzsimmons, providng the former would apologize for his utterances concerning the club, Corbett said this evening: "If Fitzsimmons will agree to meet me before the National Sporting club, I will make ample spology to that organization, although I do not think I have ever done or said invibling for which I should applosize How ver, I am determined to leave no stone unturned in the endeavor to bring about a contest between Fitzsimmons and myself. There is one provision that I shall insist

e an American. "I stand ready to close up my show or two weeks' notice and will go into active training as soon as articles are signed for the fight. There are some people," con-tinued Corbett, "who right from the start of my career in the ring have abused me doubted that I was honest in everything that I ever said or did. These same people are the ones who are sneering at my pres-ent standing challenge to F.tzsimmons and may I will never fight. I will fight if Fitz-simmons gives me the chance. He will not accept my challenge because he wants to, but the public will force him into it eventually.

upon, and that is that the referee shall

"I don't know what Fitzsimmons' plans for the future are, but wherever he goes I will go, and he will finally have to meat me. There will be no flukes then, You can bet on that. I am not particular about money for a match. I want to beat this imitation whether there is a cent in it or not. My forfeit money of \$1,000 is up in Chicago, and it will stay up until Fitzsim-There is a whole lot of gossip in cir-

culation," continued Cortett, "about my condition. I am as good as ever I was and could get into as good condition as I was in any fight I was ever in. The yarns about my dissipation and the marks of it being left on me are all buncombe. You can see for yourself that I am looking pretty good man that will never fight Corbett does certainly look to be in good condition. His color is good, his eyes are bright and he seems to be as active as ever.

FITZSIMMONS DECLINES. NEW NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 24.—Bob Fitz-simmons and party reached the city this evening over the Southern Pacific road from El Paso and were to leave immediately for New York, but owing to the failure to se-cure sleeping berths in advance a stopover for the night was necessary. An Associated press reporter referred the effer of the Bol-ingbroke club of London to both Julian and Fitzsimmons, and both said that they could not think of the offer, as it was too small, and, beades, Corbett must first get some sort of a reputation before daring to issue a challenge, or even think of being taken on by the champion. Fitzsimmons suggested that he best Choynski, Maher and Slavin and if Corbett does well with the men he will give him a chance.

Fitzsimmons Makes a Sneak. NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 24.—Pugilist Fitzimmons had not arrived here up to 1 p. m Fitzsimmins, accompanied by Mar today. lots were bringing, although the prices were higher than they ever sold before. The Baltimore bankers have great ideas of the value of this property.

Fitzsimmons and Julian gave it out that they would remain in El Paso until Monday morning and then quietly pulled out. NATIONAL BASE BALL LEAGUE Annual Meeting to Arrange the Schedule in Progress.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The annual schedule meeting of the National Base Ball league was begun today at the Fifth Avenue hotel. The national board of arbitration, which onsists of N. E. Young of Washington, C. H. Bryne of Brooklyn, A. H. Soden of Boston and John T. Brush of Cincinnati, went into session and took up the petition of John H. Ward, ex-captain of the New York club. Ward wants to have his name erased from the reserved list of the New York club.

The national board adjourned at 2:15 after session of four hours. The entire time LONDON, Feb. 24.—If Robert Fitzsim— a session of four hours. The entire times, the new champion pugilist of the was taken up with the Ward-Freedman case world, and James J. Corbett, the former and both men were heard fully. The finding fistic champles, can be prevailed upon to is that Ward was illegally reserved for the come down to solid business a fighting place and a suitable purse can be promptly ardid not refuse to sign a contract with said club for that season, and consequently Ward is released from reservation.

The case of Elberfield, who is claimed by The national board will meet again at 7 o'clock this evening.

The regular league meeting was called to simmons and Corbett. The reply was that order immediately after the national board under no circumstances would the National had taken a recess and remained in session Sporting club subscribe a cent for a contest until 7 o'clock behind closed doors. When It adjourned the secretary stated that the entire time of the session had been taken up in the adoption of a new national agreement. The material changes made from the one in vogue are as follows:

ranging a match.

The objection to Corbett is based on the very bitter tongue lashing he gave the National Sporting club when he returned to the United States after his performance here. The members of that club claimed that they had treated Corbett with every consideration and that he repaid their kindness by abusing them to the utmost.

The Associated press representative was then notified to call upon Secretary Stevens of the Bolingbroke club and eventually placed the matter before that gentleman. After some deliberation and consultation with his organization Mr. Stevens said that the Bolingbroke club would give a purse of \$8,000 for Fitzsimmons and Corbett to compete for and that the club would also allow the contestants \$500 each for expenses.

These are, it is understood, absolutely the best terms obtainable here, and it is hoped the offer will be promptly accepted or refused. The fairest treaument possible will be considered the player in the minor clubs during the season, without notifying the club to which the player belongs. Applications for membership must be made annually, as members of any minor league.

Any club a member of any minor league

ally, as membership will cease at the end of each season.

Any club a member of any minor league a party to this agreement, who shall enterinto any negotiations to become a member or co-operate with any organization whose existence will, in any manner, co-filet with the letter and spirit of this agreement or the interests of any of the clubs operating under it, shall forthwith forfeit all rights and privileges conferred by this agreement, said forfeiture to include its membership in any association a party to this agreement and all rights or reservations of players. The penalty here imposed shall be positive and final and shall not be revoked until by the ananimous consent of the board or upon the appeal—by a three-fourths vote of the major league. This also applies to managers and players. The national board resumed its session at

7:30 tonight and took up the labor of forming a schedule for the National league clubs. There was a strong representation from the minor leagues in evidence, and it is expected that the magnates will have some trouble in satisfying the minor league players, who claim that they suffer from a number of uncalled for grievances and hardships at the hands of the major body.

During the meeting of the magnates this afternoon a session was held in an adjoining parlor of the hotel for the purpose of organizing the minor leagues. The follow-ing representatives were present: Interstate league, President C. B. Hower, Pittsburg Western league, President Ban Johnson, Com mercial Gazette, Cincinnati; Western association, President T. J. Hickey, St. Joseph Mo.; New England league, President T. H Murnan, Boston; Eastern league, President P. T. Powers, Jersey City; Pennsylvania State league, President Frank Hough, Philadelphia Inquirer; and Atlantic league, Pres ident Sam Crane, Morning Advertiser, York.
T. J. Hickey acted as chairman and Frank

Hough as secretary. The meeting adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, when a paper will be prepared in which will be set forth the grievances of the minor leagues and it will be presented to the National league tomorrow

night. The members said nothing ic importance was transacted, and that the only business considered was in reference to some of the minor leagues. The meeting of the representatives of the National league vill be resumed tomorrow morning

PWENTY-SIX MILES AN HOUR. lark and Cyclone Pete Making Great

Time on Home Trainers. The great six day bicycle race, in th show window of the Boston store, was designed, tarted promptly at 5 o'clock last evening A tremendous crowd had assembled to se start. The street was blockaded fo half a square, and the Boston store gets the credit of the most novel advertising scheme ever put on in Omaha. At the des ignated hour Rabbi Clarke and Cyclone Pete, the contestants, were in the saddle and at the given signal Referce Griswold sounded the gong, and the two racers and at the given signal Referree Griswold sounded the gong, and the two racer started on their long journey to beat the record amidst the plaudits of the people crowding the sidewalk and streets. It thirty minutes the cyclometer on Cyclome Pete's wheel registered exactly fourteer and one-half miles, with both men pumping away at an enormous rate. The crowdwas held steadfast throughout the entire hour, at the end of which both men had hour, at the end of which both men covered the almost incredible distance

twenty-six miles.
D. J. O'Brien, H. E. Fredrickson and John Hientz attended the racers and as D. J. O'Rrien, H. E. Fredrickson an John Hientz attended the racers and as sisted them to their dressing rooms after the struggle was over, it being all the polic could do to keep the big crowd from over running the store, so eager were the curious to see the men. The race will be continued throughout the week, every afternoon from 5 to 6 o'clock. The prize-solid cash—is the most attractive prize ever offered to bicycle racers in Omaha. At the request of a vast number of people, who are employed until 6 o'clock, the Boston Store management has consented to start the racing this afternoon 6 o'clock, the Boston Store management has consented to start the racing this afternoon at 5:30 instead of 5 o'clock. The riders are now familiar with their wheels and each is confident of reaching the forty-mile post this afternoon by the time the gong sounds for them to dismount. The race is truly a great one and thousands of people will be on hand to witness the sport this afternoon.

To Amend Foot Ball Rules. NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Arrangements have been completed for holding a foot ball con ference of the representatives of the big five universities of the east-Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania. The conference will be held early in March under the auspices of the University Athletic club of this city. The call will soon be issued by President Cuyler. The object is to fix up a uniform set of playing rules, which will be observed from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Last season there were two conflicting sets of rules, the Harvard-Cornell-Pennsylvania rules, and the Yale-Princeton rules. The latter were not used to any extent outside of the colleges that drafted them. It is understood that California will also be represented at the coming conference, while Pau; Dashiel of Lehigh will act in the capacity of adviser. ference of the representatives of the big of adviser.

Paid Dan Stunrt His Money. EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 24.—The citizens' committee paid over to W. K. Wheelock, for Dan Stuart, the balance of the money El Paso offered for the fight. Wheelock, whis still here settling up Dan Stuart's affair believes that next winter Fitzshamons as Corbett will be brought logether at the place, or, rather, across the river in Juare Mexico. As the Maher-Fitzshamons fighten demonstrated to prominent Mexicans, with witnessed it, that pugilism was not near brutal as built fighting.

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowls of Hollands, Va., has to say below, will re member their own experience ender I ke discussion of the same their own experience and I ke discussion of the same their own their own their own their me in a low state of health tried numerous remedies, hone of which do me any good, until I was induced to try bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so far relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle effected a cure." For mie 25 and 50 cents per bottle by druggista

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Gentlemen: We have been giving your new washing compound, Eos, a trial and are pleased to pay that it worked to our entire satisfaction. It did not shrink the flannels or other woolen goods, and they came from the water bright and clean. It has wonderful properties for softening hard water. We regard it as a preparation of very great merit and we are pleased to endorse it for general family use, as a most necessary article, and we may say further as an all-around washing preparation it is the best we have ever used. Yours very truly, FRONTIER STEAM LAUNDRY, (Signed)

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used a preparation that can compare with

this one in washing flannels. We also note-

that it breaks the water, making it very

soft and pleasant to the hands and does

not redden or chap them. We think so favorably of it that we shall hereafter use (Signed) MODEL STEAM LAUNDRY,

Jas. Ainscow, Secy and Mgr. Gate City Steam Laundry. The Gate City Steam Laundry of 205-207 North 17th street has this to say of Kirk's

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excels every claim put forth by you for it. Very truly, (Signed) GATE CITY STEAM LAUNDRY. W. F. Pickett, Mgr.

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